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FÁILTE ROMHAIBH GO LÉIR GO DTÍ PÁIRC AN CHRÓCAIGH TRÁTHNÓNA.

I would like to welcome everybody to Croke Park this evening for our double bill of Round 4 Allianz League action which sees the Dublin hurlers take on Wexford, followed by our footballers' fixture with Donegal.

Our hurlers secured their second successive League win in very trying conditions in Carlow last Saturday. Our opponents Wexford withstood a Kilkenny comeback on Sunday to hold on for two valuable points. The Division is extremely tight with three teams on four points but a win today for either team would ensure at least a guarter-final spot. I am hopeful that Dublin can emerge with the points after an exciting game.

Our footballers staged the late, late show a fortnight ago to share the spoils with Monaghan and maintain their unbeaten record. Donegal were unlucky in losing by the minimum to Galway in Letterkenny but with just a point between seven teams after three rounds the competition is still wide open. I expect the usual close battle with the men from the North-West. but am tipping Dublin to prevail and gain two valuable points.

I want to wish our referees well this evening and thank them and their officials for their dedication to our games. With the pace of the modern game, the rule changes and with every call under intense scrutiny, the job of the referee is not an easy one. There have been various suggestions as to how we could help referees a little more and perhaps some of these suggestions could be given real consideration.

I want to thank our main sponsors AIG and all of our other partners who work closely with Dublin County Board for the promotion and

betterment of Gaelic games here. The stormy weather of the last few weeks has played havoc with our fixtures and with pitches and training schedules but hopefully things will improve as we move further into Spring. Indeed, we had our domestic championship draws this week. which as usual have thrown up some exciting fixtures and they are certainly something for everybody to look forward to.

But the bad weather has also underlined the dedication, resilience and loyalty of Dublin supporters. The worst of weather has not dampened the loyal Blue Army from getting to games and supporting our teams with the usual vocal encouragement and I look forward to hearing more of the same tonight as we enjoy two great games.

Slán agus beannacht libh go léir.

Míchéal Ó Saomhar Cathaoirleach

Dublin v Wexford 5pm

Referee: JOHNNY MURPHY (Luimneach) Standby Referee: DAVID HUGHES (Cill Chainnigh) Linesman: COLIN MURRAY (An Dún) Sideline: ADAM KINAHAN (Uibh Fhaillí)

Dublin v Donegal 7pm

Referee: MAURICE DEEGAN (Laois) Stand By Referee: JEROME HENRY (Maigh Eo) Linesman: RONAN HYNES (Ros Comáin) Sideline: ANTHONY MARRON (Muineachán)

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LEAGUE COMPETITION MOVES UP A GEAR

While bad weather forced the postponement of two games in Group A of the Allianz Hurling League Division 1 campaign, leaving two unplayed, there's less uncertainty in Group B where three of the five rounds have been completed.

Clare are the pace-setters in Group B, winning all three games and opening up a two-point lead over Kilkenny, Wexford and Dublin. If Clare beat Kilkenny, it would almost certainly be enough to guarantee them a place in the knock-out stages (the winners in Groups A and B qualify for the semi-finals, while second and third will reach the quarter-finals)

Allianz Hurling League Division 1 Group A MUNSTER CLASH THE BIG ATTRACTION

Cork v Limerick has provided four fascinating contests since Summer 2018, resulting in two wins for the Rebels, one for John Kiely's men, and one draw. Cork won twice last year (2-21 to 1-21 in the Allianz League, 1-26 to 1-19 in the Munster championship). Limerick won the 2018 All-Ireland semi-final by 3-32 to 2-31 after extra-time; earlier on the Munster 'round robin' clash ended level – Cork 1-25 to 0-28.

Both counties are currently on four points in this group, but Limerick have played one match less after their clash with Waterford was called off last Sunday.

Galway v Waterford has also been a very busy rivalry too— in fact they met twice in 2017 and 2019, with two wins apiece.

Galway won both in 2017 (Allianz League Division 1 quarter-final and All-Ireland final) while Waterford beat the Tribesmen twice last season (1-18 to 2-13 Division 1B and 1-18 to 0-19 in the semi-final). Waterford, Limerick and Cork are all on four points in this group, with the first two having played a game fewer than Kieran Kingston's men. Galway are on two points.



5 January 2020; David Keogh of Dublin during the 2020 Walsh Cup Round 3 match between Dublin and Carlow at Parnell Park in Dublin. Photo by Sam Barnes/Sportsfile

Tipperary (two games) and Westmeath (three games) are both seeking their first points in this year's League. The last competitive clash between the counties was in 2017 when Tipperary won an All-Ireland qualifier by nine points in Semple Stadium.

Feb 23rd (2.0): Cork v Limerick, Pairc UI Chaoimh; Waterford v Galway, Walsh Park; Tipperary v Westmeath, Nenagh.

Allianz Hurling League Division 1 Group B BANNER FLYING HIGH

Dublin and Wexford clashed in the Leinster championship over the last two seasons, with Wexford winning in 2018 (0-22 to 2-14) while last year's tie was drawn (Dublin 1-22 Wexford 2-19).

Played 3, Won 3; no goals conceded; points difference +27. That's the impressive start Clare have made under new manager, Brian Lohan.

Next up is a big challenge against Kilkenny, who had their unbeaten run ended by Wexford last Sunday.

Clare are seeking a third successive Allianz League victory over Kilkenny, having won by point last year and by three points in 2018. Wexford (4pts) return to Croke Park for the first time since losing to Tipperary in last year's All-Ireland semi-final to take on Dublin, who are also on four points.

Laois and Carlow have both lost their opening three Allianz League games, leaving them in relegation territory ahead of their meeting in Portlaoise on Saturday (bottom of Group A will play bottom of Group B to decide who drops down to 2A). Carlow and Laois drew in last year's League. Carlow are by far the lowest scorers in Division 1, having scored a total of 0-32 in three games.

Feb 22^{nd:} Dublin v Wexford, Croke Park, 5.0; Laois v Carlow, O'Moore Park, 7.0; Sunday: **Feb 23**rd: Kilkenny v Clare, Nowlan Park, 2.0

Allianz Hurling League Division 2A KERRY IN IMPRESSIVE PROMOTION PUSH

Having missed out on promotion last year after losing the 2A final to Westmeath, Kerry are giving themselves a great chance again this year. They have won their first three Allianz League games by an average of over eight points. A win over Wicklow on Sunday might even be enough to earn them a place in the final. Wicklow, who were promoted from 2B last year, had their first win in the higher group last weekend when they beat Mayo.

The Offaly-Antrim game was called off, leaving both with a match in hand on Kerry. Offaly travel to Castlebar to take on Mayo, who have yet to win a game in this campaign while Antrim host Meath, whom they beat by a point in last year's League.

Feb 22nd: Wicklow v Kerry, Arklow, 2.0; Feb 23rd: Antrim v Meath, Loughgiel, 12.30; Mayo v Offaly, Elverys MacHale Park, 2.0

Allianz Hurling League Division 2B BIG BATTLE EMERGING BETWEEN TOP FOUR

Kildare, Down, Derry and Roscommon are all on four points. However, Kildare and Derry have played a game less than the others. Derry beat Warwickshire by four points in last year's Allianz League. London and Warwickshire have yet to pick up a point this season.

Feb 22nd: Derry v Warwickshire, Celtic Park, 1.0; **Feb 23rd:** Kildare v Roscommon, Newbridge, 12.30; London v Down, McGovern Park, Ruislip, 2.0

Allianz Hurling League Division 3A ARMAGH AND LONGFORD REMAIN UNBEATEN

Armagh and London continue to lead the way at the top of the Allianz League Division 3A table after drawing last weekend. Both are on five points, followed by Donegal and Tyrone, who are both on four points.

Feb 23rd (2.0): Donegal v Monaghan, Letterkenny; Armagh v Louth, Athletic Grounds; Tyrone v Longford, Omagh.

Allianz Hurling League Division 3B ALL FIVE ON TWO POINTS

All five counties are on two points in Allianz League Division 3B, but that doesn't tell the whole story. Sligo have played only one game, whereas Cavan have played three. Leitrim, Lancashire and Fermanagh have each played two games.

Feb 22nd: Lancashire v Fermanagh, Abbottstown, 3.30; **Feb 23rd:** Sligo v Leitrim, Markievicz Park. 2.0.



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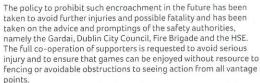
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DUBS LOOKING TO MAINTAIN UNBEATEN RUN

Big Allianz football and hurling action returns to Croke Park for a mouth-watering doubleheader tonight when Dublin's footballers and hurlers take on Donegal (7.0) and Wexford (5.0) respectively.

Allianz Football League Division 1: ALL TO PLAY FOR WITH ONE POINT SEPARATING SEVEN COUNTIES

With only one point separating seven of the eight counties after three rounds, Division 1 looks set to be competitive to the very end.

Dublin (4 pts) are the only unbeaten team as they prepare to take on Donegal (3 pts) in Croke Park. It will be the first meeting between the two counties since 2018 when Dublin won

twice, 0-20 to 0-15 in Allianz League Division 1 and by 2-15 to 0-15 in the Super 8's.

Donegal's last win over Dublin was in the 2014 All-Ireland semi-final (3-14 to 0-17). Since then they have met seven times in League and Championship, with a draw the sole source of comfort for the Ulster side among Dublin's six wins.

Galway and Tyrone (both on 4pts) meet in Tuam Stadium, having had one win each in their head-to-head over the last two League seasons. Tyrone won by 3-15 to 1-14 in Omagh last year, while Galway won by 1-9 to 0-8 in Tuam Stadium in 2018.

Kerry (3pts) and Meath (0 pts) meet in the Allianz League for the first time since 2002 when the Kingdom won by three points. Kerry beat Meath by 2-18 to 1-13 in last year's 'Super 8s'.

Mayo and Monaghan (both on 3pts) meet in the League for the sixth successive year with Mayo having won in 2015-16-18-19 while Monaghan's last success came in 2017.



8 February 2020; Seán Bugler in action against Monaghan's Karl O'Connell and goalkeeper Rory Beggan during the Allianz Football League Division 1 Round 3 match at Croke Park in Dublin. Photo by Stephen McCarthy/Sportsfile

Feb 22: Dublin v Donegal, 7.0; **Feb 23:** Sunday: Kerry v Meath, Fitzgerald Stadium 1.0; Galway v Tyrone, Tuam Stadium, 2.0; Monaghan v Mayo, Clones, 2.0.

Allianz Football League Division 2: TWO POINTS SEPARATING ALL EIGHT TEAMS IN HIGHLY COMPETITIVE DIVISION

Laois lost their unbeaten status against Cavan last weekend, which means that no county is unbeaten after three rounds. It shows how competitive the group is, with Armagh, Cavan, Westmeath all on four points, Laois and Roscommon on three points and Kildare, Fermanagh and Clare all on two points.

Armagh (+13), who are top on scoring difference, travel to Mullingar looking to put distance between themselves and Westmeath (-1), who are also going well. The counties last clashed in the League in 2018 (Division 3) when the Ulster men won by 2-17 to 1-11.

The last Allianz League clash between Cavan and Fermanagh was in 2016 when the Breffni men won a Division 2 tie by 1-12 to 0-9. Kildare and Roscommon meet in the League for the first time since 2015 when Roscommon won a Division 2 tie by six points.

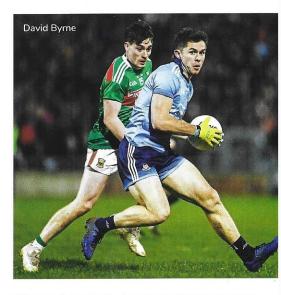
Feb 22: Fermanagh v Cavan, Enniskillen, 7.0; **Feb 23:** Clare v Laois, Ennis, 2.0; Westmeath v Armagh, TEG Cusack Park, 2.0; Kildare v Roscommon, Newbridge, 2.30

Allianz Football League Division 3: CORK & LONGFORD SHOWING THE WAY

Cork (6pts) and Longford (5pts) are the early pace setters after three rounds, followed by Derry, Down, Offaly and Tipperary, all of whom are on three points. Leitrim have one point, leaving Louth as the only county yet to secure a point so far.

Cork will bid for a fourth successive win on Saturday night when they take on Tipperary in Semple Stadium. Last year the sides met in Division 2, where Cork beat Tipperary by three points prior to both being relegated.

Down beat Longford by 3-7 to 0-8 in last year's Allianz League and will be hoping to boost their promotion chances with another win against the Leinster men. Leitrim and



Offaly last met in the League in 2015, drawing 1-16 to 2-13 in Division 4. Derry and Louth last met in the League in 2013 when Derry won a Division 2 contest.

Feb 22: Down v Longford, Newry, 7.0; Tipperary v Cork, Semple Stadium, 7.0. **Feb 23:** Derry v Louth, Owenbeg, 2.0; Leitrim v Offaly, Carrick-on-Shannon, 2.0.

Allianz Football League Division 4: TOP TWO CLASH

Limerick (6pts) will be bidding for a fourth successive win when they host Wicklow (4pts) who are ahead of Sligo, Antrim and Wexford on scoring difference, with Carlow back on two points. London and Waterford have yet to pick up a point.

Wicklow beat Limerick by 2-8 to 1-6 in last year's League, while London beat Wexford by eight points. This will be the first League clash between Sligo and Waterford for 11 years.

Carlow and Antrim didn't meet in last year's Allianz League but Turlough O'Brien's men beat the northerners by a point in 2018, a success that was crucial in their successful promotion drive to Division 3.

