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The Dub, QUB, Belfast

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Réiteoir: Kevin Faloon (Ard Mhacha)

















CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS



he Ulster Schools' Council is delighted to welcome you all today to the 2023 Danske Bank MacRory and MacLarnon Cup Finals, and like last year, we are playing our finals at separate venues. We pay a special welcome to the teachers, coaches and pupils and their parents, from the schools participating in our finals today, who, like ourselves, are guests at these wonderfully appointed venues. St. Enda's Park in Omagh, scene

of so many wonderful encounters in the past, and home for the final for the ninth time is in excellent condition. To the St. Enda's Committee and their ground staff, a sincere word of thanks. Aidan O'Rourke and the staff at Queen's have always been most accommodating to Ulster Schools over the years in allowing us to use 'The Dub' and for that we are very grateful.

The MacRory Cup final returns to Omagh for the first time since 2009, thanks to this, a second All-Tyrone final. Holy Trinity College, Cookstown are appearing in their second final in a row and will hope to get their name engraved on the coveted trophy for the first time. Omagh CBS, by contrast, are appearing in their 11th final and seeking their 6th win, having shared the cup in 2001 with St Michael's, Enniskillen and winning it here for the last time in 2009.

One thing certain from the encounter in the Dub, scene of many stirring Mageean finals, is that there will be a new name on the trophy this year. Both Rathmore, Belfast and St. Joseph's, Donaghmore are appearing in the MacLarnon Cup final for the first time and this alone has brought a huge buzz of excitement to their schools. A huge amount of work has gone on, both on and off the field in preparing for these finals and I would like to pay tribute to their teachers, who have worked tirelessly and selflessly throughout the year.

All the teams in our finals will be accompanied by a large following of supporters and a victory will mean a lot to their communities and their feeder clubs, who do so much to assist these schools in the promotion of our games. We would also remind those spectators attending our finals, and indeed all our games throughout the year, that we are guests at these venues and should always treat them, and the stewards on duty, with the respect they deserve.

Ulster Schools' Council cater for over 130 schools in six grades of football and four of Hurling in over 70 competitions, which involve over 1,800 games during the year. The success of these competitions depends totally on the commitment and selfless approach of the many teachers and coaches in all of our schools. This is a challenge they have always wholeheartedly embraced to ensure that all of the pupils in our schools participate in competitions which meet their demands and abilities. This, allied to the faith in our games displayed by the Principals of our schools is something that we in Ulster Schools are very grateful for.

The number of games involved, places a great demand on the clubs and facilities in Ulster and we are very grateful for their generosity. Indeed, without their benevolence, we could not fulfil our obligation to our schools. I am always amazed at the generosity of so many of our clubs and their volunteer members. Not only do they allow us to utilise their excellent facilities, but the way in which they so willingly give of their time in stewarding and assisting us in the promotion of our games is something for which we are greatly in their debt. The fact that they have no affiliation or affinity to our schools, makes these gestures all the more remarkable.

Our gratitude also extends to those officials who act as referees, umpires

and linesmen for all of our games and whose expertise and professionalism are so vital for the smooth running of our competitions.

A massive thanks is owed to the tireless work by the coordinators in both football and hurling, who ensure the smooth running of our competitions. The amount of detail and time given to this task is immeasurable, but it certainly pays off as the teachers in our schools can testify.

This year we extended our venture into the land of live games. Not only did our MacRory Cup quarter-final between St. Patrick's College, Maghera and Holy Trinity College go out live on BeoSport via Ulster GAA TV, but we also streamed our Mageean Cup final live from the Dub!

This coverage of our competitions is also greatly enhanced by the tireless work of Séamas McAleenan, who not only acts as commentator for our Mageean Cup Final, but whose coverage of our games in the local press and online, leaves our games the envy of many other sports. To Séamus and all other sports correspondents and photographer who contribute previews, results and match reports, our schools are greatly in your debt.

Our match day Programme, a wonderful souvenir of the day, is singularly produced by Rafael Gatt. It's quality is testament to his attention to detail which makes this publication the envy of many other sporting bodies. It is no wonder that it is such a popular item with programme collectors across the island.

Thanks to this excellent and unrivalled coverage, our games and our schools are synonymous in the public mind with the name of Danske Bank. We in Ulster Schools, greatly appreciate the profile that this partnership gives, not only to our high profile games and All-Stars Awards, but to all the seventy plus competitions which run across the entire school calendar, from September to May! To Oonagh Murtagh and her staff at Danske Bank, a sincere thanks!

On a personal note, I would like to thank the members of our committee for the tireless and selfless work they carry out on behalf of our schools throughout the year. To our Secretary, Seamus Woods, who on top of all his other duties, produces what must be the most comprehensive set of fixtures in the Province, if not beyond, a sincere thanks. To Sarah Geoghegan, seconded from Ulster University, Coleraine, for seamlessly settling in to assist our Servicing Officer and who has proved to be such an invaluable help to our schools in ensuring the smooth running and promotion of our fixtures, our deep gratitude.

This will be the last MacRory final for Niall Muldoon as our Servicing Officer. Niall has been with us for the past six years. He brought to the post an enthusiasm and a willingness to work over and beyond his remit, for the betterment of our schools. He was a true 'volunteer' and treated Ulster Schools as his club. Nothing was ever too much trouble and he was constantly seeking ways to better promote our competitions and to raise the profiles of our schools and our young players! On behalf of the Committee and our schools, I would like to thank Niall and wish him every success in his new post as Operations Manager with Tyrone GAA.

Finally, I wish all four teams good luck in their finals and hope they produce the feast of sporting and skilful football and the spectacle which we know they are capable of. We know that the winners will carry the best wishes of all as they represent Ulster in the All-Ireland series in the coming weeks.

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Jimmy Smyth



CLÁR AN LAE

10ú Feabhra 2023 | Dub Pavillion, Queen's University, Belfast

DANSKE BANK MACLARNON CUP FINAL (7:30pm)

7.10000	DONACHMORE amach ar an bnáire
7:10pm	DONAGHMORE amach ar an bpáirc
7:12pm	RATHMORE amach ar an bpáirc
7:15pm	Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc
7:25pm	Toss
7:28pm	Amhrán na bhFiann
7:30pm	Tús an Chluiche: RATHMORE v DONAGHMORE
8:03pm	Half Time / Leath-am
	RATHMORE to leave the field immediately
	DONAGHMORE to leave once field is cleared
8:13pm	RATHMORE to retake the field
	Followed by DONAGHMORE
8:15pm	Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
8:48pm	End of Game / Crioch an Chluiche
8:51pm	Presentation of Pat O'Hare Man of the Match award
8:52pm	Presentation of Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup to
	the winning captain

12ú Feabhra 2023 | O'Neill's Healy Park, Omagh

DANSKE BANK ULSTER SCHOOLS MACRORY CUP FINAL (2:00pm)

1:40pm	HOLY TRINITY amach ar an bpáirc
1:42pm	OMAGH CBS amach ar an bpáirc
1:45pm	Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc
1:55pm	Toss
1:58pm	Amhrán na bhFiann
2:00pm	Tús an Chluiche: HOLY TRINITY v OMAGH CBS
2:33pm	Half Time / Leath-Am
	OMAGH to leave the field immediately
	HOLY TRINITY to leave once tunnel is clear
3:13pm	OMAGH to retake the field
	Followed by HOLY TRINITY once tunnel is clear
2:45pm	Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
3:18pm	End of Game / Crioch an Chluiche
3:51pm	Presentation of Iggy Jones Man of the Match award
3:52pm	Presentation of Danske Bank MacRory Cup to the
	winning captain

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DANSKE BANK Macrory CUP FINAL

Réiteoir: Martin McNally (Muineachán)

Today, Martin will referee his third MacRory Cup Final, having taken charge of the decider in 2016 and 2017. An accomplished referee, Martin made his provincial debut in 2011 in a Minor Football Championship game, where Fermanagh defeated Derry at Celtic Park.

The curve has been onward and upward since then, and he refereed his first Monaghan Senior Football Final in 2013 between Scotstown and Clontibret. Hailing from the Corduff club in County Monaghan, in 2020 Martin refereed the Ulster Senior Football Championship semi-final between Cavan and Down, while last weekend he took charge of Galway v Roscommon in the National Football League.

Although Martin is refereeing today's Danske Bank MacRory Cup final, he is always on hand to take charge of many of our school games from September through to June.



DANSKE BANK MacLARNON CUP FINAL

Réiteoir: Kevin Faloon (Ard Mhacha)

A member of the Peadar Ó Doirnín's club in Forkhill, Kevin was selected to join the National Referees Panel in 2020. Representing Ulster GAA, he has travelled across the Atlantic where he was selected to referee the Toronto and Eastern Canada Football Finals. It was deserving recognition for the Armagh official who refereed the county's Senior Club Championship Final between Crossmaglen and Ballymacnab in 2018.

Kevin is also no stranger to the Ulster Football scene, where he refereed Cargin v Naomh Conaill in the Ulster Club Championship at the tail end of last year, before opening his 2023 campaign with Antrim v Cavan in the Dr McKenna Cup. Kevin regularly officiates at Ulster Schools games, at all levels throughout the year.



Réiteoir ar fuaireachas: Paul Faloon (An Dun)

Maor Líne: Gavan Hegarty (Doire)

Oifigeach Taobhlíne: Martin Conroy (Tir Eoghain)

Maoir: Ben Woods, Niall Reilly, Mark Gilsenan, Anthony Marron

In the event of a draw, the game will be replayed on Saturday 18 February 2023.

Réiteoir ar fuaireachas: Paul Faloon (An Dun)

Maor Líne: Eamon McCauley (Aontroim)

Oifigeach Taobhlíne: Anthony McCague (Aontroim)

Maoir: Barry McAleer, Dessie McDonnell, Paddy McAvoy, Thomas Quinn.

In the event of a draw, the game will be replayed on Friday 17 February 2023.

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ROLL OF HONOUR

MACRORY CUP RESULTS 1923 - 2022

1923 - 1934

1923	St Patrick's Armagh	1929	St Malachy's Belfast
1924	St Patrick's Armagh	1930	St Macartan's Monaghan
1925	St Patrick's Armagh;	1931	St Patrick's Armagh
	St Macartan's Monaghan; St Malachy's Belfast shared trophy	1932	St Macartan's Monaghan
1926	St Patrick's Armagh	1933	St Macartan's Monaghan
1927	St Patrick's Armagh	1934	St Macartan's Monaghan
1928	St Patrick's Armagh		•

Until 1935 the MacRory Cup was played on a league basis with the league winners claiming the title.

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1935	St Patrick's Cavan	7-11	Monaghan CBS	0-0	Breffni Park
1936	St Patrick's Cavan	3-3	St Patrick's Armagh	1-7	Monaghan
1937	St Patrick's Cavan	2-6	St Mary's Dundalk	1-6	Breffni Park
1938	St Mary's Dundalk	4-6	St Patrick's Armagh	0-4	Dundalk
1939	St Patrick's Cavan	2-7	St Mary's Dundalk	1-1	Breffni Park
1940*	St Macartan's Monaghan		St Mary's Dundalk		Monaghan
	St Macartan's Monaghan	3-5	St Mary's Dundalk	2-5	Inniskeen
1941	St Mary's Dundalk	7-6	St Patrick's Cavan	3-5	Dundalk
1942	St Macartan's Monaghan		St Mary's Dundalk		Monaghan
1943	St Patrick's Cavan	2-13	St Patrick's Armagh	1-3	Armagh
1944	St Patrick's Armagh	5-11	Abbey CBS Newry	0-2	Newry
1945	St Patrick's Armagh	4-9	St Colman's Newry	0-12	Newry
1946	St Patrick's Armagh	4-9	St Mary's Dundalk	0-3	Armagh
1947	St Patrick's Armagh	5-11	Abbey CBS Newry	0-2	Newry
1948	St Patrick's Cavan	7-8	St Malachy's Belfast	1-7	Breffni Park
1949	St Colman's Newry	5-11	St Malachy's Belfast	0-7	Lurgan
1950	St Colman's Newry	2-11	St Patrick's Armagh	3-7	Lurgan
1951	St Patrick's Cavan	1-11	St Patrick's Armagh	2-2	Ballybay
1952	St Macartan's Monaghan	2-8	St Patrick's Armagh	1-4	Ballybay
1953	St Patrick's Armagh	2-10	St Macartan's Monaghan	1-6	Ballybay
1954*	Abbey CBS Newry	0-5	St Patrick's Cavan	1-3	Armagh
	Abbey CBS Newry	0-11	St Patrick's Cavan	1-5	Ballybay
1955	St Patrick's Cavan	2-8	St Malachy's Belfast	0-2	Armagh
1956	St Macartan's Monaghan	2-7	St Eunan's Letterkenny	2-6	Omagh CBS
1957	St Colman's Newry	0-8	St Patrick's Armagh	1-2	Lurgan
1958	St Colman's Newry	4-11	St Patrick's Cavan	1-1	Castleblaney
1959	Abbey CBS Newry	3-7	St Eunan's Letterkenny	1-3	Omagh CBS
1960	St Colman's Newry	2-6	St Patrick's Cavan	0-4	Castleblaney
1961	St Patrick's Cavan	1-13	St Eunan's Letterkenny	0-5	Irvinestown
1962	St Patrick's Cavan	2-11	Abbey CBS Newry	2-7	Ballybay
1963	St Colman's Newry	2-8	St Patrick's Cavan	0-2	Ballybay
1964	Abbey CBS Newry	3-8	St Patrick's Cavan	2-5	Carrickmacross
1965	St Columb's Derry	1-3	St Michael's Enniskillen	0-4	Dungannon
1966	St Columb's Derry	3-5	St Patrick's Downpatrick	3-3	Dungannon
1967	St Colman's Newry	2-10	St Patrick's Armagh	1-4	Dundalk
1968	St Colman's Newry	6-4	St Michael's Enniskillen	1-3	Dungannon
1969	St Colman's Newry	1-9	St Michael's Enniskillen	1-6	Dungannon
1970	St Malachy's Belfast	2-6	St Michael's Enniskillen	0-6	Coalisland
1971	St Mary's CBS Belfast	1-11	Abbey CBS Newry	1-7	Lurgan
1972	St Patrick's Cavan	1-10	Abbey CBS Newry	2-5	Dundalk
1973	St Michael's Enniskillen	1-10	Omagh CBS	0-10	Dungannon
1974*	Omagh CBS	0-6	St Michael's Enniskillen	0-6	Dungannon
	Omagh CBS	1-11	St Michael's Enniskillen	0-12	Lisnaskea
1975	St Colman's Newry	2-7	St Patrick's Cavan	1-8	Omagh
1976	St Colman's Newry	1-4	St Patrick's Maghera	0-4	Dungannon
1977	St Patrick's Maghera	1-7	Abbey CBS Newry	0-8	Casement Park
1978	St Colman's Newry	1-10	St Patrick's Maghera	1-3	Casement Park
1979	St Colman's Newry	0-7	St Patrick's Maghera	0-5	Casement Park
1980	St Patrick's Maghera	3-9	Abbey CBS Newry	3-6	Casement Park
1981	St Colman's Newry	1-3	St Patrick's Maghera	0-5	Casement Park
1982	St Patrick's Maghera	1-7	Abbey CBS Newry	1-6	Casement Park
1983	St Patrick's Maghera	2-10	Abbey CBS Newry	0-8	Casement Park
1984	St Patrick's Maghera	1-9	St Mary's CBS Belfast	0-6	Casement Park
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1985	St Patrick's Maghera	2-9	St Michael's Lurgan	1-1	Omagh
1986	St Mary's CBS Belfast	1-8	St Patrick's Maghera	0-6	Omagh
1987	Abbey CBS Newry	2-6	St Colman's Newry	0-8	Lurgan
1988*	St Colman's Newry	0-6	St Patrick's Maghera	0-6	Ballybay
	St Colman's Newry	2-7	St Patrick's Maghera	2-7	Omagh
	St Colman's Newry	3-5	St Patrick's Maghera	1-9	Dungannon
1989	St Patrick's Maghera	4-11	St Colman's Newry	4-9	Coalisland
1990*	St Patrick's Maghera	0-6	St Colman's Newry	0-6	Coalisland
	St Patrick's Maghera	3-6	St Colman's Newry	1-5	Coalisland
1991	St Patrick's Dungannon	2-7	St Colman's Newry	1-9	Coalisland
1992	St Michael's Enniskillen	1-8	St Patrick's Dungannon	0-9	Coalisland
1993	St Colman's Newry	0-10	St Patrick's Maghera	1-5	Coalisland
1994	St Patrick's Maghera	0-12	St Patrick's Armagh	0-8	Armagh
1995	St Patrick's Maghera	1-14	St Colman's Newry	0-5	Clones
1996	St Patrick's Maghera	0-12	St Mary's Magherafelt	1-6	Coalisland
1997	St Patrick's Dungannon	2-9	St Patrick's Armagh	1-10	Casement Park
1998	St Colman's Newry	2-14	St Patrick's Maghera	2-7	Casement Park
1999	St Michael's Enniskillen	4-11	St Colman's Newry	0-12	Casement Park
2000	St Patrick's Armagh	3-6	St Michael's Enniskillen	1-9	Casement Park
2001**	Omagh CBS	2-8	St Michael's Enniskillen	1-11	Casement Park
2002	St Michael's Enniskillen	1-12	Omagh CBS	1-5	Casement Park
2003	St Patrick's Maghera	1-9	St Mary's Magherafelt	1-4	Casement Park
2004	St Patrick's Dungannon	0-8	St Macartan's Monaghan	0-6	Casement Park
2005*	Omagh CBS	2-7	St Louis Kilkeel	0-13	Casement Park
	Omagh CBS	2-9	St Louis Kilkeel	0-11	Casement Park
2006	Abbey CBS	2-4	St Louis Kilkeel	0-9	Casement Park
2007	Omagh CBS	0-10	St Macartan's Monaghan	1-6	Casement Park
2008	St Patrick's Dungannon	0-13	St Michael's Enniskillen	1-9	Omagh
2009	Omagh CBS	1-9	St Patrick's Dungannon	2-7	Omagh
2010	St Colman's Newry	1-14	Omagh CBS	1-8	Casement Park
2011	St Colman's Newry	2-9	St Pat's Academy, D'gannon	2-8	Armagh
2012	St Michael's Enniskillen	0-9	St Pat's Academy Maghera	1-4	Armagh
2013	St Pat's College Maghera	2-5	St Paul's HS Bessbrook	0-10	Armagh
2014	St Pat's College Maghera	1-12	Omagh CBS	1-8	Armagh
2015	St Pat's College, Cavan	2-12	St Pat's Academy, Dungannon		Armagh
2016	St Pat's College, Maghera	5-7	St Paul's HS, Bessbrook	1-9	Armagh
2017	St St Mary's Magherafelt	0-19	St Colman's Newry	0-13	Armagh
2018	St Ronan's College, Lurgan	1-09	St Mary's Magherafelt	1-07	Armagh
2019	St Michael's Enniskillen	0-16	Omagh CBS	2-06	Armagh
2020***	St Pat's College, Maghera		St Colman's Newry		Armagh
2021	The MacRory Cup Competition we	as not played i	n 2021 due to the Covid-19 Pande	emic	
2022	St Mary's Magherafelt	2-09	Holy Trinity Cookstown	0-08	Armagh
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^{*} Signifies draw and replay ** Both schools shared the MacRory Cup - replay cancelled due to foot and mouth.

ROLL OF HONOUR

MACLARNON CUP **RESULTS 1923 - 2022**

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1960	St Patrick's Dungannon	1981	St Columb's Derry	2002	St Columb's Derry
1961	St Michael's Omeath	1982	Armagh C.B.S.	2003	St Michael's Lurgan
1962	St Malachy's Belfast	1983	Falcarragh	2004	St Louis Kilkeel
1963	St Columb's Derry	1984	St Michael's Lurgan	2005	Our Lady's Sec. School, Castleblayney
1964	St Michael's Enniskillen	1985	Falcarragh	2006	La Salle Belfast
1965	St Patrick's Cavan	1986	Falcarragh	2007	St Eunan's Letterkenny
1966	St Patrick's Armagh	1987	St Macartan's Monaghan	2008	St Mary's C.B.S. Belfast
1967	St Michael's Omeath	1988	St Michael's Lurgan	2009	St Pius X Magherafelt
1968	St Eunan's Letterkenny	1989	St Michael's Lurgan	2010	St Michael's, Lurgan
1969	St Patrick's Downpatrick	1990	St Patrick's Downpatrick	2011	St Mary's CBGS Belfast
1970	St Patrick's Maghera	1991	St Michael's Lurgan	2012	St Paul's High School, Bessbrook
1971	Omagh C.B.S.	1992	St Mary's Magherafelt	2013	St Michael's Lurgan
1972	St Patrick's Dungannon	1993	St Mary's Magherafelt	2014	St Eunan's College, Letterkenny
1973	St Tiernach's Clones	1994	St Mary's Magherafelt	2015	Our Lady's Sec. School, Castleblayney
1974	St Patrick's, Maghera	1995	St Michael's Lurgan	2016	Patrician High School, Carrickmacross
1975	Armagh C.B.S.	1996	De La Salle Ballyshannon	2017	St Ciaran's College, Ballygawley
1976	Armagh C.B.S.	1997	Patrician High Carrickmacross	2018	Holy Trinity College, Cookstown
1977	St Patrick's Downpatrick	1998	Patrician High Carrickmacross	2019	St Patrick's Downpatrick
1978	Armagh C.B.S.	1999	De La Salle Ballyshannon	2020***	OLSPCK and St Pius X
1979	St Eunan's Letterkenny	2000	St Eunan's Letterkenny	2021***	
1980	De La Salle Ballyshannon	2001	St Patrick's Downpatrick	2022	Patrician High School, Carrickmacross

^{***} Both schools shared the MacLarnon Cup due to the Covid-19 Pandemic

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Welcome from Danske Bank

Welcome to the 2022-2023 Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup and Danske Bank MacRory Cup finals.

This weekend's finals represent an extremely special moment for the four teams taking part, and they are among the most eagerly-anticipated sporting events in our local calendar.

This milestone year marks the tenth anniversary of our partnership with Ulster Schools GAA, and we are so proud of this relationship that promotes and supports grassroots sport in local communities. Over the last decade, we have seen the competition evolve, with new competitions helping increase the opportunities for young people in schools across the country to get involved in GAA.

As the biggest bank in NI, we understand our role in society. Our partnerships with Ulster Schools GAA, the Danske Bank Ulster Schools' Cup and the NI Schools' Football Association, play a key part in our commitment to investing in our young people and helping them to thrive through sport.

We have witnessed a considerable amount of talent on display in the earlier rounds of these competitions, but this weekend is, of course, all about the MacLarnon and MacRory Cup finals and the worthy finalists - Holy Trinity College, Cookstown and Omagh CBS; Rathmore Grammar School, Belfast and St. Joseph's Grammar School, Donaghmore.

Reaching these finals is the culmination of many years of training, dedication and commitment for the players from the respective schools. I would, therefore, like to take this opportunity to congratulate you all for your achievement in making it this far.

These competitions would not be possible without the support of a great number of people - coaches, organisers, teachers, clubs, friends and family have all played a massive part in helping develop and nurture these remarkable athletes from the outset of their sporting careers.

From taking the players to their first sessions, to turning up for training drills in all sorts of weather and passionately supporting from the sidelines, it is an understatement to say that this is a family affair.

I would also like to acknowledge the dedication and hard work of the Ulster Schools' Committee and volunteers, who give up their time on a voluntary basis to run these competitions and do so with the highest levels of engagement and professionalism.

Our attention must return to the players on this prestigious occasion, however. Today is your day, and you have the opportunity to make memories that will last a lifetime.

On behalf of us all at Danske Bank, I wish you the very best of luck, and look forward to two exciting finals.

Vicky Davies

Chief Executive, Danske Bank







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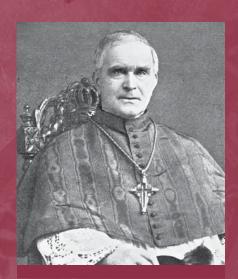
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CARDINAL JOSEPH MACRORY



Joseph MacRory was born in March 1861 in Ballygawley, County Tyrone, in the Archdiocese of Armagh, Joseph MacRory studied at St Patrick's College, Armagh and St Patrick's College, Maynooth.

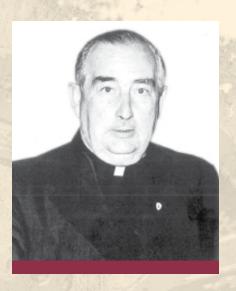
He was ordained a priest in 1885 and undertook post-graduate studies in Maynooth in 1884-1886. He served on the staff of Alton Seminary, Birmingham, as Professor of Moral Theology and Sacred Scripture in 1886-87. He became the first president of St Patrick's Boys' Academy, Dungannon in 1887 where he served until 1889, when he then became a member of the staff of St Patrick's College, Maynooth.

He served on the staff of Maynooth between 1889-1915 during which time he held the chair of Sacred Scripture and Oriental Languages (1889), chair of Hermeneutics and New Testament Exegesis (1905) and Vice-President (1912).

He was appointed Bishop of Down and Connor on 9 August, 1915, and ordained Bishop on 14 November, 1915. He was appointed Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland on 22 June 1928. He was named a Cardinal on 12 December, 1929, and assigned the Titular Church of San Giovanni a Porta Latina. He died on 13 October 1945 and was buried in St Patrick's Cemetery, Armagh. His Episcopal motto was Fortis in Fide (Strong in Faith).



Dean Francis MACLARNON



Francis MacLarnon was born on 23 May 1916 in Coleraine, County Derry. After secondary education at St. Patrick's College Armagh (1929-33), he entered St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, as a student for the priesthood for the archdiocese of Armagh. He was ordained there on 23 June 1940. After ordination, Fr. MacLarnon pursued postgraduate studies in Maynooth at the Dunboyne Institute and was awarded a licence in sacred theology (STL) and a doctorate in divinity (DD). Having completed post-graduate studies, Dr. MacLarnon was appointed Headmaster of St. Patrick's Boys' Academy, Dungannon, a post he held from 1942 until 1961 when he became Principal of the newly established St. Patrick's Boys' Secondary School, Dungannon.

In January 1971 he was appointed Parish Priest of Drumcree (Portadown), and in June 1972 he was appointed a member of the Cathedral Chapter (Canon). Canon MacLarnon returned to Dungannon as Parish Priest in October 1978, when he was appointed Dean of the Cathedral Chapter and Vicar General of the Archdiocese. In January 1979, Dean MacLarnon became a Prelate of Honour of Holiness (Monsignor).

Upon the death of Cardinal Ó Fiaich in May 1990, Dean MacLarnon was elected as Diocesan Administrator, and was responsible for the administration of the archdiocese of Armagh until the appointment of Bishop Cathal B Daly of Down and Connor as Archbishop of Armagh later that year.

Dean MacLarnon remained as Parish Priest of Dungannon until his retirement on 10 October 1994, when he was appointed Chancellor of the archdiocese. He retained the office of Vicar General. Dean MacLarnon died on 28 July 2004.





ince their inauguration in 1988, the Ulster Schools' All-Star Awards have represented the pinnacle of personal achievement for school hurlers and footballers throughout the nine counties of Ulster. With only fifteen players successful in their respective discipline annually, competition for the prestigious honour is always intense.

The 2021-2022 Danske Bank Ulster Schools' Hurling and Football All-Stars were announced at a Press Conference in April 2022 at Corrigan Park, Belfast. This was the 34th year of the Ulster Schools' All-Star Scheme. The All-Star Team launch continues to be one of the most eagerly awaited events for the young players.

The successful recipients were selected following a series of trial games in football and hurling following their initial nominations. The scheme rewards excellence in skill and in sportsmanship. The selected hurlers and footballers attended the gala banquet to receive recognition for their talent and commitment to the

Ulster Schools' competitions and the GAA in general.

BBC's Thomas Kane was MC on the evening. Ulster Schools' Chairman, Jimmy Smyth got the formal proceedings underway, welcoming everyone to the Ulster Schools' gala event in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, especially the young All-Stars, the captains and their parents.

Jimmy Smyth welcomed the guests on the evening including; Oonagh Murtagh (Head of South Business Centre, Danske Bank), Brian McAvoy (Rúnaí, Chomhairle Uladh), Geraldine McKavanagh (Ulster GAA) and representatives from the LGFA and the Camogie Association. Thanks were also extended to Gavan Duffy and Aidan O'Rourke at QUB who assist us during the year with their wonderful facilities and also to Martina Madden from O'Neill's Sports who work so closely with us and all our schools.

Danske Bank charity partner, Aware NI
- a mental health and well-being charity,
represented by Clare Galbraith, outlined the

important work of their organisation and the positive impact and support it provides for our young people.

Representatives of the PSNI were welcomed and guests were given an overview of how the PSNI assist us, not only at our games, but in working together to safeguard our young children in such initiatives as the 'One Punch' campaign as well as highlighting the dangers of speeding among young drivers- both worthwhile causes!

The special guests on the night were our young players who won All-Star awards in Football and Hurling. On the night, the 1,000th All-Star in the 34th year of these awards was presented.

Thomas Kane gave a fluent overview of all the All-Stars' individual achievements. Some schools were presented with All-Star awards for the first time, one of these schools being Dean Mag Uirc College, Carrickmore. Defenders, Rónán Fox and Michael Rafferty both played in the Tyrone Under-17 side that lost the All-Ireland minor final to Meath. A









first ever Danske Bank Mageean Cup title for St Patrick's, Downpatrick in December 2021 was further embellished when six of their players were named in the Ulster Schools' All-Star Hurling team.