Feb 22: Sligo v Waterford, Markievicz Park, 2.0; **Feb 23:** Wexford v London, Chadwicks Wexford Park, 12.0; Limerick v Wicklow, Rathkeale, 2.0; Antrim v Carlow, Glenavy, 2.30.



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DUBLIN v DONEGAL: Recent meetings





2018 ALL-IRELAND QUARTER-FINAL GROUP 2 PHASE 1 - SATURDAY, JULY 14: Croke Park

DUBLIN 2-15 DONEGAL 0-16

Dublin got their 'Super 8' campaign off to winning start with room for improvement in this All-Ireland SFC quarter-final Group 2 Phase 1 victory at Croke Park.

Goals in either half from Niall Scully, scoring his first championship goals, did the real damage for Dublin but the reigning All-Ireland champions left a lot of scores behind them throughout the game.

A crowd of 53,501 were treated to a mixed bag of a game but there was some excellent scores from both sides while the high fielding of Brian Howard, who won four marks, and Brian Fenton was a feature of the game.

The Dubs did well in the kickout department with the Raheny duo having telling contributions with Howard enjoying a superb game which included two points from play, one off either foot.

"It was a great test. You could see why Donegal are Ulster champions, they are a quality side," said Dublin manager Jim Gavin.

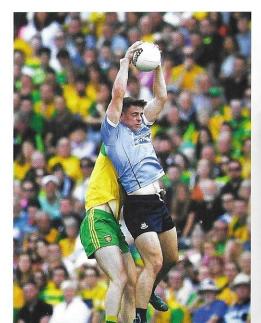
"If they took a few more scoring opportunities it might have been a different game going down the stretch, but we are satisfied and happy we got two points.

"It gives us a foundation in the group. The performance won't be good enough going forward no matter who we play, be it Roscommon or Tyrone so that gives us a lot to reflect upon.

"We will need to be putting up scores at the other end. That gives us something to reflect upon, it won't be good enough. That is, I suppose, a disappointing thing.

"We controlled the game well particularly the last 10 or 15 minutes," added Jim.

"I think the team finished it really well, the



14 July 2018; Brian Howard wins possession ahead of Eoghan Bán Gallagher. Photo Ray McManus/Sportsfile

substitutes that came on all played their part and brought something to the game and gave us a new impetus.

"I thought we closed it out very well and in this format it is all about coming away with the two points at this stage of it. To that end we are satisfied."

Cormac Costello and Paul Flynn came off the bench to make positive contributions, both getting two points from play.

Dublin opened with two Dean Rock scores (one free, one '45') inside four minutes but

trailed by the 11th minute after Donegal's Jamie Brennan, Frank McGlynn and Ryan McHugh were on target.

The Dubs elected to start Eoin Murchan, making his senior championship starting debut, to track McHugh and the young Na Fianna man did a fine job of curtailing his influence.

Dublin led 1-9 to 0-8 at the break but it should have been more as they squandered several clearcut chances.

The only goal of the opening half came in the 27th minute when Scully cut through the defence before angling back around onto his right foot and slipping the ball to the net for a vital score.

Dublin's goal remained intact at the other end but there were nervy moments with one last-ditch tackle from Michael Fitzsimons on Jamie Brennan forcing him to skew wide from close range.

Two minutes into the second half Scully found the net again after quick interplay by in Dublin attack mode.

The holders moved eight clear at one stage 2-10 to 0-8 but then missed opportunities with Brian Fenton denied by Shaun Patton while Jack McCaffrey and Con O'Callaghan were also in good positions on other occasions to put Dublin out of sight.

SCORERS - Dublin: D Rock 0-7 (0-5f, 0-1 '45'), N. Scully 2-0, B Howard, C Costello, P Flynn 0-2 each, C Kilkenny, J McCarthy 0-1 each. Donegal: M Murphy 0-6 (0-3f, 0-1 '45'), J Brennan 0-3, R McHugh, M Langan 0-2 each, F McGlynn, C Thompson, E Doherty 0-1 each.

DUBLIN: S Cluxton; E Murchan, M Fitzsimons, J Cooper; J McCarthy, C O'Sullivan, J McCaffrey; B Fenton, MD Macauley; N Scully, C O'Callaghan, B Howard; P Mannion, D Rock, C Kilkenny. Subs: C Costello for Macauley (46), K McManamin for Mannion (48), P Flynn for Howard (54), E Lowndes for McCaffrey (62), C Basquel for O'Callaghan (70).

DONEGAL: S Patton; EB Gallagher, S McMenamin, E Doherty; F McGlynn, P Brennan, P McGrath; H McFadden, M Murphy; L McLoone, R McHugh, C Thompson; M Langan, O MacNiallais, J Brennan. Subs: N McGee for

M McGrath (ht), D Ó Baoill for MacNiallais (51), C Mulligan for Thompson (53), C Ward for Doherty (57), A Thompson for P Brennan (62), S McBrearty for J Brennan (66).

REF: C Lane (Cork).

2018 FL DIVISION 1 SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10: Croke Park

DUBLIN 0-20 DONEGAL 0-15

Dublin made it three wins from three starts at the start of their FL campaign but had to show all their big game experience to edge out Donegal at GAA headquarters.

Dublin led 0-11 to 0-5 at half-time after an impressive first half showing and despite extending that advantage they had to hold off a rampant Donegal fightback as the Ulster men twice got to within a point.

It was Dublin, however, who had the final word as they sparked back to life late on to close out the game by kicking the last four points to secure victory with Paul Mannion and three subs - Eoghan O'Gara, Ciarán Reddin and Paddy Small, off his less favoured right foot, all on target.

Donegal carried the fight to Dublin early on to lead 0-2 to 0-1 with their pace and impressive support running an early portent of what was the follow in the second period.

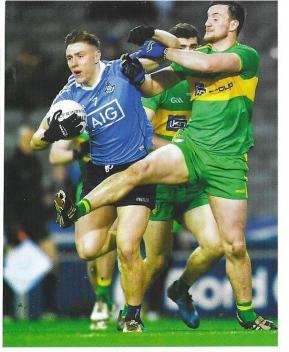
The Jim Gavin's men began to work their way into the contest, which was attended by a crowd of 21,469, with the dynamic Niall Scully kick-starting a run of five unanswered points.

Dublin also had a goal-scoring chance but Colm Basquel's effort cleared the crossbar as the young Ballyboden St Enda's man continues to impress in the early games of his senior career.

Donegal too had a goal opportunity but Jamie Brennan's effort cannoned off of an upright at the Hill 16 end as Dublin took a sixpoint lead into the break.

Immediately on the restart Brian Fenton strode through the middle of the Donegal defence before clipping a point to push his side seven clear.

But then came the Donegal comeback with the McBrearty brothers, Paddy and Stephen, central to their improvement.



10 February 2018; John Small of Dublin in action against Leo McLoone of Donegal

Paddy shot six second half point, four from play, as the Kilcar man led Dublin a merry dance in the second half and soon Donegal were only the minimum in arrears.

But two Colm Basquel points, one a free, steadied the Dubs.

Donegal came with a second surge and at one stage had Dublin pinned into their own half for a long period and but for some superb defending by Jonny Cooper in particular Dublin were in even greater trouble.

However, not for the first time Dublin's subs rose to the occasion with match-winning contributions from O'Gara, Reddin and Paddy Small, younger brother of defender John.

SCORERS - Dublin: N Scully, C Basquel (0-1f) 0-4 each, B Fenton, C Kilkenny, P Mannion (0-1f) 0-2 each, P Andrews, E Lowndes, B Howard, E O'Gara, C Reddin, P Small 0-1 each. Donegal: P McBrearty 0-7 (0-3f), R McHugh, J Brennan, S McBrearty 0-2 each, L McLoone, M McHugh 0-1 each.

DUBLIN: S Cluxton; E Lowndes, P McMahon, D Byrne; J McCarthy, J Cooper, J Small; B Fenton, MD Macauley; N Scully, C Kilkenny, B

Howard; P Mannion, P Andrews, C Basquel. **Subs:** E O'Gara for Andrews (46), C O'Sullivan for McMahon (46), D Rock for Macauley (65), C Reddin for Scully (72), P Small for Basquel (73).

DONEGAL: P Boyle; E Doherty, C Ward, E Gallagher; T McClenaghan, L McLoone, R McHugh; N Mullins, H McFadden; MMcHugh, S McBrearty, C Thompson; P McBrearty, O Mac Niallais, J Brennan. Subs: C McGonigle for Mullins (27), N O'Donnell for Thompson (43), M Murphy for Mac Niallais (55), C McGinley for M McHugh (65), M O'Reilly for S McBrearty (69), P Brennan for R McHugh (72).

REF: J McQuillan (Cavan).

2017 FL DIVISION 1 - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26: MacCumhnaill Park, Ballybofey

DONEGAL 2-5 DUBLIN 1-8

Dublin recovered from the hammerblow of conceding two goals inside a minute late in the first half to draw with Donegal in this FL Division 1 encounter in Ballybofey before an attendance of over 10,000.

The Dubs looked set to edge out their opponents before a soft free in the second minute of added time afforded Michael Murphy the opportunity to level the scoring.

In underfoot conditions that did not lend themselves to great football Donegal opened the scoring inside the first minute when midfielder Jason McGee split the posts.

However, the Ulster side did not score again for over 25 minutes when Ciarán Thompson converted a free after Dublin had scored five unanswered points.

Shane Carthy with the left from near the endline got Dublin going before Dean Rock (free), Ciarán Kilkenny, Conor McHugh and Niall Scully, following good vision by Brian Fenton, propelled their side into a 0-5 to 0-1 lead.

But Donegal concluded the half in amazing fashion with goals form Jason McGee, after Stephen Cluxton could only parry his initial effort, and Ryan McHugh to lead 2-2 to 0-5 at the break.

Four minutes into the second half Michael Murphy put Donegal four clear and Dublin needed to lift their game.

Two Dean Rock frees, following fouls on Jack McCaffrey and then Paul Flynn, cut into the deficit before Dublin put together an incisive hand-passing move that culminated with Niall Scully driving the ball to the net to see his side 1-7 to 2-3 clear.

Dean Rock saw a free come back off the upright in the 59th minute before a fine David Byrne point put Dublin two clear with eight minutes of normal time remaining.

But Donegal rallied back with frees from Thompson and Murphy to earn a share of the spoils.

SCORERS - Donegal: J McGee 1-1, R McHugh 1-0, C Thompson (0-2f), M Murphy (0-2f) 0-2 each. Dublin: N Scully 1-1, D Rock 0-3 (0-3f), S Carthy, C Kilkenny, C McHugh, D Byrne 0-1 each.

DONEGAL: MA McGinley; P McGrath, N McGee, C Ward; R McHugh, P Brennan, E Gallagher; J McGee, M Murphy; F McGlynn, M Carroll, M O'Reilly; C Thompson, E McHugh, J Brennan. Subs: H McFadden for J Brennan (40), D O'Connor for P Brennan (46), E Doherty for Carroll (57), S McBrearty for E McHugh (63),

DUBLIN: S Cluxton; P McMahon, M Fitzsimons, E Lowndes; D Daly, J McCaffrey, J Small; B Fenton, C Reddin; S B Carthy (St Vincent's), C Kilkenny, N Scully; D Rock, E O'Gara, C McHugh. **Subs:** P Flynn for Carthy (42), MD Macauley for Reddin (42), K McManamon for O'Gara (44), D Byrne for McCaffrey (57), J Whelan for McHugh (62), E Ó Conghaile for Daly (69).

REF: C Branagan (Down).