Oonagh Murtagh, Head of South Business Centre at Danske Bank UK Belfast, commented:

"The Ulster Schools' All-Stars is an outstanding initiative and something that we at Danske Bank are extremely proud to be part of. The commitment and dedication required to even be nominated for an All-Star award is immense and I would like to congratulate all of the players that were selected to participate in the trials, as well as the fifteen outstanding hurlers and footballers we are honouring here today."

"This passion for excellence is truly

commendable and something that we in Danske Bank strive to achieve across our business."

Jimmy Smyth, congratulated the recipients on the evening and thanked sponsors Danske Bank for their continued support after two very difficult years for schools and the banking industry.

The Ulster Schools' All-Stars is an outstanding initiative and something that we at Danske Bank are extremely proud to be part of.

"Two years ago, we were hit by something none of us could have foreseen. All Schools' GAA was suspended for twenty

months, from March 2020 until November 2021. Since then, we have endeavoured to provide competition at all levels, and we were particularly keen to get the senior competitions completed for the first time in three seasons.

"The players receiving their All-Star Awards and their peers have missed out on much of what schools' GAA is all about and it important that we honour our top underage talent."

"To achieve an Ulster Schools' All-Star Award, is to rightly earn a place in their School's and in Ulster Schools' Hall of Fame. These awards recognise and reward these talented players' commitment and endeavour on the GAA field."

Entertainment on the evening was provided by the St. Malachy's College, Belfast Traditional Music Group.























Launch of the 2022-2023 Season

Back in September 2022, Ulster Schools' GAA, and sponsors Danske Bank, launched the 2022-2023 season of competitions for post-primary schools across the province.

For the 2022-2023 season, 126 schools registered to take part in over 60 competitions, as the demand for Gaelic Games continues to grow. The launch took place on Wednesday 14th September at St. Patrick's Grammar School, Downpatrick, a school that collected their first ever Danske Bank Mageean Cup title in memorable fashion last December.

Speaking at the launch, Oonagh Murtagh, Head of South Business Centre at Danske Bank said:

"At Danske Bank, we are passionate about helping our society thrive, and one way we do this is through our sponsorship of sports across the country. Supporting the Ulster Schools' GAA competitions is a central part of that support for local communities."

Ulster Schools GAA Chairperson Jimmy Smyth commented:

"There will be thousands of students across Ulster eagerly awaiting the opportunity to pull on their school jersey, some for the first time. Our competitions continue to grow from strength to strength, and we are indebted to the work of our School Teachers, Support Staff, Principals, and our Sponsors, Danske Bank, all contributing to making this possible."

Competitions got underway in September and updates, previews and match reports continue to be updated on our website and social media channels.

The draw for the 2022-2023 Danske Bank MacRory Cup took place, with 15 schools competing for the top football prize on offer in Ulster Schools' GAA.

Twelve schools entered the Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup for the draw for the pre-Christmas group stages that start during the first week of November and were scheduled to be completed by Wednesday 14th December.

2019 champions St Patrick's Downpatrick were drawn against Rathmore Grammar, St. Louis Ballymena and Loreto Milford. Head of PE in the school, Darren Swail felt that there





was a feel of familiarity about their group.

"We would have played against St. Louis and Rathmore regularly through the year groups as well as at MacLarnon level and we actually defeated Loreto Milford in the knock-out stages just before the Covid-19 Pandemic.

"It is hard to say who will be the teams to beat at this level especially with no games two years. Everyone will be watching each other's results and working out who are emerging as front runners," he predicted.

Oonagh Murtagh, helped Jimmy Smyth, Chairperson of Ulster Schools' GAA make the various draws. The ever expanding nature of Ulster Schools' GAA was illustrated at the launch for the new school year by the attendance of coaches and students from St. Gerard's School, Belfast, a co-educational School that caters for pupils from the age of 3 to 19 with a range of additional needs.

Antrim footballers Conor Murray (Lámh Dhearg) and Dermot Niblock (Naomh Gall) are teachers in the school and attended the launch accompanied by students Ryan Guest, Deborah Loughran and Leah McCrudden.

"Our Principal Stephen Ramsey is a St.







Paul's (Naomh Pól) man and he is a big advocate for involving our kids in sport of any kind," said Murray.

"We talked to Sean McGourty and others in Ulster Schools' GAA and we were invited to come on board. We are really looking forward to participating. The kids are loving it. Many of them come from GAA backgrounds, some are already involved in clubs around Belfast and they just want to wear the school jersey and get out together for hurling and football.

Supporting the Ulster " Schools' GAA competitions is a central part of that support for local communities.

"We operate from nursery right through to Post 16 and are catering for around 600 students now, some with profound learning difficulties, complex need, others with moderate difficulties; kids who might struggle in main stream settings."

Ulster Schools' GAA chairman Jimmy Smyth welcomed the involvement of St Gerard's this year.

"We in Ulster Schools welcome all pupils from all of our schools, maintained, controlled and integrated, who wish to take part in our competitions.

"Our competitions cater for all levels of skills and abilities and we are especially delighted to welcome this year, the pupils of St Gerard's."









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St. Mary's Grammar School, Magherafelt: 2-9 Holy Trinity College, Cookstown: 0-8

St. Mary's Grammar School, Magherafelt bridged a five year gap at the Athletic Grounds in Armagh as they lifted the **Danske Bank MacRory Cup for** only the second time in their history with a deserved win over Holy Trinity College, Cookstown.

The Tyrone school were appearing in their first final at this level, but they got off to a disastrous start conceding two goals inside the opening quarter, the first of which came after only three minutes from man of the match Niall O'Donnell.

Shea and Ryan Quinn responded with Holy Trinity points, but you feared the worst for them when O'Donnell, this time turned provider for Cahir Quinn to fire low to the net in the 14th minute.

To their credit though, Holy Trinity began to knuckle down and play their way into the game and a superb point from distance from Shea Quinn was followed by an inspirational score from midfielder Ruairí McHugh and all of a sudden they were only three points adrift at the break, 2-1 to 0-4, having held their opponents scoreless in the second quarter.

St. Mary's, Magherafelt though always looked dangerous when going forward and they effectively made sure of the silverware in the third quarter as they assumed control in the key areas throughout the field.

Tom Shivers ended their barren spell when he converted a free, their only score of the game that didn't come from play. They began to play the football that they are capable off as they attacked with pace and in droves to heap increasing pressure on the Holy Trinity defence.

Impressive wing half back, Ruairi Forbes joined the attack to fire over a fine point from long range and the same player then provided the pass for John Lavery to register. Holy Trinity were struggling to stay in contention with St. Mary's substitute, Joshua Cassidy increasing his side's advantage with his first touch after coming on.

Man of the Match, O'Donnell then hit a





superb score to leave it 2-6 to 0-4 at the three quarter way stage. Moments later, Shea Lawn finally opened Holy Trinity's second half account with a fine free conversion off the ground, but they then hit a let off when Cassidy palmed the ball off the post with Cookstown 'keeper Rian Smith brilliantly denying O'Donnell from the

Lawn knocked over another free and to their credit Holy Trinity refused to throw in the towel with, substitute Terry Devlin

closing the gap to three going into the final ten minutes.

Midfielder, Lorcan Convery then weighed in with an eye catching score for the winners and that was quickly followed by another point from the boot of the dangerous O'Donnell.

McHugh kept the scoreboard ticking over for the Tyrone school, but it was a goal that they badly needed and it never looked like coming. With a minute to go in normal time, fittingly O'Donnell had the final score of

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the contest and it could well have been a goal only that his pile driver was brilliantly tipped over the bar by 'keeper Smith.

In the end, seven points separated the two sides and Ronan Devlin, who is part of the St. Mary's management, was just delighted that they emerged victorious.





"To concede early goals when you are going into a game as underdogs is always a massive blow but I felt that Holy Trinity responded well and to be honest I was glad to see halftime," said Ronan.

"We made a couple of silly calls, but you know it's easy to forget sometimes that some of these lads are only sixteen. They started to control the game and play with their heads a bit more, something that we encourage."

Holy Trinity joint-manager John McKeever was naturally disappointed, but he heaped praise on his charges.

"We are really proud of these lads, there was 64 minutes played there today and they went right to the final whistle," he said.

"They have given us their life from the end of September last year. We had a slow start and to concede two early goals was disappointing, but fair play to St Mary's, they were worthy winners."















St. Mary's Grammar School, Magherafelt: J. Gribben, C. Heron, N. Rafferty, S. Matterson, R. Walls, E. McEvoy, R. Forbes (0-1), L. Convery (0-1), R. McEldowney (0-1), B. Kelly, C. Johnston, J. Lavery (0-1), C. Quinn (1-0), T. Shivers (0-1, 1 free), N. O'Donnell (1-3) Subs: J. Cassidy (0-1) for C. Quinn, L. Bradley for J. Lavery

Holy Trinity College, Cookstown: R. Smith, S. O'Hare, C. Kelly, L. Cullen, M. Devlin, B. Hampsey, C. Devlin, R. McHugh (0-2), B. Ryan, O. O'Driscoll, S. Quinn (0-2, 1 free), J. Martin, S. Lawn (0-2, 2 frees), P. Loughran, R. Quinn (0-1)

Subs: T. Devlin (0-1) for O. O'Driscoll, S. Hughes for Devlin, M. McElhatton for P. Loughran, O. O'Driscoll for S. O'Hare, K. Hampsey for L. Cullen, R. Nelis for R. Quinn

REFEREE: Paul Faloon (Down).







St. Patrick's Maghera: 2-5 St. Paul's HS, Bessbrook: 0-10 | Athletic Grounds Armagh, 19 March 2013

St Pat's save the best until last for cup glory

St. Patrick's, Maghera bridged a 10-year gap to win their 13th Danske Bank MacRory Cup title when they held off a spirited St Paul's, Bessbrook side in a thrilling finish at the Athletic Grounds in Armagh.

With only six minutes left to play,
Maghera held a four-point lead and seemed
set to close the game out, but Bessbrook
had other ideas and it took an outstanding
save from goalkeeper Ciaran McCloy to
deny a shot from Daniel Nugent that
appeared destined for the top right-hand
corner of the net.

In the closing minutes the Armagh lads hit three unanswered points, but their heroic efforts just came up short in their debut final.

For Maghera, it helped make up for the disappointment of losing to St Michael's, Enniskillen in last season's final and jointmanager Martin McConnell was naturally delighted at the final whistle.

"It's a great feeling to win the MacRory Cup again especially in the 50th anniversary of the school," he said.

"I know only too well what Bessbrook are going through at the moment as we were in that position 12 months ago. They really pushed us to the wire but we didn't expect anything else from them.

We maybe weren't at our best but it was all about getting over the line and these lads deserve it for the effort that they have put in.

"It hasn't been easy for them as most people had them talked up as warm favourites before a ball was kicked in this season's competition - and thank God they delivered."

His opposite number John Rafferty was naturally devastated with the narrow loss, his side's first of the season, but he was nevertheless full of praise for his charges and pointed out to that late save as being a pivotal moment in the game.

"Ciaran McCloy won the MacRory Cup for



Maghera, it was a brilliant save," he said.

"The fellas are in there in the dressing room tired and exhausted and naturally devastated but they gave it their all. We may not being going home with the cup but we are just as proud of them.

"The way that they went about their football in the second half with the integrity that they showed was just top drawer.

"Only for a few key moments going against us if would be us with the smile on our faces, but that's football. These boys have set the standard for the junior students in our school and hopefully we can build on this."

Maghera's Stephen O'Hara opened the scoring in the second minute with a sublime effort from out on the right wing, but Bessbrook responded with fine scores from midfield duo Aaron McKay and Blaine Malone. In the 13th minute, the first goal of the afternoon arrived and it came in fortunate circumstances for Maghera when a long ball in from Peter Cassidy saw Conor Carville fumble it as he went for a catch but it came off his hand and into the net.

Bessbrook replied when McKay curled over a good point, but moments later Maghera got their second goal when Danny Tallon played the ball into O'Hara, who caught it before drilling a shot low to the bottom right-hand corner of the net past 'keeper Sean McDonnell.

That proved to be the last score of a drab first half that ended with Maghera leading 2-1 to 0-3. In the opening 10 minutes of the second half, Ciaran O'Hanlon knocked over a couple of frees for Bessbrook, but either side of those scores impressive midfielder Cassidy fisted a point to keep St Pat's at arm's length.

O'Hanlon reduced the gap further from another free, but again Maghera hit back with Gerald Bradley scoring two placed balls and substitute Conor Convery on target from play. It was at that stage that McCloy came to his side's rescue with an unbelievable finger-tip save. Eoghan Burns, who was beginning to exert a massive influence for St Paul's, blasted in a shot that was deflected over the bar by Maghera full-back Declan Hughes before substitute Caolan McCullough reduced the gap further.

As the game entered injury-time, O'Hanlon scored another free but, in a tense finish, Maghera held on to take the title.

REFEREE: M. Higgins (Fermanagh).

Report courtesy of Kevin Kelly Irish News



St Patrick's College, Maghera: 1-9 St Mary's Grammar School, Magherafelt: 1-4 | Casement Park, Belfast



"We said to ourselves at half-time, if we're ever gonna win a MacRory we'll have to do it now. This is my last year, same as a lot of the other boys." Gerard O'Kane

St. Patrick's, Maghera Skipper, Gerard O'Kane would be more entitled than most to have a swollen head after his part in their MacRory final triumph. Not only did the Glenullin lad play a captain's part to inspire his side's comeback, he also suffered a hefty bang to the head in the first half that forced him off the field for a time. And that's not to mention the effect the victory celebrations have had on his noggin....

However, the concussion O'Kane sustained late in the first half of the Casement Park final failed to knock the natural modesty out of him.

O'Kane tried to play down his influence on their second half revival against south Derry rivals St. Mary's, Magherafelt:

"It was just great to get winning it. We got two or three scores before I came back on, actually, I don't think I made a wild lot of difference. I just dropped in an oul flukey ball for the goal."

Maghera did score two points before O'Kane returned in the 33rd minute after lengthy treatment at half-time, reducing their deficit to three points.

Yet there's no doubting the inspirational impact he made when he moved into

midfield. O'Kane acknowledged his desire to be involved:

"Any match you want to play in, but to get to play in a MacRory final is just a great thing and it was something I didn't want to miss out on in the end-up. I just wanted to be there playing in it."

Their skipper's determination must have had a positive effect on his team-mates to win the college's first MacRory Cup in seven years:

"The first half we were all over the place, it wasn't Maghera at all. We said to ourselves at half-time, if we're ever gonna win a MacRory we'll have to do it now. This is my last year, same as a lot of the other boys. I've never won a medal with St. Pat's in my life so I thought it was now or never."

Of course, O'Kanes mind was on other matters at the interval after being stretchered off in the 29th minute, but his recall was clear enough.

"It was a hard hit, but I think the impact was more when I hit the ground. I was lucky enough. If the paramedics hadn't been there I don't think I would have returned for the second half.

"They dealt with me right, I think they

did everything but operate on me and thankfully it worked.

"I was on oxygen for ten minutes, but I think that was more panic than anything."

Perhaps it was all a blessing in disguise at least he missed manager manager Dermot Mc Nicholl's half-time team talk. In fact, O'Kane reveals that the message got through to him as well:

"I caught the tail-end of it; I heard most of it from the medical room next door anyway...

"He had every right to be telling us what he did, he was only telling us the truth-and it paid off in the end-up.

"Magherafelt were very good in the first half but we knew we didn't play to our potential.

"We know that if we play to our potential we're hard to stop and that's all we had to concentrate on.

"I just knew if we played the way we could play we would win it.

"I was surprised a bit that Magherafelt never scored, but that was down to our perseverance all over the field."

And no one epitomised that never-say-die attitude better than Gerard O'Kane himself.







St. Colman's, Newry: 0-10 St. Patrick's, Maghera: 1-5 Coalisland, 17 March 1993

St Colman's Leave it Late to Snatch MacRory

Eighteen year old Aidan McGivern magnificently grabbed destiny and pinched the MacRory Cup title for St.Colmans in an exciting (as opposed to classic) final at Coalisland yesterday.

The Burren lad's two injury time points gave the Violet Hill boys their first MacRory title since back in 1988. A five year famine ended and a thoroughly deserved success, but they were almost overhauled by the superb final surge from courageous St Patrick's Maghera - that almost snatched victory.

Adrian McGuckin's younger and lighter charges failed to score for half an hour (from the 25th to 55th minute) but two late points from Kevin Ryan and marksman Ronan Rocks levelled matters on 0-8 to 1-5 at the end of normal time. As both sides surged for victory McGivern suddenly exploded to clinch a ferociously contested final. He swapped passenger for hero status as he swooped on a neat pass from the centre forward Diarmaid Marsden and angled over a beautiful point to put Ray Morgan's men ahead by 1-6 to 0-8 in the 61st minute. A minute later he collected a Charlie Pat McCartan pass and curled over a magnificent clinching point from 35 yards on the right hand touchline. Seconds later, the royal blue fans erupted in celebration as referee, Pat McEneaney called time and Peter McGrath remarked "that St Colman's hadn't won anything since 1988". Adrian McGuckin and his superbly drilled youthful side can hardly grudge their arch rivals this success.

St Colman's team captain, Ronan Hamill collected the 'Man of the Match Award' and the Iggy Jones Memorial Trophy from former great Sean O'Neill to tap a brilliant individual



performance. Midfielder, Charlie Pat McCartan was another match winner. His magnificent fielding and driving clearances kept Maghera pinned back for the first 20 minutes of the second half.

Meanwhile, classy corner forward, Michael McVerry stroked over two beautiful points in the 15th and 18th minutes to put St. Colman's 0-8 to 1-3 ahead before Maghera's final surge.

The Derry lads however had a dream start when Damien Hasson ghosted behind the St. Colman's defence to collect an inspired pass from Enda McQuillian and blast home from 10 yards. Gangly corner forward, Michael McCormick added another point a minute later, as Colman's struggled despite playing some inspirational football.

Maghera's blocking, tacking and support play were outstanding in the opening quarter as Diarmaid Marsden spurned two excellent chances for Colman's including a 15th minute penalty. His fiercely struck shot shaved the right hand post after Maghera's man of the match Eamon Turner hurled him down in the square. However, points from McVerry and Marsden in the 8th and 14th minute - Marsden's magnificent individual strike put Colman's in the picture, as Maghera tacked on points from the inevitable Ronan Rocks. Colman's played

more fluently, while Hamill fielded superbly at full back and Charlie Pat McCartan inspired his team into the breeze. But two inspirational injury time points from Garry Farrell and James Byrne helped Colmans claw back. They seemed poised for victory in a wind assisted second half as Maghera turned over with 1-3 to 0-4 half time lead.

However, Colman's hit nine wides and their tendency to over hit the ball into the breeze could have proved costly until McVerry's inspired strike in the 41st minute.

Youthful Maghera battled gamely and were more astute on broken play - Peter Diamond, Ronan McGuckin, and Turner kept them in touch until that inspired final surge as Rocks and Turner dramatically levelled matters in the 29th minute. Turner's point was a peach as visions of a memorable Maghera victory loomed. But McGivern put the Shakespearian adage a 'tide taken to change the affairs of young men'- to heart as he grabbed the vital scores.

Ecstasy for St. Colman's - disappointment for Maghera, but I have no doubt they will return next year in fruitful search of the ultimate in Colleges' football.

Colman's deserved this one but it won't be too long before the MacRory Cup will be winging its way to the fields of South Derryagain!



St Patrick's High School, Maghera: 2-10 Abbey CBS, Newry: 0-8 | Casement Park, Belfast

Maghera's Fine Show

A super second half performance at Casement Park left nobody in doubt as to who are the MacRory Cup champions this season. For during that inspiring spell St. Patrick's High School, Maghera, galloped to an eight point victory and even disappointed Abbey CBS, were quick to acknowledge the winners superiority.

It took St.Patrick's, Maghera twenty-four minutes to get into their stride but once they did there was no stopping them. They were utterly determined and using their undoubted talents plus their greater stability they brushed the Abbey lads aside during the second half to run out comfortable winners. Yet it was the Abbey who made the early running. With golfer come footballer Jim Carville forcing his team forward at every opportunity from his left hand-back position, the forwards were giving the Maghera defence many anxious moments and the Newry team leaped five points to nil ahead after 17 minutes.

St.Patrick's full-forward, Damien Cassidy did have the ball in the Abbey net in the 13th minute, he punched home a Dermot McNicholl lob, but the score was disallowed. A doubtful decision this, as Cassidy clearly soared into the 'square' to meet the dropping ball.

However, points by Damien Dougan and Rory Scullion (0-2) brought St.Patrick's back into the hunt before half-time when the Newry lead was a slender five point to three point advantage and that after playing with a pretty strong wind.

It was a different St.Patrick's who took to the field for the second half. They were definitely more determined and they fought for every ball like tigers. Dermot McNicholl played a captain's part in midfield, even though he tired towards the



end and finished up at full-forward. And the deadly accuracy of corner forward, Rory Scullion was just too much for the Newry lads to cope with.

Two Scullion points had the team's level at 0-5 apiece 12 minutes after the restart and Scullion gave his team the lead entering the last quarter. He added a goal, following a sweeping move down field that had started with Dermot McNicholl in his own half-back line.

The Abbev had their first real raid on the Maghera posts nine minutes from time when Kearney snatched a point but this was answered by a Cassidy goal, a carbon copy of the one that was disallowed in the first half.

Abbey did force themselves back into the hunt during the final couple of minutes but it was too late to alter the rest. Jim Carville, was one of the losers' best players, and was a little unfortunate to be sent off a minute from time but he had been booked in the first half

The O'Neill brothers, Ronan Carroll, Damien Kane and Arthur Ruddy, apart from Carville, tried their best to stem the Maghera tide but the Newry team just didn't have the overall strength and power of their opponents. "Yet we were lucky to get those three points before half-time.. they kept us in the game" said St.Patrick's, Maghera coach Oliver Short. "I laid down the law at the interval and left the boys

in no doubt as to what was expected of them during the second half. I must say I'm delighted with them. They played extremely well after the restart and they are surely worthy winners".

Newry coach Val Kane fully agreed and was full of praise for the winners when he visted their dressing room. "From the bottom of my heart I congratulate you boys", he stressed. "You'll go far as Ulster champions to the Hogan Cup and we will be behind you all the way. On the day you proved better than us and if I may single out one player it is Dermot McNicholl - I thought he was super".

St Patrick's High School, Maghera

D. Kelly, D. Quinn, J. McGrath, P. McGrellis, V. McNicholl, P. McCann, N. Mullan, D. McNicholl, D. Dougan (0-2), G. O'Kane, C. McNicholl, J. McGurk, C. Rafferty, D. Cassidy (1-1), R. Scullion (1-7). **Sub:** D. Mackle for D. Ouinn.

Abbey CBS, Newry

D. McCorr, A. Magennis, P. O'Neill, B. Irvine, R. Carroll (0-1), C. McShane, J. Carville, B. Conlon, R. O'Neill, D. Kearney (0-2), D. Kane (0-1), K. McGurk, A. Ruddy (0-3), C. Rankin, M. McEvoy (0-1). Sub: A. Toner for C. Rankin.

REFEREE: J. Curran (Ardboe)







St. Michael's, Enniskillen: 1-10 Omagh CBS: 0-10 | Dungannon, 17 March 1973

"The most important day ever for football in our county" That was how Fermanagh Chairman Mr. John McElholm greeted the final whistle in the thrilling 1973 MacRory Cup decider where St. Michael's Enniskillen, captured the Ulster Colleges' senior football title for the first time at the expense of the very gallant Omagh C.B.S.

There may have been too many missed chances and too many elementary errors to place this final in the classic mould, but few of those lucky enough to witness this titanic struggle will be prepared to quibble about the odd blemish. Refereed by Jim McGuigan (Derry) football was the real winner on this occasion.

Played in prefect conditions, the pace was a cracker from the moment Br. G. O'Doherty, Secretary of the Ulster Colleges' Council, set the game in motion.

Early exchanges favoured St. Michael's and it soon became obvious that in Jimmy Naan at midfield they had a match winner. The forwards combined splendidly and if names must be mentioned perhaps the praise should go to the very dangerous P. Murphy and Frank Cassidy.

For Omagh Des McKenna vied with Naan for the man-of-the-match award. Colm McAleer did more than his share to turn the Enniskillen side and Sean Healy at right back had a great first half. In what must have been a big disappointment for Omagh was the showing of danger man Mickey Harte, who judged by his own high standards had a comparatively quiet day. Certainly he got a quota of very useful scores but Mickey will surely regret some of the misses which were not out of his text book at all.

From the throw-in Omagh rushed into the attack before Jimmy Naan had St. Michael's in front after two and a half minutes.

Receiving from Frank Cassidy, D. McManus had a great chance of a goal for Enniskillen but B. Campbell in the C.B.S net brought off a superb point blank save turning the ball brilliantly over the bar in the ninth minute.



Naan set an example in direct tactics by driving over from more than 40 yards and it wasn't until the end of the first quarter that Peter Fox reduced the leeway.

Mickey Harte was foraging splendidly for Omagh but results were not coming and at times it seemed that St. Michael's had extra players on the pitch. They were winning in the air and their crisp no nonsense tackling was paying off.

Defences were generally on top and with only five minutes remaining to the short whistle Mickey Harte and Tommy Campbell squared the account in sudden Omagh raids.

O'Neill, coming more into it for Enniskillen put his side in front and then with the referee checking his watch it was that man Naan again. He found Cassidy in a well rehearsed ploy for the latter to blaze to the net for what looked at the stage the decisive goal, leaving the halftime score; St. Michael's 1-5, Omagh 0-4. Naan had his side further ahead 30 seconds after the turnover and when F. Frizelle had another minor in the second minute to give St. Michael's a two-goal advantage, 1-7 to 0-4; the writing seemed to be on the wall. However, Omagh were far from finished and when Fox was fouled Marlowe tapped over in the 10th

Des McKenna was everywhere and it was no more than the CBS deserved when Mickey Harte found his range from a 40 yard free and immediately afterwards had the white flag again in the air. When Turnbull

had a point, which might as readily have been a goal there were only two points in it, 1-7 to 0-8. Five tense minutes followed until the stalemate was broken when Pat Murphy had another St. Michael's point but when H. O'Neill converted a free after the foul on Fox there was noticeable anxiety in the Enniskillen camp.

Des McKenna attempted to burst through on his own for the vital Omagh goal but a free out relieved the situation for Pat Murphy to hit the woodwork at the other end.

Omagh summoned to their aid every last ounce of energy for T. Marlowe to point which again left a goal between the sides.

However St. Michael's answered in the style of champions by driving back into the attack for Frank McPhillips to have what proved the final say.

St. Michael's, Enniskillen

F. Maguire, B. Murphy, P. O'Neill, D. Campbell, G. McGinnity, M. McHugh, H. O'Neill (0-2), J. Naan (0-3), D. McManus (0-1), P. Murphy (0-1), F. McPhillips (0-2), F. Cassidy (1-0), F. Frizelle (0-1).

Omagh CBS

B. Campbell, S. Healey, E. McKenna, J. Duddy, C. McAleer, F. Sweeney, O. O'Neill, D. McKenna, T. Marlowe (0-3), B. Turnbull (0-1), T. Campbell (0-1), P. Fox (0-2), M. Harte (0-3). Res: T. McGarvey for Duddy.

REFEREE: Jim McGuigan (Derry)



REMEMBERING

Frankie Wilson











In September 2004 a young, eager and devilishly handsome (his words not mine) Frank Wilson joined the staff of Our Lady and Saint Patrick's College, Knock. Immediately, we could see that Lumen Christi's loss was very much our gain. He quickly immersed himself in all things Knock. Staff nights out, curriculum meetings, pastoral endeavours with his (much loved) tutor group and so much more.

Frankie with his daughter Ella

His passion was always sport and why not, as he would utter himself; "Sure I'm good at it." All things GAA in Knock got a boost as Frankie is the epitome of the old adage "a rising tide lifts every boat." Every single GAA 'boat' got a big lift from Frankie's infectious enthusiasm, knowledge and of course experience and skill. I remember how he threw himself at every single sport in our school, coaching among others, cricket, tennis, canoeing, rugby and his first love soccer, he even turned his hand to golf, although this was very short lived.

His Gaelic football career began as an eager under -10 in the newly formed Derriaghy G.A.C. There he was bright-eyed and bushy tailed and busting to get on the field to show everyone what

a wand of a left foot he had, and having played against him, I can confirm that it was a very special wand. Derriaghy wasn't exactly a hotbed of GAA in the late 70's and early 80's and in spite of the best others, the club ceased to be not many years after its inception. Frankie transferred his allegiance to Lámh Dhearg, or as he would often jokingly say, "Mon the wee Lambs" much to the frustration of his dear friend and colleague, Peter Kane. He steadily progressed in the under-age ranks of Lámh Dhearg winning leagues and titles along the way. His highlight was winning the All-County Minor Football Championship and his All-County senior medal from 1992, the year that Knock first encountered a young student teacher who breezed in like a whirlwind. During his under-age days he even tried his hand at the "small ball game". When describing his first game for Lámh Dhearg hurlers, he summed his performance up beautifully, "I was like D'Artagnan from the Three Musketeers" as he would replicate the swash-buckling stabbing with a sword.

His love of soccer was also evident from an early age, and many Irish League clubs were covetous of his signature. He had a highly successful university soccer career culminating in being selected for the Irish Universities team (twice) for the World Student Games. He was very proud of the fact that he had played soccer for a 32-county team.