CURRENT LEAGUE TABLE POSITIONS

ALLIANZ FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIV I

	P	W	D		For	AG	Diff	Pts
1. Dublin	3	1	2	0	3-45	2-42	6	4
2. Tyrone					1-39	2-34		
3. Galway			0		5-33	3-38		4
4. Donegal					5-34	4-28	9	3
5. Monaghan					2-43	2-40		3
6. Kerry					2-47	3-44	0	3
7. Mayo					3-30	3-35	-5	3
8. Meath		0	0		3-21	5-31	-16	0

ALLIANZ FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIV 2

	P	W	D	For	AG	Diff	Pt
1. Armagh			0	2-44	1-34		
2. Cavan			0	5-35	4-37		
3. Westmeath			0	3-32	2-36		
4. Roscommon	3			3-34	2-31	6	3
5. Laois				3-36	5-34		
6. Kildare			0	2-32	0-41		2
7. Fermanagh			0	0-35	2-34	-5	2
8. Clare			0	1-26	3-27		2

ALLIANZ FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIV 3

	P	W	D	L	For	AG	Diff	Pt
1. Cork			0	0	1-51	1-30	21	6
2. Longford				0	2-40	2-29	11	Ę
3. Derry					2-33	1-33		
4. Down					1-32	0-38	-3	
5. Offaly					2-36	2-40	-4	
6. Tipperary					0-26		-4	
7. Leitrim		0			2-32	5-40	-17	į
8. Louth		0	0		4-27	2-40		(

ALLIANZ FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIV 4

ALLIANZ TOOTBALL ELAGGE DIV 4												
	P	W	D	L	For	AG	Diff	Pts				
1. Limerick			0	0	2-25	0-26	5	6				
2. Wicklow		2	0		3-35	2-27	11					
3. Sligo			0		6-34	1-40	9					
4. Antrim			0		3-38	0-38	9					
5. Wexford		2	0		4-26	4-24						
6. Carlow			0		1-26	3-26	-6					
7. Waterford		0	0		1-24	5-24	-12	0				
8. London		0	0		0-28	5-31	-18	0				

2020 Leinster Senior Championships

2020 LEINSTER SFC

FIRST ROUND:

- 1 Carlow v Offaly 9.5.2020 Bord na Mona O'Connor Park
- 2 Wexford v Wicklow 10.5.2020 Chadwicks Wexford Park
- 3 Louth v Longford 10.5.2020 TEG Cusack Park, Mullingar

QUARTER FINALS:

- 4 Carlow/Offaly v Kildare 24.5.2020 MW Hire O'Moore Park, Portlaoise
- 5 Wexford/Wicklow v Meath 23/24.5.2020
- 6 Louth/Longford v Laois 23.5.2020
- 7 Westmeath v **Dublin** Saturday, 23.5.2020 Bord na Mona O'Connor Park

SEMI FINALS:

- 8 v 7.6.2020
- **9** v 7.6.2020

FINAL

20.6.2020



8 February 2020; Evan Comerford of Dublin during the Allianz Football League Division 1 Round 3 match at Croke Park. Photo by Seb Daly/Sportsfile

2020 LEINSTER SHC

ROUND ROBIN (5 Rounds): Kilkenny, Dublin, Wexford, Laois, Galway

Round 1 (Round Robin)

- 1 Dublin v Kilkenny 10.5.2020 Parnell Park
- 2 Laois v Galway 9.5.2020 MW Hire O'Moore Park

Round 2 (Round Robin)

- **1** Kilkenny v Laois 16.5.2020 UPMC Nowlan Park
- **2** Wexford v **Dublin** 17.5.2020 Chadwicks Wexford Park

Round 3 (Round Robin)

- 1 Wexford v Galway 23.5.2020 Chadwicks Wexford Park
- **2 Dublin** v Laois 31.5.2020 Parnell Park

Round 4 (Round Robin)

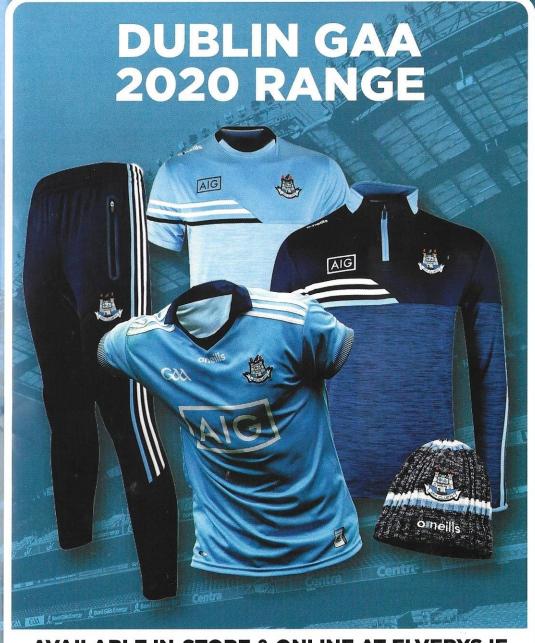
- 1 Laois v Wexford 6/7.6.2020 MW Hire O'Moore Park
- **2** Galway v Kilkenny 6/7.6.2020 Pearse Stadium Galway

Round 5 (Round Robin)

- 1 Kilkenny v Wexford 13.6.2020 UPMC Nowlan Park
- **2** Galway v **Dublin** 13.6.2020 Pearse Stadium, Salthill

Final

28.6.2020 Croke Park

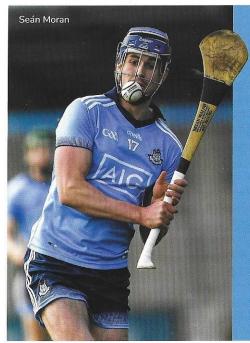


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Allianz Hurling League: Scoring Chart

Dublin have scored 4-56 and conceded 5-47 in their three HL Divisio n 1 Group B games to date (v Kilkenny, Laois, Carlow). Fourteen players have contributed to the scoring tally.

- Oisín O'Rorke 1-16 (0-13f, 0-1 '65')
- Seán Moran 0-9 (0-6f)
- David Keogh 1-4
- Rian McBride 0-6
- Eamonn Dillon 1-2
- Paul Ryan 0-5 (0-4f)
- Ronan Hayes 1-2 (0-1f)
- Chris Crummey 0-3
- Donal Burke 0-2
- John Hetherton 0-2
- Daire Gray 0-2
- Jake Malone 0-1
- Danny Sutcliffe 0-1
- Tomás Connolly 0-1

HL DIVISION 1 GROUP B ROUND 1 SUNDAY, JANUARY 26: Nowian Park, Kilkenny

KILKENNY 3-21 DUBLIN 0-18

SCORERS - Kilkenny: A Murphy 0-8 (0-6f, 0-1 '65'), B Ryan 2-0, G Aylward 1-0, P Deegan, C Fogarty, W Walsh, N Brassil 0-2 each, J Donnelly, M Keoghan, L Scanlon, M Carey, B Sheehan 0-1 each. **Dublin:** O O'Rorke 0-6 (0-4f), S Moran 0-4 (0-3f), R Hayes (0-1f), E Dillon 0-2 each, D Sutcliffe, C Crummey, R McBride, T Connolly 0-1 each.

KILKENNY: E Murphy; C Wallace, H Lawlor, C Delaney; M Cody, P Deegan, M Carey; C Fogarty, A Murphy; J Donnelly, W Walsh, R Leahy; B Ryan, G Aylward, N Brassil. Subs: M Keoghan for Aylward (45), J Maher for A Murphy (52), T

Walsh for Cody (56), B Sheehan for Ryan (60).

DUBLIN: A Nolan; P Smyth, Eoghan O'Donnell, J Madden; C Crummey, D Gray, C O'Callaghan; F Whitely, R McBride; T Connolly, D Sutcliffe, R Hayes; C Boland, O O'Rorke, E Dillon. **Subs:** S Moran for Whitely (31), M Schutte for Boland (40), L McMullan for Connolly (57), J Hetherton for McBride (65).

REF: P O'Dwyer (Carlow).

HL DIVISION 1 GROUP B ROUND 2 SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2: Parnell Park

DUBLIN 4-18 LAOIS 2-17

SCORERS – Dublin: O O'Rorke 1-7 (0-6f, 0-1 '65'), D Keogh 1-2, S Moran 0-3 (0-2f), E Dillon, R Hayes 1-0 each, D Burke, J Hetherton 0-2

each, J Malone, R McBride 0-1. **Laois:** W Dunphy 2-1, R King 0-6 (0-5f), S Bergin, C McEvoy 0-2 each, E Rowland (0-1f), J Kelly, P Purcell, J Ryan, E Gaughan, A Dunphy 0-1 each.

DUBLIN: S Brennan; P Smyth, E O'Donnell, C O'Callaghan; C Crummey, D Gray, J Madden; S Moran, J Malone; M Schutte, D Sutcliffe, D Burke; E Dillon, R Hayes, O O'Rorke. **Subs:** D Keogh for Dillon (inj, 12), J Hetherton for Schutte (inj, 31), F Whitely for Madden (47), A Dunphy for O'Callaghan (inj, 38), R McBride for Sutcliffe (inj, 60).

LAOIS: E Rowland; L Senior, P Delaney, D Hartnett; D Conway, R Mullaney, C McEvoy; J Kelly, F Fennell; R King, P Purcell, J Ryan; A Dunphy, W Dunphy, S Bergin. Subs: J Lennon for Mullaney (ht), R Broderick for Senior (57), E Gaughan for A Dunphy (57), J Keyes for Purcell (61)

REF: D Hughes (Carlow).

HL DIVISION 1 GROUP B ROUND 3 - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15: Netwatch Cullen Park, Carlow

DUBLIN 0-20 CARLOW 0-9

SCORERS – Dublin: P Ryan 0-5 (0-3f, 0-1 '65'), R McBride 0-4, O O'Rorke 0-3 (0-3f), S Moran (0-1f), D Keogh, C Crummey, D Gray 0-2 each. Carlow: M Kavanagh 0-6 (0-4f), JM Nolan 0-2, D English 0-1 (0-1f).

DUBLIN: A Nolan; P Smyth, E O'Donnell, J Madden; S Barrett, S Moran, D Gray; J Malone, C Crummey; J Hetherton, D Burke, R McBride; R Hayes, M Schutte, O Rorke. Subs: C O'Callaghan for Barrett (ht), D Keogh for Schutte (ht), P Ryan for O'Rorke (51), A O'Neill for McBride (blood 64-71), F Mac Gib for Burke (68), A Dunphy for Madden (69).

CARLOW: D Jordan; R Smithers, P Doyle, M Doyle; R Coady, D English, G Bennett; K McDonald, A Amond; J Kavanagh, P Coady, JM Nolan; C Tracey, M Kavanagh, T Joyce. Subs: S Whelan for R Coady (inj. 17), C Abbey for Jordan (inj. 48), Dean Tobin for Smithers (59), Dara Tobin for P Coady (62), T Daly for Amond (71). REF: T Walsh (Waterford).

2020 WALSH CUP SEMI-FINAL SUNDAY, JANUARY 12: Parnell Park

GALWAY 0-19 DUBLIN 0-18

SCORERS - Galway: T Haran 0-8 (0-7f), C Mannion 0-3 (0-1f), S Blehane, J Coen, D

Walsh Cup: Scoring Chart

Dublin's senior hurlers scored 5-88 and conceded 0-71 in their four games in this year's Walsh Cup (v Westmeath, Carlow, Laois, Galway). Twenty players contributed to the scoring tally.

- Oisín O'Rorke 0-25 (0-10f)
- **Donal Burke** 1-9 (0-3f)
- Eamonn Dillon 2-5
- John Hetherton 1-5
- Lorcan McMullan 0-6
- Mark Schutte 0-6
- Tomás Connolly 0-5
- Davy Keogh 0-4
- Aidan Mellett 1-1
- Cian Boland 0-3
- Mark Howard 0-3
- Fergal Whitely 0-3
- Alex O'Neill 0-3
- Paul Ryan 0-3 (0-3f)
- Chris Crummey 0-2
- Danny Sutcliffe 0-1
- Rian McBride 0-1
- Ronan Hayes 0-1
- Andrew Dunphy 0-1
- James Madden 0-1

Kilcommins 0-2 each, TJ Brennan, C Walsh 0-1 each. **Dublin:** O O'Rorke 0-10 (0-8f), E Dillon, J Hetherton 0-2 each, C Crummey, C Boland, M Howard, D Sutcliffe 0-1 each.

GALWAY: EMurphy; D Cronin, R Burke, J Grealish; J Coen, G McInerney, TJ Brennan; S Linnane, A Harte; D Kilcommins, C Mannion, T Monaghan; S Bleahane, T Haran, D Glennon. Subs: P Killeen for Cronin (ht), C Walsh for Linnane (45), R O'Meara for Monaghan (51), J Coyne for Bleahane (51), M Horan for Brennan (56), J Holland for Burke (56), Brennan for McInerney (65), Bleahane for Harnan (65), Monaghan for (66).

DUBLIN: S Brennan; C O'Callaghan, J Madden, A Dunphy; C Crummey, A O'Neill, T Connolly; C Boland, L McMullan; J Hetherton, C Derwin, M Schutte; M Howard, E Dillon, O O'Rorke. **Subs:** Enda O'Donnell for Derwin (48), S Moran for Madden (56), D Sutcliffe for Schutte (60), M Sweeney for Howard (66).

REF: P Murphy (Carlow).

WALSH CUP GROUP PHASE ROUND 1 (Rescheduled) THURSDAY, JANUARY 9: Parnell Park

DUBLIN 1-28 LAOIS 0-17

SCORERS – Dublin: J Hetherton 1-3, T Connolly, O O'Rorke (0-4f) 0-5 each, E Dillon, 0-3, F Whitely, M Howard 0-2 each, R McBride, R Hayes, A O'Neill, C Crummey, C Boland, D Burke, D Keogh, L McMullan 0-1 each. Laois: R King 0-7 (0-4f), A Bergin, A Dunphy, J Ryan 0-2 each, P Keating, S Bergin, E Rowland (0-1f), C Stapleton 0-1 each.

DUBLIN: A Nolan; A Dunphy, P Smyth, J Madden; C O'Callaghan, D Gray, J Malone; F Whitely, R McBride; R Hayes, C Boland, T Connolly; O O'Rorke, J Hetherton, E Dillon. **Subs:** C Crummey for Gray (ht), M Howard for O'Rorke (ht), K Burke for Smyth (ht), L McMullan for Whitely (ht), D Burke for Boland (ht), D Keogh for Hayes (41), P Crummey for O'Callaghan (47), O'Rorke for Dillon (47), A O'Neill for McBride (52), L Corcoran for Malone (55), Enda O'Donnell for Connolly (60), Connolly for Madden (68).

LAOIS: E Rowland; L Senior, F Flanagan, D Comerford; J Kelly, D Hartnett, R Mullaney; F Fennell, C Comerford; A Dunphy, J Keyes, J Ryan; P Keating, R King, A Bergin. Subs: P Purcell for Keyes (ht), P Delaney for Bergin (ht), C Stapleton for Mullaney (47), S Bergin for Keating (47), E Gaughan for Comerford (55), M Hennessey for Ryan (67).

REF: B Redmond (Wexford).

WALSH CUP GROUP PHASE ROUND 3 SUNDAY, JANUARY 5: Parnell Park

DUBLIN 3-20 CARLOW 0-18

SCORERS - Dublin: E Dillon 2-0, O O'Rorke 0-5 (0-4f), M Schutte 0-4, P Ryan 0-3 (0-3f), D Burke 1-0, L McMullan 0-2, A Dunphy, J Madden, D Keogh, F Whitely, A O'Neill, C Boland 0-1 each. Carlow: M Kavanagh 0-8 (0-6f, 0-1 '65'), C Nolan 0-3 (0-1f), D Byrne 0-2 (0-1 sideline), JM Nolan, D English (0-1f), P Coady, T Joyce, D Tobin 0-1 each.

DUBLIN: S Brennan; A Dunphy, L Corcoran, J Madden; P Crummey, D Gray, J Malone; F Whitely, L McMullan; D Keogh, D Burke, R Hayes; E Dillon, M Schutte, P Ryan. **Subs:** C O'Callaghan for Gray (15), O O'Rorke for Ryan (22), Gray for Dunphy (27), C Boland for Keogh (ht), C Derwin for Dillon (48), Dunphy for O'Callaghan (49), A O'Neill for



D Burke (52), Enda O'Donnell for McMullan (53), K Burke for Crummey (61), C Ryan for Schutte (64), McMullan for Hayes (68).

CARLOW: D Jordan; A Corcoran, P Doyle, R Smithers; D Byrne, D English, G Coady; R Coady, K McDonald; J Murphy, M Kavanagh, T Joyce; C Nolan, P Coady, JM Nolan. Subs: M Doyle for Smithers (ht), S Whelan for Joyce (41), E Byrne for R Coady (43), G Bennett for P Doyle (43), M Malone for G Coady (46), A Almond for P Coady (47), A Dunne for Murphy (59), C Tracey for Kavanagh (59), D Tobin for D Byrne (63).

REF: G McGrath (Wexford).

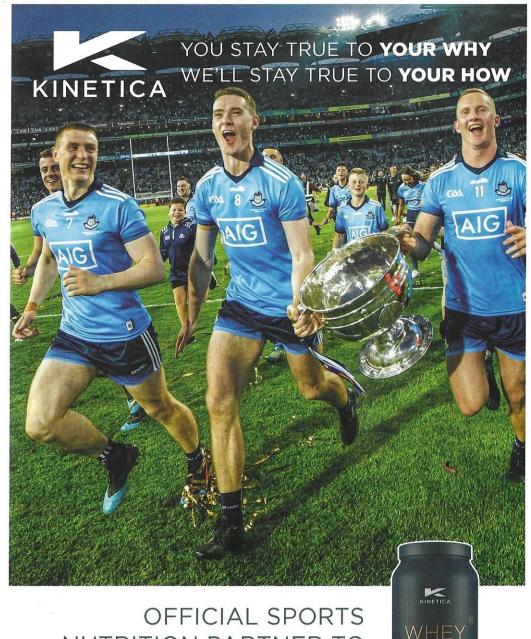
WALSH CUP GROUP PHASE ROUND 2 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15: TEG Cusack Park, Mullingar DUBLIN 1-22 WESTMEATH 0-17

SCORERS – Dublin: D Burke 0-8 (0-3f), O O'Rorke 0-5 (0-4f), A Mellett 1-1, L McMullan 0-3, D Keogh 0-2, M Schutte 0-2, A O'Neill 0-1. Westmeath: E Price 0-7, D McNicholas 0-4 (0-2f), D Clinton 0-3 (0-3f), N Mitchell 0-2, L Varley 0-1.

DUBLIN: J Treacy; J Madden, P Smyth, T Connolly; P Crummey, D Gray, J Malone; D Keogh, L McMullan; F Whitely, M Schutte, D Burke; A Mellett, R Hayes, O O'Rorke. **Subs:** A O'Neill for O'Rorke (31), S Brennan for Treacy (ht), L Corcoran for Crummey (58), E O'Donnell for Keogh (60), Crummey for Mellett (63),

WESTMEATH: A McHugh; A Cox, T Doyle, A Ennis; S Clavin, A Craig, G Greville; L Varley, E Price; J Boyle, D O'Reilly, R Greville; N Mitchell, D Clinton, J Galvin. Subs: A Clarke for Clavin (25), D McNicholas for O'Reilly (ht), J Birmingham for Craig (ht), J Gilligan for Galvin (42), S McGovern for Clinton (52), C Doyle for R Greville (58), B Doyle for Varley (59).

REF: G Quilty (Kilkenny).

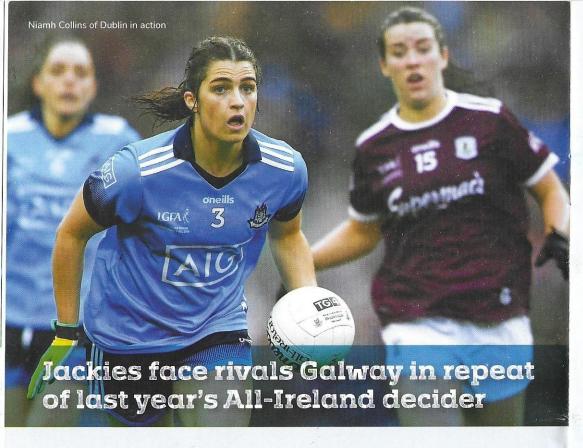


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Dublin welcome Galway to the capital tomorrow for round 4 of the Lidl Ladies NFL at Parnell Park (2.0) with Met Eireann predicting heavy rainfall DCU is on standby.

Last year the counties clashed in the All-Ireland SFC final at Croke Park as well as during the NFL in Moycullen, Galway.

A record crowd of 56,114 watched Dublin claim their third TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship in-a-row with goals from Sinéad Goldrick and Hannah O'Neill critical to their victory (2-3 to 0-4) over Galway in Croke Park last September.

Neither team mastered the very wet conditions at headquarters, but Galway closed to within three points of Dublin with seven minutes remaining, only for experienced duo Sinéad Aherne and Noelle Healy to kick the security points for Dublin.

Tim Rabbitt's side were looking to win a second All-Ireland in their history, but five first-

half wides meant they never fully threatened the Leinster champions.

The opening score didn't arrive until the 22nd minute. Sinead Aherne, Jennifer Dunne and Hannah O'Neill were all involved before Sinead Goldrick bravely gathered possession in front of the Galway goal. Simultaneously two Galway defenders collided and Sarah Lynch blocked Goldrick's shot, but it looped over the head of Lisa Murphy into the net.

Galway certainly deserved a score for all their efforts and five minutes from half-time Olivia Divilly fought hard to gather a loose ball. The ball worked its way to Conneally, who settled herself with a solo and curled over a lovely point from the right.

The half-time score of 1-0 to 0-1 in Dublin's favour was added to straight from the restart when Lyndsey Davey clipped over a point, but the scoring continued to be tough with Aherne and Róisín Leonard off target again.

A late hit on Ciara Trant earned a yellow card for Mairéad Seoighe in the 37th minute and in the 39th minute Dublin's three-in-arow dream took a step closer to reality. Niamh McEvoy's quick free sent Lyndsey Davey scuttling in along the end line and her perfectly weighted pass allowed O'Neill to palm to the net at the back post.

Without an All-Ireland since 2004 there was plenty of fight left in Galway and they scored the next three points of the game, although it took them 14 minutes to accumulate them. Tracey Leonard kicked two frees, while Róisín Leonard added her first of the game to close the gap to 2-1 to 0-4.

But as soon as Galway put one score between the teams Dublin pushed on. Aherne curled over an excellent point with five minute remaining before Healy carried the ball half the length of the field and pointed to finish the job.

In their 2019 NFL encounter goals from Dublin's Sinead Aherne and Siobhan Woods gave Dublin a 2-8 to 1-7 victory against Galway.

Dublin got off to a great start when Aherne palmed to the net after eight minutes, but Galway replied through Barbara Hannon to only trail by one at half-time.

But with Aherne and Nicole Owens in point scoring form, the closest Galway could get was one point as Mick Bohan's side finished

strongly to claim the honours.

Dublin were first out of the blocks when Aherne goaled, but Galway responded immediately with an Olivia Divilly point.

In a low scoring first-half, it was Dublin who looked the more clinical in front of goal. Firstly, a long-range effort from wing back Aoife Kane put them back into a three-point lead, which was quickly followed up by a well taken point by midfielder Jennifer Dunne.

The Galway ladies were spurred on by a large home crowd and Hannon's smart finish cut the gap to a point. Almost straight from the kick-out Divilly drove at the Dublin defence and set-up Roisin Leonard who tapped it over from close range to level the game on 26 minutes.

The final score of the half came by way of a super Nicole Owens point but Dublin were certainly the happier side at the interval as they led 1-3 to 1-2.

Aherne and Tracey Leonard exchanged frees to start the second half, but the move of the game resulted in Woods's goal after 38 minutes, which proved decisive.

Galway continued to battle hard and Roisin Leonard reduced the gap back to three points with 15 minutes remaining. But that was as good as it got for Galway as Aherne and Owens pointed Dublin towards the win as they reclaimed top spot in the table by virtue of their superior points' difference.

GREAT WIN FOR DUBLIN MINOR CAMOGIE TEAM AGAINST REBELS

The Dublin minor camogie team made a great start to their All-Ireland campaign when they had a victory (1-12 to 1-9) last year's All-Ireland champions, Cork, in the Tesco Minor 'A' clash at Bray Emmet's last weekend. FT score Dublin 1.12 Vs Cork 1.09. Next up will be Waterford away on February 29.

The Senior Camogie team will travel to Tipperary tomorrow for their second round of the Littlewoods Ireland Div 1 NL match.



The Intermediate Camogie team travel to Antrim tomorrow to play their first match of the season in the Littlewoods Ireland Div 2 NL. The refixed match against Tipperary will be on the following Saturday at the Ragg.

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Seán Ó Braonáin Cuala



Paddy Smyth

Pádraig Mac Gabhann Cluain Tarbh



Cian O'Callaghan

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Eoghan Ó Dónaill

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Chris Crummey

Críostóir Ó Cromtha Na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin



Jake Malone

Jake Ó Maoileoin Cuala



Donal Burke

Dónall de Búrca Na Fianna

Oisín O'Rorke

Oisín Ó Ruairc

Cill Mochuda Na Crócaigh



Rian McBride

Rian Mac Giolla Bhríde Naomh Uinsionn





Ronan Hayes

Rónán Ó hAodha Cill Mochuda Na Crócaigh



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- 17. Andrew Dunphy Naomh Bríd
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- 19. Fergal Whitely Cill Mochuda Na Crócaigh
- 20. Paul Ryan Baile Buadáin Naomh Éanna
- 21. Cian Boland Naomh Olibhéir Pluincéid Eoghan Ruadh
- 22. Mark Schutte Cuala
- 23. Fiontán McGibb Setanta
- 24. Paul Crummey Na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin
- 25. Alex O'Neill Na Cloigthí Cluain Dolcáin
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 - 23. Harry Kehoe Cloughbawn
 - 24. Gary Molloy Naomh Éanna 25. Conal Flood Cloughbawn
 - 26. Cathal Dunbar Naomh Éanna











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- 20. Cormac Costello Fionnbhrú Colmcille
- 21. Eric Lowndes Naomh Perearine
- 22. Dara Mullin Cill Mochuda Na Crócaigh
- 23. Cian Murphy Tomás Dáibhís
- 24. Dan O'Brien Cill Mochuda Na Crócaigh
- 25. Rory O'Carroll Cill Mochuda Na Crócaigh
- 26. Paddy Small Ciceam Baile Munna



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- 21. Eamonn Doherty Naomh Adhamhnáin
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- 24. Brendan Mc Cole Naomh Náille
- 25. Conor Morrison Naomh Adhamhnáin
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Points			
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45m			
Frees			- 69







































2020 DUBLIN CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP DRAWS







2020 DUBLIN IFC (First round games, April 15-18)

Group 1: Clann Mhuire, Round Tower Clondalkin, St Pat's Palmerstown, St Finian's Swords

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Group 3: Nh Barróg, St Pat's Donabate, Garda, Nh Fionnbarra

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LOOKING BACK TO CLASH OF COUNTIES IN 2017 ALL-IRELAND U21FC SEMI-FINAL

This evening Dublin and Donegal clash in FL Division 1 action. Just less than three years ago many of the players who are currently part of their county's senior panels faced each other in the 2017 All-Ireland U21FC semi-final. The U21 teams were managed by current senior bosses, Dublin's Dessie Farrell and Donegal's Declan Bonner. Here we look back at that U21 encounter.

2017 ALL-IRELAND U21FC SEMI-FINAL SATURDAY, APRIL 15: Breffni Park, Cavan

DUBLIN 1-13 DONEGAL 0-9

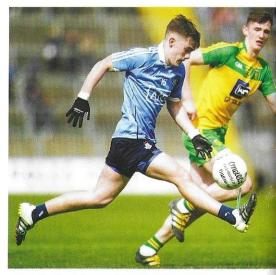
Dublin under-21s put in a superb display to overcome a highly-rated Donegal and progress to this All-Ireland U21FC final.

Dessie Farrell's side came with a tactical game that worked brilliantly as they stymied Donegal's high-paced counter-attacking game that had paid rich dividends in their successful Ulster campaign, the final of which only took place the previous Monday night.