Frankie plavina for Antrim



Frankie playing for Antrim over 40's



Student, Mollie McAlorum being presented with her Commonwealth Games Swimming top

His exploits for Lámh Dhearg were beginning to grab the attention of the powers that be in his beloved Antrim and before long he was drafted into the senior panel. Frankie was never good at being a squad player as he had undoubted belief in his "God-given left foot" as, his brother Greg so eloquently put it at Frankie's Requiem Mass, "Our Frankie was a lot of things Father, but humble, really?"

He loved to regale us about the day he nearly single-handedly beat Donegal in Ballybofey, the then reigning All-Ireland champions, as he always reminded us. There was never a better storyteller than Frank, often holding court at lunch and breaktime, retelling stories of sport and various trips away, he was a very funny man.

Upon retiring from playing at the top-level, Frankie couldn't help but stay involved and quickly went into coaching both Soccer and Gaelic. He managed and coached both Saint Paul's, Holywood and Saint Colman's, Drumaness, gaining promotion with both clubs. He also continued to pull on his shorts and boots and line out for Antrim over 40's, he did this right up until the end of 2021.

In school it was his involvement in GAA that stood out over the years. He just knew how to get things done, sometimes everyone around him would be losing their head and tearing their not-so-black hair out. Frankie would then swan in assuring us all that everything was in hand, often by the skin of his teeth. He had this smile and charm that made it impossible to be mad with him, frequently he would wink at you as if to say, "I always had it in hand."

He started by taking first year hurling and football, and he was always on hand

to give anyone the benefit of his insights and ability. His infectious, enthusiasm meant that Knock was successful many times, and in many codes, I have listed just some of the successful teams that he was involved with below. However, Frank is the absolute epitome of the adage; sport is not about winning, although he liked to do that too, sport for Frank was about taking part and every time Knock entered a new competition you could feel the warmth of the glow of pride he felt.

HURLING

Kirk Cup 2009, 2015, 2018 Leopold Cup 2012 Casement Cup 2016 & 2019 Various Mageean Cup campaigns.

GAELIC FOOTBALL

Ulster 'B' Under-20s LGFA 2018 Various **MacLarnon Cup** Campaigns (including sharing the trophy in 2019-2020this gave him immense satisfaction, a job well done!)

SOCCE

Translink Belfast Cup 2018-19
Year 8: 2013-2014, 2014-2015
Under-16: 2018-2019
Year 14: 2021-2022
NI Cup

Senior: 2012

His remarkable enthusiasm was so evident if you were ever at a game, so vocal and so encouraging. Admittedly there was the odd admonishment, but invariably he was incredibly positive. I saw one video that was taken at a Mageean Cup match- Frank had no idea it was being filmed. Eoin Pucci

taking a ball just inside the opposition half and in the video Frank can clearly be heard; "Go on Pucci, go on Pucci" his voice becoming louder, and as he was becoming more animated, he continued as Eoin slalomed past yet another player, "GO ON PUCCI", then as Eoin slotted over the bar to Frankie's delight and with a clenched fist he calmly said, "Brilliant Pucci." That just about sums him up.

He knew everyone, he was loved by everyone and his biggest asset as a person was also his biggest downfall, he simply didn't know how to say no, talk about a can-do attitude!

He leaves behind his one true love, Tara, his three beautiful children Ella, Luke and Lisa. More importantly, in terms of sport, he leaves behind a fantastic legacy across so many different sports. When discussing Coláistí Uladh he exclaimed, "We play everything and at every age!" Student participation in sport was his main goal, he wanted every student to find a sport that they could enjoy. In his last couple of years, a student approached Frankie about equestrian, and he actually went to investigate if it was possible to get horses into the school to facilitate this request.

He was a proper hero to so many students and he loved Knock as much as Knock loved him back. I'm going to steal from Miss Catherine McGourty and Mr. Paddy McGaharan who wrote;

Frankie's mantra was, 'it's sport, I'm good at it - it was life, and he was so very good at it!

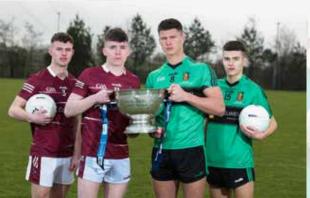
Suaimhneas síoraí, a Laoich.

Liam McKenna



Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup and Danske Bank MacRory Cup Launch

The official launch of the 2023 Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup and Danske Bank MacRory Cup took place at the end of January at the Tyrone GAA Garvaghey Centre. Teams captains, teachers and coaches from the four participating schools; Omagh CBS, Holy Trinity College, Cookstown, Rathmore Grammar School, Belfast and St. Joseph's Grammar School, Donaghmore joined representatives from the Press, Ulster Schools' GAA and Danske Bank for promotional photographs and interviews. Those in attendance had the opportunity to view the MacLarnon and MacRory silverware prior to their respective finals at half term in February.





Niall Muldoon

In 2016 Comhairle Uladh decided to provide Ulster Schools GAA with a Servicing Officer, and Niall Muldoon was appointed to that post.

A native of Ardboe, Niall brought an energetic volunteer ethos to the position; that volunteer ethic meant that he completely disregarded any minimalist notion of 35 hour weeks, and made himself available to his multiple schools contacts at

His administrative efficiency, combined with his passion for Gaelic Games, and his belief in the capacity of those games to make a real difference in young peoples' lives, has meant that he has been a huge asset to the schools' network, and will be an exceedingly hard act to follow.

Niall has recently been appointed as Operations Manager in Tyrone GAA and, while we reluctantly say goodbye, we wish him well in the demanding position to which he has now progressed, and thank him for the contribution he has made to Ulster Schools. We hope to have his successor in place before Easter 2023.







UNMISSABLE COVERAGE

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The 'A5 Enough is Enough' group was recently formed in the aftermath of the untimely passing of many victims of the A5, including John Rafferty from Killyclogher. John was the eighth victim of a road traffic accident on the A5 since Christmas 2021.

The A5 Enough is Enough group have four aims:

- 1. To support the actions required to bring about an end to a process that is now fifteen and a half years long.
- 2. To positively promote the need to begin work on the new A5 as soon as possible.
- 3. In the meantime, to seek immediate mitigating road improvements that might start saving lives now.
- 4. To share road safety messaging and educate people on the danger of driving on this road.

Many of our young players and their parents use this dangerous road daily for work, journeys to and from school and to travel to school games.

PLEASE SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS INITIATIVE



The Late Late Show at Owenbeg

DANSKE BANK MACRORY CUP QUARTER FINAL

13 JANUARY 2023, OWENBEG



Holy Trinity College, Cookstown: 2-6 St. Patrick's College, Maghera: 2-5

It was the late, late show under Owenbeg's Friday night lights as Holy Trinity College, Cookstown pulled victory from the jaws of defeat.

With the wind at their back, the Cookstown side hit eight second-half wides and found themselves three points down before hitting 1-1 in a dramatic and frantic finale.

First of all, it was a Cormac Devlin pass that put Michael McElhatton in on goal to bring the game to the shoulders of extra time. There was still one final twist. When Maghera's kick-out was intercepted, Ryan Quinn kicked a fourth point of the night to win the game.



Maghera held a slender 0-5 to 1-1 interval lead after recovering from Conan Devlin's 11th minute goal.

Ciaran Chambers kicked three points and it was his turnover that got the ball rolling for Eoin Higgins early second half goal, a perfect finish to the bottom corner.

McElhatton and Quinn (3) landed points to tie the game, with Quinn's third a beauty from long-range.

Cookstown's misses and Maghera's brief control of the midfield area kept the game tight until Eoin Higgins palmed home a second goal and with four minutes to go, they looked to have won the game.

However, there was still time for Michael McElhatton and Ryan Quinn to rewrite the story with their late input in a Holy Trinity win.







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Holy Trinity College, Cookstown: Ruairí Dillon, Mark Donnelly, Brian Hampsey, Luke Cullen, Conor Devlin, Shea McCann, Hugh J. Cunningham, Ruairí McHugh, Michael McElhatton (1-1), Conan Devlin (1-0), Jamie Concannon, Ryan Quinn (0-4, 1 free), Cormac Devlin, Liam Lawn (0-1) Jack Martin. Subs: Ryan Nelis for Jack Martin (Inj. 23 min), Karol McGuigan for Jamie Concannon (36 min), Tiernán McNally for Mark Donnelly (48 min)

St. Patrick's College, Maghera: Jack McCloy, Ruairí McErlean, Adam McLaughlin (0-1), Eamon Hassan, Tiernán McCormick, Fionn McEldowney, Eoin McIlvar, Danny McDermott, Dare McPeake, Shea Birt, Johnny McGuckian, Eoin Scullion, Conor Downey, Eoin Higgins (2-1, 1 free), Ciaran Chambers (0-3, 1 free, 1 mark). Subs: Lee O'Neill for Ruairí McErlean (54 min), Sean Boyd for Eoin Scullion (61 min)

REFEREE: Paul Faloon (Down) | Report courtesy of Michael McMullan







Omagh CBS advance to MacRory semi-finals

DANSKE BANK MACRORY CUP OUARTER FINAL

13 JANUARY 2023, HEALY PARK, OMAGH



Omagh CBS: 0-11 St. Colman's College, Newry: 0-9

It proved to be a good night for Tyrone schools in the Danske **Bank MacRory Cup as both Holy** Trinity, Cookstown and Omagh CBS advanced to the semi-finals at the expense of St. Patrick's, Maghera and St. Colman's, Newry respectively.

At Healy Park, Omagh came from a point down with six minutes to go to win 0-11 to 0-9. It was the Newry lads who edged the first half. The outstanding Aaron O'Neill opened the scoring with a brilliant point despite two defenders on him, but the Tyrone school quickly levelled with a fine score from Liam Óg Mossey.

Good strength from Omagh full-forward, Conor Owens finished with him splitting the posts, but by the end of the opening quarter the Newry lads had their noses in front thanks to points from Patrick Ruddy and Aaron O' Neill.

In the 19th minute, St. Colman's almost got in for a goal, but Aaron O'Neill twice had shots blocked, while Omagh CBS keeper, Conor McAneney saved well from the rebound.

A superb free from out on the left wing from Ruairí McCullagh levelled matters and the same player then put Omagh CBS in front from another placed ball.

It was St. Colman's, though, who closed the half out on top with another O'Neill free before the same player notched his fourth of the night with an outstanding effort from

Aaron O'Neill cut in from the left wing to open the second-half scoring, before Omagh defender, Thomas Haigney responded. A great score from Conor Owens levelled matters before Patrick Ruddy and Liam Óg Mossey swapped points.

Two superb placed kicks from O'Neill gave St. Colman's the upper hand, but Omagh weren't finished yet. Eoin McEholm narrowed the gap, before a Ruairí McCullagh brace and a late Owens free won it.

Report courtesy of Kevin Kelly



















Patrician on the spot as Magherafelt exit MacRory

DANSKE BANK MACRORY CUP OUARTER FINAL

14 JANUARY 2023, BALLINDERRY



Patrician HS, Carrickmacross: 2-5 St. Mary's Grammar School, Magherafelt: 1-7

A penalty goal from James Maguire was all that Patrician **High School, Carrickmacross** scored in an extra time thriller in Ballinderry, but it was enough to take last year's MacLarnon Cup champions to victory over the MacRory Cup holders St. Mary's, Magherafelt in the third MacRory Cup quarter-final.

Their reward, a semi-final at the end of January, against last season's beaten finalists Omagh CBS, while Holy Trinity Cookstown will face the winners from the fourth quarter-final tie in Monaghan Harps between St Macartan's and St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon.

With a very stiff wind blowing down the pitch, Patrician set up ultra-defensive game for the first half and would have been content enough turning around at halftime five points to one down, with goalie Oran Finnegan bringing off a couple of good saves and safe under the high ball.

Daragh Mee put in a good shift at midfield, while Finn Carolan and Kian Duffy were also prominent in a compact team performance.

St. Mary's goalie, James Gribbin and full-back James Murray along with Eamon Young and James Sargeant played well, but their key forwards, Niall O'Donnell, Conchúir Johnston and free-taker, Joshua Cassidy, were well boxed in, shooting chances at a premium.

Cassidy lofted over three of the Convent's five first half points, with Conall Higgins and Niall O'Donnell claiming the others, while Kian Duffy's free midway through the first half was Patrician's only score.

That changed immediately after the break when Matthew Carolan fired to the net and Duffy quickly added a point teams level and advantage probably with Carrick as they had the breeze behind them.

St. Mary's Magherafelt weathered the storm and just before the midway point of the second half, Higgins careered through









the middle, played a couple of one-twos and crashed home a goal for the holders.

Fifteen minutes proved too long for them to hold out however, and Duffy reduced the lead before popping over an injury time pressure free to force extra time.

Patrician picked up a black card before the end and for the first six minutes of extra time were without Declan Lynch. When Lynch came back on his side was two points : work and an equaliser couldn't be found.

down with Joshua Cassidy on target.

However, after the break, Kian Duffy was pulled down for a penalty and James Maguire kept his cool to slot the spot-kick to the net.

Eight more minutes remained. Patrician though held their discipline while a misplaced hand-pass here and there let down some good Magherafelt approach

Patrician High School, Carrickmacross: O. Finnegan, C. Tobin, N. Meehan, P. Farrelly, D. Martin, P. Doogan, D. Lynch, C. McMahon, D. Mee, F. Carolan, K. Duffy (0-5, 0-4 frees), M. Carolan (1-0), J. Maguire (1-0 penalty), D. Honney, C. Murray.

Subs: C. Jones for J. Maguire, C. Burns for D. Honney, E. Farrelly for M. Carolan, T. Quinn for C. Tobin, D. McNally for C. McMahon

St. Mary's Grammar School, Magherafelt: J. Gribbin, L. Grant, J. Murray, E. Young, J. Lavery, P. Duffin, B. McLarnon, Conall Higgins (1-1), J. Sargeant, R. Mawhinney, N. O'Donnell (0-1), L. Diamond, R. Drain, J. Cassidy (0-5, 0-4 frees), C Johnston.

Subs: R. Small for R. Mawhinney, Caolán Higgins for R. Drain, F. McNicholl for B. McLarnon, P. Birt for L. Grant, S. Byrne for L. Diamond, C. Curley for J. Cassidy

REFEREE: Kieran Eannetta (Tyrone)







Academy advance to last four for Tyrone derby

DANSKE BANK MACRORY CUP QUARTER FINAL

22 JANUARY 2023 AT GAVAN DUFFY PARK



St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon: 2-14 St. Macartan's College, Monaghan: 0-11

St. Patrick's Academy,
Dungannon became the
third Tyrone school to book
their place in the last four of
the Danske Bank MacRory
Cup when they produced an
impressive display to see off
the challenge of St. Macartan's
College, Monaghan at
Monaghan Harps.

It was a contest that they always looked to have the upper hand in with Ronan Cassidy outstanding up front finishing with a personal haul of 2-7 to his name. After the sides had shared the opening four points, Cassidy's first score in the 8th minute gave them a lead that they were never to lose.

Matthew Quinn and Finn Spence added points for the winners and, while Luke McManus and Tommy Mallen responded for St. Macartan's, a penalty from Ronan Cassidy in the 27th minute left Dungannon well on top.

St. Macartan's responded with a fine Luke McManus score and in first half injury time he had a chance to reduce the deficit further from the penalty spot, but he blazed over the bar to leave it 1-8 to 0-7 at the break.

Ronan Cassidy and Finn Spence added points on the restart, but before those two scores they had 'keeper Conan McGarvey and full-back, Michael Carty to thank for two fine stops to prevent goals.

In the 40th minute it was effectively game over, when Theo Lowe and Finn Spence combined for Ronan Cassidy to blast to the net. Cassidy and Mallen had a brace each for their respective sides, but Dungannon always looked the better side with Fiacra Nelis and defender Darragh McGrath both getting their names on the scoresheet late on.

St. Patrick's Academy take on Tyrone rivals Holy Trinity College, Cookstown in the first semi-final at Carrickmore and then in the second Omagh CBS will come up against Patrician High Carrickmacross.

Report courtesy of Kevin Kelly













St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon scorers: R. Cassidy (2-7, 0-4 frees), F. Spence (0-3), D. McGrath (0-1), S. Fay (0-1), M. Quinn (0-1), F. Nelis (0-1).

St. Macartan's College, Monaghan scorers: L. McManus (0-4, 0-2 frees, 1-0 pen.), T. Mallen (0-3 frees), N. Sherlock (0-1), H. Colleran (0-1), M. Finn (0-1), S. Óg McElwain (0-1)

REFEREE: Enda Mallon (Armagh)



Holy Trinity Cookstown clinch final place

DANSKE BANK MACRORY CUP SEMIFINAL

28 JANUARY 2023 AT CARRICKMORE



Holy Trinity College, Cookstown: 1-10 St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon: 1-9

Holy Trinity Cookstown made it through to back to back Danske **Bank MacRory Cup Finals when** they won a gripping encounter with Tyrone neighbours St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon at Carrickmore.



It was a contest that swayed one way and then the other and just when it appeared that we were heading to extra time up popped Ryan Quinn with the priceless winner two minutes into injury time.

Both sides gave it their all throughout in front of a bumper crowd with the Dungannon lads making all the early running, with team captain Ronan Cassidy landing four points as they led 0-5 to 0-1 at the end of the opening quarter.

They could well have been further in front but for a superb save from Holy Trinity 'keeper Ruairí Dillion to deny Finn Spence a goal. From there until the start of the final quarter, it was all Holy Trinity as they outscored their opponents 1-8 to 0-1.

Hugh J. Cunningham, Jack Martin and Shea McCann all hit points, and a minute after the Academy had lost Liam Traynor to a black card, Karol McGuigan bagged an opportunist goal to give his side a 1-4 to 0-5 interval advantage.

Holy Trinity picked up where they had left off on the restart, with quality scores from Ryan Nelis, Ruairí McHugh, Shea McCann and Jack Martin, with Dungannon's sole response coming from Ronan Cassidy. During that spell though, they had keeper Ruairí Dillion to thank again after thwarting



Spence once more. A 46th minute Ryan Donnelly goal sparked the Academy back to life and in a short period of time they got themselves back on level terms, thanks to quality scores from Cassidy and a Sean Hughes brace.

They looked the side now with all the momentum, but on a couple of occasions the Holy Trinity defence stood up when tested with Devlin in particular to the fore. It was Devlin who began the move that led to the winning point, as he picked out Ardboe clubmate, Jack Martin, who in turn found Quinn for a clinical finish.

The Academy pushed forward in search of an equaliser, but right at the end Shane Hughes performed a superb block to keep their opponents at bay and ensure their place in the decider.

Holy Trinity College, Cookstown scorers: K. McGuigan (1-1), J. Martin (0-2), S. McCann (0-2), H. J. Cunningham (0-1 free), R. Nelis (0-1), R. McHugh (0-1), C. Devlin (0-1), R. Quinn (0-1)

St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon scorers: R. Cassidy (0-6, 0-3 frees), R. Donnelly (1-0), S. Hughes (0-2), D. McGrath (0-1)

REFEREE: M. McNally, (Monaghan)



























Owens fire CBS into all-Tyrone MacRory Final

DANSKE BANK MACRORY CUP SEMI FINAL

28 JANUARY 2023, GAVAN DUFFY PARK



Omagh CBS: 0-11 Patrician High School, Carrickmacross: 0-10

Omagh CBS set up a first all Tyrone Danske Bank MacRory Cup Final since 2009 when Conor Owens fired over an injury time winner as they overcame the stiff challenge of Patrician High School, Carrickmacross at the Monaghan Harps ground in the second MacRory Cup semi-final of the day.

Omagh went into the game as favourites, but they were taken to the pin of their collars by a Carrickmacross side who led by three points after the 36th minute. The Monaghan lads failed to score after that though as Omagh levelled by the 43rd minute, before Owens ended a barren spell with the winner.

Charlie Donnelly opened the scoring for Omagh CBS, but with a dozen minutes played it was Carrickmacross who led 0-3 to 0-1, thanks to points from Cian Duffy, James Maguire and Matthew Carolan.

A brace each from Ruairí McCullagh and Conor Owens saw the lead change hands again, but it was Carrickmacross who responded to take a narrow 0-7 to 0-6 advantage to the changing rooms, thanks to Maguire and centre-half back, Packie Doogan. Indeed the Monaghan lads almost snatched an injury time goal, but Maguire was denied by the outstretched leg of 'keeper Conor McAneney.

James Maguire and Dualta Honney kicked early points for Carrickmacross, before wing-half back Tomás Haigney landed a beauty for Omagh. Carrickmacross though were giving as good as they got and Packie Doogan put them 0-10 to 0-7 in

Omagh then enjoyed a productive seven minute spell that yielded points from Ruairí McCullagh, Eoin McElholm and Conor Owens to leave it all square. Omagh were on top in terms of possession, but they struggled to break down a resolute Carrickmacross defence, although they did have a great goal chance in the 50th minute when Owens off-loaded to







McCullagh, but his palmed effort crashed off the bar.

The winners piled on the pressure, but three wides in a row looked as though it was going to prove costly, until full-forward

Conor Owens took a pass from Ruairí McCullagh to kick a superb score from distance and send them through to a final with Holy Trinity College, Cookstown.

Omagh CBS scorers: C. Owens (0-4 0-1 free), R. McCullagh (0-3, 0-1 free), C. Donnelly (0-1), L. McCullagh (0-1), T. Haigney (0-1), E. McElholm (0-1)

Patrician High School, Carrickmacross: J. Maguire (0-4, 0-2 frees), P. Doogan (0-2), C. Duffy (0-1), M. Carolan (0-1), D. Mee (0-1), D. Honney (0-1)

REFEREE: P. Faloon (Down)



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Ruairi Dillon Ruairí Ó Diolún Stewartstown Harps



2 **Mark Donnelly** Marcas Ó Donnghaile Coalisland Fianna



3 **Luke Cullen** Lúcás Ó Cuilinn Fr. Rocks, Cookstown



4 **Conor Devlin** Conchúr Ó Doibhilin Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa



Ryan Nelis Rían Mac Niallais St. Malachy's, Edendork



6 **Brian Hampsey** Brian Ó hAmhsaigh Coalisland Fianna



Shea McCann Sé Mac Cana **Ballinderry Shamrocks**



8 Ruairi McHugh (Capt.) Ruairí Mac Aodha Coalisland Fianna



9 **Jack Martin** Seaic Ó Mairtín Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa



Conan Devlin Conán Ó Doibhilin Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa



11 **Cormac Devlin** Cormac Ó Doibhilin Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa



12 **Hugh J Cunningham** Aodh J Ó Mac Cuinneagáin Pomeroy Plunketts



13 **Ryan Quinn** Rían Ó Coinne Clonoe O'Rahillys



14 **Micheal McElhatton** Míchéal Mac Giolla Chatáin Fr. Rocks, Cookstown



15 **Liam Lawn** Liam Ó Liatháin Moortown St. Malachys

- Conall Quinn 17. Shane Hughes
- Tiernan McNally 18.
- Karol McGuigan 19.
- Eoin Canavan 20.
- Jamie Concanon 22. Ronan Devlin
- 23. **Gavin Connolly**
- 24 Cormac Woods
- 25. Keegan Hampsey
- Thomas Hurl 26.
- 27 Keelan Quinn
- Eamon McCourt Ferdia McCartney
- Conall Ó Coinne Seán Ó hAodha Tiarnán Mac anFhailí Karol Mac Uiginn Eoin Ó Ceannubháin Séamus Ó Concheanainn Rónán Ó Doibhilin Gaibhin Ó'Conghaile Cormac Mac Conchoille Caolán Ó hAmhsaigh Tomás Ó hUrthuil Caoimhín Ó Coinne Éamann Mac Cuarta

Ferdia MacCartaine

- Ardboe Clonoe Kildress Cookstown Ardboe Ardboe Cookstown **Kildress** Coalisland Cookstown Moortown Ardboe Cookstown Ardboe
- 30. Conor Doherty 31. Dara Quinn 32. **Conor Doris** 33
 - Ryan Nugent 34 Aaron Ouinn
 - 35. Cormac Coney
 - 36. Brannan Daly
 - 37. Matthew Eastwood
 - 38. Ruairi Park
 - 39. Eoin O'Neill
 - 40. Aidan Coyle
 - Daniel Woodhead 41.
 - 42. Conor Mallon
- Conchúr Ó Dochartaigh Dáire Ó Coinr
- Conchúr Ó Dúrasa Rían Mag Uinseannáin
- Áaron Ó Coinne Cormac Ó Cuana
- Bréannán Ó Dálaigh Maitiú Ó Conurchoille Ruairí Páirc
- Eóin O Neill Aodhán Mac Giolla Chomhghaill
- Dónall Mac Ceannchoille Conchúr Ó Mealláin
- Ardboe Ardboe Ardboe Cookstown Moneymore Ardboe Rock Cookstown Stewartstown Brocagh Rock St. Patrick's Coalisland

Edendork

SCORERS

1adh Leath/1st Half

2adh Leath/2nd Half

IOMLÁN/FINAL SCORE









OMAGH CBS



Conor McAneney Conchúr Mac an Dheaghanaigh Glenelly



2 **Nathan Farry** Ionatan Ó Farraigh Trillick



3 **Barry McMenamin** Barra MacMeanman Aghyaran



4 Sean Kerr Seán O Carra Killyclogher



5 **Caolán Donnelly** Caolan Ó Donnaile **Fintona**



6 **Callum Daly** Colm Ó Dálaig Omagh St. Enda's



Tomás Haigney Tomás Ó h-Éignigh Omagh St. Enda's



8 **Eoin Donaghy** Eoin MacDonnchadha Loughmacrory



9 **Charlie Donnelly** Cathal Ó Donnghaile Trillick



Caolán O'Hagan Caolán O hAgain Killyclogher St Mary's



Eoin McElholm (Capt.) Eoin MacGiolla Cholaim Loughmacrory



12 Lorcan McCullagh Lorcán Mac Cú Uladh Glenelly



13 Ruairí McCullagh Ruairí Mac Cú Uladh Loughmacrory



14 **Conor Owens** Conchúr MacEoghain Beragh



15 Liam Óg Mossey Liam Ó Maolmóna Gortin

16	Oisin	Watson
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Oran Keves Cian McConnell

18 19 Ruairí Cuddy

20 Thomas Coyle

Sean Broderick 21

22 Luke Kelly

Tom Gavin Papakyricou 23

24 Conor Hackett

25 Brian Gallagher Oisín Mac Uait Órán Mac Aoidh

Cian MacDhomhnail

Ruairí Ó Cuidighthigh Tomás Giolla Chomhgaill

Seán Ó Bruadair

Luc Ó Ceallaigh Tomás Ó Gáibhín

Conchúr Haicéid Brían Ó Gallachóir Fintona Pearses Carrickmore

Gortin Trillick Glenelly

Killyclogher Eskra Fintona

> Eskra Dromore

Sean McSorley

Cormac Watson 27

Dáithí McCallan 28

Matthew Howe 29

30 Niall McCarney

Jack Law 31 32 Dillon Chism

Callum Welsh 33

Ciaran McCullagh 34 35 Aron Healy

Seán MacSomhairle Cormac Mac Uait Dáithí MacCailín

Maitiú Ó hEochaidh

Niall MacCearnaigh Seán de Lá

Diolún Siseal Colm Breatnach Ciarán Mac Cú Uladh

Arón Ó hÉilidhe

Omagh St Enda's Fintona

Carrickmore Killyclogher

Drumragh Sarsfields

Dromore Omagh St Enda's Fintona

Glenelly Dromore

SCORERS

1adh Leath/1st Half

2adh Leath/2nd Half

IOMLÁN/FINAL SCORE





PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT



Today, marks the second appearance of Holy Trinity College, Cookstown in the Danske Bank MacRory Cup Final; all the more special as back-to-back Finalists of 2022 are returning in 2023.

Holy Trinity College have had renowned success, both male and female, in Gaelic football, but to experience the excitement and elation in preparation for a MacRory Final, goes beyond words. It has been an amazing journey: one with tremendous pride and joy, in this prestigious Ulster Schools' competition.

HTC recognise the enormity of the challenge ahead of them in playing against CBS Omagh. There is no guarantee of success and Omagh will be equally as prepared as Holy Trinity are. The HTC hunger for the most coveted title in Ulster Schools' GAA however, is matched with their unquestionable commitment, passion, determination, skill and teamwork, as they endeavour to bring the MacRory Cup to Cookstown for the very first time.

The Team are expertly managed, mentally and physically, by talented teachers, namely Mr John Mc Keever and Mr Kieran Mc Geary. Since the season began, demands and sacrifices have been made, with intense training sessions after school, at evenings and weekends, to ensure that fitness levels are at their peak. Despite limited facilities, Holy Trinity College have respectful relationships,

role models and expertise in our management team, who instil belief, determination and a positive attitude to succeed at every opportunity. I express my sincere appreciation to the Management and Backroom Team, in ensuring that this talented group of footballers are well prepared on the day.

The steadfast support of parents/guardians, staff, governors, sponsors and community cannot go unnoticed. Their presence at every game is constant; their support, invaluable. Similar credit must be attributed to the many local clubs in nurturing a love of sport and investing in our young people, in addition to Danske Bank and Ulster Schools' GAA, for their unstinting promotion of Gaelic Games in our schools.

To our players, your character, commitment and agility has carried you this far. You deserve to be in the Final. Believe in yourselves and perform to the highest level. To win the MacRory Cup will be a truly historic and momentous occasion for our school community. We wish the Team and Management the very best of luck in what will be a closely contested game and a great sporting occasion.