Dublin lost Con O'Callaghan to a fourth minute black card but their work-rate and attitude ensured that they were not rocked by the loss of such a talented forward and team's co-captain while midfielder Andy Foley had to be replaced in the 23rd minute owing to injury.

The boys in blue led 0-5 to 0-2 at the interval and had shut down their opponents for the opening 24 minutes before Donegal eventually opened their account, to make it 0-4 to 0-1, with a Michael Langan free.

The Dubs were more clinical and were patient and strong in possession with players such as Brian Howard playing a real leadership role while Glenn O'Reilly kicked two first half points with Con O'Callaghan (free), before his black-card, Tom Fox and the impressive Aaron Byrne all on target.



15 April 2017; Dan O'Brien in action against Jason McGee during the EirGrid GAA Football All-Ireland U21 Championship Semi-Final match between Dublin and Donegal at Kingspan Breffni Park in Cavan. Photo by Piaras Ó Mídheach/Sportsfile

Donegal pegged the Dubs back with the first two points of the second half but crucially Dublin responded with points from Aaron Byrne, Cian Murphy and a brace of frees from Byrne to make it 0-9 to 0-4.

The energetic Darren Byrne popped up in attack to push Dublin 0-10 to 0-5 clear before the only goal of the game arrived in the 50th minute when Seán McMahon burst onto the end of a superb Dublin move to fire to the roof of the net

Chris Sallier rocked Donegal back with a monster point and Dublin were out of sight when leading 1-11 to 0-6 before Andrew McGowan gave them further space when on target.



15 April 2017; Donegal manager Declan Bonner, left, with Dublin manager Dessie Farrell after the EirGrid GAA Football All-Ireland U21 Championship Semi-Final . Photo by Piaras Ó Mídheach/Sportsfile

Donegal pressed to the finish but Dublin's defence held strong while at the other end Cian Murphy added his second score of the day.

The Dubs finished with 14 men after Tony O'Sullivan was black-carded in injury-time and Dublin couldn't replace him having used all six subs.

SCORERS - Dublin: A Byrne 0-4 (0-2f), S McMahon 1-0, G O'Reilly, C Murphy 0-2 each, C Sallier, A McGowan, D Byrne, T Fox, C O'Callaghan (0-1f) 0-1 each. Donegal: M Langan 0-4 (0-2f), N O'Donnell 0-2, M Carroll, S McBrearty, E O'Donnell 0-1 each.

DUBLIN: E Comerford; Darren Byrne, C O'Shea, E Murchan; B Howard, S McMahon, C Murphy; A Foley, D Gavin; T Fox, G O'Reilly, A Byrne; C Basquel, C O'Callaghan, D O'Brien. **Subs:** C Sallier for O'Callaghan (bc, 4), A Elliot for Foley (21), D Spillane for Fox (36), A McGowan (0-01) for O'Reilly (47), S Smith for Sallier (56), S Clayton for Basquel (59).

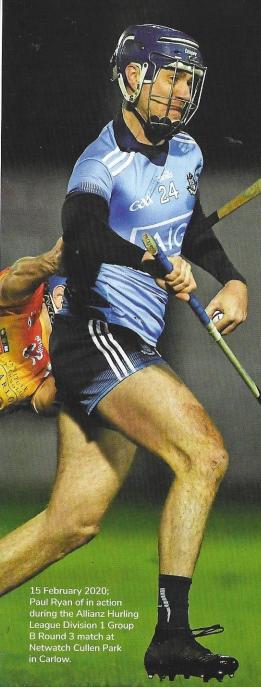
DONEGAL: D Rodgers; C Morrison, S McMenamin, B McCole; C Mulligan, D Ó Baoill, E Bán Gallagher; T McClenaghan, J McGee; M Carroll, S McBrearty, M Coyle; L Connor, M Langan, J Brennan. Subs: C Doherty for Coyle (14), N O'Donnell for McBrearty (23), E O'Donnell for Connors (37), R Carr for Mulligan (42), C McGonagle for McCleneghan (49), McBrearty for O Baoill (54).

REF: J Bermingham (Cork).





CURRENT LEAGUE TABLE POSITIONS



ALLIANZ HURLING LEAGUE DIV 1A

	P	W	D	L	For	AG	Diff	Pts
1. Waterford	2	2	0	0	4-42	4-32	10	4
2. Limerick	2	2	0	0	3-33	0-32	10	4
3. Cork	3	2	0	1	8-53	3-63	5	4
4. Galway	2	1	0	1	1-38	1-29	9	2
5. Tipperary	2	0	0	2	1-43	4-38	-4	0
6. Westmeath	3	0	0	3	2-39	7-54	-30	0

ALLIANZ HURLING LEAGUE DIV 1B

	Р	W	D	L	For	AG	Diff	Pts
1. Clare	3	3	0	0	1-62	0-38	27	6
2. Kilkenny	3	2	0	1	7-56	1-43	31	4
3. Wexford 🖔	3	2	0	1	3-58	3-48	10	4
4. Dublin	3	2	0	1	4-56	5-47	6	4
5. Laois	3	0	0	3	4-42	6-62	-26	0
6. Carlow	3	0	0	3	0-32	4-68	-48	0

ALLIANZ HURLING LEAGUE DIV 2A

	Р	W	D	L	For	AG	Diff	Pts
1. Kerry	3	3	0	0	4-48	0-35	25	6
2. Antrim	2	2	0	0	4-39	0-18	33	4
3. Offaly	2	1	0	1	0-40	3-32	-1	2
4. Meath	3	1	0	2	3-53	3-57	-4	2
5. Wicklow	3	1	0	2	4-45	3-57	-9	2
6. Mayo	3	0	0	3	1-33	7-59	-44	0

ALLIANZ HURLING LEAGUE DIV 2B

	P	W	D	L	For	AG	Diff	Pts
1. Kildare	2	2	0	0	7-45	0-21	45	4
2. Down	3	2	0	1	6-64	3-38	35	4
3. Derry	2	2	0	0	5-34	2-38	5	4
4. Roscommon	3	2	0	1	2-43	4-43	-6	4
5. London	3	0	0	3	2-49	6-54	-17	0
🐧 Warwickshire	3	0	0	3	3-19	10-60	-62	0

ALLIANZ HURLING LEAGUE DIV 3A

	P	W	D	L	For	AG	Diff	Pts
1. Armagh	3	2	1	0	5-51	1-34	29	5
2. Longford	3	2	1	0	3-40	1-37	9	5
3. Donegal	3	2	0	1	4-47	4-42	5	4
4. Tyrone	3	2	0	1	4-53	4-46	7	4
5. Louth	3	0	0	3	3-36	4-45	-12	0
6. Monaghan		0	0	3	2-35	7-58	-38	0

ALLIANZ HURLING LEAGUE DIV 3B

	P	W	D	L	For	AG	Diff	Pts
1. Sligo	1	1	0	0	3-18	1-15	9	2
2. Leitrim	. 2		0	1	1-26	2-17	6	2
3. Lancashire	2	1	0	1	1-30	3-26	-2	2
4. Fermanagh	2		0		2-24	1-30	-3	2
5. Cavan		1	0	2	0-30	0-40	-10	2





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DUBLIN v WEXFORD: Recent meetings







19 May 2019; Dublin players react to their side's late goal during the Leinster GAA Hurling Senior Championship Round 2 match between Dublin and Wexford at Parnell Park in Dublin. Photo by Daire Brennan/Sportsfile

2019 LEINSTER SHC ROUND-ROBIN ROUND 2 SUNDAY, MAY 19: Parnell Park

DUBLIN 1-22 WEXFORD 2-19

Seán Moran was Dublin's late, late saviour as his goal from a 20-metre free with the last puck of the clash in the fifth minute of added time earned his side a share of the spoils in this Leinster SHC round-robin duel at Parnell Park.

The Dubs led by five points at one stage of the second half, however, the Slaneysiders rocked their hosts with goals from Liam Og McGovern and Jack O'Connor and looked set for glory in the final moments.

Having lost their opening game to Kilkenny a loss would have left Mattie Kenny's in a very tricky position but the draw leaves them in the hunt with games to come against Carlow and Galway.

Moran's low free, following a foul on Liam Rushe, found its way to the Wexford net despite the presence of seven Slaneysiders back on the line.

Wexford settled first and were three points up before Conal Keaney opened Dublin' account in the fifth minute.

Five Dublin points in-a-row put them in good stead late in the opening half with Cian Boland to the fore for the home side.

The St Oliver Plunkett's/Eoghan Ruadh man finished the day with three points from play in an encouraging performance from a stylish player whose senior intercounty career has been seriously hampered by injury.

But by the break Wexford had rallied with four points without reply to leave the sides level, 0-11 each.

The closest either side came to a first half goal was a low effort from Conal Keaney from 23 metres, his effort was parried by keeper Mark Fanning but Keaney was alert and snapped up the rebound to angle over.

Dublin moved five clear thanks to the deadball accuracy of Paul Ryan, who also hit two points from play overall.

The Ballyboden St Enda's forward Ryan also had a good sighting of goal with his side 0-18 to 0-14 clear.

A long angled delivery by Tomás Connolly was gathered by Liam Rushe and he placed Ryan whose pull was saved by keeper Mark Fanning.

In the 55th minute the duel turned in Wexford's direction when Dublin coughed up possession in their own defence and Davy Fltzgerald's men transferred the sliotar slickly with Liam Óg McGovern coming in field to arrow an unstoppable shot to Alan Nolan's net.

Seven minutes later Wexford struck for their second goal with Lee Chin powering through before finding Rory O'Connor, who fired to the net.

But there was to be late, late drama with Moran's free earned a draw for the Dubs.

"Look, when it went down to the last puck of the game, we were delighted to get the draw," said Dublin manager Mattie Kenny.

"We seen him (Seán Moran) doing it for Cuala before on Paddy's Day in Croke Park and he came up trumps again today.

"But I suppose the feeling of the players and the feeling of ourselves was we were in a winning position half-way through the second half," added Mattie.

"(Mark) Fanning made a really, really good save when Liam Rushe caught a really good ball and put in Paul Ryan. If that ball had gone in, it was game over at that stage.

"So we're disappointed that we didn't go on and win the game in that period."

SCORERS - Dublin: P Ryan 0-10 (0-7f, 0-1 '65'), S Moran 1-2 (1-1f), C Boland 0-3, T Connolly, C Keaney 0-2 each, C Crummey, F Whitely, E Dillon 0-1 each. Wexford: L Chin 0-11 (0-8f, 0-2 '65'), L Óg McGovern 1-1, C McDonald (0-2 sideline), S Murphy 0-3 each, A Nolan 0-1.

DUBLIN: A Nolan; T Connolly, E O'Donnell, P Smyth; S Barrett, S Moran, C Crummey; S Treacy, D Sutcliffe; C Boland, C Keaney, E Dillon; F Whitely, L Rushe, P Ryan. **Subs:** D Treacy for Keaney (49), J Malone for Boland (60), C Conway for S Treacy (63), R Hayes for Whitely (67).

WEXFORD: M Fanning; D Reck, L Ryan, S Donohoe; P Foley, M O'Hanlon, A Nolan; K Foley, S Murphy; D O'Keeffe, L Chin, L Óg McGovern; C McDonald, J O'Connor, R O'Connor. Subs: C Dunbar for Nolan (54), D Dunne for McDonald (66), H Kehoe for J O'Connor (67), S Reck for Murphy (73).

2018 LEINSTER SHC ROUND-ROBIN ROUND 2 SUNDAY, MAY 20: Innovate Wexford Park

WEXFORD 0-22 DUBLIN 2-14

For the second weekend in-a-row Dublin hurlers were edged out in a frenetic finale as hosts Wexford hit three points in added time to claim victory in this Leinster SHC round-robin duel in Innovate Wexford Park.

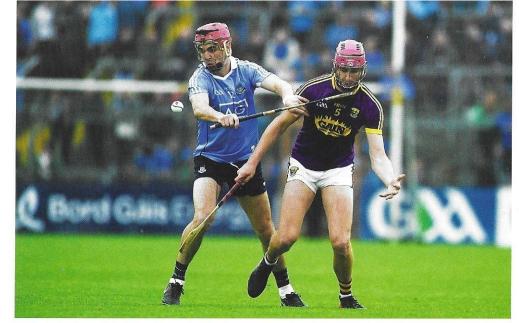
The Dubs had come with a storming finish to nose in front 2-14 to 0-19 as the game ticked into added time but through two Rory O'Connor points - one free and the other a monstrous 90-metre point from play - and an insurance score from Harry Kehoe Wexford sealed victory in front of an attendance of 10.228.

The Slaneysiders looked to be getting on top by the midpoint of the second half as they moved into a 0-16 to 1-9 lead and then Alan Nolan pulled off his second fine save of the encounter to deny Rory O'Connor, a goal then might have sunk Dublin but back the Dubs came with a Cian Boland score.

But from the 24th minute of the second half Dublin raised their game with a Paul Ryan free and three minutes later the Ballyboden St Enda's clinically finished to the net to make it 0-18 to 2-11.

Points from Liam Rushe and Danny Sutcliffe put the Dubs in front for only the third time in the game, 2-13 to 0-18, by the 66th minute.

The influential Rory O'Connor levelled it for Wexford with a 70-metre free in the final minute of normal time before Dublin sub David Treacy fired over from a tight angle to give his side the lead again.



20 May 2018; Danny Sutcliffein action against Paudie Foley during the Leinster GAA Hurling Senior Championship Round 2 match between Wexford and Dublin at Innovate Wexford Park in Wexford. Photo by Daire Brennan/Sportsfile

But similar to last weekend's loss to Kilkenny the late vital scores all came from the opponents with O'Connor and Kehoe getting the winning scores.

Wexford led by the minimum at the half-time break, 0-10 to 1-6, thanks to two converted Rory O'Connor frees late in the half.

O'Connor's deadball accuracy was central to the Slaneysiders interval advantage as he was successful with seven out of eight attempts.

In a hotly-contest physical battle, where both defences were on top, scores from play were at a premium at both ends.

Paul Ryan converted four frees during the opening 35 minutes but it was the Dubs who got the only goal of the half when Rian McBride applied the finish after Paul Ryan's initial attempt was blocked by Wexford full-back Liam Ryan.

McBride's goal arrived in the 13th minute to bring Dublin level, 1-2 to 0-5, but Wexford responded with the next two scores through O'Connor, a free from 65 metres, and a fine point from play by wing-back Paudie Foley.

Two Paul Ryan frees had Dublin level, 0-7 to 1-4, by the 20th minute as neither side could establish any dominance in the contest.

Just after the half hour mark points in quick succession from Jake Malone and Paddy Smyth, after he combined with Seán Moran, pushed Pat Gilroy's men into a 1-6 to 0-8 lead after 32 minutes.

Alan Nolan did well to prevent a Wexford goal when the stopped Paul Morris following good skill from Conor McDonald.

But it was the home side who got the last two scores of the opening period with O'Connor slotting two frees to edge in front in added time, 0-10 to 1-6.

SCORERS - Wexford: R O'Connor 0-12 (0-11f), L Chin, P Foley (0-1f) 0-2 each, P Morris, J O'Connor, A Nolan, D O'Keeffe, K Foley, H Kehoe 0-1 each. **Dublin:** P Ryan 1-7 (0-6f, 0-1 '65'), R McBride 1-1, J Malone, P Smyth, C Boland, L Rushe, D Sutcliffe, D Treacy 0-1 each

WEXFORD: M Fanning; D Reck, L Ryan, S Donohoe; S Murphy; D O'Keeffe, P Foley, M O'Hanlon; K Foley, A Nolan; L Chin, R O'Connor, J O'Connor; P Morris, C McDonald. Subs: H Kehoe for McDonald (55), C Dunbar for Morris (62).

DUBLIN: A Nolan; P Smyth, C O'Callaghan, B O'Carroll; C Crummey, S Moran, E O'Donnell; J Malone, S Barrett; R McBride, F Mac Gib, D Sutcliffe; F Whitely, L Rushe, P Ryan. Subs: T Connolly for Barrett (44), C Boland for Whitely (44), D Treacy for O'Carroll (52), R Hayes for McBride (60), P Winters for Mac Gib (70).

2018 WALSH CUP SEMI-FINAL SUNDAY, JANUARY 14: Parnell Park

WEXFORD 1-20 DUBLIN 0-16

A storming last 20 minutes by the Slaneysiders saw Davy Fitzgerald's men come from behind to run out seven-point victors in this Bord na Móna Walsh Cup semi-final at Parnell Park.

The Dubs led 0-11 to 0-8 at the interval and had stretched their advantage to 0-15 to 0-10 by the 45th minute, however, the sending off of Paul Winters (second yellow) coupled with a scoring surge by Wexford saw the visitors to victory.

Cathal Dunbar clinically executed 51st minute goal was the catalyst for Wexford's charge for victory and coming so soon after Winters' dismissal it rocked Dublin back on their heels.

The Slaneysiders would go on to hit an unanswered 1-10 to run out convincing winners in the end with Fergal Whitely's point, his third from play, in added time at the end of the game the hosts first score in over 25 minutes as Dublin's challenge faded badly.

In the opening half Wexford settled first with two Conor McDonald points but Dublin replied with two frees from Winters before a long-range Paudie Foley free edged Wexford back in front.

Dublin then hit four in-a-row with Winters and Whitely on target and by the break Dublin were 0-11 to 0-8 to the good with Donal Burke taking over the freetaking duties towards the conclusion of the half and converting two difficult frees.

The point of the half came from Danny Sutcliffe in the 19th minute when some clever movement from the Dublin half-forward line saw the St Jude's man picked out by an Alan Nolan puckout and Sutcliffe rounded his man before accelerating towards goal from 50 metres and eventually clipping over from 20 metres off his left.

Early second half points from Burke (two frees), Johnny McCaffrey and Whitely had Dublin in a strong position when leading 0-15 to 0-10 by the tenth minute of the second half.

Then the home side suffered the double blow of first the sending off and then Dunbar's goal as Wexford finished the game off in style with Jack Guiney coming off the bench to strengthen their scoring surge with two fine points from play.

SCORERS – Wexford: P Morris 0-6 (0-4f), C Dunbar 1-1, K Foley, J Guiney, P Foley (0-1f, 0-1 '65'), 0-3 each, D Dunne, C McDonald 0-2 each. **Dublin:** P Winters 0-6 (0-5f), D Burke 0-4 (0-4f), F Whitely 0-3, J McCaffrey, D Sutcliffe, C McBride 0-1 each.

WEXFORD: M Fanning; D Reck, L Ryan, S Donohoe; A Maddock, S Murphy, P Foley; K Foley, Jack O'Connor; Joe O'Connor, C Dunbar, A Nolan; P Morris, C McDonald, D Dunne. Subs: E Moore for Ryan (ht), J Guiney for Joe O'Connor (48), J Firman for Morris (64), E Molloy for Donohoe (65), M O'Regan for McDonald (68), C Flood for Jack O'Connor (68), G Molloy for Maddock (69), L Rashford for Dunbar (71).

DUBLIN: A Nolan; P Smyth, B O'Carroll, C Hendricken; S Barrett, D Kelly, C Crummey; J McCaffrey, T Connolly; D Sutcliffe, F Whitely, P Crummey; A Moore, P Winters, D Burke. **Subs:** C McBride for Barrett (22 inj), D Gray for P Crummey (27), E Dillon for Sutcliffe (57), R Mahon for Connolly (58), J Madden for McCaffrey (63), S O Riain for Burke (65), J Hetherton for Moore (66).



14 January 2018; Eamonn Dillon of Dublin in action against Shaun Murphy

Friends of Dublin Hurling News



AGM Report: We had a disappointing turnout for our annual meeting. Vice-chairman, Ken O'Sullivan, was in attendance and informed the attendance that all aspects of hurling were being reviewed by the County Board. He mentioned the fact that a few teams in AHL Division 1 got big beatings in the championship last year and such games are no good for winners or losers. FODH are willing to give any assistance with this review.

Colaiste Eoin Abú: Congrats to Coláiste Eoin who have again reached the Leinster Senior 'A' hurling final. They defeated Kilkenny CBS in the semi-final. They play St Kierans tomorrow morning in Netwatch Cullen Park, Carlow (11.30). We wish them luck against very tough opponents.

Good luck to **St Declan's College Cabra** who play Boyne CS in the Leinster Senior 'C' final at 11.15am at Abbotttstown on Tuesday.

Good luck also to our **senior camogie team** who travel to play Tipperary tomorrow.

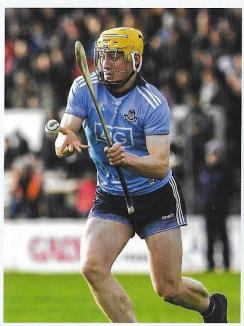
The club hurling leagues start tomorrow morning. All games are fixed for 10.30am. The following are the AHL1 fixtures with the first named team having home advantage.

Kilmacud Crokes v Ballinteer St John's Naomh Barróg v Ballyboden St Endas Faughs v Cuala Whitehall Colmcilles v Na Fianna Craobh Chiaráin v St Vincent's Lucan Sarsfields v St Brigid's

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Bus to Ennis: Dublin travel to Ennis on Sunday, March 1 for the final game in the league. A win here could decide qualification for the quarter final. We will run buses to the game. The pickup points are Connolly Station at 9.15 and Rathcoole Village at 9.45. The fare is €10 for members, €15 for non -members and €5 for juveniles. There will be a half an hour stop for refreshments on the way down. To book a seat text your name and pick up point to 0877205887 no later than 6pm on Thursday February 27. You will receive a text confirming your booking.

Date for your Diary: Thursday, May 14 - 15th Annual Golf Classic at Castlewarden Golf and Country Club.



26 January 2020; Dublin's Daire Gray in possession against Kilkenny. Photo by Ray McManus/Sportsfile

OFFICIAL GAA PLAYING RULE CHANGES

THE KICK OUT

AIM: To encourage teams to kick the ball further up the field from the kick out; To present opportunities for the skill of clean catching by bolstering the existing Mark rule.

Supporting evidence and rationale:

During the Allianz National Football Leagues, when the kick out was taken from the 20m line, there was an increase in the number of Marks claimed by teams compared to the 2018 Championship. 13m

During the Allianz National Football Leagues 2019 there was also a significant increase in the number of contested kick outs (i.e. between both teams) compared to the recently concluded 2019 All-Ireland Championship.

THE SIN BIN

AIM: To reduce a rise in cynical play/'professional' fouling and implement a penalty 'on the day' which encourages behavioural change.

Supporting evidence and rationale:

On average during the 2019 NFL, teams with an extra player scored 2.9 points compared to 1 point for the opposition in the same period (i.e. during the period when an opponent was in the sin-bin).

The average 'ball in play' time during a sin bin throughout the Allianz National Football League 2019 (30 games analysed) was 5:15 - entirely consistent with the remainder of the game.

The proposed introduction of the Sin Bin also offers teams a greater level of equity in that it removes the effect of a strong group of substitutes who, under current rule, would replace any player who received a black card.



10 minute clock starts once the player has left the field of play. Game will re-commence at the same time

that the Sin-Bin

period commences.

Black Card

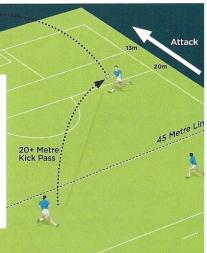
THE ADVANCED MARK

AIM: To offer an incentive for the longer kicking of the ball into the opposition's defensive area and reward players who catch the ball cleanly under these circumstances with a Mark.

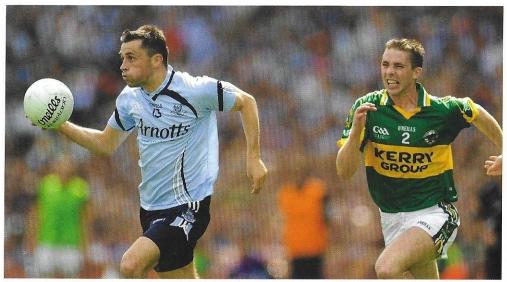
Supporting evidence and rationale:

During its trialling in the Allianz National Football Leagues 2019, this experimental rule provided for a 24% increase in the number of kick passes in the game (2019 NFL v 2018 C'ship) – 132 v 107 and, furthermore, it resulted in an increase in the number of contested foot passes (6%)

It provided for the first reduction in the ratio of hand passing to foot passing in ten seasons (3.5:1 in the 2018 C'ship to 2.9:1 NFL 2019), meaning teams were inclined to kick the ball more and hand pass it less than had been the case for at least the last decade.



DUBLIN LEGEND ALAN BROGAN TO FEATURE IN UPCOMING TG4'S LAOCHRA GAEL SERIES



3 August 2009; Alan Brogan in action against Marc Ó Sé, Kerry. GAA Football All-Ireland Senior Championship Quarter-Final, Dublin v Kerry, Croke Park, Dublin. Picture credit; Stephen McCarthy / SPORTSFILE

The definitive GAA sports series returns to TG4 this spring for an 18th series.

The series hour-long format has proved a huge success, bringing each player's personal stories to screen

The series features six Laochra with genuine star quality, including Dublin legend Alan Brogan, and reveals deeper, fresh and sometimes unexpected insights into the lives of these icons.

While their sporting careers continue to provide the backdrop to the story, the series travels well beyond the four white lines.

Gripping personal storylines will compel viewers to travel towards territory unique to the GAA television landscape and 'Laochra Gael' returns to the screen on TG4 on March 5.

Six brand new programmes, featuring six legends who performed heroics on the field and who each have a unique and extraordinary story to tell.

KIERAN DONAGHY: On the Edge - 9.30pm, Thursday, March 5

Kieran Donaghy, The man called 'Star; has an extraordinary story: breaking through with the Underdogs, the experiment that made a full-forward out of him, the basketball hands, the decline and the revival, and of course, Joe Brolly. In his career, Kieran won four All-Ireland senior medals, three All-Stars and Footballer of the Year. And in the background, the complex and difficult relationship with his father that was tied up in everything he did on the field of

play. Kieran Donaghy, who started out as an Underdog and became a Star.

Participants: Deirdre Donaghy, Paul Galvin, Micheál Quirke, Éamonn Fitzmaurice, Joe McMahon, Vincent Hogan, Michael Moynihan.

PIARMUID LYNG: The Crossroads - 9.30pm, Thursday, March 12

Diarmuid 'Gizzy' Lyng was captain and leader of a Wexford team that performed heroics in their efforts to overcome Kilkenny, the greatest team of all time. Then, at the height of his powers, he was struck down by a mysterious illness. He was forced to give up hurling and it seemed that life was falling apart. Diarmuid travelled the world in search of physical and mental recovery. And it was in West Kerry, a place close to his heart that he finally found release.