Isabel Russell

Principal, Holy Trinity College Cookstown









MANAGEMENT PROFILES



Manager: John McKeever

Mr. McKeever's club is Roger Casements in Portglenone, County Antrim. He has been teaching in Holy

Trinity College, Cookstown for fourteen years and is Head of PE in the College. Mr. McKeever represented Antrim at all levels and managed Father Rocks, Cookstown to an All-Ireland Intermediate title in 2013. He is now senior manager of his home club, Roger Casements.



Manager: Kieran McGeary

Mr. McGeary's club is Pomeroy Plunketts. He is a past pupil of Holy Trinity College and an All-Ireland winning

captain. Mr. McGeary has represented Tyrone at all levels, captaining the under 21s to All-Ireland success in 2015, winning an All-Ireland senior championship medal in 2021, as well as being named the GAA Footballer of the Year and All-Star. He also has a Sigerson winners medal with St. Mary's University College, Belfast. He is currently vice-captain of the Tyrone senior football team.



Selector: Peter Canavan

Mr. Canavan's club is Errigal Ciaran. He has been teaching in Holy Trinity College for thirty years and

is Director of the Holy Trinity Foundation. Mr. Canavan is one of the most decorated players in the game's history, winning two All-Ireland Senior Football Championship medals, captaining Tyrone to their first success in 2003 and holder of six All-Stars Awards.



Goal-Keeper Coach: Ronan McGeary

Mr. Ronan McGeary has been at Holy Trinity College for three years, teaching

Maths, Technology and Engineering. He has represented Tyrone at minor and U21 level, winning an all-Ireland medal in 2015 with the U21s. As goalkeeper, he helped his club win county and Ulster Intermediate titles in 2022.



Analysis/Stats: Mr Martin McGirr

Mr. McGirr from the Cookstown Fr. Rock's Club, has been teaching in Holy Trinity College for 13

years. He has coached teams from Year 8 to Year 14 during this time and has been the Performance Analyst with the MacRory Cup team in recent years, a role he also carries out with Tyrone senior team.



Maor Uisce: Aaron Moore

Mr. Moore is a past pupil and currently an outreach P.E. student in HTC. Aaron's club is Henry Joy's

McCracken's, Moneymore.



Maor Uisce: Alex Doherty

Mr. Doherty is an outreach P.E. student in HTC. Alex's club is Watty Graham's Glen, Maghera.

Maor Uisce: Mr Ryan (Butch) Kelly

Mr Kelly is a past pupil and currently an outreach P.E. student in HTC. Ryan club is St. Malachy's, Moortown.

Kit man: Mr Bernard Gillen

Mr Bernard Gillen is from the Cookstown, Father Rocks Club.

Physio: Mr Brendan Early

Mr Brendan Early is from the Coalisland Fianna Club.

Physio: Miss Dearbhla McCrystal

Miss Dearbhla McCrystal is from the Cookstown, Father Rocks club. Dearbhla is a past pupil of HTC.







PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT



I am delighted that Omagh CBS have again reached the MacRory Cup final for the ninth time since 2001. The school won their first MacRory Cup in 1974 with subsequent successes in 2005 and 2007 when the school also won the Hogan Cup. On that Hogan Cup

winning team was Diarmaid McNulty who is Head Coach today of the Omagh CBS MacRory Cup team this year.

I wish to acknowledge the work of all our coaches, Diarmaid McNulty, Ciaran McBride, who was one of the coaches of the Hogan winning team, and Pat McNabb. They have worked diligently to further develop the undoubted skills of the players into a great team. I congratulate them on reaching the final. I also thank the backroom team of Damien Murphy, Cathal McKenna, Tiernan Watson, Sean Óg Barrett and physio, Rhea Lambe.

Our MacRory players are excellent role models for the younger students, and I wish them well on Sunday 12th February. Their example of attendance at training after school or Saturday mornings, and their openness to the coaching they have received is an inspiration to everyone aspiring to improve or achieve. I also wish to thank parents for their support in ensuring your son was able to attend training and games. Extra-curricular activities in

schools plays a very important part of school life and I wish to thank all staff who give up their time on a regular basis to provide this experience to our students.

The players of the MacRory Cup panel today represent thirteen clubs from North, West, and Mid Tyrone. As a school we acknowledge the development work carried by those clubs and their coaches over many years and thank them for their excellent efforts to date.

I welcome all of our supporters today, members of our Board of Governors, students and staff, and many of our past pupils who remain very loyal to the school. I would like to thank our sponsors, Peter Donnelly from P.D. Coaches, Conor Sally Solicitors, TALAtools, Sally's Woodworks and the generous support received from our local GAA clubs and business community. At a time of budget constraints, it is only with these contributions that the challenge of promoting Gaelic Games, and all extra-curricular activities within a school, is sustainable.

Finally, I wish both teams well today. I hope we will have a sporting game fitting for this great occasion on the Danske Bank Ulster Schools' GAA calendar.

Foncy McConnell Principal, Omagh CBS









MANAGEMENT PROFILES



MANAGER: MR DIARMAID MCNULTY

Mr. McNulty's club is Gortin St. Patrick's. He is a former pupil of Omagh CBS and now

teaches PE at the school. Mr. McNulty won a range of Ulster Colleges' titles, including the MacRory Cup and Hogan Cup with Omagh CBS in 2007. He also went on to represent Tyrone Minors and U21s, winning an All-Ireland Minor title in 2008.



COACH: MR. PAT MCNABB

Mr McNabb has been teaching in Omagh CBS since 2006 and has coached numerous school

teams during that time, winning the Oisín McGrath, D'Alton and Brock Cups along the way. A Trillick St. Macartan's club member, he has a wealth of experience of coaching clubs across Donegal, Tyrone, Fermanagh and London. His achievements include a Senior Championship with St. Eunan's GAC in Donegal, as well as two Senior Championships with St. Brendan's in London.



COACH: MR. CIARAN MCBRIDE

Mr. McBride is a Senior Teacher in Omagh CBS and has managed teams

for 27 years winning 12 Ulster Schools titles most notably the Hogan Cup in 2007. He is a former pupil of Omagh CBS and has represented Tyrone in Scor, hurling and at all levels in football winning two All-Ireland U21 medals and 3 Ulster Senior Championship medals.



EQUIPMENT MANAGER: MR. CATHAL MCKENNA

Cathal is the Year 13 Study Supervisor. A geography teacher

by profession, he has supported the Gaelic football teams at Omagh CBS for many years. A disciplined and loyal servant, who is a valued member of the backroom team.



VIDEO: TIERNÁN WATSON

Tiernan is a Year 13 pupil at Omagh CBS and has taken time out from his studies to

help the MacRory Cup squad, by videoing all games and providing valuable support to the management team. He has two brothers in the squad Oisín and Cormac representing the Fintona Pearses Club.



STATS: SEAN ÓG BARRETT

Sean Óg is a Year 14 pupil who has been a valuable member of the MacRory

Cup management team throughout the campaign. The Dromore club member is responsible for collating the stats. during games and has approached this task with a diligence and attention to detail that has impressed all involved. His jovial and friendly nature, coupled with his passion for football, has ensured that he is a hugely popular presence amongst the players.



PHYSIO: RHEA LAMBE

A fluent Gaelic speaker, Rhea Lambe is a proud Monaghan woman, hailing from the Monaghan Harps

club. She graduated from the University of Brighton with a First-Class Honours Degree in Physiotherapy in 2020. During her time in Brighton, she acted as the secretary for the University of Brighton Boxing Club. Rhea is currently the full-time Tyrone Minor physio as well as having responsibility for the Tyrone Minor Hurlers and U15 footballers. She also occasionally assists at the Omagh Academical Rugby Club. Rhea is currently employed at Omagh Physiotherapy and Sports Injury Clinic.



DANSKE BANK **MACRORY FINAL 2023**





HOLY TRINITY COLLEGE, COOKSTOWN

Ruairí Dillon



Club: Stewartstown Position: Goalkeeper Height: 5'8" Weight: 65kg **Age:** 17

Honours: Tyrone Minor League, Oisín McGrath Cup, McQuillan Cup

Mark Donnelly



Club: Coalisland Fianna **Position:** Corner Back Heiaht: 5'11" Weight: 69kg **Age:** 17

Honours: U16 League, Tyrone Minor-Ulster league, Tyrone Minor - Ulster Championship, Oisín McGrath Cup, McDevitt Cup

Luke Cullen



Club: Fr. Rocks. Cookstown Position: Full Back Height: 6'1" Weight: 80kg **Age:** 18

Honours: U14 Tyrone Féile, All-Ireland Féile, U14 Tyrone Championship

Conor Devlin



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Half Back Height: 5'10" Weight: 73kg **Age:** 16

Honours: U17 Ulster Championship, U17 Ulster League, QUB Future Star, U14 Tyrone Championship, U16 Buncrana Cup

Ryan Nelis



Club: St. Malachy's. Moortown Position: Half Forward Height: 5'8" Weight: 67kg **Age:** 18

Honours: U16 Grade 3 League and Championship, Minor League, McDevitt Cup, Oisín McGrath Cup

Brian Hampsey



Club: Coalisland Position: Half Back Height: 6'2" Weight: 83kg **Age:**18

Honours: U16 Tyrone League, U17 Ulster Championship

Shea McCann



Club: Ballinderry Shamrocks Position: Half Back Height: 5'1" Weight: 66.5kg Age: 17

Honours: 2018 Oisín McGrath, McQuillan Cup, U14 Féile, U14 Derry League, U14 All-ireland Féile, U13 Championship

Ruairi McHugh



Club: Coalisland Position: Midfield Height: 6'2" Weight: 93kg **Age:** 18

Honours: Tyrone U20 Ulster & All Ireland Championship, Ulster Schools All Star, Tyrone U17 Ulster Championship, Electric Ireland Minor All Star

Jack Martin



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Full Forward Heiaht: 6'3" Weight: 80kg **Age:** 18

Honours: U14 League, 3 x Tyrone Féile, U16 Tyrone Championship, U17 League

Conan Devlin



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Midfield Height: 6'0" Weight: 72kg Age:17

Honours: U16 League & Championship, 2 x Ulster Minor Championship, 2 x U14 Féile, U14 Championship, Ulster Minor League

Cormac Devlin



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Half Forward Height: 5'11" Weight: 74kg Age: 18

Honours: 3 x U14 Féile, U14 Championship, U15 Óg Sport, U15 Brian McLernon cup, QUB Future Stars Award, U16 League, Ulster Minor championship, Electric Ireland Minor All Star, Ulster Schools' All Star, U20 Ulster Championship, U20 All -Ireland Championship

Hugh J Cunningham



Club: Pomeroy Plunketts Position: Half Forward Height: 5'10" Weight: 72kg Age: 19

Honours: U19 League, J.P. Murphy Cup, McDevitt Cup, Ulster Minor Championship

Ryan Quinn



Club: Clonoe O'Rahillys Position: Corner Forward Height: 5'10" Weight: 67kg Age: 18

Honours: Grade 2 Championship, Grade 2 League, 4 x Ulster Schools Competitions

Micheal McElhatton



Club: Fr. Rock's. Cookstown Position: Full Forward Height: 5'9" Weight: 65kg Age: 17

Honours: OUB Future Stars Award. U14 Tyrone and All-Ireland Féile, Tyrone Championship, Oisín McGrath Cup, McQuillan Cup, County Minor Ulster League and Championship

Liam Lawn



Club: Moortown St. Malachys Position: Corner Forward Height: 5'9" Weight: 69 kg Age: 16

Honours: Oisín McGrath Cup, Buncrana Cup

Conall Quinn



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Goalkeeper Height: 6'1" Weight: 78kg **Age:** 18

Honours: 2 x Tyrone Féile, U16 League, U16 Championship







Shane Hughes



Club: Clonoe O'Rahillys Position: Half Back Heiaht: 5'10" Weight: 69kg **Age:** 18

Tiernan McNally



Club: Kildress Wolfe Tones Position: Corner Back Height: 5'7 Weight: 67kg **Age:** 17

Karol McGuigan



Club: Fr. Rocks, Cookstown Position: Corner Forward Height: 5'7" Weight: 58kg Age:17

Eoin Canavan



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Half Forward Height: 5'11" Weight: 69kg **Age:** 16

Jamie Concanon



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Half Forward Height: 5'8" Weight: 75kg **Age:**15

Ronan Devlin



Club: Fr. Rocks Cookstown Position: Corner Back Height: 6'1" Weight: 70kg Age:18

Gavin Connolly



Club: Kildress Wolfe Tones **Position:** Full Forward Height: 5'11" Weight: 70kg **Age:** 16

Cormac Woods



Club: Coalisland Fianna Position: Full Forward Height: 6'0" Weiaht: 76ka **Age:**18

Keegan Hampsey



Club: Fr. Rocks, Cookstown Position: Corner Forward Height: 5'9" Weight: 69kg **Age:** 17

Thomas Hurl



Club: St. Malachy's, Moortown Position: Half Back Height: 5'8" Weight: 64kg **Age:** 16

Keelan Quinn



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Half Forward Height: 5'9" Weight: 64kg **Age:** 17

Eamon McCourt



Club: Fr Rocks Cookstown Position: Corner Forward Height: 6'0" Weight: 75kg **Age:** 17

Ferdia McCartney



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Corner Back Height: 6'2" Weight: 73kg **Age:**17

Conor Doherty



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa **Position:** Corner Back Height: 5'11" Weight: 69kg **Age:** 17

Dara Quinn



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Full Back Height: 5'11" Weight: 81kg Age:17

Conor Doris



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Half Back Height: 5'9" Weight: 73kg **Age:**16

Ryan Nugent



Club: Fr. Rocks, Cookstown Position: Half Forward Height: 510" Weight: 70kg **Age:** 18

Aaron Quinn



Club: Henry Joy's McCracken's. Moneymore Position: Corner Forward Height: 5'6" Weight: 63kg **Age:** 16

Cormac Coney



Club: Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa Position: Goalkeeper Height: 5'7" Weight: 68kg **Age:** 16

Brannan Daly



Club: Rock, St. Patricks Position: Full Forward Height: 5'8" Weight: 62kg **Age:** 17

Matthew Eastwood



Club: Fr. Rocks, Cookstown Position: Half Back Height: 5'8" Weight: 65kg **Age:** 17

Ruairi Park



Club: Stewartstown Harps Position: Half Forward Height: 6'0" Weight: 65kg **Age:** 17

Eoin O'Neill



Club: Brocagh **Emmetts** Position: Half Forward Height: 5'11" Weight: 64kg **Age:** 17

Aidan Coyle



Club: Rock, St. Patricks Position: Goalkeeper Height: 6'0" Weight: 82kg **Age:** 17

Daniel Woodhead



Club: Coalisland Fianna Position: Half Back Height: 5'11" Weight: 65kg **Age:** 18

Conor Mallon



Club: St. Malachy's, Edendork Position: Half Forward Height: 5'9" Weight: 66kg **Age:** 16







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Conor McAneney



Club: Glenelly Position: Goalkeeper Height: 6'4" Weight: 13st 5 Age: 17

Honours: Club: U14 League, Grade 3 x U17 Championship 2021. School: Corn Na nÓg, Brock Cup, County: Ulster Minor Championship 2021 and 2022, Ulster Minor League 2022

Nathan Farry



Club: Trillick Position: Defender Height: 5'8" Weight: 10st **Age:** 16

Honours: Club: G1 Championships at U13 U14 U15, G2 U17 Championship. School: Corn Na nÓg. County: Ulster Minor League and Championship, Buncrana Cup

Barry McMenamin



Position: Defender Height: 5'10" Weight: 11st 4 Age: 17

Club: Aghyaran

Honours: Club: Grade 3 U13 League, Grade 3 Minor League. School: Corn Na nÓg. County: County, Ulster Minor Championship 2021 and 2022. Ulster Minor League 2022

Sean Kerr



Club: Killyclogher Position: Defender Height: 5'11" Weight: 12st 5 **Age:** 18

Honours: School: Corn Na nÓg

Caolán Donnelly



Club: Fintona Position: Forward Height: 5'8" Weight: 11st 2 Age: 17

Honours: School: Nannery Cup and Corn Na nÓg winner. County: Ulster Minor League and Ulster Minor Championship Winner.

Callum Daly



Club: Omagh St. Position: Defender Height: 5'11" Weight: 11st 9 **Age:** 17

Honours: Club: U19 Grade 1 League. School: Corn Na nÓg. County: Ulster Minor League and Championship.

Tomás Haigney



Club: Omagh St Enda's Position: Defender Height: 5'11" Weight: 11st 4 **Age:** 17

Honours: Club: G1 U19 Championship. School: Corn Na nÓg

Eoin Donaghy



Club: Loughmacrory Position: Midfielder Height: 6'3" Weight: 13st **Age:** 17

Honours: Club: U14 Div. 1 League, U16 Div. 2 League and Championship 2019. School: Corn Na nÓg 2019. County: Ulster Minor League and Championship 2022

Charlie Donnelly



Club: Trillick Position: Midfielder Height: 5'11" Weight: 11st 8 **Age:** 17

Honours: Club: U17 G2 Championship. School: Corn Na nÓg, Brock Cup. County: Ulster Minor League and Championship

Caolán O'Hagan



Club: Killyclogher St Position: Forward Height: 5'11" Weight: 11st 8 **Age:** 18

Honours: Club: U14 Grade 2 Championship, Minor Grade 1 Tyrone Championship. School: Corn Na nÓg and Brock Cup. County:, U15 Brian MacLarnon, Ulster Minor Championship.

Eoin McElholm (Capt.)



Club: Loughmacrory Position: Forward Heiaht: 5'11" Weight: 12st 3 **Age:** 17

Honours: Club: U14 G1 League, U16 G2 Championship and League. School: Corn Na nÓg, Brock Cup and Nannery Cup. County: Ulster Minor Championship 2021 and 2022, Ulster Minor League 2022

Lorcan McCullagh



Club: Glenelly Position: Defender Heiaht: 5'11" Weight: 11st 10 **Age:** 17

Honours: Club: Badoney U14 G2 League, Badoney Minor G3 Championship. School: Corn Na nÓg County: County, Ulster Minor Championship 2022 and Ulster Minor League 2022

Ruairí McCullagh



Club: Loughmacrory Position: Forward Height: 5'11" Weight: 12st 1 **Age:** 16

Honours: School: Corn Na nÓg. Club: U14 League, U16 double Championship and League, U14 double League and Championship. County: Ulster Minor Championship 2022 and Ulster Minor League 2022, Buncrana Cup

Conor Owens



Club: Beragh Position: Forward Height: 5'11" Weight: 12st 10 **Age:** 18

Honours: Club: Championship and League at U14 level, 2 Féile titles. School: Corn Na nÓg and Brock Cup. County: Ulster Minor Championship

Liam Óg Mossey



Club: Gortin Position: Forward Height: 5'9" Weight: 10st 9 **Age:** 17

Honours: Club: G2 League and G3 Championship. County: Ulster Minor Championship 2022 and Ulster Minor League 2022

Oisín Watson



Club: Fintona Pearses Position: Goalkeeper Height: 6'0" Weight: 12st 4 **Age:** 15

Honours: School: Oisin McGrath Shield







Oran Keyes



Club: Carrickmore Position: Goalkeeper Height: 5'7" Weight: 11st 3 Age: 16

Honours: Club: Tyrone G1 U15 Football League, Tyrone Minor G1 Hurling Championship, Ulster Minor Hurling Shield

Cian McConnell



Club: Gortin
Position: Defender
Height: 5'10"
Weight: 11st 8
Age: 17

Honours: Club: U14 G2 League, U19 G3 Championship

Ruairí Cuddy



Club: Trillick Position: Defender Height: 6'1" Weight: 11st 9 Age: 18

Honours: Club: U18 G2 League 2019, U17 G2 Championship 2021, Senior League 2022. School: Corn Na nÓg.

Thomas Coyle



Club: Glenelly
Position: Defender
Height: 5'10"
Weight: 12st 7
Age: 17

Honours: Club, U14 G2 League and U19 Championship.

Sean Broderick



Club: Killyclogher Position: Defender Height: 5'9" Weight: 11st Age: 17

Honours: County: Buncrana Cup 2022

Luke Kelly



Club: Eskra Position: Defender Height: 5'11" Weight: 11st Age: 17

Honours: Club: U14 G3 League, Championship and Féile, G4 League and U14 Championship, Division 3 Reserve League

Tom Gavin Papakyricou



Club: Fintona
Position: Defender
Height: 5'8"
Weight: 11st 3
Age: 17

Honours: School: Nannery Cup. County: Ulster Minor Championship 2022 and Ulster Minor League 2022

Conor Hackett



Club: Eskra Position: Defender Height: 6'1" Weight: 12st Age: 18

Honours: Club: U14 Grade 4 Championship, U14 Grade 3 Championship, U14 Grade 3 League, U14 Grade 3 Féile, U16 Grade 4 Championship

Brian Gallagher



Club: Dromore Position: Defender Height: 5'11" Weight: 10st 4 Age: 16

Honours: School: Oisín McGrath Shield. County: Buncrana Cup

Sean McSorley



Club: Omagh St Enda's Position: Midfield Height: 6'4" Weight: 13st Age: 18

Honours: Club: G1 U19 League.

Cormac Watson



Club: Fintona Position: Midfielder Height: 6'3" Weight: 13st 5 Age: 18

Honours: School: Corn Na nÓg

Dáithí McCallan



Club: Carrickmore Position: Forward Height: 5'9" Weight: 11st 1 Age: 18

Honours: Club: U16 Tyrone and Ulster Championship, Minor Championship and League School: Corn Na nÓg and Brock Cup. County: Ulster Minor Championship

Matthew Howe



Club: Killyclogher Position: Forward Height: 5'7" Weight: 11st 3 Age: 16

Honours: County: Ulster Minor League, Ulster Minor Championship and Buncrana Cup

Niall McCarney



Club: Drumragh Sarsfields Position: Forward Height: 6'4" Weight: 13st Age: 17

Honours: Club: U16 League 2019. County: Ulster Minor League 2022, Ulster Minor Championship 2022

Jack Law



Club: Dromore Position: Forward Height: 5'8" Weight: 10st 5 Age: 17

Honours: Club, U14 Féile finals. School: Nannery Cup

Dillon Chism



Club: Omagh St Enda's Position: Forward Height: 5'10" Weight: 11st 7 Age: 17

Honours: Club, G1 U19 League. School: Corn Na nÓg.

Callum Welsh



Club: Fintona Position: Forward Height: 5'5" Weight: 9st 8 Age: 16

Honours: School: Ulster medal with St. John's. County: U16 Buncrana Cup.

Ciaran McCullagh



Club: Glenelly
Position: Defender
Height: 6'1"
Weight: 12st 8
Age: 18

Honours: Club: U14 G2 League. School: Corn Na nÓg.

Aron Healy



Club: Dromore Position: Defender Height: 5'10" Weight: 11st 3 Age: 18

Honours: Club: 2022 Tyrone Senior Reserve Championship and League





Patrician savour fourth ever MacLarnon title

DANSKE BANK MACLARNON CUP FINAL 2022

11 FEBRUARY 2022, AT INNISKEEN



Patrician HS Carrickmacross 2-13 Our Lady's Sec. School, Castleblayney 1-9



Patrician High School, Carrickmacross won their fourth MacLarnon Cup title, their second since 2016 when they saw off near-neighbours, Our Lady's Secondary School, Castleblayney in front of a crowd of almost 3,000 in Inniskeen.

Patrician led almost from start to finish, but that doesn't go close to telling the full story of a cracking all-Monaghan final, where the momentum swung on a couple of occasions. Above all, the bumper crowd who attended would have been well entertained and would have left feeling that the future of Monaghan football looks to be in rude health based on the high standards on show.

A dominant 20-minute spell, featuring some scores of the highest quality, before half-time saw a wind-assisted Patrician side outscore the 2015 champions by



1-8 to 0-1 to take charge of this game. Our Lady's wasted no time in eating into their deficit after the restart, hitting 1-3 inside ten minutes, but a brilliant goal by Dylan McConnell left the High School very unlikely to be caught.

Patrician were backboned by their influential 6/11 axis of Dylan Byrne and Fionán Carolan, who swapped positions seamlessly, while Darragh Mee swept to good effect in front of a touch-tight fullback line and Oisín Monahan and Cillian McGahon led from midfield. They also had plenty of firepower up front, where Dylan McConnell, Cian Conlon and Dualta Honney (whose inclusion was the only change either side made from their semifinal wins) racked up 1-10 between them. Our Lady's talisman, Stephen Mooney kicked seven points, while the likes of Caolán Reilly, Charlie McQuillan and Thomas Hughes also tried hard to light up their challenge, but they were always playing catch-up from early on.

Patrician's first goal-scorer Dylan Byrne was named as Man of the Match after a hugely influential performance, before their captain, Inniskeen's Oisín Monahan, lifted the silverware on his club's home ground.













Patrician High School, Carrickmacross: Dáire O'Shea, Ciarán Finnegan, Jack McKeever, Patrick Farrelly, Darragh Mee, Dáire Martin, Fionán Carolan, Dylan Farrelly (0-1), Oisín Monahan (capt.), Cillian McGahon (0-1), Kian Duffy, Dylan Byrne (1-1), Cian Conlon (0-4, 2 frees), Dylan McConnell (1-3, 0-1 frees), Dualta Honney (0-3)

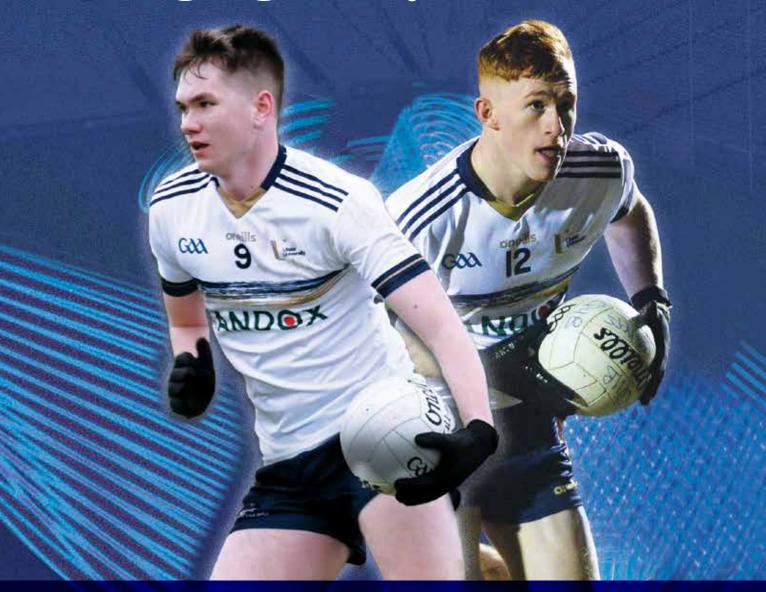
Subs: Oisín McNally for Dylan Farrelly (44 mins) Cian Burns for Dualta Honney (53 min), Packie Doogan-Burke for Oisín Monahan (inj., 61 min)

Our Lady's Secondary School, Castleblayney: Eoin Coleman, Kealan McKeever, Philip McNally, Ultan McMahon; Caolán Reilly (capt., 1-0), Paudie Heavin, Ciarán Branigan (0-1), Charlie McQuillan, Kealan McMahon, Shea Casey, Thomas Hughes (0-1), Lewis Brady, Max McGinnity, Ciarán Markey (0-1), Stephen Mooney (0-7, 5 frees)

Subs: Daithí Shevlin for Paudie Heavin (ht), Conor Ruddy for Shea Casey (41 min), Joe Carey for Max McGinnity (51 min)

REFEREE: Kieran Eannetta (Tyrone).

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DANSKE BANK MACLARNON CUP 2023 OUARTER FINALS

DANSKE BANK MACLARNON CUP QUARTER-FINAL 1

20 JANUARY 2023 AT MEADOWBANK, MAGHERAFELT

Loreto Community College, Milford: 3

St. Pius X College, Magherafelt:

Loreto Milford through to semi-finals

Two goals in the ten minutes before the break turned this Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup quarter-final on its head and sent Loreto Milford through to the semi-finals.



Up until then St. Pius X had looked comfortable with a lead they secured through a goal from Tiernán Rocks in the 11th minute after Sean Young had done the spade-work with a break through the centre.

St. Pius X added points from Cathair Speirs (two frees) and Carl Lagan and led by 1-3 to 0-3 when Milford struck, Finn Coll placing Player of the Match, Cian McMenamin for a side-foot to the net from eight metres.

Cathair Speirs and Dylan Rocks hit back for St. Pius X before a route one delivery from Milford was fielded by Oisín Scanlon who rounded his marker and lashed the ball to the net. Milford led by 2-4 to 1-6 at half time.

Five minutes into the second half they were two goals clear. JJ Sweeney tapped over an early free. Then they broke from defence with players over and Patrick McDaid put Cian McMenamin in for his second goal.

Loreto maintained that advantage through most of the second half until Cormac Bateson's long free was fielded by Dylan Rocks to reduce the margin to 3-7 to 2-8 with 12 minutes left.

JJ Sweeney hit back with a good point, but Cathair Speirs from a free made it a two points' game. However, St. Pius X, Magherafelt couldn't get any closer over the last ten minutes and Loreto broke deep into injury time for Cian McMenamin to grab the last score.

REFEREE: Cathal Forbes (Tyrone)

DANSKE BANK MACLARNON CUP QUARTER-FINAL 2

20 JANUARY 2023 AT COLÁISTE FEIRSTE, BELFAST

Rathmore Grammar School, Belfast:

0-8

Aguinas Grammar School, Belfast:

0-6

Rathmore seal semi-final spot

A strong finish by Rathmore GS, helped by two great individual points from corner forward Fiontan O'Boyle, saw them book their place in the semi-final of the Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup at the expense of Belfast neighbours, Aquinas at Coláiste Feirste.



While this was a fast-paced, end to end championship tie, scores were a rarity and it took 15 minutes before Donncha McGurk clipped over the opener from the right hand side. Minutes earlier his goalie Kayo Dobrowiski had pulled off a brilliant stop to deny Aguinas.

The second quarter was a little more open and Rathmore were able to build up an interval lead of 0-5 to 0-2 with Rory McErlain accurate from frees and Garret Cowan winning a turnover before scoring the point of the half from an acute angle in the right corner.

Daniel Carlin and Niall Duffy had been Aquinas Grammar's only scorers in the first half, but during the third quarter the Ravenhill Road men pulled the game back level at 0-6 each with points from Daniel Carlin, Manus McCrossan, Ben Christie and Brendan Delaney.

At that stage it seemed that Aquinas had the momentum to go on and win the tie. However it was Rathmore captain Fintan O'Boyle who edged Rathmore through to victory. His second score came from winning a ball on his own 20 metre line and running the length of the field to fire over with his left foot.

Rathmore advance to a semi-final meeting with Loreto, Milford.

Rathmore Grammar School, Belfast Scorers: R. McErlain (0-3), F. O'Boyle (0-2), D. McGurk (0-1), M. Morgan (0-1), G. Cowan (0-1) Aquinas Diocesan Grammar School, Belfast: D. Carlin (0-2), M. McCrossan (0-1), B. Delaney (0-1), N. Duffy (0-1), B. Christie (0-1)

REFEREE: Brendan Toland (Lámh Dhearg)

DANSKE BANK MACLARNON FINAL 2023



DANSKE BANK MACLARNON CUP QUARTER-FINAL 3

23 JANUARY 2023, AT THE DUB, BELFAST

St. Louis Grammar School, Ballymena:

St. Paul's High School, Bessbrook:

1-11

St. Louis strike late to snatch victory

An incredible finish that saw St. Louis score a goal and two points in injury time saw the Ballymena school into the semifinal of the Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup at the Dub.



In a game that saw both teams have lengthy spells of dominance, the boys from St. Paul's, Bessbrook appeared to have booked their place in the last four when two points from Oisín Cunningham and one from team captain, Ruairí O'Brien put them three clear as the game went into injury time.

To be honest it looked like St. Louis were dead and buried, but they came back with two quick points from All-Saints man, Cal O'Brien and, Shea O'Broin from Con Magees to cut the deficit to a single point. Even then, it appeared as if they were too late to snatch a draw, but they won the next kick out and a high ball into the Bessbrook square, saw centre forward Conan McAuley from St. Comgall's get a fist to it and send it to the net to spark scenes of great celebration among the St. Louis ranks.

It took the game a while to get going in the first half, and it took an incredible point blank save from St. Louis goalkeeper, Jamie McLaughlin to deny Bessbrook a goal. The Ballymena school began to settle and when they hit the first four points of the game through Shea O'Broin and Kevin McCann, they appeared to be flying.

However, St. Paul's, Bessbrook suddenly sprung to life and with Ruairí O'Brien controlling matters, they closed the gap before hitting the front with an excellently taken goal from Oisín Cunningham which helped them to a 1-4 to 0-4 lead. With half time fast approaching, St. Louis appeared to be in a spot of bother, but two points before the break from Cal O'Brien and Conor McKenna saw them close to within a point at the break.

The start of the second half, saw Bessbrook regain control and with Oisín Cunningham and Cal O'Brien on top form they pulled



four clear again after 39 minutes. The pendulum swung again in St. Louis favour with three more pointed frees from Shea O'Broin and one from McKenna to tie thing up again.

Bessbrook's three points between the 57th and 60th minutes appeared to have won it, until St. Louis snatched it from them at the death to set up a semi-final meeting with St. Joseph's, Donaghmore, conquerors of St. Mary's in the other quarter final. The man in charge of St. Joseph's, Donaghmore is Niall Kelly from Portglenone - a past pupil of St. Louis, Ballymena!

REFEREE: Paddy Tumelty (Lámh Dhearg)







DANSKE BANK MACLARNON CUP QUARTER-FINAL 4

23 JANUARY 2023, AT MUSA, COOKSTOWN

St. Joseph's Convent GS, Donaghmore:

St. Mary's CBS, Belfast:

Donaghmore too strong for St. Mary's

St. Joseph's, Donaghmore eased their way through to the semifinals of the Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup when they had too much in the tank for a battling St. Mary's CBS, Belfast side at the 4G pitch in MUSA in the last of the MacLarnon quarter-finals.



It was a contest that the Tyrone lads controlled from the off and they were well on their way to victory by halftime, having established a 1-8 to 0-3 lead. To their credit, St. Mary's came out for the second period with all guns blazing, but a second goal from Mattie McNally in the third quarter ended the game as a contest.

Two early Noah Grimes points got the winners up and running, before they struck for a brilliant 7th minute goal when McNally blasted to the net following a move involving Joey Clarke, Noah Grimes and Conor O'Neill.

Twice in the space of a minute St. Marys 'keeper, Rhys Camlin pulled off superb saves to deny both Joey Clarke and Mattie McNally, but by the time the Antrim lads opened their account in the 18th minute from a Cormac McGarry free, their opponents had

Ronan Molloy and Noah Grimes converted frees, with the former also landing a superb effort from play from distance and the St. Mary's cause wasn't helped when they were reduced to fourteen men in the 24th minute.

A free and a mark from Finn Shannon closed the gap slightly on the restart, but when substitute, Darragh Donagh picked out Mattie McNally with a precision pass, the full forward did the rest with an accomplished finish.

Ronan Molloy tagged on another brace either side of another point for St. Mary's from Finn Shannon. In the 58th minute, Mattie McNally completed his hat trick, when a long delivery in from Leo









Hughes broke and he reacted first to finish to the net from close range. Substitute, Eoghan O'Neill fisted a point, while Shannon had the final say from another placed ball as St. Joseph's made it through to the last four were they will face St. Louis, Ballymena.

St. Joseph's Grammar School, Donaghmore scorers: M. McNally (3-0), R. Molloy (0-5, 0-1free), N. Grimes (0-3, 0-2 frees), J. McKenna (0-2), E. O'Neill (0-1), C. Drayne (0-1, 45)

St. Mary's CBS, Belfast scorers: F. Shannon (0-5, 3 frees, 1 mark), C. McGarry (0-3 frees)

REFEREE: Eamon McAuley (Antrim)





DANSKE BANK **MACLARNON CUP 2023**

SEMIFINALS

Morgan goal helps Rathmore secure a final spot

DANSKE BANK MACLARNON SEMI FINAL 2022

27 JANUARY 2023 AT OWENBEG



Rathmore Grammar School, Belfast: 1-10 Loreto Community School, Milford: 0-8

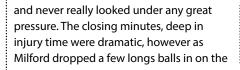
A goal and two points by man of the match, Michael Morgan helped Rathmore Grammar School, Belfast bridge a sixteen year gap as they overcame a slow start to defeat Loreto Community School, Milford in the first semi-final of the MacLarnon Cup on the 4G pitch at Owenbeg.

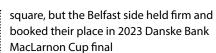
It was Michael Morgan who settled his team down with their first score of the game after Milford had dominated possession in the early stages. The Donegal school were on top throughout the field as Rathmore struggled to get a foothold in the game, but when Morgan found the target, things began to happen and they were soon level as Rory McErlean and Fintan O'Boyle sent over points. Rory McErlean pointed a free to put them ahead for the first time, and though Rory McGrenra brought Loreto back on terms soon afterwards, further points from Morgan and McErlean gave Rathmore a two point lead at the interval, 0-8 to 0-6.

Milford cut the gap back to a point when an early shot from centre-forward, Cian McMenamin bounced on the edge of the square and bounced over bar. Three minutes later, Michael Morgan hit the telling score when he came out to meet a long ball from the half back line, winning possession before battling his way past two defenders and finishing to the net with a clever flick off the outside of his right foot. Michael Morgan added a point from play and Rory McErlean pointed a free from out on the right, and it was clear that Milfold would need to do something special to get back into the game.

The Donegal boys did have plenty of possession, but Rathmore defended well







Rathmore Grammar School, Belfast: K. Dobrowiski, M. Lloyd, D. Mooney, C. Devlin, T. Lloyd, C. Logue, S. Ferris, O. Arthurs, R. Grant, C. Blaney (0-1), R. McErlean (0-4), D. McGurk, F. O'Boyle (0-2) (capt.), M. Morgan (1-2), G. Cowan (0-1)

Loreto Community School, Milford: K. Hagan, C. Brady, C. Gallagher, O. Kelly, P. McDaid, A. Curran, R. McGrenra (0-1), J.J. Sweeney (0-3), C. McMenamin (0-2), E. Quinn, F. Coll (0-2), E. Scott, C. Curran, O. McHugh, C. McCormick **Subs used:** Rudi Smith and Oscar Conlon

REFEREE: Gavin Hegarty (Derry)







Comfortable win for Donaghmore in semi-final

DANSKE BANK MACLARNON SEMI FINAL 2022

28 JANUARY 2023 AT SLAUGHTNEIL



St. Joseph's GS, Donaghmore: 1-12 St. Louis Grammar School, Ballymena: 0-5

This victory for St. Joseph's Grammar School, Donaghmore in the Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup semi-final in Slaughtneil was every bit as comfortable as the final score-line suggests and might have been even more pronounced had the Tyrone side converted more of what they created.



They led at the break by 1-6 to a single point from a Shea Ó Broin free, but also shot eight wides and always had the Antrim side on the back foot. When St. Louis did manage to break forward, they were much too easily dispossessed and they were really only able to apply sustained pressure during the final ten minutes when the result was decided.

Noah Grimes and Shea Ó Broin swopped points around five minutes into the game. Noah Grimes nabbed the only goal of the game in the 12th minute. A 45 was played back to Conor O'Neill, who careered through the centre and found Grimes. The centre-forward still had a bit of work to do, but he found the space and blasted home.

Noah Grimes and Dara Donaghy added points soon after, both coming from moves up the right wing and St. Joseph's gradually pulled away despite hitting a series of wides and dropping other shots short.

During the third quarter, Ronan Molloy with three frees and another score from play pulled his side further clear. Despite two Shea Ó Broin frees, St. Louis were 1-11



to 0-3 down on 45 minutes.

St. Louis' two points from play during the last seven minutes were well worked and well-taken, but the sting had already gone out of the game and Donaghmore are through to meet Rathmore Grammar in the final, scheduled for the second weekend of February.

St. Joseph's Grammar School, Donaghmore: Leo Quinn, Jude McNally, Ben Hughes, Darragh Donaghy (0-2), James Rafferty, Joey Clarke, Conor O'Neill, Shane Scullion, John McKenna, Leo Hughes (0-1), Noah Grimes (1-3, 0-1 free), M.J. Mansell, Cormac Drayne (0-1), Mattie McNally, Ronan Molloy (0-5, 0-4 frees) **Subs:** Eoghan O'Neill for Cormac Drayne (41 min.), Johnny Field for Mattie McNally (49 min.), Caolán Donaghy for M.J. Mansell (49 min.), Dara Quinn for Leo Hughes (57 min.)

St. Louis Grammar School, Ballymena: Jamie McLaughlin, Caoimhín Kennedy, Conor Higgins, Dara Martin, Joe McCormick, Aodhán McGarry, Tom McFerran (0-1), Conor McKenna, Cormac Mullan, Kevin McCann, Conan McAuley, Cal O'Brien (0-1), Barry McCloskey, Shea Ó Broin (0-3 frees), Hugh O'Donnell. **Subs:** Seanan O'Boyle for Caoimhín Kennedy (ht), Kevin O'Boyle for Conor McKenna (36 min.), Luke McFerran for Barry McCloskey (41 min.), Patrick O'Neill for Joe McCormick (55 min.), Shane Martin for Conan McAuley (55 min.)

REFEREE: Gregory McWilliams (Ballinascreen)





RATHMORE GRAMMAR SCHOOL **BELFAST**



Kajetan Dobrowolski Céó Ó Goidín **Davitts GAC**



2 **Conall Devlin** Conall Ó Doibhlin St. Paul's



3 **Deaglan Mooney** Déaglán Ó Maonaigh **Davitts**



4 **Matthew Lloyd** Maitiú Ó Liadáin St. Brigid's



5 **Thomas Lloyd** Tomás Ó Liadá St. Brigid's



6 **Conor Logue** Conchúr Ó Laoghóg St. Brigid's



Sé Ferris Sé Mac Fhearghusa Sarsfields



8 **Rory Grant** Ruairí Mag Raighne O'Donovan Rossa



9 **Odhran Arthurs** Odhrán Mac Airt St. Joseph's, Glenavy



Donncha McGurk Donncha Mag Oirc St. Brigid's



Rory McErlean Ruairí Mac Fhirléinn St. Brigid's



12 **Cormac Blaney** Cormac Ó Bléine Bredagh



13 **Garrett Cowan** Gearóid Ó Comhgháin St. Paul's



14 **Michael Morgan** Mícheál Ó Muirgeáin St. Joseph's, Glenavy



15 Fiontan O'Boyle (Capt.) Fionntán Ó Baoil St. Joseph's, Glenavy

16.	Owen McCarney
17.	Oscar Conlon
18.	Rudi Smyth

19. Sean Lavery James Close 20.

21. **Eoin Campbell** 22.

Odhran Morgan-Lyttle 23. Sean McCarthy

24. Eugene Clenaghan 25. Finbarr Blaney

Eoghan Mac Ceithearnaigh Oscar Ó Conluain Rúdaí Mac Gabhann

Seán Ó Labhraidh Séamas Ó Cluasaigh Eoin Mac Cathmhaoil Odhrán Ó Muirgeáin-Ó Beagáin Bredagh GAC

Seán Mac Carthaigh Eoghainín Mag Leannacháin

Fionnbharra Ó Bléine

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Lámh Dhearg Lámh Dhearg

Naomh Seosamh Bredagh GAC

Conall McGibbon 26.

Emmett McCloy 27. Conor O'Neill 28.

29. **Donal Martin** 30. **Thomas Graham**

31. Michael Kerr 32. **Eoin Phillips**

Sonny Doyle 33.

Fintan Dunniece

Conall Ó Giobúin Eiméid Mac Luaidhe Conchúr Ua Néill Dónal Ó Máirtín

Tomás Ó Gréacháin Mícheál Mac Giolla Cheara

Eoin Mac Philib Maicín Ó Dubhghaill Fionntán Ó Duinn

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2adh Leath/2nd Half

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ST. JOSEPH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL, DONAGHMORE



Leo Quinn Leo Ó Coinn **Galbally Pearses**



Jude McNally Iúd Mac an Fhailí Donaghmore



3 **Ben Hughes** Beircheart Ó hAodha Donaghmore



Johnny Field Seáinín Ó Ficheallaigh Donaghmore



James Rafferty Séamas Ó Raifeartaigh **Galbally Pearses**



Joey Clarke Seosamh Ó Cléirigh Donaghmore



Conor O'Neill Conchúr Ó Néill Donaghmore



8 **Shane Scullion** Séan Ó Scolláin Derrylaughan



9 **John McKenna** Seán Mac Cionaoith Donaghmore



Leo Hughes Leo Ó hAodha **Dungannon Clarkes**



Noah Grimes Noah Ó Gréacháin Donaghmore



M.J. Mansell M.J. Moinséil Clonoe



13 **Cormac Drayne** Cormac Drayne Donaghmore



14 **Mattie McNally** Maití Mac an Fhailí Carrickmore



15 Ronan Molloy Capt.) Rónán Ó Maolmhuaidh Donaghmore

Cormac Cunningham

18 Caolan Donaghy 19 Darragh Donaghy 20 Eoghan O Neill

21 Dara Quinn 22 PJ Cassidy

23 Joseph Kelly 24 Conall Herron 25 Cormac Toye

Cormac Ó Cuinneagáin Conn Mac Suibhne Caolán Mac Donnchaidh Dara Mac Donnchaidh Eoghan Ó Néill

Dara Ó Coinn PJ Ó Caiside Seosamh Ó Ceallaigh

Conall Ó hEaráin Conall Ó Tuathaigh Na Pluinceídí, Cabhann a Chaorthainn An Charraig Mhór Naomh Colmcille

An Eaglaís Naomh Padraig Piarsaigh an Gallbhaile

Piarsaigh an Gallbhaile An tAth Mac Con Carraige, An Chorra Chríochach

Uilf Toin Chill Dreasa Domhnach Mór Naomh Pádraig Domhnach Mór Naomh Pádraig An Eaglaís Naomh Padraig

Stephen Canavan 26

27 Charlie O'Donnell 28 Jamie Mc Carthy

29 Caolan Quinn 30 Daniel Baird

31 Ronan McGeary 32 Micheal Logan

33 lack Kelly Joseph Corrigan Stiofán Ceannubháin Séarlaí Ó Domhnaill

Séamaí Mac Cárthaigh Caolán Ó Coinn

Dónal Mac an Bhaird Rónán Mac Gadhra Mícheál Ó Leocháin

Jeaic Ó Ceallaigh Seosamh Ó Corragáin An Brocach, Cumann Eiméidí Na Pluincéidí, Cabhán a Chaorthainn

Cumann Tomáis Uí Chléirigh Dún Geanainn Domhnach Mór Naomh Pádraig Domhnach Mór Naomh Pádraig Domhnach Mór Naomh Pádraig Domhnach Mór Naomh Pádraig Baile na Móna Naomh Maoileachlainn

Piarsaigh an Gallbhaile

SCORERS

1adh Leath/1st Half

2adh Leath/2nd Half

IOMLÁN/FINAL SCORE





PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT



Gaelic sports are going from strength to strength in Rathmore. Having won the McFarland Cup last year and having reached the final of the Casement Cup we are very excited to now be contesting the 2023 Danske Bank MacLarnon cup final.

Reaching the MacLarnon final is a fantastic achievement and is richly deserved by the team who have demonstrated high levels of fitness, resilience of spirit and considerable skill throughout the tournament. I recognise the commitment, dedication and hard work of all the players whose preparation and training have been exemplary, and they are to be congratulated on their focus and dedication.

The pupils playing on the team are excellent ambassadors for our school and participation in major tournaments affords the whole school community an opportunity to demonstrate their support for them. We are looking forward to an excellent game on Friday evening and hoping to bring the MacLarnon Cup home to Rathmore for the first time.

I want to pay tribute to all of our staff, Gearóid Adams - Bainisteoir, Dónal McKernan, Conor Ewing and Paul Collins - Maoir Fhoirne, who have encouraged and motivated this Senior team and

many other teams throughout the year, giving up evenings and weekends to train and ensure they reach their full potential. Their commitment and generosity of spirit does not go unnoticed and is much appreciated.

And I also want to acknowledge and thank our parents, who encourage and assist our pupils to engage in all our extra - curricular activities where they represent themselves and our school to the very highest standards.

We are fortunate to have the support of alumni, local companies and businesses who sponsor our teams, and we are particularly grateful to Paul McErlean and MCE Communications who sponsor our senior Gaelic team.

I know that St. Joseph's Donaghmore is a great school with a quality squad, and I am really looking forward to a memorable match with both teams rising to the occasion.

I wish our lads the very best of luck and look forward to a great game showcasing the best of Gaelic sport.

Dr. Arthur Donnelly

Principal Rathmore Grammar School









MANAGEMENT PROFILES



GEAROID ADAMS (Manager/Bainisteoir)

Gearóid is the Coordinator of P.E. at Rathmore Grammar School. He has been actively involved in the promotion of Gaelic Games in Rathmore and has coached the Senior Boys' Gaelic football team since he started working in the school in 2018. Gearóid is a member of the Naomh Eoin club in Belfast and is a former Antrim County Manager and Player.



DONAL MCKERNAN (Coach)

Donal is a Physical Education teacher in Rathmore Grammar, this being his first year teaching in the school. However, Donal has been actively involved in the promotion and development of Gaelic Games in Rathmore since leaving as a pupil in 2017. Donal also achieved two Ulster Schools' Hurling All-Stars as a student. During his time studying in UUJ, he returned and took up a coaching role within the Junior School. Notably, Donal has been involved with this year's MacLarnon group from they were year 8s and 9s. Donal continued this role into senior teams in 2018 and further into his placement year in 2019, upon which they were narrowly defeated in both Markey and Casement semi-finals. Donal coaches across both codes in school and saw his Casement team defeated in the final a few weeks ago by St. Mary's Magherafelt. He now returns with the same group to this year's Danske Bank MacLarnon final. Donal is also currently involved with UU Senior Hurlers, Antrim U16 Camogs, Sarsfields Senior Camogs, all whilst playing both Senior Hurling and Football for Sarsfields.



CONOR EWING (Coach)

Conor is a current Physical Education placement student in Rathmore Grammar School, having studied Sports Studies for the past two years in Ulster University. Conor is also a past pupil of Rathmore, who left the school in 2020. Conor's final years of playing Gaelic football for Rathmore ended in a Markey Cup semi-final defeat, which was then managed by Gearóid Adams and Donal McKernan, who now lead the school to their first MacLarnon Cup final in 17 years. Conor is currently playing senior football for St. Patrick's, Lisburn and is involved with underage teams within the club.



PAUL COLLINS (Coach)

Paul started teaching in Rathmore in 1990 and over the past 33 years has been committed in promoting Gaelic games in school. Success to date has included winning the Casement, Leopold and Mac Farland Cups on several occasions in hurling, while in football, Paul has been involved in coaching teams that went on to win the Nolan, Faul, O'Doherty and Loch an luir competitions. In 2003, along with Neal Peden, Paul helped guide Rathmore to All-Ireland success in the 'C' competition and then four years later, he coached a very talented team boasting no less than eight county minors, to the first and only MacLarnon final against a Michael Murphy led St. Eunan's team. Outside of school, Paul is heavily involved with his club, Naomh Eoin and over the years has managed U14, U16, U21 and Senior hurling teams. He is currently Hurling Coordinator and coaches the U11 hurlers in the club





PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT



The whole school community of St. Joseph's Grammar School, Donaghmore is proud and delighted that our MacLarnon Cup team have reached the final of this prestigious Danske Bank competition. Sport plays a

huge role in the life of the school and in the lives of our boys and girls, so we are grateful for the work that Ulster Schools does each year to promote our Gaelic games to such a highly competitive standard.

We are fortunate in having such a large pool of talent to draw from and I pay tribute to all of the players on the panel who have religiously invested their time and talent to bring the team to this point in the competition. Their preparation for this match has been built on many months and indeed years of training, and I am confident that we will see plenty of our players' characteristic skill and tenacity on the field this evening.

I want to thank all of the team for bringing such joy and excitement to the school; we are all immensely proud of you and grateful for the inspiration your example provides for our younger players.

I would like to acknowledge also the commitment and hard work of our team of coaches and managers who, like the players, have invested so much time and effort since last year's MacLarnon semi-final match. The disappointment of that loss gave way

to a doubling down of focus and intent which has sustained this squad's momentum ever since.

Of course, our players represent not just their school today, but also their respective clubs. It is at club level that the grá for the game is nurtured and the players developed, so this match is as much a tribute to those club coaches and managers as it is to our own staff. I want to thank both St. Patrick's GFC and Galbally Pearses for their generosity and support in making their pitches available for training as and when we needed them. That level of cooperation and support is what the GAA is all about.

Finally, a word of sincere thanks to our parents whose interest and encouragement mean so much for sustaining our team sports in school. We know you will savour this evening's experience as much as all of the supporters from school who are with us tonight to cheer on our boys.

The Rathmore Grammar team will be as eager as we are to win this competition and we do not underestimate the challenge in front of us. They are worthy opponents, and our lads know that they can leave nothing on the field if they are to be victorious.

To the players on both sides, enjoy the game and I hope the memories of this great encounter will stay with you forever.

Mrs Geraldine Donnelly

Principal

St Joseph's Grammar/Scoil Iósaef









MANAGEMENT COMMENT



NIALL KELLY (MANAGER)

It is with tremendous pride and honour that we bring St. Joseph's Grammar School, Donaghmore to their first ever MacLarnon Cup final.

We would like to thank Ulster Schools' GAA for their support in organising this successful

competition which is becoming more competitive each year.

A day like today is shared by everyone in the school and the wider community from the players, their families and the management team who instil and reinforce the Gaelic Games Codes and tradition throughout St. Joseph's Grammar School. The enthusiasm, dedication and willingness to give selflessly of their time are the key ingredients for success and makes St. Joseph's a very special place to work and coach. A special mention must also be given to the parents, supporters and the various GAA Clubs across Tyrone. Today reflects your tireless support, dedication and this day is equally yours to share. I would also like to mention the support from St. Patrick's, Donaghmore GAA Club and Galbally Pearses GAA for the use of their facilities over the winter months - without your help, today would not be possible.

It has been my absolute pleasure to work with, coach and watch this group of players become the team that they are today. I would like to acknowledge not only their commitment and dedication throughout this competition but also the many other campaigns they have participated in since they joined St. Joseph's. This team has skill, knowledge, camaraderie and character. They have inspired not only the upcoming St. Joseph's teams and players but also the wider St. Joseph's community and we are all exceptionally proud of them as they bring our school to an Ulster Schools' football final.

Today the challenge couldn't be any greater, but it is one we will embrace. We welcome Rathmore Grammar School and their loyal supporters and wish them well in what is sure to be a competitive final. We know they will respect and match our determination to win the 2023 Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup.







DONAL GALLAGHER, TOM MC GRATH AND PAUL O'HAGAN (COACHES)

We are delighted to have reached the Danske Bank MacLarnon Cup Final with this group of players having progressed from winning a Danske Bank McDevitt Cup and Danske Bank Irish News Cup. The school has over the past few years moved up to 'B' Level with one appearance in the Corn Colmcille Final in 2019. Our current Year 13s have competed in 'A' Colleges for two years with included a victory in the Sciath na nÓg in 2019. This will be our third year in the MacLarnon Cup qualifying from the group in 2019, semi-final in 2022 and now the final in 2023. As trainers we could not ask for a more committed, dedicated and passionate group of players to work with.

Since boys were first enrolled in St. Joseph's Grammar School in 2003 we are tremendously proud of their journey so far. We would like to acknowledge all the teachers, both past and present, with a special mention to Paddy Corrigan, Paul Quinn, Sean Turner and John McGrath who have helped develop these young footballers and many other school teams. We are fortunate to have so many dedicated staff who are prepared to give up their time to coach and manage our students.

We would like to acknowledge the work done by our clubs for our players over the years. Our boys are very aware of their roots, and we appreciate your support. This 2023 MacLarnon Cup Final will be the highlight of our School's GAA Journey so far and we look to continue progressing through the ranks of Ulster Schools. We look forward to the challenge that today's game brings for our team.







RATHMORE GRAMMAR SCHOOL, BFI FAST

Kajetan Dobrowolski



Position: Goalkeeper Club: Davitts Weight: 64kg Heighta: 5'7" **Age:** 18

Conall Devlin



Position: Corner Back Club: St. Paul's Weight: 80kg Height: 6'1" **Age:** 17

Honours: County Minor and U14 Div. 1 Championship

Deaglan Mooney



Position: Full Back Club: Davitts Weight: 70kg Height: 6'0" **Age:** 18

Honours: Minor Div. 2 Championship

Matthew Lloyd



Position: Corner Back Club: St. Brigid's Weight: 70kg Height: 5'11" **Age:** 16

Honours: U15 Div. 1 Championship, U17 Div. 1 Championship

Thomas Lloyd



Position: Half Back Club: St. Brigids Weight: 74kg Height: 6'0" **Age:** 17

Honours: 2022 County Minor, U17 Championship, U20 Championship

Conor Louge



Position: Centre Half Club: St. Brigids Weight: 85kg Height: 6'1" Age: 18

Honours: U14 Div. 1 Féile, Minor Div. 1 Championship, U20 Div. 1 Championship

Sé Ferris



Position: Half Back Club: Sarsfields Weight: 73kg Height: 5'10" **Age:** 16

Honours: County Minor

Rory Grant



Position: Midfield Club: O' Donovan Weight: 80kg Height: 6'2" **Age:** 18

Honours: U16 Div. 1 Championship

Odhrán Arthurs



Position: Midfield Club St. Joseph's, Weight: 80kg Height: 6'3" Age: 17

Honours: U14 Div. 2 Championship

Donncha McGurk



Position: Half Forward Club: St Brigid's Weight: 73kg Height: 6'2" Age: 15

Honours; U16 County - 2 x U15 Div. 1 Championship, 2 x Féile, U15 Div. 1 League, Minor Championship

Rory McErlean



Position: Half Forward Club: St. Brigid's Height: 5'10" Weight: 70kg Age: 17

Honours: U20 County, Minor Div. 1 Championship, U20 Div. 1 Championship, U14 Féile

Cormac Blaney



Position: Half Forward Club: Bredagh Weight: 70kg Height: 5'11" **Age**: 18

Honours: U13 Div. 1 Championship

Garrett Cowan



Position: Corner Forward Club: St. Paul's Weight: 70kg Height: 5'5" **Age**:16

Michael Morgan



Position: Full Forward Club: St. Joseph's, Glenavy Weight: 78kg Height: 6'0" Age: 17

Honours: U14 Div. 2 Championship

Fiontan O'Boyle (Capt.)