Participants: Eoin Quigley, George O'Connor, CiaranLyng, Tommy Walsh, Siobhán de Paor, Michael Moynihan

ALAN BROGAN: The Family Silver - 9.30pm, Thursday, March 19

Alan Brogan's father (Bernard) and uncle (Iim) were heroes of Hill 16. But if there was pressure on Alan because of this, he barely lelt it. Laid-back as a person, but fierce as a competitor, Alan was the beating heart of Dublin teams from his teens. Despite Alan's consistent excellence, it seemed that he would never bring Sam back to the capital. Then with the Brogan brothers to the fore, the tide lurned. The 'Blue Wave' had begun, and the greatest football team in history was built.

Participants: Bernard Brogan Snr, Bernard Brogan Jnr, Colm Parkinson, Paul Caffrey, Michael Moynihan, Éamonn Fitzmaurice, Lydia Brogan

IGGY CLARKE: Body and Soul - 9.30pm, Thursday, March 26

Iggy Clarke, or Fr Iggy as he was known, enticed hurling lovers across the country, but when the cheering stopped, he had a crisis of faith and embarked on a brand new life. A rock in the half back line, Iggy spearheaded the Galway hurling revival of the 1970s. His greatest moment was cruelly denied with a horrific injury in the 1980

All-Ireland semi-final. But an unforgettable demand from the crowd during the most famous cup presentation of them all spoke volumes about the love of the Galway people for Iggy. His hurling retirement was followed by an even bigger life decision, as Iggy Clarke embarked on, and embraced life as a layman.

Participants: Mariel Forde-Clarke, Fr Joe Clarke, Tom Clarke, John Connolly, Seán Bán Breathnach, Pat Fleury, Vincent Hogan

DAVID BRADY: Against the Tide - 9.30pm, Thursday, April 2

David Brady lost four All-Ireland finals with Mayo, and it is the pain and the anger that comes with this that informs one of the most controversial pundits in Irish sport. A childhood on the quay in Ballina, where attitudes to the fishing laws were liberal, indicated that David Brady was not interested in going with the flow. Always a combative presence in midfield, David knows more than most about Mayo's well-documented heartbreak. But he remains unbowed by the many disappointments, and refuses to be defined by them. Instead, he has carved out a reputation for saying exactly what is on his mind, whatever that may be.

Participants: Ger Brady, Alan Dillon, Seán Óg dePaor, Seán Bán Breathnach, Vincent Hogan.

BRENDA MCANEPSIE: Beyond Borders - 9.30pm, Thursday, April 9

Brenda McAnespie was the rock of the Monaghan Ladies footballers, even playing in an All-Ireland Final when she was pregnant, but away from the field she has had plenty of experience with personal challenges and tragedy. A pioneer of the woman's game from its infancy, Brenda became a bedrock of a Monaghan team that conquered the sport in the 90s. As a footballer, she truly did not know the meaning of giving up, and played long enough to win an All-Ireland club title with her daughters. But life on the border meant that trouble and tragedy were never far away for Brenda and her family.

Participants: Vincent McAnespie, Ciara McAnespie, Aoife McAnespie, Gráinne McElwain, Michael Morgan, Michael Rvan.

Coláiste Eoin hoping to land Leinster senior 'A' hurling title

By Rónán Mac Lochlainn

Tomorrow morning sees Netwatch Cullen Park host the Top Oil Leinster Post Primary Schools Senior 'A' Hurling Championship final (11.30) as St Kieran's Kilkenny and Coláiste Eoin meet for the second successive year.

Twelve months ago, St Kieran's finished on the front foot to claim a deserved 1-17 to 2-7 success and they have been the standardbearers not only provincially but across the country in recent years.

Last year's Leinster title was followed up by their 23rd Dr Croke Cup success, overcoming Presentation College Athenry by 1-15 to 1-12 in the decider, in what was remarkably, their seventh national title over the past decade.

Emulating that record is something that Coláiste Eoin can only aspire to but the Stillorgan gaelscoil have cautious grounds for optimism as they seek to improve on last year's disappointing result.

They seemed far from overwhelmed when drawing with St Kieran's (2-10 to 1-13) in the group stages last month and manager Aodán de Paor is hopeful that his charges will learn from their bitter experiences of last year.

"We have a fair number of lads that were involved last year that are playing this year and some of them will feel that they have some unfinished business regarding last year's final.

"It's probably fair to say that some of the lads didn't play to their full potential on the day, maybe letting the occasion get to them, and they will be determined to do themselves justice at the weekend.

"We can only hope that the experience will stand to them but you just never know as the big occasions like these can sometimes get the better of them," he said.

Their form this year has been encouraging as they finished the group stages unbeaten



2 December 2019: Former Kilkenny hurler and Competition Ambassador DJ Carev, centre, is joined by players from participating schools and colleges, during the Top Oil Leinster GAA Post Primary Schools Hurling Launch at Croke Park in Dublin. Photo by Seb Daly/Sportsfile

despite being pitted alongside St Kieran's, St Peter's Wexford and Dublin North.

That momentum was maintained last Wednesday week as Coláiste Eoin overcame the first-half dismissal of influential midfielder Dónal Mac Duinnsléibhe to deservedly edge Kilkenny CBS by 1-16 to 0-17 in Portlaoise.

The win was even more commendable given the absence through ankle ligament damage of full-back Finn Ó Murchú, with the likes of lain Ó hEithir, Cian Ó Cathasaigh, Conall Ó Tuathail, Breandán Ó Scanláin and Dara Puirséil playing pivotal roles in their team's success.

A victory tomorrow would be just reward for the massive strides that Coláiste Eoin, who celebrated their 50th anniversary last year, have made over the past decade.

Indeed, Dublin have been beneficiaries of their progress with current panellists such as Seán Ó Móráin, Danny Sutcliffe, Oisín Ó Ruairc, Cian Ó Ceallacháin, Fergal de Fuitléigh, Rian Mac Giolla Bhríde, Seán Ó Braonáin, Mark Schutte and Jake Ó Maoileoin all having worn the famous black, yellow and white hooped jersey.

"We put the school into the Leinster 'A' Championship to help develop the players and they have benefitted from playing at a very high standard of hurling," said de Paor, the current Kilmacud Crokes senior manager.

"As far as I'm concerned, it's a great experience for the lads and has helped their hurling to a large extent.

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"We have won two provincial senior titles at football and you would imagine that the school will always be relatively competitive at football.

"It would just be great if all the hard work done down the years would be recognised with our first senior 'A' hurling title.

"Ultimately, we are looking for a sixtyminute performance from the lads.

"They haven't produced one yet, despite the encouraging results, and if they manage that, hopefully the result will look after itself," added de Paor

LEINSTER COLLEGES SHC 'A' (Corn Uí Dhuill)

St Kieran's, Kilkenny (56 titles) 1922, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1931, 1932, 1933, <u>1937, 1938, 193</u>9, 1940, 1941, 1943, 1944, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1953, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1961, 1965, 1966, 1969, 1971, 1972, 1974, 1975, 1977, 1984, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019

Kilkenny CBS, Kilkenny (8 titles) 1936, 1970, 1976, 1981, 1983, 2006, 2013, 2014

St Peter's College, Wexford (8 titles) 1960, 1962, 1964, 1967, 1968, 1973, 1978, 1982

Mount St. Joseph, Roscrea Tipperary (5 titles) 1920, 1921, 1923, 1924, 1947

Patrician College, Ballyfin Laois (4 titles) 1942, 1952, 1956, 1963

Birr Community School Offaly (4 titles) 1979, 1980, 1985, 1986

Good Counsel, New Ross Wexford (3 titles) 1995, 1997, 2009

Coláiste Caoimhin, Dublin (2 titles) 1930,

O'Connell School Dublin (2 titles) 1946, 1954

Dublin Colleges (2 titles) 2001, 2008

Castleknock College, Dublin (1 title) 1918

Blackrock College, Dublin (1 title) 1935

St Joseph's, Marino, Dublin (1 title) 1945

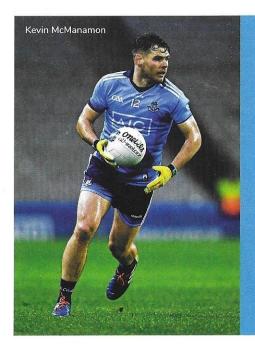
Knockbeg College, Carlow (1 title) 1955

Callan CBS, Kilkenny (1 title) 1998

Castlecomer Community School, Kilkenny (1 title) 2007

Dublin North (1 title) 2018

2020 DUBLIN SENIOR FOOTBALLERS: SCORING CHART



Allianz Football League: Scoring Chart

Dublin have scored 3-45 and conceded 2-42 in their three FL Division 1 games to date (v Kerry, Mayo, Monaghan). Thirteeen players have contributed to their scoring tally.

- **Dean Rock** 2-15 (1-0pen, 0-13f)
- Ciarán Kilkenny 0-5 (0-1mark)
- Kevin McManamon 1-2
- Brian Fenton 0-4
- James McCarthy 0-4
- Niall Scully 0-3
- Seán Bugler 0-3
- Aaron Byrne 0-2
- Dan O'Brien 0-2
- Conor McHugh 0-2 (0-1m)
- John Small 0-1
- David Byrne 0-1
- Colm Basquel 0-1

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION 1 - ROUND 1 SATURDAY, JANUARY 25: Croke Park

DUBLIN 1-19 KERRY 1-19

SCORERS - Dublin: D Rock 1-6 (1-0pen, 0-6f), B Fenton 0-4, C Kilkenny 0-3 (0-1m), C McHugh 0-2 (0-1m), K McManamon, J McCarthy, A Byrne. N Scully 0-1 each. Kerry: D Clifford 1-3 (0-2f), S O'Shea 0-5 (0-5f), J O'Donoghue 0-3, P Murphy 0-2, G Crowley, S O'Brien, G O'Brien, L Kearney, K Spillane (0-1m), P Geaney (0-1f) 0-1 each.

DUBLIN: E Comerford; D Byrne, P McMahon, E Murchan; E Lowndes, J Small, J McCarthy; B Fenton, B Howard; N Scully, C Kilkenny, K McManamon; C McHugh, P Andrews, D Rock. **Subs:** P Mannion for Andrews (43), S Bugler for McManamon (52), A Byrne for

McHugh (55), R O'Carroll for McMahon (64), D O'Brien for Bugler (78).

KERRY: S Ryan; J Foley, T Morley, B Ó Beaglaoich; P Murphy, S Enright, G Crowley; S O'Shea, A Spillane; G O'Brien, P Geaney, S O'Brien; J O'Donoghue, T Walsh, D Clifford. Subs: L Kearney for A Spillane (inj, 16), G O'Sullivan for Ó Beaglaoich (inj, 33), K Spillane for O'Donoghue (50), M Burns for Walsh (58), D Moynihan for G O'Brien (70).

REF: S Hurson (Tyrone).

ROUND 2 - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1: MacHALE PARK, CASTLEBAR

DUBLIN 1-11 MAYO 0-8

SCORERS - Dublin: D Rock 1-3 (0-3f), J McCarthy 0-2, C Kilkenny, K McManamon, D

O'Brien, N Scully, J Small, A Byrne 0-1 each. Mayo: J Durcan (0-1f), F Boland (0-1m) 0-2 each, A O'Shea, D O'Connor (0-1f), J Carr, T Conroy 0-1 each.

DUBLIN: E Comerford; M Fitzsimons, R O'Carroll, D Byrne; J Small, J McCarthy, E Murchan; B Fenton, B Howard; N Scully, K McManamon, D O'Brien; C McHugh, C Kilkenny, D Rock. **Subs:** P Mannion for McHugh (46), L Flatman for O'Carroll (48), P Small for McManamon (55), A Byrne for O'Brien (57), C O'Shea for Murchan (74).

MAYO: R Hennelly; P O'Hora, O Mullin, B Harrison; M Plunkett, C Boyle, P Durcan; S Coen, D O'Connor; F Boland, A O'Shea, J Flynn; R O'Donoghue, J Carr, J Durcan. **Subs:** L Keegan for Boyle (inj, ht), T Conroy for Carr (ht), K McLoughlin for O'Donoghue (48), J McCormack for O'Shea (55), C Loftus for J Durcan (66).

REF: B Cassidy (Derry).

ROUND 3 - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8: Croke Park DUBLIN 1-15 MONAGHAN 1-15

SCORERS – Dublin: D Rock 0-6 (0-4f), S Bugler 0-3, K McManamon 1-0, D Byrne, J McCarthy, C Kilkenny, N Scully, D O'Brien, C Basquel 0-1 each. Monaghan: C McManus 1-4 (0-2f, 0-1m), R Beggan (0-2f, 0-1 '45') 0-3, R McAnespie (0-1m), M Bannigan 0-2 cach, C Boyle, N Kearns, C McCarthy, D Ward 0-1 each.

DUBLIN: E Comerford; M Fitzsimons, D Byrne, I Flatman; J McCarthy, J Small, E Murchan; B Fenton, B Howard; N Scully, C Kilkenny, D O'Brien; D Mullin, P Andrews, D Rock. Subs: A Byrne for Andrews (inj. 14), P Mannion for Mullin (ht), S Bugler for Flatman (41), C Basquel for O'Brien (52), K McManamon for A Byrne (59).

MONAGHAN: R Beggan; D Wylie, C Boyle, K Duffy; K O'Connell, R Wylie, R McAnespie; D Hughes, N Kearns; D Ward, M Bannigan, C McCarthy; D Malone, K Hughes, C McManus. Subs: A Mulligan for Bannigan (49), S Carey for K Hughes (60), C McGuinness for McCarthy (65), P Keegan for Ward (73), K Hughes for Kearns (73).