Position: Forward Club: St. Joseph's, Glenavy Weight: 78kg **Height**: 6'0" Age: 18

Honours: U20 County, Senior Reserve Div. 2 Championship, U17 Breslin

Owen McCarney



Position: Goalkeeper Club: St. Brigid's Weight: 82kg Height: 6'0" **Age**:17

Honours: Minor Div. 1 Championship, U20 Div. 1 Championship







Oscar Conlon



Position: Corner Back Club: St. Brigid's Weight: 75kg Height: 6'3" Age: 16

Honours: U17 Div. 1 Championship, U15 Féile

Rudi Smyth



Position: Full Forward Club: St Patrick's Weight: 86kg Height: 6'1" Age: 17

Honours: U20 Div. 2 Championship

Sean Lavery



Position: Corner Back Club: O'Donnells Weight: 64kg Height: 5'6" Age: 16

Honours: U16 Div. 3 Championship & League Double, U14 Féile

James Close



Position: Half Forward Club: O' Donovan Rossa Weight: 56kg Height: 5'6" Age: 17

Eoin Campbell



Position: Half Forward Club: Lamh Dhearg Weight: 70kg Height: 5'9" Age: 18

Honours: County minor

Odhrán Morgan-Lyttle



Position: Full Forward Club: Bredagh GAC Weight: 78kg Height: 6'3" Age: 16

Honours: U13 Div. 1 Championship

Sean McCarthy



Position: Midfield Club: Lámh Dhearg Weight: 80kg Height: 6'3" Age: 17

Honours: U17 Div. 3 U14'B' Championship

Eugene Clenaghan



Position: Corner Back Club: St. Joseph's, Glenavy Weight: 80kg Height: 6'3" Age: 18

Honours: Senior Reserve Div. 2 Championship, U17 Breslin Shield

Finabar Blaney



Position: Half Forward Club: Bredagh Weight: 64kg Height: 5'7" Age: 16

Honours: U13 Div. 1 Championship

Conall McGibbon



Position: Half Back Club: Sarsfields Weight: 80kg Height: 5'11" Age: 18

Emmet McCloy



Glenavy Weight: 80kg Height: 5'8" Age: 18

Position: Corner Back

Club: St. Joseph's,

Honours: Senior Reserve Div. 2 Championship

Conor O'Neill



Position: Midfield Club: Lámh Dhearg Weight: 80kg Height: 6'2" Age: 16

Honours: U17 Div. 3 U14'B' Championship

Donal Martin



Position: Half Forward Club: Lamh Dhearg Age: 17 Weight: 80kg Height: 6'0"

Honours: Minor Div. 2 and Championship, County Minor

Thomas Graham



Position: Corner Forward Club: St. Brigid's Weight: 80kg Height: 5'11" Age: 18

Honours: U20 Div. 1 Championship

Michael Kerr



Position: Corner Back Club: St. Brigid's Weight: 70kg Height: 6'0" Age: 17

Honours: U17 Div. 1 Championship

Eoin Philips



Position: Half Forward Club: St. Joseph's, Glenavy Weight: 75kg Height: 6'1" Age: 17

Honours: U14 Div. 2 Championship, U17 Breslin Shield

Sonny Doyle



Position: Corner Back Club: St. Brigid's Weight: 75kg Height: 6'0" Age: 16

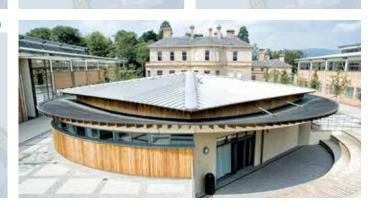
Honours: U15 Div. 1 Championship, Div. 1 Féile, U17 Div. 1 Championship.

Fintan Dunniece



Position: Corner Forward Club: Dromara GAC Weight: 75kg Height: 5'11" Age: 17

Honours: U15 Div. 2 Championship







ST. JOSEPH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL, DONAGHMORE

Leo Quinn



Club: Galbally Pearses Position: Goalkeeper Weight: 11st 5 Heiaht: 6'1" **Age:** 15

Honours: U13 Grade 2 Championship x 2, U17 Grade 2 League and Championship, Sciath na nÓg

Jude McNally



Club: Donaghmore Position: Defender Weight: 11st Heiaht: 5'10" **Age:** 17

Honours: Sciath na nÓg, Tyrone Féile, Tyrone U14 Championship, Tyrone Minor Championship 2021/2022, Tyrone Minor League 2021/2022

Ben Hughes



Club: Donaghmore Position: Defender Weight: 12st 4 Heiaht: 5'10" **Age:** 17

Honours: 2 x U17 Tyrone double, 2 x Ulster Minor Championship and 1 Ulster League

Johnny Field



Club: Donaghmore Position: Defender Weight: 12st Height: 5'8" **Age:** 18

Honours: 2 x U17 Tyrone double, 2 x Ulster Minor Championship and 1 Ulster League

James Rafferty



Club: Galbally Position: Defender Weight: 12st Height: 6'2" **Age:** 16

Honours: U17 Grade 2 League and Championship, U13 League, Buncrana Cup and Sciath na nÓg

Joey Clarke



Club: Donaghmore Position: Defender Weight: 12st Height: 5'9" Age: 17

Honours: County: Ulster League and Championship Club: 2 x Minor League and Championship G1 School: Sciath na nÓg

Conor O'Neill



Club: Donaghmore Position: Defender Weight: 12st Height: 6'0" **Age:** 16

Honours: County: Ulster League and Championship Club: 2 x Minor League and Championships G1 School: Sciath na nÓg

Shane Scullion



Club: Derrylaughan Position: Midfield Weight: 12st Height: 6'0" **Age:** 17

Honours: Irish News Cup

John McKenna



Club: Donaghmore Position: Midfield Weight: 12st Height: 6'1" Age: 17

Honours: Sciath na nÓg, Irish News Cup, Tyrone Féile 2019, Tyrone U14 Championship, Tyrone Grade 1 Championship 2021 and 2022

Leo Hughes



Club: Dungannon Clarkes Position: Forward Weight: 10st 5 **Height:** 5'7" **Age:** 16

Honours: Ulster Minor League and Ulster Championship with Tyrone, Sciath na nÓg

Noah Grimes



Club: Donaghmore Position: Forward Weight: 10st 5 Height: 5'7" Age: 17

Honours: County: Ulster League and Championship Club: 2 x Minor League and Championships G1 School: Sciath na nÓa

M.J. Mansell



Club: Clonoe Position: Forward Weight: 13st Height: 5'10" **Age:** 18

Honours: Irish News Cup, Minor Championship and Minor League

Cormac Drayne



Club: Donaghmore Position: Forward Weight: 11st 2 Height: 5'9" **Age:** 17

Honours: Tyrone: Ulster Championship and League 2022. Club: Minor Championship, Minor League 2021 and 2022, Tyrone U16 League and Championship. School: Mc Devitt Cup and Irish News Cup 20183

Mattie McNally



Club: Carrickmore Position: Forward Weight: 12st Height: 6'0" **Age:** 16

Honours: Buncrana Cup U16, Sciath

Ronan Molloy (Capt.)



Club: Donaghmore Position: Forward Weight: 11st 2 Height: 5'9 **Age:** 18

Honours: Tyrone: Ulster Championship and League 2022 Club: Minor Championship, Minor League 2021 and 2022. Tyrone U16 League and Championship School: Mc Devitt Cup and Irish News Cup 2018

Cormac Cunningham



Club: Pomerov Plunketts Position: Goalkeeper Weight: 14st Height: 6'3" **Age:** 17

Honours: Oisín Mc Grath Shield, I.M. Murphy Shield, Irish News Cup, Sciath na nÓg







Conn Sweeney



Club: Carrickmore Position: Midfield Weight: 12st 8 Height: 6'2" **Age:** 17

Honours: Ulster Minor Championship and League 2022, Tyrone Grade 1 U19 League and Championship, U16 Ulster Club Championship, U16 Tyrone Championship, Tyrone Minor Hurling Championship, Ulster Minor Hurling Shield, Irish News Cup and McDevitt Cup

Caolán Donaghy



Club: Eglish Position: Defender Weight: 12st 3 Height: 5'11" Age: 17

Honours: Irish News Cup, U14 Grade 2 Tyrone League, Championship Féile and All-Ireland. U16 Grade 1 League, U16 Grade 2 Championship and Tyrone ACL Div. 2

Darragh Donaghy



Club: Galbally Pearses Position: Forward Weight: 10 st Height: 5'8" **Age:** 16

Honours: Tyrone U17 Grade 2 League and Championship, Buncrana Cup, Tyrone U13 Grade 2 x 2, Corn Colmcille Shield

Eoghan O'Neill



Club: Galbally Pearses Position: Forward Weight: 10 st Height: 5'8" **Age:** 16

Honours: Tyrone U17 Grade 2 League and Championship, Buncrana Cup, 2 x Tyrone U13 Grade 2, Sciath na nÓg

Dara Quinn



Club: Cookstown, Fr. Rocks Position: Defender Weight: 9st 6 Height: 5'8" Age: 17

Honours: Sciath na nÓg, All-Ireland Féile G2, U14 Tyrone Championship G2

P.J. Cassidy



Club: Kildress Wolfe Tones Position: Defender Weight: 10st 7 Height: 5'8" **Age:** 16

Honours: Tyrone Grade 2 Minor Championship, Tyrone Grade 3 Double and Sciath na nÓg

Joseph Kelly



Club: Donaghmore Position: Defender Weight: 9st 6 Height: 5'10" **Age:** 17

Honours: Club: Minor Championship, Minor League 2021 and 2022. Tyrone U16 League and Championship School: McDevitt Cup and 2 x Irish News Cup

Conall Herron



Club: Donaghmore Position: Forward Weight: 10st 6 Height: 6'0" **Age:** 16

Honours: Club: Minor Championship, Minor League 2021 and 2022. Tyrone U16 League and Championship, U14 League and Féile

Cormac Toye



Club: Eglish Position: Forward Weight: 10st 3 Height: 5'9" **Age:** 1716

Honours: Irish News Cup, U14 Grade 2 Tyrone League, Championship Féile and All-Ireland. U16 Grade 1 League, U16 Grade 2 Championship

Stephen Canavan



Club: Brocagh Robert **Emmetts Position:** Forward Weight: 9st Height: 5'7" **Aae:** 18

Honours: Irish News Cup, McDevitt Cup and U16 Championship

Charlie O'Donnell



Club: Pomeroy Plunketts Position: Midfield Weight: 13st 3 Height: 6'3" **Age:** 16

Honours: Sciath na nÓg Winner

Jamie McCarthy



Club: Dungannon Thomas Clarkes Position: Wing-half Forward Weight: 11st 3 Height: 5'10" **Age:** 16

Honours: Sciath na nÓg, Oisín McGrath Cup and J.M. Murphy Cup

Caolán Quinn



Club: Donaghmore Position: Defender Weight: 11st 9 Height: 5'8" **Age:** 16

Honours: Club: Minor Championship. Minor League 2021 and 2022. Tyrone U16 League and Championship, Buncrana Cup 2022

Daniel Baird



Club: Donaghmore Position: Defender Weight: 10st 3 Height: 5'9" **Age:** 18

Honours: Club: Minor Championship. Minor League 2021 both Grade 1 and 2. Tyrone 16 League and Championship

Ronan McGeary



Club: Donaghmore Position: Goalkeeper Weight: 13st 7 Height: 6'0" **Age:** 18

Honours: Minor Championship, Minor League 2021 and 2022

Micheal Logan



Club: Donaghmore Position: Forward Weight: 13st Height: 6'4" **Age:** 17

Honours: Minor Championship, Minor League 2021 and 2022, U16 Grade 1 League and Championship, Irish News Cup and McDevitt Cup

Jack Kelly



Club: Moortown Position: Defender Weight: 10st Height: 5'6" **Age:** 17

Honours: Sciath na nÓg, Oisín McGrath and J.M. Murphy

Joseph Corrigan



Club: Galbally Position: Forward Weight: 10st 5 Height: 6'0" **Age:** 17

Honours: Sciath na nÓg, Oisín McGrath and J.M. Murphy, Minor League and Championship





St. Patrick's - you have to understand the culture and enthusiasm and effort that goes in to Gaelic Football, and all sports in St. Patrick's. The staff there are very dedicated to providing plenty of opportunities for pupils in sport and it becomes almost like a club atmosphere, as well as being a school.

Mr McAteer ran the Year 8 class league and it was a huge event with everybody in the year group out watching and supporting their classes. I was lucky enough to be a winning team captain and the buzz was brilliant. That led in to the Year 8 Football team and I remember us losing out to Dungannon in the Year 8 final in Belfast and that would become a real rivalry for us up through the years – we beat them in a D'Alton final, then

Rannafast Cup, before we defeated them in an amazing MacRory semi-final in 2016. Rivalries like that were all part of school football and helped us enjoy it even more.

After that Corn na nÓg final, we were just thinking how long it would be before we would get playing school football again. We had really enjoyed the winter football with Mr. Lavery and Mr. O'Kane and it seemed a long time until the Year 11 competition would come around in the Spring of the following school year. Mr McNicholl, a MacRory legend himself, and Mr. Quinn were in charge of that competition and we talked to them about when it would all start. Before we got there though, Mr Lockhart, another St. Pat's MacRory legend, and Mr. McConnell, who were managers of the MacRory Cup team that year, came and asked Michael Mullan and myself to join the MacRory panel. We were so shocked to be invited up, but also delighted because they had taken the school to the MacRory Cup

were getting a chance to be a part of it all as Year 11s.

For me it was an easy group to fit into, as there were a lot of boys already there who I knew from my own club, Watty Grahams -Connor Carville was captain, Stevie O'Hara, Danny Tallon, Cathal Mulholland, Conor Convery and boys like that had all been part of our club Ulster Minor winning team, so I felt I fitted in well with them. They made it really easy for us to settle in, but also gave us plenty of slagging too - especially as I was thrown in as a sub goalkeeper on my first actual appearance on the MacRory Cup team, at least it was at Glen pitch! My first MacRory knockout game was as a sub against Enniskillen in the quarter-final game and in the semi-final replay, I took the place of Connor Carville as he was sick on the day and I got the job of marking one of the St. Colman's star men called Dara Noonan. I played as a half-back and must have done well, as I was now being suggested as









starting in the MacRory final, even though I was only 15. To actually win through that year and qualify for a second MacRory Cup final in a row meant that the atmosphere in the school was every bit as good as it had been the previous year. I remember Mr. Lockhart and Mr. McConnell saying we had to right the wrong of the previous year when Enniskillen won the final with a late scoring burst. Some of my club mates had played in that final and they talked about how heartbreaking it was to lose that game, having played so well early on in the final.

St. Paul's, Bessbrook had qualified from the other semi-final and it was their first ever MacRory final, but the older boys were warning everyone about how good and how tough a team they were, as they had beaten St. Pat's in the league final before Christmas. The whole build up to MacRory final day kicked in as soon as we won the semi-final and this would be the second final in a row with everybody wanting to make sure we weren't on the losing side again. Around the school there were flags, scarves and headbands being made and school songs being practised just because MacRory is such a big event in St. Patrick's, because of the school's history in the MacRory and

... and then the gear for the final arrived and it just made everything so real about the huge day this was in school sport, the huge day it was for St. Patrick's and the huge day it was for all of us as players. And then there was the team meeting and I was named to start!

because the school hadn't actually won the Cup since 2003 - and ten years was too long for St. Pat's to be without a MacRory Cup win.

Training was really good in the build up to the final and there was the inevitable talk about the team and who would be selected and who would play where. I spent my time training as hard as I could and really hoping that I would hold on to the starting place that I had earned during the knock-out games. I knew there was plenty of competition with boys who had played against St. Paul's in the league final. Pen pictures and profiles were completed, the papers came in to visit and interview the

managers and some of the older boys, and then the gear for the final arrived and it just made everything so real about the huge day this was in school sport, the huge day it was for St. Patrick's and the huge day it was for all of us as players. And then there was the team meeting - and I was named to start!

The build up to game day was brilliant and with the final being on Monday we had a bit of space for just the team over the weekend to finalise all our preparations ahead of the game. The bus then to the game and stopping for food on the way, and arriving in Armagh was all really special and right on through to the warm up pitch also. The older boys had talked about, and we had all seen, the video of the supporters at the previous year's final, but nothing really prepared you for running out in front of what seemed like the whole school in the Athletic Grounds - that really was a magical part of the whole day. Although I had played on the Ulster Club minor winning team for Watty Grahams, I was probably a bit out of my depth in the final, as I just hadn't played against boys of that physical size and this was a completely different standard altogether. The pace and intensity of the game was unbelievable and with the noise

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of the crowd added in, the atmosphere was just brilliant to play in. So much so, that we hardly even noticed the rain that fell throughout the game, which was probably a good thing as the whole event was really nerve-wracking and I just wanted to get a touch of the ball and actually do something in the game.

Thankfully I was able to play my part in the game and with club mates, Connor Carville goaling, even though he was a defender, and Ciaran McCloy making a worldie of a save near the end, the whole day just became even more special for all of us and for so many different reasons. We had won the school's first MacRory Cup title in ten years, we had come back from the previous years' defeat and I had the added pleasure of winning a first MacRory Cup with so many of my club mates and boys whom I have gone on to play with and been lucky to enjoy so many special days with in my later years in school, but also with Watty Grahams at senior level.

It seemed like an explosion of noise when the final whistle went and we had held on to win a very tight game by a single point - then there was the pitch invasion of all our school friends and supporters as they swarmed around us and just really added to a special, special day. So many people were just so delighted for us to have won the MacRory Cup and, in a way, write our own page in the history of the school. We probably could have stayed on that pitch all evening as friends and families milled around and pictures were taken and stories swapped about the game and the whole day. But getting back in to the changing room was really special too, as there was such a bond among the team, especially the oldest boys in their final year, and we got the chance to just be together as a group and start to realise just what we had achieved and how difficult it had been, our toughest game of the season, and that was a season when we went all the way and became Hogan Cup Champions.

As the youngest on the team and maybe not having the same number of close friends in the group, outside of the Watty boys, I maybe didn't quite realise just what we had achieved as a group and just how important it was to boys who had been there for the full seven years, and for them this would be their last year in a St. Patrick's jersey. Thankfully I did get the opportunity to repeat the whole experience in my subsequent three years on the MacRory







team, culminating with being a winning captain in 2016. In 2013 though I was probably content to be just the young cub in the squad who was holding down a place on the team and building special memories of the day - and those memories continued with a fantastic reception when we arrived back to the school and again when we all went out for food and to celebrate together. Then of course there was the return to school and the whole school assemblies which were pretty nerve wracking too and I was definitely glad to leave the speaking to the older boys and to Mr. Lockhart and Mr. McConnell.

Looking back at school football and 2013, I can still remember the buzz that school football was and where I was the youngest on the team in 2013, it was fascinating for me to then get the opportunity to go through all this again in 2014, when more of my closest friends were with me on the team and as a MacRory Cup winner from 2013, I was of more importance to the group in terms of performance, expectation and leadership. I had watched Connor Carville in that role and was determined that I would try to bring to subsequent teams what I had seen him bring to the 2013 team. But, it was more than just the captain, it was all the boys from all the different clubs and how we all came together and formed bonds, not just with our everyday friends, but with boys from different clubs and different backgrounds and yet we all had each other's back when we were playing for St. Patrick's. Where 2013 was a start, in so many ways, for me the subsequent years allowed me the opportunity to complete a huge experiential journey from being the Year 11 baby of the team in 2013 to taking on more responsibility as a MacRory winning midfielder in 2014 and the ultimate accolade of walking up the steps as a winning captain in 2016 - a fantastic and very fulfilling journey, and a journey that gave me memories, friendships and talking points which I will always treasure.







Omagh win Corn na nÓg by minimum margin

DANSKE BANK **CORN NA NÓG CUP FINAL 2022**

6 JANUARY 2023, O'NEILL'S HEALY PARK, OAMGH



Omagh CBS: 1-10 St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon: 1-9

The All-Tyrone Danske Bank Corn na nÓg final was expected to be a keenly contested and tight affair and that's exactly how it panned out at O'Neills Healy Park with the lads from the West of the County prevailing by the minimum margin.

Omagh led by four points at the break and when they opened the second half scoring to go further in front they looked to be well on top. With the wind at their backs though Dungannon produced a sterling comeback as they held their opponents scoreless in the last twenty minutes only for their efforts to just come up short.



Ciarnan Devine and Diarmuid Martin put Omagh into an early two point lead, before a Joel Kerr free opened the Academy's account in the 6th minute. Diarmuid Martin registered again but in the 11th minute Dungannon bagged a goal through Eoghan McGlone after he reacted first to a shot for a point from Joel Kerr coming back off the post.

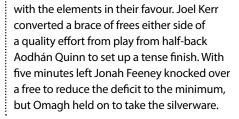
A free from Peter Colton levelled matters before Omagh got on top. Full-forward, Martin grabbed a goal and Peter Garrity tagged on a superb point after going past three players. A Jonah Feeney brace kept the Academy in touch, but it was Omagh who led 1-8 to 1-4 at the interval after Peter Colton and Eoghan McGlone had exchanged points.

A free into the wind from Peter Colton got Omagh up and running at the start of the second period and he converted another placed ball after Jonah Feeney had responded for the Dungannon lads.

That proved to be their last score however, as Dungannon began to turn the screw









Omagh scorers: P. Colton 0-5 (5 frees), D. Martin (1-2), C. Devine (0-2), P. Garrity (0-1)

Dungannon scorers: J. Feeney 0-4 (1 free), E. McGlone (1-1), J. Kerr (0-3, 3 frees), A. Quinn (0-1)



Fox in Box makes history as St Paul's win Rannafast

DANSKE BANK **RANNAFAST CUP FINAL 2022**

8 JANUARY 2023, ATHLETIC GROUNDS, ARMAGH



St. Paul's High School, Bessbrook 1-7 St. Macartan's College, Monaghan 1-6

St. Paul's High School, Bessbrook are the **Danske Bank Rannafast Cup champions** after defeating Monaghan's St. Macartan's College. Substitute, Tomás Fox scored the crucial goal on 53 minutes and after that there was no way St. Paul's was going to lose.

It was a great victory for the south Armagh school, who entered the Rannafast Cup for the first time this season and it bodes well for the county Minors who had four players on the team. Whitecross' Adam Reavey captained the side and lifted the Cup.

The sides were level at half-time in a game St. Paul's should have been further in front. They squandered five first half scoring chances and facing the wind in the second half it may have proved costly.

Played in Armagh's Athletic Grounds, the south Armagh side started brightly with Dromintee's Gavin O'Rourke firing between the posts after good movement.

Carrickcruppen's Shea Loughran, son of Peter, had an excellent game and he floated over a beauty from the terrace side.

St. Paul's defence dealt with any high balls dropped in, but they fell behind when Jack McCannon was left unmarked and fired into the net.

'Cruppen's Eoin Kane levelled the score a minute later with his converted free. There was only two points scored in the remaining 20 minutes of the half. John McCrystal thought about goal when he caught a long ball dropped in, but he opted for a point to edge the Monaghan side ahead, but Shea Loughran grabbed his second with a mark on 18 minutes.

St. Paul's had chances to go in front, but kicked wides and when the lively Fergal Boylan weaved his way towards goal, his shot crashed off the crossbar. The south Armagh side moved the ball with swift, crisp passing and David Crilly and Donal Coffey were immense at midfield, while Gavin O'Rourke impressed in defence.

St. Paul's finished the half with 14 players, as defender Conor Bennett picked up a black card on 28 minutes, but by the time he returned in the second half, St. Paul's had taken and lost the lead.









Kane had converted a free and at the other end, Killian Kearns levelled (free), but only after St. Paul's 'keeper, Tom Beattie made a great save to deny Darcy Foy.

Eoin Kane's third converted free on 41 minutes edged St. Paul's ahead and then Killeavy's lively Fergal Boylan tagged on his first of the afternoon a minute later.

St. Paul's were smaller in stature than the physically bigger Monaghan side, but they spread passes well with Kian Reavey's intelligent kicking finding his team-mates. His cousin and Whitecross clubmate Adam also put in a great shift, while full-back Conor Dunne from Dromintee, Tiarnán Brown of Killeavy and substitute, Fionnan Ó Tuathiall from Dromintee also played well.

Jack McCannon pulled back a point for the Monaghan side. It was end-to-end stuff, but St. Paul's got the breakthrough they needed when David Crilly kicked long towards goal. St. Macartan's College 'keeper, Shane Clerkin could only punch the high-ball in and Thomas Fox was perfectly positioned

to nudge the ball into the net with his first touch - a real Fox in the goal.

However, it was a nervy finish, as Conor Dunne picked up a second black card on 54 minutes, meaning St. Paul's would finish the game with 14 players and a three-point lead after St. Macartan's had replied.

St. Paul's could have killed the game off when Fergal Boylan was through on goal, but Mark McCaffrey of Scotstown did brilliantly to clear the goal-line.

There were four additional minutes and John McCrystal's third score put two minutes between the sides and the same man added another, but with time up, it was St Paul's who were celebrating at the final whistle.

St. Paul's, Bessbrook were deserving winners and the far superior team than their one-point lead suggests. It was emotional scenes at the final whistle, with tears in the eyes of managers John Rafferty and Bill Geoghegan, while school Principal Jarlath Burns was over the moon.

REFEREE: Mark Loughran (Tyrone)







DANSKE BANK MARKEY CUP FINAL 2022

22 FEBRUARY 2022 AT TEMPLEPORT



St. Columba's College, Stranolar 1-13 Virginia College, Cavan 0-6

Super St. Columba's win the Markey Cup for the first time

St. Columba's College, Stranorlar created their own piece of history winning a first ever Danske Bank Ulster Schools' GAA Markey Cup when overcoming Virginia at Templeport.

The victory was decisive with the Stranorlar College producing a brilliant display of controlled football from start to finish. They were short a few regulars, but they made light work of it, not conceding a goal throughout the competition.

St. Columba's were on the board early through Ruairí Callaghan, the direct Andrew Murray and a Kevin McCormack free.

Dean McCabe had a Virginia point, but St. Columba's were clinical with Josh McMenamin and two more from McCormack, the second after a great one-two with Murray. Up until then, Kevin McCormack had been quiet, but he burst into life and had the Virginia defence in trouble, not just with his scores, but his quick distribution.

Turlough Farrelly had a point from a free for Virginia, but St. Colulmba's were



relentless, and they got the only goal of the game on 21 minutes when McCormack took a quick free to Andrew Murray, who was pulled back and from the penalty spot Kevin McCormack fired to the left corner.

By half-time Jack Long, Andrew Murray and Eoin McGonagle added to their tally to leave them comfortably ahead 1-9 to 0-4, Turlough Farrelly and Matthew Smith getting the two Virginia points.

The second half was just as comfortable for the winners with four Kevin McCormack frees keeping Virginia at bay. The Cavan side hit eight wides and were denied by a post and a stubborn St. Columba's defence, who gave little away. Virginia did get two late points in the final minutes of the half from Shane Keenan and Matthew Smith.

They had Ryan Tobin black-carded late

in the game and their supporters weren't overly happy with referee James Lewis, who awarded St. Columba's 31 frees over the hour. Virginia did get two late points in the final minutes of the half from Shane Keenan and Matthew Smith

Apart from those mentioned Conor McGinty was excellent from start to finish while Sean Breen, Cian Mulligan, Charlie Byrne, Alan Sproule and Diarmuid O'Donnell were to the fore for the winners.

Virginia scorers: Matthew Smith 0-2; Turlough Farrelly 0-2,1f; Dean McCabe, Shane Keenan 0-1 each.

REFEREE: James Lewis (Fermanagh).

Report courtesy of Peter Campbell (donegallive.ie)

DANSKE BANK **FATHER FAUL CUP FINAL 2022**

1 MARCH 2022



Ballybay Community School 6-16 Coláiste na Carraige 0-8

Ballybay take Faul Cup with powerful display

Ballybay Community College pulled away in the second half of this final to defeat Coláiste na Carraige and collect the Danske Bank Father Faul Cup.

The Monaghan school dominated the game from start to finish, scoring a goal and a point within the first minute with Ryan Duffy in impressive form for the winners. Overall, they were just too strong for a gallant Carrick

side for whom Michael Callaghan and Darren Cunningham fought bravely.

Ballybay were 3-9 to 0-4 ahead at the interval. Carrick had their best spell during the third quarter, but lost Evan Bonner to a

black card and the Monaghan school picked off three late goals to give them a very convincing win. A week previous, one of the Coláiste na Carraige players, Ryan Jones, had to be airlifted to hospital with a head injury following an accidental collision. Thankfully, Ryan was present at the refixed game, where REFEREE: Martin Conroy (Tyrone)



those in attendance contributed towards the Air Ambulance Charity.

Ballybay Community School scorers: C. Traynor (2-2), K. Mulligan (1-1), D. Sheridan (1-1), R. Farmer (1-1), J. McEntee (1-0), A. Duffy (0-4, 3 frees), R. Duffy (0-2, 0-1 free), B. McCabe (0-2, 0-1 free), J. Lavelle (0-

1), J. Lennon (0-1), O. McGorman (0-1).

Coláiste na Carraige scorers: M. Callaghan (0-6, 0-3 frees), S. Hardy (0-1), C. O'Donnell

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DANSKE BANK **OISÍN MCGRATH CUP FINAL 2022**

7 APRIL 2022 AT INNISKEEN



St. Patrick's College, Cavan 2-12 St. Colman's College, Newry 2-8

Oisín McGrath win for young Cavan men

St. Patrick's College, Cavan won the 2021-2022 Danske Bank Oisín McGrath Cup after a hard fought win against St. Colman's College, Newry. It was a close contest throughout, but the Cavan side was stronger in the final quarter winning by four points.



DANSKE BANK **PADDY O'HARA CUP FINAL 2022**

26 MAY 2022, LIFFORD



Dean Maguirc College, Carrickmore: 1-8 Abbey Vocational School, Donegal: 1-7

Dean Maguiro success in Paddy O'Hara Cup

A third Ulster Schools' title of the season was added to the Dean Maguirc Trophy Cabinet when they grabbed a match winning goal right at the end of the 2022 O'Hara Cup final to defeat a gallant **Abbey Vocational School, Donegal side** at Lifford.

The Dean had trailed at one time in the first half by eight points and at no stage did they manage to get their noses in front, until the most important time and that was four minutes into injury time when team captain, Sean Óg Teague grabbed the all important goal. It was tough on the Donegal side who played their part in a memorable game, but credit has to go to Dean Maguirc and their management team who refused to accept defeat as they played to the final whistle and got their reward.

Kevin Muldoon and Conor McCahill had a brace of points each for Abbey, with Oisín Doherty also on target, before a goal from



defender Oisín Brogan left them 1-5 to 0-0 in front by the 24th minute. The Dean though kept plugging away and after Sean Óg Teague finally opened their account in the 28th minute, Shea Munroe had the final say of the half to leave it 1-5 to 0-2 at the interval.

Teague and Ryan McCallan swapped points with Muldoon and Turlough Carr in the second half and with only six minutes of normal time left to play it was 1-7 to 0-5. Three Teague points in the closing stages gave the Tyrone lads a glimmer of hope and when Micheal Gallagher won a free on the left wing, the team captain lobbed

the ball into the danger area where it took a deflection on its way to the net as Dean Maguirc won the Paddy O'Hara Cup in the most dramatic of circumstances.

Dean Maguirc College, Carrickmore scorers: Sean Óg Teague (1-6, 0-3 frees), Shea Munroe (0-1), Ryan McCallan (0-1)

Abbey Vocational School, Donegal: Kevin Muldoon (0-3), Oisín Brogan (1-0), Conor McCahill (0-2), Oisín Doherty (0-1), Turlough Carr (0-1)

REFEREE: Ciaran O'Connor (Derry)



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DANSKE BANK TREANOR CUP FINAL 2022

29 APRIL 2022, CORRIGAN PARK, BELFAST



St Paul's High School, Bessbrook: 5-17 St. Pius X Magherafelt: 1-10

Trebles all round as St. Paul's win Treanor Cup

A sun-drenched Corrigan Park on the Whiterock Road in Belfast was the setting for a magnificent team display from St. Paul's High School, Bessbrook as they combined a ferocious intensity in their work rate with a high level of skill to beat a very good St. Pius X, Magherafelt team in the under 15 1/2 Treanor Cup final.

From the outset of the competition the St. Paul's boys signalled their intent, having had a tough route to the final beating, St. Joseph's Donaghmore (after a replay) before overcoming Our Lady and St. Patrick's College, Knock in the quarter-final and old rivals from the Vocational Schools era, St. Ciaran's, Ballygawley in the semi-final in Granemore. There were many excellent individual performances on the day, but the tackling, teamwork, support play and score taking was as good as many of the dozens of parents, local club representatives and supporters had witnessed in a team from the Camlough Road in quite a while.

With players from eight local clubs, the team was captained by Whitecross lad, Adam Reavey, who led by example in an industrious and almost faultless personal performance.

The defence was well marshalled by Tom Beattie in goals and his accurate kickouts were often the starting point for many flowing moves. Full-backs, Gavin O'Rourke, Conor Donne and Oisín Bennett were in no mood for surrendering easy possession and stuck resolutely to their task.

Half backs Oisín Cunningham, Donal Coffey and Adam Reavey worked tirelessly in defence and provided a good supply of well-placed passes to their forward line and provided additional support when needed.

The midfield of David Crilly and Eoin Kane complemented each other perfectly with Crilly's covering role for the defence producing the opportunity for his midfield partner from St. Patrick's, Carrickcruppen to dominate many passages of play and finish with a personal tally of 1-11 by the end of the game.









The forward line as a unit's movement and willingness to help each other create opportunities for the team, rather than the individual was simply excellent. Led by Fergal Boylan from Killeavey, who helped himself to three goals, the half-forward line worked tirelessly and Shane Mc Parland and Tiernán Brown were superb in their ability to win the ball and provide quality deliveries to their inside forward line.

The vision, honesty and ability of the fullforward line of Cian Rigley, Conor Loye and Shea Loughran provided a wonderful outlet for their teammates further down the field and always looked dangerous in possession helping themselves to scores along the way.

As is now so important in the modern game, the substitute introduced in the second half added to the total performance on display in the home of "The Johnnies" on the Whiterock Road. Eoghan Mc Keever, Shane Mc Cabe, Fionn Ó Tuthail, Oisín Mc Coy and Daithí O' Callaghan had been pushed hard in many in-house games by the remainder of the panel who all played an important role even though they weren't used on the day of the final.

Three was certainly the magic number in Corrigan on the 29th as St. Paul's claimed their third Danske Bank Ulster Schools' Treanor Cup and not only did Fergal Boylan help himself to three goals, but team mentors Mr. Shannon and Mr John Rafferty became the most successful coaching

partnership in St. Paul's, adding the Treanor Cup to the Herald Cup and Mc Cormack Cup titles they have already accrued with previous teams.

Well done to the Magherafelt lads who gave some excellent individual performance on the day.

Lá dá saol a bhí ag foireann peile agus pobal Ghaelcholáiste Dhoire inniu nuair a bhain gasúir F13.5 an Corn Irish News sa chluiche cheannais in éadán Scoil Naomh Iósaef Cros Mhic Lionnáin don chéad uair riamh!

Danske Bank Irish **News Cup**



In the Danske Bank Irish News Cup, Gaelcholáiste Dhoire withstood the challenge of St. Joseph's, Crossmaglen, winning on a scoreline of Gaelcholáiste Dhoire 7-06, St Joseph's High School, Crossmaglen 3-08.



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Since our foundation in 1995, we have been striving to meet the needs of students who come from all faiths and traditions, backgrounds and academic abilities. We have grown from 85 students in 1995 to 700 today, reflecting the strong regard for Drumragh Integrated College by the local and wider community.

Our College motto is 'Excellence for Everyone' and this permeates all that we do. Our success as a college is well documented, particularly for our focus on innovative Teaching for Learning, our comprehensive Pastoral Care programme and our endeavours to build close partnerships with parents and families. This approach has ensured that for many, Drumragh has been a natural choice for all in the family. As a child-centred college, we pride ourselves on the warm and caring atmosphere and the excellent relationships between students and staff.

The College moved into its own £22.5m building in 2009 having previously been housed in the old Tyrone & Fermanagh Hospital. The College already has excellent sports facilities that include a sports hall, tennis courts, two grass pitches and a 4G pitch, with planning underway to secure additional gym and fitness facilities as part of a new extension. These facilities have been vital in providing our students with many different sporting experiences including Gaelic Games.

While the College offers a wide range of sports, our association with Gaelic Football prior to 2016 was our involvement in the Tyrone Vocational Schools competitions, coupled with competitions organised by Ulster GAA for the Integrated sector. Throughout these

years, the College enjoyed success winning Vocational Schools 'B' titles at Under-14 in 2007 and 2014, and Under-16 in 2013, as well as winning a number of competitions for Integrated Schools.

Since the realignment of all post-primary level schools under the banner of Ulster Schools, Drumragh has competed at a range of age groups and had immediate success in 2016 by winning The Danske Bank JJ Reilly Cup. In a competitive encounter against neighbours St John's Dromore, Drumragh emerged victors and in the process created a little bit of history by being the first Integrated school to claim Ulster Schools' silverware.

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The winning Captain that day was Matthew Murnaghan. Matthew went on to play a pivotal role for his county in helping the Tyrone Under-17s to Ulster and All-Ireland success in 2017 and became the first student from the Integrated sector to receive a coveted Danske Bank Ulster Schools' All-Star award, when he was selected at centre half back on the 2018-2019 team.

Matthew also played at Under-20 level for the county in 2018 and had since represented Tyrone at senior level. He continues to be an excellent ambassador for the College and is a role model for aspiring young athletes at

Other Drumragh Integrated College pupils who have gone on to represent their club and county with distinction include; Conor O' Donnell, Ciaran McLaughlin and most recently, Matthew Howe who was part of the Tyrone Under-17 squad who lifted the Ulster title in 2022.

Since our most notable success in 2016, the college continues to enter teams in Ulster Schools' competitions and finished runners up in the 2017 Corn Mac Neasa final and were beaten by Lagan College in the JJ Reilly Cup in 2018.





The grading structure within the Ulster Schools' competitions allows us to compete at our own level and gives our players a platform to develop and enjoy Gaelic Football. The College is ambitious and aspires to offer opportunity and support to further the development of Gaelic Games for all students. This year will see the College enter a girls Under-14 team in the Ulster Ladies Post Primary Schools Development League.

The College is indebted to the range of clubs in our catchment area who provide us with an excellent supply of well-coached and motivated players. These clubs include; Omagh, Killyclogher, Dromore, Beragh, Naomh Eoghan, Strabane, Castlederg, Glenelly, Fintona, Drumragh, Drumquin and Tattyreagh.

The popularity and success of Gaelic Games in the College is due to the commitment of a dedicated team of teachers, led by Head of Physical Education; Conor Gallagher, assisted by Eamon Duncan, Damien Connolly and Niall Kelly. Drumragh Integrated College will endeavour to continue the promotion of sport, giving our students the opportunity to experience a range of sports including Gaelic Games.



Drumragh Inegrated College U14 Gaelic Team



Matthew Murnaghan receiving his Danske Bank All -Star Award







ST PATRICK'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL DOWNPATRICK

St. Patrick's, or as it is more commonly known, the Red High, is a Voluntary Grammar School for boys with a coeducational Sixth Form, Now approaching our 90th anniversary, the school was founded in 1934 by the De La Salle Order to serve the East Down area. The school now has an enrolment of 780 students with students attending from the Ards Peninsula to Rathfriland and Carryduff to Newcastle.

ith Brother Alexis Gavin as Headmaster, the first school opened in Irish Street, before moving to its present site on Saul Street in 1937. Ray McConville, corner back on the 1968 All-Ireland winning Down Senior Football Team became the first lay principal in 2008.

St. Patrick's is steeped in GAA tradition and Gaelic Games form an integral part of the school's co-curricular programme. St. Patrick's enjoys strong links with feeder GAA clubs and its participation in fourteen Ulster Schools' competitions in Gaelic football, hurling and handball is made possible by dedicated Gaels on the staff who bring a wealth of talent, expertise and experience. Despite having less than 80 girls, St. Patrick's has both ladies Gaelic football and Camogie teams, testament to the school's commitment to promoting Gaelic Games.

The dedication of the new state of the art sporting facilities in 2013 provided an opportunity to

acknowledge the roles played of Brother Charles Purcell RIP, Joe McGrath RIP, Pat O'Hare RIP and Martin Murphy to the development of Gaelic Games within the school.



Successes

Football success came in the form of three Rannafast Cups in 1981, 1982 and 1984. The success continued with Loch an Juir victories in 1990, 2006, 2014 and 2015. Further titles were added in the 2000s with the Treanor Cup (2000) and Corn Colmcille (2008)

The Red High has won the MacLarnon Cup on five occasions; 1969, 1977, 1990, 2001 and 2019. The 1977 and 1990 squads, captained by Malachy Burns and Brian Burns respectively, are the most successful to date, adding the All-Ireland title to the Ulster Schools' win in both years.

Hurling titles have come at both 'A' and 'B' level of Ulster Schools' competitions. Our first 'A' success was in the Gallagher Cup, in 1982 and 1984. Since the early 2000s, Red High squads have claimed the McGreevy Cup in 2003, 2016. 2018 and 2019, the MacFarland Cup in

2008 and 2015 along with senior victories in the Casement Cup in 2013 and 2014.

2021 was a historic year for the Red High with the school winning the Mageean Cup for the first time, defeating St. Patrick's College, Maghera in the final. However, in 2018, Ciaran Watson, as captain of the An Dún team, was the first Down man to lift the Mageean Cup, with Eoin Magee, Ronan Smyth, Aaron Dorrian and Tim Prenter on the panel.



McGreevy champions 2019

Handball

The Red High have embraced the recent upsurge in interest in Handball and have high numbers playing every day and regularly host the County and Provincial Handball finals.

U15 ½ One-Wall has brought three trophies back to the school namely in 2015, 2017 and 2022.



School handball team

All-Stars

Stephen Savage and Conor Swail were the first recipients of an All-Star for Gaelic Football in 1990 while Danny Toner was awarded the school's first Hurling All-Star in 2011. To date, twelve students have been awarded Ulster Schools Gaelic Football All-Stars, while 15 have been awarded Hurling All-Stars. In the aftermath of our first Mageean Cup title in 2021, six members of the panel, team captain, Deaglán Mallon, Pearce Smyth, Finn Turpin, Tom McGrattan, Oisín Coulter and Michael Dorrian were named on the Danske Bank All-Star Team for that academic year. Two students have won back to back awards: Colm McAlarney



MacLarnon champions 2001



MacLarnon champions 2019



Mageean Cup champions 2021

(Castlewellan GAC) was a Football All-Star in 1992 and 1993, while Tim Prenter was honoured for hurling in 2018 and 2019.

County Success

Down's success in Football and Hurling has always been underpinned by a strong representation from Red High players. There are 21 Alumni who are Senior Football All-Ireland winners and success at All-Ireland level in all grades and in both codes has always featured significant numbers of past pupils.

Recent All-Ireland success in Hurling at Senior, Under-20 and Minor level have all included large numbers of Red High men, and we were delighted to have two current senior hurlers (Danny Toner and Oisín MacManus) on our management team of last year's successful Mageean team.

Head of PE - Mr John Devlin

Gaelic Games is a core aspect of the Red High. We take great pride in our representation in all codes, Gaelic Football, Hurling, One Wall Handball, Ladies Football and Camogie. The pupil's dedication to achieving success, bettering themselves and wearing the Red High jersey is a joy to see. The enthusiasm from Year 8 through to our Senior teams is driven by the history of the school, as well as the hard work and dedication of all our staff who volunteer their time for the pupils.

Without this sacrifice the pupils would not be afforded the chance to play the games they have a great passion for. The pupils benefit immensely from their Gaelic Games participation, forming life skills, friendships and bonds that last long after their Red High days finish.

Past pupils coming to watch current teams play, no matter what the time, venue, or competition shows how much of an impact Gaelic Games can have on the sense of Red High spirit. We are delighted that so many pupils have gone on to senior success with their clubs and counties, winning County, Ulster and All-Ireland titles in Football and Hurling.

This success has not been solely with our pupils, with coaches and staff having major success on the club and county scene as players and coaches. For all the achievements, both individual and team, the greatest success we at Red High see, is the sight of our pitches full of proud Gaelic Games players before and after school, enjoying playing and representing their school community. #RHTID



McGarry steers St. Louis to Mageean glory

DANSKE BANK **MAGEEAN CUP FINAL 2022**

9 DECEMBER 2022, DUB ARENA



St Louis Grammar School, Ballymena: 2-14 St. Killian's College, Garron Tower: 0-17

On a brisk night in the Dub Arena, St. Louis and St. Killian's went to war with the Mageean Cup on the line. An hour of high drama, scintillating play and decisive scores followed and in the end, it was the Ballymena school who edged their rivals, but this was a game that really could have gone either way.

St. Louis' ability to create and take their goal chances proved to be the deciding factor-both coming from joint captains, Ronan McCollum and Aodhán McGarry and both coming at either ends of the hour. McCollum's major was St. Louis' opening score, while McGarry's came with six minutes of the hour remaining. It gave St. Louis an edge at the business end of the game in a second half that can only be described as a titanic tussle between two evenly matches sides.

Aodhán McGarry and Ronan McCollum did the lion's share of the scoring for St. Louis with 2-13 between them. McGarry's 1-8 was obviously pivotal, but his all-round play would have made him a worthy candidate for the 'Man of the Match' award he collected. While McGarry and McCollum did the scoring, the work of the St. Louis defence shouldn't be underestimated. Francis McMullan, Darragh and Pearce Patterson excelled in the face of a St. Killian's onslaught, while Jack McCloskey's second half performance always gave St. Louis hope and an outlet.

For St. Killian's, they'll look at a period in the first half where, after a bright start, they allowed St. Louis to settle. Joseph McLaughlin top scored for them with three of his ten points coming from play and with six different scorers throughout, they had plenty of danger all over the pitch. Joseph McLaughlin formed part of a hugely impressive half-forward line, with Orrin O'Connor and Cormac McKeown, who were certainly lively throughout, didn't need a second invitation to take on their player and attack space.



Despite the concession of the early goal, St. Killian's probably edged the first half and dominated the early stages of the second half without much joy on the score board, but they came undone in the closing stages when the brilliance of Jack McCloskey created the chance for McGarry to score the decisive score of the game.

St. Killian's started superbly and had two points on the board within two minutes of the first whistle. A couple of wides and a shot dropping into the hands of Caolán

McFerran meant they didn't get away from St. Louis before the Ballymena school settled in to the game.

St. Louis needed to get scores on the board to put any nerves at ease. With their first attack, the Ballymena school launched a long free to the heart of the St. Killian's defence from Pearce Patterson. McGarry collected and despite the close attentions of the St. Killian's defence, he passed the sliotar to McCollum and he doubled in the air first time to find the back of the net giving John V. Morgan no chance in goals.







St. Killian's responded well with a brace of scores from Cormac McKeown and McLaughlin (free) but St. Louis found another gear. McGarry's frees (0-3) and McCollum's first point of the final made it four points unanswered before McLaughlin got the St. Killian's score board ticking again with a free in the 14th minute.

A superb score from Tom McFerran preceded another McGarry free to put four between the sides, but St. Killian's struck back with four points unanswered of their own. McLaughlin's frees (0-2) and a '65 was added to by Orrin O'Connor. A brilliant touch and strike from O'Connor under pressure!



McGarry's fifth point of the half edged St. Louis ahead once more, before McLaughlin (free) and Peadar McDonnell kept St. Killian's in touch. The sides were wasteful in the closing stages of the half, but McGarry's point at the death left the sides tied at 1-8 to 0-11 at the short whistle.

Like the first half, St. Killian's started the second on fire. McLaughlin opened the scoring in the second minute with his seventh point of the game, with the St. Louis goal at his mercy, he elected for a point. McCollum had the same opportunity for St. Louis at the other end of the pitch, but his drive fizzed over the bar soon after.

The sides went toe to toe with neither stepping back in a tussle for momentum that would give either side an edge. McLaughlin and McGarry's frees were pivotal, while Cailin Devlin scored a point that would grace any pitch in Ireland in the 39th minute. St. Killian's were putting the St. Louis defence under huge pressure, but the Ballymena school were defensively superb and yielded little or no goal chances and with Jack McCloskey roaming around the middle third, they had an outlet who was



causing plenty of problems for St. Killian's.

The sides were tied when McCloskey broke down the right, collecting the sliotar from substitute, Ryan O'Boyle and he sped clear of the St Killian's defence. With St Killian's 'keeper Morgan in his sights, McCloskey's effort was blocked, but McGarry was first to the rebound and he made no mistake.

St. Killian's pushed for the goal that would revive their Mageean hopes at the death, but they were met by a St. Louis wall that was impregnatable.

McGarry fittingly had the final score of the game when he converted a free from his own '45. It was quite a brilliant score in injury time that never looked like going anywhere else but over the bar.

St. Louis bridged a seven year gap since their last win the competition, their third overall while the St. Killian's wait to add to their 1964 title continues.

St. Louis Grammar School, Ballymena:

Caolán McFerran; Senan O'Boyle, Pearce Patterson, Luke McFerran; Kevin O'Boyle, Darragh Patterson, Francis McMullan; Tom McFerran (0-1), Joe McCormick; Jack McCloskey, Aodhán McGarry (Joint Capt.) (1-8, 0-1 frees), Paudie Martin; Dara Martin, Sean Óg Blaney, Ronan McCollum (Joint Capt.) (1-5, 0-2 frees).

Subs: Ryan O'Boyle for Sean Óg Blaney (34 min), Barry McCloskey for Joe McCormick (39 min), Conor McKenna for Senan O'Boyle (inj).

St. Killian's College, Garron Tower: John V. Morgan; Aidan McSparren, Mark McSparran (Capt), Callagh Mooney; Colla Ward, Niall Magee, Cailin Devlin (0-1); Patrick McIlwaine, Austin Birt (0-1); Orrin O'Connor (0-2), Joseph McLaughlin (0-10, 6 frees, 1 x '65), Cormac McKeown (0-2); Niall Hynds, Brogan O'Connor, Peadar McDonnell (0-1). Subs: Colla Ward for Patrick McIlwaine (41 min), Killian McNaughton for Aidan McSparran (47 min), Callum Mullan for Brogan O'Connor (51 min), Patrick McIlwaine for Peadar O'Donnell (57 min), Brogan O'Connor for Orrin O'Connor (57 min).

REFEREE: Tarlach Conway (Derry) | Report courtesy of Brendan McTaggart

DANSKE BANK MACRORY FINAL 2023



DANSKE BANK **CASEMENT CUP FINAL 2022**

17 JANUARY 2023 CORRIGAN PARK, BELFAST



St. Mary's Grammar School, Magherafelt: 1-10 Rathmore Grammar School: 0-7

First hurling title for St. Mary's, Magherafelt

St. Mary's Grammar School, Magherafelt collected their first ever senior schools' hurling title in Corrigan Park when they led from pillar to post against Rathmore **Grammar School in the Danske Bank Casement Cup final.**

Beaten in last year's decider by St. Malachy's College, Belfast, the south Derry school looked the physically stronger side and they made their presence count in the first half to lead by 0-7 to 0-2 at the break.

Cargin's Conhuir Johnston, who along with Niall O'Donnell and James Sargeant played in the extra time MacRory Cup quarter-final loss to Patrician High on Saturday, impressed from the start and forced Rathmore to drop a sweeper back. The Cargin club man scored five of the seven first half points, two from frees.

Sargeant also landed a free, but the Convent didn't pull clear until injury time when they landed three points.

Five minutes into the second half Johnston grabbed the only goal of the game when a long delivery fell handy for him to flick to the net.

It was a body blow to Rathmore and they didn't recover their composure until the last quarter when they shot four points, three of them from Déaglán Mooney frees. However by then the Convent were closing out the game.

Player of the Match James Sargeant and Conhuir Johnston were the key players for St. Mary's, although they were compact at the back with either John McGurk or Leo Gribbin effective in a free role. Midfield probably also swung Magherafelt's way.

For Rathmore, their more experienced players, Ruairí Grant, Déaglán Mooney and James Close coped best against a team that was more physically imposing.

St. Mary's, Magherafelt, team captain James Sargeant lifted the Casement Cup after his team's historic win. St. Mary's now go through to the All-Ireland series at the start of March.















St. Mary's Grammar School, Magherafelt: P. Kelly, L. Gribbin, O. Mulligan, J. McGurk, R. McCallion, J. Sargeant (0-2 frees), N. O'Donnell, C. Curley, L. Burns, M. Walls, C. Johnston (1-5, 0-2 frees), J. Convery (0-2), L. McDonnell, A.J. McCann, P. Birt (0-1) Sub: B. McLarnon for L. McDonnell

Rathmore Grammar School: O. McCarney, J. Ward, R. Grant, T. Graham, S. McCarthy, D. Mooney (0-3 frees), C. Devlin, C. Blaney, R. McErlean, C. O'Neill, J. Close O. Morgan-Lyttle, D. King, F. Blaney (0-3, 0-2 frees), R. Taylor (0-1) Subs: D. McGurk for T. Graham, M. Madden for C. Devlin, G. Cowan for C. O'Neill, D. Prenter for O, Morgan-Lyttle, D. Sidebottom for J. Ward

REFEREE: Colm McDonald (St. Gall's, Antrim)







DANSKE BANK **LEONARD CUP FINAL 2022**

2 DECEMBER 2022, QUINN PARK, BALLYMENA



St Patrick's College, Maghera: 3-11 Cross & Passion College, Ballycastle: 3-4

Maghera withstand early second half rally to claim the **Leonard Cup**

St. Patrick's Maghera withstood a strong rally in the third quarter to push on and win the Leonard Cup when they overcame the spirited challenge of Cross and Passion College, Ballycastle in Ballymena.

The Derry College were the stronger team in the first half and deserved to be 2-5 to 2-1 ahead at half-time, and at this stage it looked like they would push on and win comfortably, but Cross and Passion emerged from their half-time team talk like a side reborn.

The North Antrim side dominated the third quarter as they reeled in a four point half-time deficit to draw level after 14 minutes and a major surprise looked on the cards, but they were unable to sustain that level of intensity.

That goal from substitute, Logan McConville in the 47th minute was to prove their final score - the Derry side woke from their slumber and finished with an unanswered 1-4 for Pádraig O'Kane to lift

Maghera were fast out of the traps with a goal from Ruairí Biggs in the second minute. However, Conor Anderson responded four minutes later only for Fionn Cartin to blast to the net at the other end.

It was an explosive start to the game, but neither team could maintain that pace. It was fifteen minutes before Rian Collins made it 2-2 to 1-1 and Ballycastle responded with a fine team goal, finished by corner-forward Darragh Kinney.

Seán O'Kane opened the second half with two points inside the first two minutes, but Maghera didn't add to their total for another 17 minutes. During that time Cross and Passion hit an upright and the crossbar with Kinney's shot from an acute angle looking destined for the net before McConville netted to tie the teams at 3-4 to 2-7.



Like all good sides, Maghera were able to respond and Ruairí Biggs popped over a free in the next attack, before Seán O'Kane drilled his shot to the net in their next attack to open up a four point gap.

That score seemed to knock the fight

out of the Ballycastle College, though they never gave up, but St. Patrick's were back in control and finished with late points from Odhrán Doherty, Seán and Dara O'Kane to run out seven point winners in the end.

St. Patrick's College, Maghera: Oisín Mulholland, Conor McLarnon, Odhrán Burke, Niall McNicholl, Daithí McCloskey, Pádraig O'Kane, Daragh O'Neill, Pauric Bradley, Odhrán Doherty (0-1), Rian Collins (0-2), Dara O'Kane (0-3), Ruairí Biggs (1-2), Sean O'Kane (1-3), Dara Hasson, Fionn Cartin (1-0).

Subs: Michael McMaster for Dara Hasson (ht), Ronan McGuckian for Fionn Cartin (47 min).

Cross and Passion College, Ballycastle: R. McShane, L. Connolly, R. McQuaid, E. Johnston, L. Smyth, A. McGarry, L. Magee, O. Connolly (0-1), L. McGarry, R. McGilligan, C. Johnson (0-1), O. McCallin (0-2), D. Kinney (1-0), C. Anderson (1-0), C. Crawford. Subs: L. McConville (1-0) for R. McGilligan

REFEREE: Brendan Toland (Lámh Dhearg)

DANSKE BANK MACRORY FINAL 2023



DANSKE BANK MCNAMEE CUP FINAL 2022

30 NOVEMBER 2022, AHOGHILL



St Patrick's College, Maghera 9-10 Cross & Passion College, Ballycastle 1-8

O'Hara the hero as St. Pat's win McNamee Cup

Towering full forward Sean O'Hara was in unstoppable form as he led St Pat's, Maghera to victory over Cross and Passion College, Ballycastle in the final of the McNamee Cup.

The Creggan teenager scored an amazing five goals and three points as the Derry college scored a runaway 9-10 to 1-8 win over the their north Antrim rivals.

Cross and Passion had started well and after an early goal by Sean O'Hara, the Ballycastle boys played their way into the game with a goal from Paudie O'Kane and some great points from Charlie McAuley put them ahead by 1-4 to 1-2 after 15 minutes.



St. Pat's hit back with a Joe Conway goal before half-time and when Sean O'Hara kicked a rebound to the net, the Maghera school were 3-3 to 1-5 in front by the time Paddy Tumelty blew the half time whistle.

After the change of ends St. Pat's took control and with O'Hara causing no end of problems for the Ballycastle College, the scores came thick and fast, 4-2 of them from O'Hara, while Joe Conway and Ronan McLoughlin also grabbed goals.









St. Patrick's College, Maghera: Johnny McKenna, James Ward, Dara McKaigue, Dara McKenna, Conan Boyle, Dan McEldowney, Sionán McCormack, Don Mulholland, Karl Friel, Cahor McDonnell (0-1), Ronan O'Loughlin (2-0), Donncha Collins (0-4, 0-2 frees), Joseph Conway (2-1), Sean O'Hara (5-3), Oisin Burke (0-1) Subs: Fionn Wallace for Oisín Burke (42

min), Sean McPeake for Ronan O'Loughlin (49 min), Seamus Woulahan for James Ward (49 min), Davin Hasson for Cahor McDonnell (53 min)

Cross and Passion College,

Ballycastle: Cormac Bailey, Sean McHenry, Joseph Kinney, Aaron Richmond, Aaron Gillan, Oran Baudant, Peter Laverty, Cormac Scanlon, Matthew Donnelly, Patrick Campbell, Charlie McAuley (0-6, 0-5 frees), Joe Derry (0-1), Paudie O'Kane (1-0), Dan Lynn, Rónán Elliott.

Subs: Ronan McGarry (0-1), Shea Casey for Aaron Richmond (45 min)

REFEREE: Paddy Tumelty (Lámh Dhearg)







DANSKE BANK **LEOPOLD CUP FINAL 2022**

30 NOVEMBER 2022, AHOGHILL



Gaelcholáiste Dhoire: 3-9 De La Salle College, Belfast: 3-6

Gaelcholáiste Dhoire win Danske Bank **Brother Leopold Cup final**

Gaelcholáiste Dhoire collected the **Brother Leopold Cup for the first time** ever after an exciting final with La Salle in Slaughtneil in January.