REF: C Branagan (Down).

O'Byrne Cup: Scoring Chart

Dublin scored 3-6 and conceded 1-13 in their only O'Byrne Cup game, their semi-final loss to Longford. Seven players contributed to the scoring tally.

- Niall O'Callaghan 2-0
- Killian O'Gara 1-0
- Gerry Seaver 0-2
- CJ Smith 0-1
- Diarmaid McLoughlin 0-1
- Nathan Doran 0-1
- Glenn O'Reilly 0-1

O'BYRNE CUP SEMI-FINAL - SATURDAY, JAN 11 Glennon Brothers Pearse Park, Longford

LONGFORD 1-13 DUBLIN 3-6

SCORERS – Longford: R Brady (0-1f), D Gallagher 0-5 (0-4f) each, K Diffley 1-0, O Kenny 0-2, D Doherty 0-1. Dublin: N O'Callaghan 2-0, K O'Gara 1-0, G Seaver 0-2, CJ Smith, D McLoughlin, N Doran, G O'Reilly 0-1 each.

LONGFORD: P Collum; P Fox, A Farrell, B O'Farrell; I O'Sullivan, M Quinn, CP Smyth; D Gallagher, K Diffley; G Rogers, D Mimnagh, D Reynolds; R Brady, J Hagan, O Kenny. Subs: D Doherty for Rogers (57), P Lynn for Kenny (60), L Connerton for Reynolds (68).

DUBLIN: M Shiel; CJ Smith, E O'Brien, D Byrne; N McGovern, G Hannigan, C Murphy; EÓ Conghaile, T Lahiff; N Walsh, D O'Brien, G O'Reilly; K O'Gara, N O'Callaghan, C Sallier, Subs: R McGowan for Murphy (18), S Fulham for O'Gara (19), R Deegan for O'Reilly (21), G Seaver for Walsh (25), S Cleary for Smith (25), D Quinn for Sallier (27), D McLoughlin for O'Brien (27), N Doran for Lahiff (29), E O'Dea for McGovern (31), C Howley for Ó Conghaile (34), Ó Conghaile for Howley (41), Walsh for Seaver (45), O'Reilly for Deegan (45), Murphy for Cleary (49), Sallier for O'Callaghan (50), McGovern for O'Dea (55), O'Gara for Quinn (55), O'Brien for McLoughlin (55), Lahiff for Doran (60). Seaver for Fulham (60), Smith for Hannigan (63), O'Callaghan for Sallier (68), O'Dea for Murphy (73).

REF: A Covne (Westmeath).

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Cumann na mBunscol greatly appreciates the continued support of Allianz for the national Gaelic games' programme in primary schools throughout the country. The Dublin leagues are thriving with record numbers participating. Unfortunately, our partnership on Follow the Dubs has ended after 21 years. Míle buíochas to Allianz as we seek a new partner for the exciting years ahead.

Cumann na m8unscol FOLLOW THE DUBS 2020



Ericsson Skyline Tour

Great Prize to be won for a whole class!

It's easy to Talk the Talk but now you'll have the opportunity to Walk The Walk 17 storeys high on the roof of Croke Park - Ireland's most famous sporting arena. That's the prize for the Follow The Dubs competition for the 2020 Allianz Leagues which is open to 5th and 6th class children in Dublin's Cumann na mBunscol primary schools.



What You Have To Do - Write Away!

In 2019, The Dublin ladies and men's senior football teams became All-Ireland champions. The men's 5-in-a-row was a feat never achieved before. The ladies 3-in-a-row was a first for Dublin These wonderful achievements brought joy and celebration to Gaelic football followers all over the world. Cumann na mBunscol is proud they nearly all the players on both teams played in Cumann na mBunscol competitions and finals. If you were delighted with this great success for the Dubs, write a letter to Jim Gavin, or Mick Bohan, congratulating them and describing what their success meant to you and your family. Mention games you may have attended or watched with your family, describe any unusual celebrations; write about your favourite players or memorable moments from the games. Letters can be typed or hand-written and should not exceed 3 x A4 pages. The judges will be looking for good writing, interesting content, creativity and originality. The winning child will be able to bring his/her entire class and the teacher on the famous Ericsson Skyline Tour to view the famous Dublin landmarks to be seen from 17 storeys above the famous Croke Park pitch. It's an amazing 1.5 hour experience that you can read more about at www.crokepark.ie/Ericsson-skyline. The prize also includes a visit to GAA Museum where the class will learn about the history of Gaelic Games and have fun testing their skills in the interactive games area!

- Send your entries to: Cumann na mBunscol Skyline Competition, Holy Trinity School, Grange Road, Donaghmede, Dublin 13.
- Note: children must be 1.2 metres or taller to take part in the tour.
- · The competition will be judged by an independent panel of adjudicators.



Closing Date: Friday, 10th April, 2020
Further details on the Cumann na mBunscol website: www.cnmb.ie

NUMBERS SOAR TO 727 TEAMS!

By the end of the current hurling season, Cumann na mBunscol, Áth Cliath, will have fielded an astonishing 727 teams between football, hurling and camogie. 442 football teams played in leagues last autumn while 285 teams are currently preparing for puck-off in hurling and camogie in the coming weeks.

THE HERALD CUP

The Herald Cup has been the blue riband of senior Cumann na mBunscol hurling since 1938. There have been many winners and many amazing finals down the years.

Some star Dublin players down the years - Des Foley, Dessie Ferguson, Cormac Costello, Diarmaid Connolly were proud winners of 'Herald' medals. The 2019 final maintained the high standard of skill, passion, endeavour and sportsmanship that is synonymous with this iconic competition.



Herald editor, Alan Steenson, presenting the Herald Cup to Belgrove captain Joe Sheppard.



The Belgrove boys celebrating their victory.

Allianz (II) Cumann na mBunscol



Former Dublin All-Ireland and All-Star winner, Dermot Deasy, refereed the 2019 Herald Cup final.

STAR STOPPERS

Of the many highlights in a game described by Niall Scully as 'classical' and a game that ' the stadium would find it hard to find better in its deep vault', the performance of the two goalkeepers stood out as extraordinary in a pulsating encounter. Lucan netminder, Freddy Haran, made what Niall described as 'the save of the century'. Luke O'Boyle, for Belgrove, then made 'a stop that Alan Nolan would be proud of.' Alan was present with his 8 winner's medals on a day when the 'Keepers' stole the show.



Freddy Hargan, Scoil Mhuire, Lucan and Luke O'Boyle, Belgrove NS with the famed Herald Cup in Croke Park.

COMAN GOGGINS was a Dublin star when silverware was hard to come by. He captained the county in 2002, having been the only Dubliner to win an All-Star in 2001.

He won 4 Leinster titles, played for Leinster and the Interntional Rules team as well as captaining a Cumann na mBunscol representative selection that provided a warm-up game for the Australia Rules Team in Parnell Park.

The former Scoil Náithí winner in Croke Park was thrilled to see his son, Cillian, make his Croke Park debut during the recent Dublin v Kerry game when he lined out representing St. Patrick's, Donabate, in the Cumann na mBunscol halftime Respect GoGames exhibition.

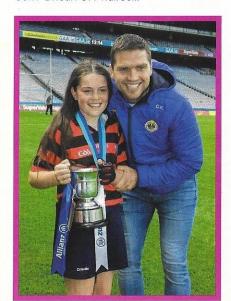


Ar lánluas- Cillian Goggins in full flight.

CONAL KEANEY graced Croke Park with Scoil Cholmcille, Knocklyon,

Park with Scoil Cholmcille, Knocklyon, where he was coached by Páidí O'Neill and John Murphy.

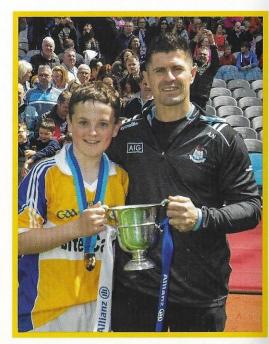
He returned last June to see his daughter, Kate, contribute handsomely to the victory of Scoil Cholmcille in Corn Bhean Uí Phuirséil.



Conal and Kate in Croke Park.

Hurling goalkeeper **ALAN NOLAN** (Scoil Bhríde, Blanchardstown), brought his 8 Cumann na mBunscol winners medals to Croke Park in June.

He met some of the future goalkeeping stars including the net-minder for Scoil Treasa, Firhouse.



Alan Nolan and Scoil Treasa goalkeeper Tadgh Farrelly.

TEN DUAL DUBS

Ten of the Dublin football panel played in hurling finals in Croke Park.

Several of them captained their primary school teams including Cian O'Sullivan and Philip McMahon.

Pictured right: Winners - Cian O'Sullivan (Scoil San Treasa, Mount Merrion) and Philly McMahon (Holy Spirit, Ballymun)





LÉIRMHEAS IMREOIR SCOILE RISING STAR

Name: Hannah Galvin

Age: 12

School: Presentation NS, Terenure

Club: Faughs, Templeogue, Synge Street

Position on Field: Midfield

Favourite Players: Clifford, Cluxton, Anthony Nash

Favourite Food: Ribs from the butchers

Favourite Music: Pop

Favourite Film: Nativity 2

Favourite TV Programme: Fresh Prince of Belair

Favourite Colour: Blue

Favourite School Subject: Physical Education

Favourite Book: Parent's Agency

Favourite County Other Than Dublin: Kerry

Favourite Computer Game: Fifa

Best Sporting Advice: "Set yourself up to tackle your biggest challenges."

Mighty Minis

Three of the current Dublin football panel, Brian Fenton, Brian Howard and Niall Scully, played in the Mini-Sevens in Croke Park when they were in primary school.

Two of the Donegal panel, Paddy McBrearty and Eoin McHugh did likewise.

Pictured right: Cormac Costello and Eoin McHugh brought the Sam Maguire Cup to the plinth in Croke Park before the 2007 All-Ireland final.



BALLYGALL BRAVES

Sacred Heart NS, Ballygall, is synonymous with great Dublin footballers and success in Cumann na mBunscol leagues over many years. Famed past pupils include Barney Rock, Dermot Deasy, Gerry Hargan, John Kerins, PJ Buckley, and the McCaul brothers. The school hurlers have reached the heights also and are the current Sciath Aghais champions. Their hurling team was coached by former Dublin camogie Star, Anne McCluskey, along with Jim Ryan and former Waterford footballer, Labhaoise Dunbar. The Ballygall boys scored 8 goals and six points in their impressive Croke Park exhibition and impressed everyone with their skill, speed and sportsmanship. Maith sibh.



The Sacred Heart boys celebrating victory in Sciath Aghais in June.

LÉIRMHEAS IMREOIR SCOILE - RISING STAR

JACK HEFFERNAN Sacred Heart NS, Ballyaall

Age: 12 School: Sacred Heart B.N.S Club: Eris Isle Position on Field: Midfield

Favourite Players: Con O'Callaghan

Favourite Food: Pasta Favourite Music: Rap

Favourite Film: The Ragnarok / Rocky IV
Favourite TV Programme: I'm a Celebrity

Favourite Colour: Green

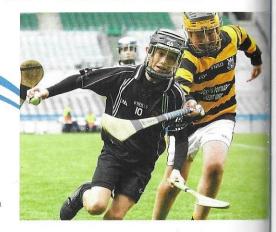
Favourite School Subject: Maths

Favourite Book: Roy Keane: "The Second Half"
Favourite County Other Than Dublin: Waterford

Favourite Computer Game: Fifa 20

Best Sporting Advice: "Keep your head up, even when

you're getting hammered."



Loch Gorman Chun Tosaigh

Current Cumann na mBunscol Treasurer, Peter Hughes from Ballyhogue, is the first ever Wexford officer of the organisation. There are many Wexford teachers actively involved in coaching teams. Joe Fortune is in Oliver Plunkett NS in Malahide. He has coached Dublin minor and u21 hurling teams and Kilmacud Crokes to Leinster senior success. Daniel Martin Carroll is doing great work in Scoil Mhearnóg, Portmarnock. He was also a key player in



Daniel Martin Carrol

Cushionstown's recent All-Ireland club final appearance in Croke Park. They were beaten on the day but Daniel scored a superb point from midfield that he will be telling his grandchildren about in years to come. St Martin's, Rory McCarthy, was the first graduate of the Mini-Sevens to win an All-Ireland senior medal. Versatile Rory was also picked to play in the football halftime games. Rory and Ursula Jacob were also Mini Sevens Stars.

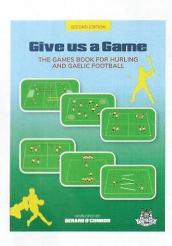


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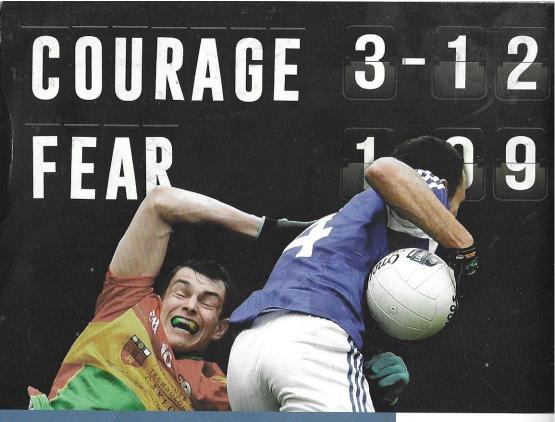
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