Gaelcholáiste's unanswered two goals and two points in the ten minutes before half time turned the game in their favour and they were able to hold out in a highlycompetitive, but low-scoring second half to claim the trophy for the first time in their short history.

There were six goals during the first half though and plenty for the supporters to cheer about.

Galecholáiste full-forward, Cahir Mac Niocaill got the game off to a lively start with a goal after just 60 seconds. However, Sean Óg McLaren cancelled that at the other end after seven minutes. Kevin Gorman hit a second La Salle goal a minute later and after eighteen minutes another Belfast goal from Sean Smyth put them 3-1 to 1-5 in front.

However they failed to score between then and the break and goals from Mac Niocaill and Peadar Pio Peoples gave the north Derry school a lead of six points at the break. Peoples had also been accurate from the dead ball and accumulated four points as well as his goal.

In contrast to the opening half, that produced fourteen scores, the second half







was much quieter with just seven scores, all points, and the Dungiven based Gaeilgeoirí were fortunate enough to hang on for a three points' victory.

La Salle slowly closed the gap with points from Sean Ög McLaren, Sean Smyth (0-2) and James McDonnell (0-2), but a point from Dylan Ó hÉireamhoinn and another from Peadar Pio Peoples kept Gaelcholáiste far enough ahead to hang on for victory.

Best of the winners were the fullback line well-marshalled by Déaglán Ó Ceallaigh, while Cian Ó Cinnéide did his job well in central defence. Both Lorcán Ó Muirí and Daire Ó Lochlainn got through a lot of work in midfield while Peadar Pio Peoples was the go-to player in attack.

Sean Smyth, Kevin McArdle, midfielder James McDonnell and Connlaoí Mervyn were best for La Salle.

Gaelcholáiste Dhoire: C. Ó hÉireamhoin, C. Mac an tSionnaigh, D. Ó Ceallaigh, C. Ó Muirí-MacUillim, E Óg Mac Íomhair (0-1), Cian Ó Cinnéide, J. Gorell, L. Ó Muirí, D. Ó Lochlain, C. Ó Basil, J. Ó Conaire, R. Mac Giolla Chomhaill, D. ÓhÉireamhoinn (0-3), Cahair Mac Niocaill (2-0), P. P. Ó Duibhne (1-5).

Subs: O. Ó Grugáin for J. Gorell (ht), C. Ó Catháin for D. Ó hÉiaemhoinn (40 min), P. Mac Ainmhire for R. Mac Giolla Chomhaill (57 min).

De La Salle College, Belfast: R. Smith, D. Meagan, D. Donnelly, C. Daly, K. McArdle, C. Mervyn, P. Keenan, J. McDonnell (0-2), O. Donnelly, S. Smyth (1-2), S. Óg McLaren (1-2), A. Anderson, P. Austin, K. Mullan (1-0), O. McLaren.

REFEREE: Tarlach Conway (Ballinascreen)

Damian Casey



















amian was a pupil of St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon from 2005 to 2012 and achieved great success on the pitch in both football and hurling. Renowned as a hurler, it was on the football pitch where he first achieved success in the Academy. In Year 8, Damian won a prestigious Martin O'Farrell Cup medal when the Academy won the annual Year 8 Ulster Colleges' Blitz, hosted by St Mary's C.B.S. Belfast, in June 2006.

He was a member of the 2007 D'Alton Cup winning team, managed by Kevin Collins, where he wore the No. 11 jersey with immense pride and scored 10-09 en route to helping the school win the cup, beating St. Colman's, Newry 5-10 to 2-11 on 26th May 2007. He scored in every match, including individual tallies of 3-02 and 4-01 against St. Mary's, Magherafelt and St. Patrick's, Armagh, respectively. In Year 9, Damian won a Corn Na nÓg medal, lining out at corner forward on the Year 10 team which defeated St. Colman's, Newry in Madden on 17th February 2007, this team managed by Jody Kelly and Colin Wray.

As a hurler, Damian needed no introduction, with the hurling fraternity in the school already talking about his skill and prowess before his arrival. In Year 8, he played on all junior hurling teams that left the school and by Year 9, he captained the first Academy team to win an Ulster Schools' hurling competition. Such was his talent, by Year 10 he played on every team within the school, including the senior squad. With Damian leading the way and fine hurlers around him, Academy teams began to achieve some success, regularly reaching the knock-out stages of competitions and defeating established schools such as Rathmore, De La Salle, Belfast and Our Lady and St. Patrick's, Knock.

In 2008 the Academy lifted the Year 11 Leopold Cup and this team followed that up in 2010 by reaching the semi-final of the Casement Cup. As a result of these exploits, Damian received an Ulster Colleges' All Star Hurling Award in 2010, whilst still a Year 13 pupil. 2011 saw the team reaching their first Casement Cup final, having defeated Rathmore and a highly fancied De La Salle side in the quarter and semi-final stages. Unfortunately, it was not to be, defeated by Keady in the final on a scoreline of 0-15 to 1-8, with Damian contributing 1-6 to the tally. However, this loss spurred him on, and in June 2012, whilst still at school, Damian played a vital role in securing Tyrone's first Lory Meagher title in Croke Park, hitting two points in the final and 1-14 in the three games along the way.



We, the St. Patrick's Academy community, have always recognised Damian as the catalyst of the game in our school. The rise of hurling in the Academy was in no doubt down to the influence of Damian Casey. His talent, enthusiasm, dedication and encouragement of others will live out in all the young Academy hurlers who look to Damian as their inspiration.

laoch ar lár. Imithe ar shlí na fírinne i gcuideachta dé anois. go ndéana dia trócaire ar a anam uasal gaelach.

McKeever Sports Queen's University **Future Stars Awards**



The young sports stars of the future were honoured in April 2022 at the Queen's University, Belfast, Future Stars Awards. The best of young players in Hurling and Gaelic Football were presented on the evening along with Ladies Gaelic Football, Camogie and Soccer.

he QUB event has gone from strength to strength over the years. On the Hurling Team, St. Killian's College, Garron Tower, claimed six positions on the team while Cross and Passion College were awarded another four including both midfielders Ben O'Kane and Darragh Kelly.

Just before Easter Gaelcholáiste Dhoire and Dean Mag Uirc College Carrickmore claimed their very first Danske Bank Schools' All-stars. Both schools have picked up more awards with the announcement of this team.

There is another link to the current Ulster Schools' All-Star team, with Knock's Shea Pucci selected in the forward line. His older brother Eoin featured in the half-back line at the older age-group.

St. Mary's Magherafelt comfortably won the Danske Bank Kirk Cup for the first time last term and they have one player in the line-up. John McGurk, another of the great Lavey dynasty, takes a cornerback slot.

St. Louis, Ballymena have representation in the forward line, with Jack McCloskey being awarded the No. 13 jersey.

Six players from Tyrone schools were represented on the Future Stars Football Team, two from St. Joseph's Donaghmore, two from Holy Trinity, Cookstown with the remaining two from Dungannon and Ballygawley.

Three St. Patrick's, Maghera students achieved Future Star awards and two from Carndonagh Community College.

Armagh schools achieved two awards, one from St. Patrick's, Armagh and the other from St. Ronan's, Lurgan. Conor O'Hanlon, who had an excellent game for St. Michael's Enniskillen in the final of the 2022 Rannafast Shield final was awarded the No. 10 jersey and Jamie Mooney from Our Lady's, Castleblayney was presented with the No. 1 jersey.

Congratulations to all of the McKeever QUB Future Stars in Hurling, Gaelic Football, Ladies Football, Camogie and Soccer.

Pádraic McKeever managing director of McKeever Sports who sponsored the awards said:

We are delighted to be involved with the Queen's Future Stars programme and are always proud to be involved in showcasing the talent, pride, and passion of the young students around the country.

We are committed to continuously finding new ways of improving the performance of our products, and in turn the athletes who wear them. Our goal is to bring freshness, innovation, and excellent service to each of our customers.

We look forward to the success of all the Queens Future Stars athletes in 2022 and beyond.



McKeever St	ports Queen's Universi	u Future Stars	- HURLING

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1.	Phelim Ward	St. Killian's, Garron Tower
2.	John McGurk	St. Mary's, Magherafelt
3.	Ben McGarry	Cross and Passion, Ballycastle
4.	Mikey Kennedy	Gaelcholáiste Dhoire
5.	Cailin Devlin	St. Killian's, Garron Tower
6.	Cathair Donnelly	Cross and Passion, Ballycastle
7.	Niall Magee	St. Killian's, Garron Tower
8.	Ben O'Kane	Cross and Passion, Ballycastle
9.	Darragh Kelly	Cross and Passion, Ballycastle
10.	Cormac McKeown	St. Killian's, Garron Tower
11.	Aidan Woods	Dean Mag Uirc, Carrickmore
12.	Joseph McLaughlin	St. Killian's, Garron Tower
13.	Jack McCloskey	St. Louis' Ballymena
14.	Shea Pucci	Our Lady and St. Patrick's, Knock
15.	Orrin O'Connor	St. Killian's, Garron Tower



McKeever Sports Queen's University Future Stars - FOOTBALL

1.	Jamie Mooney	Our Lady's, Castleblayney
2.	Danny Diver	Carndonagh Community School
3.	Danny McDermott	St. Patrick's, Maghera
4.	Joey Clarke	St. Joseph's, Donaghmore
5.	Johnny McGuckin	St. Patrick's, Maghera
6.	Conor Devlin	Holy Trinity, Cookstown
7.	Tiernan McCormack	St. Patrick's, Maghera
8.	Sean Hughes	St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon
9.	Pascal Gormley	St. Ciaran's, Ballygawley
10.	Conor O'Hanlon	St. Michael's, Enniskillen
11.	Noah Grimes	St. Joseph's, Donaghmore
12.	Michael McElhatton	Holy Trinity, Cookstown
13.	James Austin	St. Ronan's Lurgan
14.	Michael McSorley	St. Patrick's, Armagh
15.	Darragh Douglas	Carndonagh Community School

Ulster Schools' GAA Support Air Ambulance **NI Charity**

Air Ambulance N.I. (AANI)was delighted to have recently received a donation of £5,000 from Ulster Schools' GAA. The donation came in support of the charity after the Helicopter Emergency Medical Service (HEMS) was tasked to the Danske **Bank Under-19 Faul Cup final in February** 2022 between Coláiste na Carraige, Co Donegal and Ballybay Community College, Co Monaghan.

Before half time and having already scored 1-01, Coláiste na Carraige forward Ryan Jones was knocked unconscious and suffered a dislocated shoulder whilst going for the ball. First aid responders and crews from Northern Ireland Ambulance Service (NIAS) were sent to the scene before the charity Air Ambulance NI HEMS were requested to also attend. With a consultant doctor and paramedic on board, the air ambulance landed onto the football field at Bawnacre Centre where they began treating Ryan before flying him directly to RVH, Belfast in a journey time of approximately 20 minutes. The match was subsequently abandoned.

The following week, the match was replayed and Ulster Schools' GAA chose to have all gate entries and donations to Air Ambulance NI Charity. Fortunately, Ryan was able to attend the match, albeit from the side-lines, and although the final result wasn't to go his school's way, he did get to meet former All-Star and two-time All-Ireland Tyrone footballer, Peter Canavan.

Representatives of Ulster Schools' GAA attended the Air Ambulance N.I. base outside Lisburn and presented the charity with a £5,000 donation.

Damien McAnespie, Fundraising Manager for AANI, said, "On behalf of the service and charity, I want to sincerely thank Ulster Schools' GAA for their incredibly kind donation. Air Ambulance NI is tasked twice on average each day somewhere in the region, attending the worst trauma and medical incidents. Although we may automatically think of road traffic accidents, farming incidents or falls when we think of







the word 'trauma', serious injuries can also occur in sports and recreation activities such as Gaelic Football resulting in the patient requiring pre-hospital treatment in a timely manner. This is where Air Ambulance NI can make a difference. Reaching any part of Northern Ireland within 25 minutes, the consultant doctor and paramedic team can deliver critical care interventions such as inducing a coma, performing surgical procedures, delivering blood transfusions or administering advanced pain-relief on the roadside, in a person's home or in this case, on a football field."

For over five years now, AANI has been operating for 12 hours daily, 365 days of the year, providing life-saving pre-hospital emergency care. The service is operated by a partnership between the Northern Ireland Ambulance service and the charity, Air Ambulance Northern Ireland. In that period, the HEMS has been called upon

on over 3,200 occasions to critically ill and injured patients of every age and background. Each year, AANI aspire to raise £2 million to maintain and sustain the service. That is approximately £5,500 per day. Unfortunately, none of us know who may need this service in the future, but it is important that we all support it in any way we can.

Support Charity

One of the easiest ways to support the charity is by becoming a member of their Club AANI. As a member, you receive a pack of branded items, monthly e-newsletter and annual BBQ get-together. Most members donate by direct debit each month, annual subscription is also possible. Members contribute £8 per month.

Sign up is easy online at: www.airambulanceni.org

Air Ambulance NI is a charity needing £5,500 per day to operate





FEBRUARY 2022

The Danske Bank Football Player of the Month for February 2022 was Ryan Duffy from Ballybay Community College, Monaghan.

Ryan was in impressive form for Ballybay in their Danske Bank Faul Cup campaign, helping them succeed in becoming 2021-2022 Fr. Faul Cup Champions after defeating Coláiste na Carraige in the final.

The Danske Bank Hurling Player of the Month was Jacob Malone from St. Columba's College, Stranolar, Donegal. Jacob had brilliant performances for Stranolar in their Danske Bank Maguire Cup.

OCTOBER 2022

The Danske Bank Hurling Player of the Month for October 2022 was Conall Dempsey from St. Mary's CBGS, Belfast. Conall was captain of the St. Mary's McNamee Cup squad, and was a driving force for the team throughout their campaign. His second half performance in their quarter-final victory over Our Lady and St. Patrick's, Knock was particularly eye-catching, finishing the game with 1-4 to his name. Despite falling to defeat against Cross and Passion College, Ballycastle in the semi-finals, the Naomh Gall CLG player produced an impressive defensive display for his school.

Cillian Doyle from Moville Community College was awarded the Danske Bank Football Player of the Month. Cillian was in fine scoring form for his school with a number of impressive displays in the Danske Bank O'Doherty Cup. Cillian was to the fore in victory over Deele College, Raphoe and a draw with St. Patrick's and St. Brigid's College, Claudy, while he also notched 1-8 in a narrow defeat to St. Patrick's Dungiven in



the O'Doherty Cup. The young Donegal man is a member of the CLG Naomh Pádraig Uisce Chaoin club and has a bright future ahead of him in both club and county colours!

NOVEMBER 2022

For November 2022, the Danske Bank Hurling Player of the Month was Pádraig O'Kane from St Patrick's, College, Maghera. Pádraig was somewhat of a driving force for his Leonard Cup side, captaining the side in a successful campaign which finished with victory over Cross and Passion College, Ballycastle in the final. Usually lining out at centre half back, Pádraig was in fine form as St. Pat's topped the table following the initial blitz day, which was followed up by a crushing victory over St Louis' Ballymena in the semi-finals. His younger brother Sean also played on the Leonard Cup team.

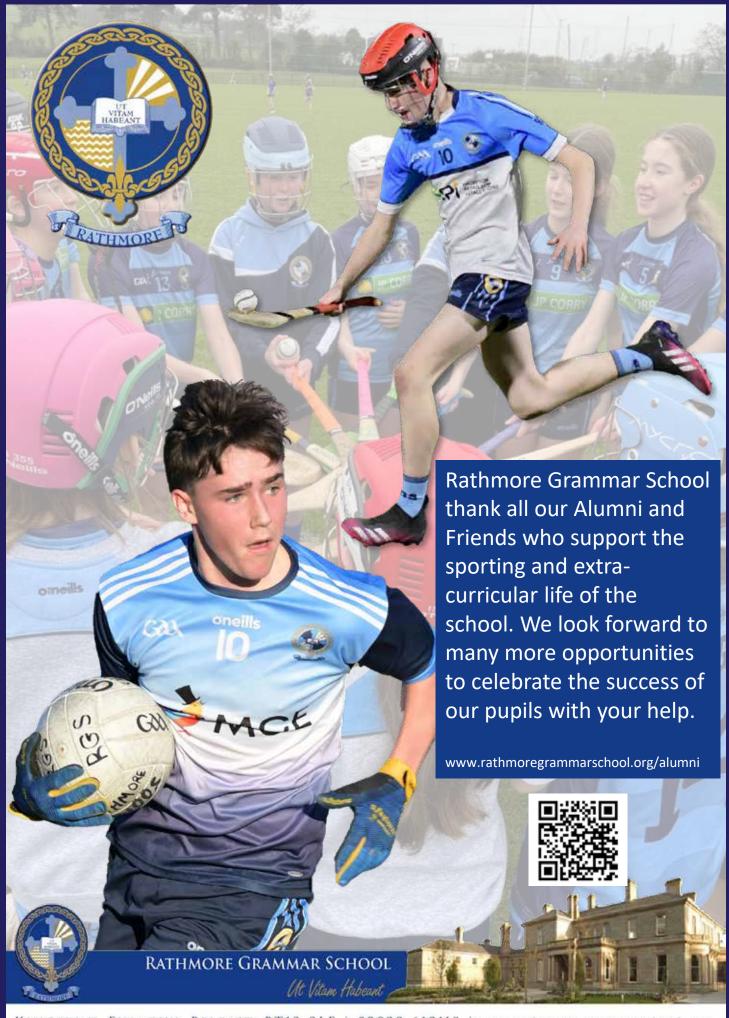
Pádraig is the son of James O'Kane, a former teacher at St. Patrick's, College, Maghera who coached numerous hurling teams in the school to success, including

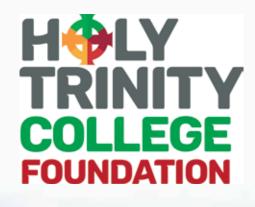
Mageean Cup and O'Keefe Cup (All-Ireland) victories. There is no doubt that James would have be very proud of his sons following their success to date.

Currently a Year 11 student in St. Patrick's College, Maghera, Pádraig plays his club hurling with Kevin Lynch Hurling Club in Dungiven, as well as football for St. Canice's GAC.

The Danske Bank Football Player of the Month for November 2022 was Jude Bryson from St. Columb's College, Derry. Jude was in impressive form for St Columb's in their Danske Bank Arthurs Cup campaign, which seen them progress to the final against St. Mark's High School, Warrenpoint.

Jude is a member of the St. Mary's, Faughanvale club and notched up an impressive 3-31 in the competition to date, with strong performances against Loreto Coleraine and St. Conor's Clady/Kilrea in the group stages, before an impressive tally of 2-6 in the quarter-final against Carndonagh Community School.









Holy Trinity Foundation wishes our MacRory Cup Squad all the best as they try to win the cup for the first time. The performance of this team to date, has kick started what promises to be an historic year for the College. With the new school build imminent, Holy Trinity Foundation continues to seek support in their major fund-raising efforts.

Our next event will be our annual Golf Classic, taking place at
Killymoon Golf Club on Monday 1st May. For all enquiries
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ULSTER SCHOOLS' GAA ROLL OF HONOUR 2021-2022

COMPETITION	WINNER 2021-2022	
MacRory Cup	St. Mary's Grammar, Magherafelt	
MacLarnon Cup	Patrician High School, Carrickmacross	
Mageean Cup	St. Patrick's Grammar, Downpatrick	
Casement Cup	St. Malachy's College, Belfast	
Rannafast Cup	St. Patrick's College, Maghera	
Oisín McGrath Cup	St. Colman's College, Newry	
Corn na nÓg	St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon	
Forester's Cup	St. Killian's College, Garron Tower	
Gallagher Cup	Cross and Passion College, Ballycastle	
Rafferty Cup	Patrician High School, Carrickmacross	
Treanor Cup	St. Paul's High School, Bessbrook	
Loch an Iúir Cup	Our Lady's Secondary, Castleblayney	
Colmcille Cup	St. Eunan's, Letterkenny	
Kirk Cup	St. Mary's Grammar, Magherafelt	
McNamee Cup	Cross and Passion College, Ballycastle	
Brock Cup	St. Paul's High School, Bessbrook	
Markey Cup	St. Columba's College, Stranorlar	
Arthurs Cup	Bailieborough Community School	
Fr. Faul Cup	Ballybay Community College	
Leonard Cup	Cross and Passion College, Ballycastle	
McFarland Cup	Rathmore Grammar, Belfast	
McEvoy Cup	Scoil Mhuire, Buncrana	
Leopold Cup	Gaelcholáiste Dhoire	
Paddy O'Hara Cup	Dean Maguirc College, Carrickmore	
Irish News Cup	Gaelcholáiste Dhoire	
Gerry Brown Cup	Pobalscoil Gaoth Dobhair	



ULSTER SCHOOLS' GAA ROLL OF HONOUR 2021-2022

COMPETITION	WINNER 2021-2022	
McDevitt Cup	Dean Maguirc College, Carrickmore	
Ward Cup	Coláiste Oiriall, Monaghan	
Pat King Cup	Dean Maguirc College, Carrickmore	
McGreevy Cup	St. Patrick's High School, Keady	
Ennis Cup	St. Mark's High School, Warrenpoint	
Nannery Cup	Gaelcholáiste Dhoire	
Maguire Cup	Aquinas Diocesan Grammar, Belfast	
Nagle Cup	St. Killian's College, Garron Tower	
Casement Shield	Carndonagh Community School	
Corn Mhic Neasa	St. John The Baptist College, Portadown	
Bearnageeha Cup	Edmund Rice College, Glengormley	
Mulholland Cup	St. Joseph's Boys' High School, Newry	
O'Doherty Cup	Virginia College, Cavan	
Sciath Colmcille	St. Ciaran's College, Ballygawley	
Sciath na nÓg	Omagh CBS	
Loch an lúir Shield	St. Columba's College, Stranorlar	
McDevitt Shield	St. Malachy's College, Belfast	
Gerry Brown Shield	Ballybay Community College	
Oisín McGrath Shield	Omagh CBS	
Brock Shield	Patrician High School, Carrickmacross	
Bro. Mallon Shield	St. Malachy's High School, Castlewellan	
Bro. Sharkey Cup	De La Salle High School, Downpatrick	
Irish News Shield	St. Joseph's High School, Coalisland	
Rannafast Shield	St. Michael's, Enniskillen	
Rafferty Shield	Carndonagh Community School	
Mulholland Cup	St. Joseph's Boys' High School, Newry	

2021-2022 was the first year back following the Covid-19 Pandemic. A small number of Cup and Shield competitions were not played. The 2021-2022 D'Alton Cup was declared null and void.

Pat O'Hare

Man of the Match Award MacLarnon Cup Final 2022



MacLarnon Man of the Match 2022 Dylan Byrne , Patrician High School, Carrickmacross

It was to his credit that when asked to provide this magnificent trophy, the former Principal of St Patrick's Grammar School Downpatrick, Dermot Mullan, without hesitation, instantly agreed. He never knew Pat O'Hare, but if he had he would have known a good man.

Pat taught in St Patrick's from 1976 until his sudden death in 1999. He was a dedicated and conscientious teacher, a true professional who taught by example what a good teacher should be. He devoted many hours to the promotion of sport, particularly Gaelic football and participated at all levels in Gaelic; school, club, Ulster Colleges and County.

Pat was a great motivator, a top quality coach and trainer: he trained the victorious Down All-Ireland team of 1994. This trophy symbolises all that Pat encouraged in Gaelic namely hard work, fair play and total commitment. The many players who developed their skills under Pat's guidance will remember his tremendous drive and good humour that made him unique.

As school coach in the "Red High" he led teams to two MacLarnon Cup and All-Ireland successes in 1977 and 1990.

This trophy is awarded to the "Man of the Match" in the MacLarnon Cup Final. It is dedicated to the memory of Pat O'Hare, a good friend and true Gael.

Written by his colleague at St Patrick's Grammar School, Downpatrick.

Mr George Cooper

Iggy Jones

Man of the Match Award MacRory Cup Final 2022



MacRory Man of the Match 2022 Niall O'Donnell, St. Mary's, Magherafelt

This magnificent Crystal Trophy was presented to the Ulster Colleges Council in 1993 by Dungannon Clarkes G.F.C. to honour the memory of the late, great Iggy Jones who burst into the National scene in the late 1940's as an outstanding colleges player with St Patrick's College Armagh.

Iggy Jones played his 1st MacRory Final in 1943 but it was to be a losing final as St Patrick's College, Cavan, ran out easy winners in Armagh. However this was a result never repeated as Iggy Jones went on to play in and win three successive MacRory Finals in 1944, 1945 and 1946. In 1946 St Patrick's Armagh competed in the first ever Hogan Cup Final where, inspired by three goals and 4 points from their superstar Jones, the Armagh school became the first holders of this prestigious trophy.

1993	Ronan Hamill	St Colman's College
1994	Sean McGuckin	St Patrick's, Maghera
1995	Adrian McGuckin	St Patrick's, Maghera
1996	Niall Farren	St Patrick's, Maghera
1997	Martin Earley	St Patrick's, Dungannon
1998	Aidan Fegan	St Colman's, Newry
1999	Colm Bradley	St Michael's, Enniskillen
2000	Liam O'Hare	St Patrick's, Armagh
2001	Ciaran O'Reilly	St Michael's, Enniskillen
2002	Shaun Doherty	St Michael's, Enniskillen
2003	Mark Lynch	St Patrick's, Maghera
2004	Martin Murray	St Patrick's, Dungannon
2005	Joseph Ireland	St Louis', Kilkeel
2006	Martin Clarke	St Louis', Kilkeel
2007	Colum Greenan	St Macartan's, Monaghan
2008	Gavin Teague	St Patrick's, Dungannon
2009	Niall McKenna	St Patrick's, Dungannon
2010	Connor Gough	St Colman's College
2011	Niall Donnelly	St Colman's College
2012	Eddie Courtney	St Michael's, Enniskillen
2013	Cormac O'Doherty	St Patrick's, Maghera
2014	Danny Tallon	St Patrick's, Maghera
2015	Thomas Galligan	St Patrick's, Cavan
2016	Patrick Kearney	St Patrick's, Maghera
2017	Declan Cassidy	St Mary's, Magherafelt
2018	Rioghan Meehan	St Ronan's College, Lurgan
2019	Darragh McBrien	St Michael's, Enniskillen
2020	Not played due to	Covid
2021	Not played due to	
2022	Niall O'Donnell	St Mary's, Magherafelt





Danske Bank Ulster Schools

HURLING ALL STARS 2021/2022



GOALKEEPER PEARSE SMYTH ST. PATRICK'S DOWNPATRICK



JAMES HIGGINS OUR LADY AND ST. PATRICK'S, KNOCK



CENTRE FULL BACK DEAGLÁN MALLON ST. PATRICK'S **DOWNPATRICK**



LEFT FULL BACK **JAKE TOAL** ST. PATRICK'S ARMAGH



CENTRE HALF BACK

JAMES FRIEL

ST. PATRICK'S

MAGHERA

RIGHT HALF BACK EOIN PUCCI OUR LADY AND ST. PATRICK'S,

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MIDFIELD

MICHAEL DORRIAN

ST. PATRICK'S

DOWNPATRICK



LEFT HALF BACK **DAIRE MCMULLAN** ST. LOUIS **BALLYMENA**



MIDFIELD **FINN TURPIN** ST. PATRICK'S **DOWNPATRICK**



RIGHT HALF FORWARD **CHRISTY MCGARRY** CROSS AND PASSION BALLYCASTLE



CENTRE HALF FORWARD CALLUM O'KANE ST. PATRICK'S MAGHERA



LEFT HALF FORWARD **RUAIRÍ Ó MIANÁIN** GAELCHOLÁISTE DHOIRE



RIGHT FULL FORWARD **TOMÁS GALVIN** ST. PATRICK'S **KEADY**



CENTRE FULL FORWARD TOM MCGRATTAN ST. PATRICK'S **DOWNPATRICK**



LEFT FULL FORWARD **OISÍN COULTER** ST. PATRICK'S DOWNPATRICK





Danske Bank Ulster Schools

FOOTBALL ALL STARS 2021/2022



DÁIRE O'SEA PATRICIAN CARRICKMACROSS



RIGHT FULL BACK EMMET MAGEE ST. RONAN'S



CENTRE FULL BACK **RONAN FOX DEAN MAGURIC CARRICKMORE**



ADAM MCGONIGLE ST. PATRICK'S MAGHERA



RIGHT HALF BACK PATRICK MCGURK ST. PATRICK'S



CENTRE HALF BACK NIALL O'DONNELL ST. MARY'S **MAGHERAFELT**





LEFT HALF BACK **MICHAEL RAFFERTY DEAN MAGURIC CARRICKMORE**



MIDFIELD **RUAIRÍ MCHUGH HOLY TRINITY** COOKSTOWN



MIDFIELD **BLAINE RYAN HOLY TRINITY** COOKSTOWN



RIGHT HALF FORWARD CORMAC DEVLIN ST PATRICK'S ACADEMY DUNGANNON



CENTRE HALF FORWARD **SHEA QUINN HOLY TRINITY** COOKSTOWN



LEFT HALF FORWARD **CONHUIR JOHNSTON** ST. MARY'S MAGHERAFELT



RIGHT FULL FORWARD **RUAIRÍ CANAVAN** ST. CIARAN'S **BALLYGAWLEY**



CENTRE FULL FORWARD DIARMAID KING ST. MICHAEL'S **ENNISKILLEN**



LEFT FULL FORWARD CAOLÁN FINNEGAN ST. COLMAN'S **NEWRY**