

AGLISH AND CLASHMORE NOTES

The General Election—There was an extremely heavy poll in the area and there was no upward incident. A notable feature was the efficiency of the F.F. organisation. There was a general surprise at the heavy F.F. vote.

Deasy—The sports week at Clashmore opened on Sunday... The following members of Clashmore C.C.C. were successful—11 Christine Dee 1st in English Singing and mouth...

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B. MAINTENANCE WORK AT CLASHMORE

Maintenance Work out of progress and details of the coming week are as follows:

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R/A 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.—Kilnara, Kenneally, Cross...

R/A 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.—Tullacool, O'Connell, P.K.E. Ballaghavon...

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WATERFORD CAME CLOSE TO SHATTERING CORK BEST DISPLAY FOR SOME TIME

Cork 4-13; Waterford 3-11. Waterford hurlers had their finest game for many years at Temple Stadium, Thurles, on Sunday last when they ran All-Ireland champions Cork to five points in the Munster senior hurling championship semi-final.

Before an estimated 9,000 attendance Waterford came close to shattering Cork's dream of retaining their crown but in the end tasted defeat after being the dominant force for most of the game. Waterford will have bitter sweet memories of a game they might have won. Cork took the spoils but even in defeat they proved that they do not belong in the lower division of the National League. Their hurling abilities deserve better fortune and Cork would like to see them prove to all and sundry that in the right mood and when things go right for them they can stand the test with the best in the country.

The hurling was top class and the exchanges were exciting and there were plenty of goals throughout. However as far as Waterford was concerned it showed a new awareness of pride in a team fighting for their hurling existence. And it was a proud day for Waterford as the team to a man responded to the challenge in magnificent fashion.

Spirited on by the brilliant hurling of Paddy McCarthy and John Gavan, Waterford looked anything but underdogs as they amazed both supporters and opponents with a fiery and determined attack which set the champions reeling in the opening half.

Waterford had the first score from full forward but Kelly after three minutes and when Martin Hickey had a goal just three minutes later memories of Walsh Park a decade ago were revived as defeated Cork came flooding to mind.

Sixty seconds later Sean O'Leary found the net for Waterford with the wind and with dominance at midfield stuck to their task and were unflatteringly 1-7 to 1-6 ahead at the halfway stage.

LETHAL BLOWS—Waterford struck lethal like blows early in the second half. Pat Kelly goalied after three minutes and Martin Hickey had another major after Cork's Sean O'Leary had a goal. These scores rattled Cork and one could only speculate after the game as to what the end result would have been had Waterford made better use of the twelve chances which they drove wide in the first ninety.

Cork had it all to do when John Galvin shot over a point in the 43rd minute to leave three goals between the sides. Drastic changes in the Cork team saw Dermot McCurtain on at right half back instead of Burns. Moylan moved out to partner Cashion at mid field. Gerald McCarthy went to left half forward and Charlie McCarthy moved to the right wing. Mick Malone who substituted for the injured Tim Crowley took the heart to forward and Rav Cummins went to the right corner.

CRUSHING DEFEAT FOR COALITION AS FIANNA FAIL SWEEP BACK TO POWER

FF-84, FG-43, Lab-17, Indps-4. Election 77 is now over and the people have given their decision by which the Coalition Government of Fine Gael and Labour suffered a crushing defeat and Fianna Fail were returned to power with a sweeping victory which gave them the largest majority ever experienced since the foundation of the State.

The result was, to say the least, most unexpected as it was thought, especially by the daily newspapers and major political commentators that the Cosgrave led Coalition would scrape back for a second term of office. No one not even the most out and outers in Fianna Fail thought that the landslide which eventually left them with a total of 84 elected deputies would develop as it did and at the close of the polls on Thursday night they were not being as optimistic even as Party Leader Jack Lynch who at that time forecast 77 seats for his party.

The interest displayed by the electorate during the brief but intensive campaign was evidenced by the big turn-out on polling day when averages of between 75% and 80% were registered throughout the country and there can be no doubt but that the final outcome represents a decision of the vast majority.

The final result which left Fianna Fail with an unprecedented 87 seats in an overall majority of 20 amounted to an absolute massacre of the Coalition with the Fine Gael party suffering a far greater defeat than when Labour Party colleagues. The fact that Fine Gael have dropped their representation by 12 to 43 seats—1986—will undoubtedly call the leadership (or lack of it) of Mr Cosgrave into question.

The Labour Party after a bad start came out too badly in the end with 17 elected (2 less than at the dissolution of the Dail) but here too there is bound to be some soul-searching within the party. The massive swing to Fianna Fail (they took 50.8 per cent of the total first preference votes) became evident in the early stages of the count as Fine Gael and the Coalition were shocked and left reeling as their parties suffered successive blows. The strength of the swing against them was underlined by the fact that three Ministers—Mr Justin Keating and Dr Conor Cruise O'Brien of Labour and Mr Patrick Conroy of Fine Gael lost their seats.

IN WATERFORD—Here in Waterford we had a result which had been predicted (one of the few predictable forecasts of the election) with Fianna Fail and Fine Gael dividing the four seats equally between them. But at the same time there were surprises such as the great poll won by the Sinn Féin Workers Party candidate Paddy Gallagher the popular young member of Waterford Corporation. Besides receiving a good vote in the city Mr Gallagher was also supported in several parts of the county.

Another surprise was the election of Eddie Coyne in the first count by his Fine Gael party colleague Austin Deasy and the Dungarvan Senator succeeded in becoming a member of the West Dail when he was elected in the seventh count. This was his third attempt and the hard work he has put in since his first entry into public life has now been rewarded.

The failure of Frankie King to hold the vote of the outgoing Labour Deputy Tom Kyne who retired after the dissolution) was a big disappointment for his party as hopes were high that he would remain in the end contesting the final seat. The showing of Mrs P. O'Brien on the Fianna Fail panel was also one of the big features of the election here as she won 2,738 first preferences and had picked up over 1,300 votes before being eliminated in the 7th count.

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TALLOW AND ROUNDABOUT NOTES

General Meeting of Bride View United Soccer Club - Mr Leonard Fraser Chairman presided at Bride View United's fifth annual general meeting held on Saturday night last at St. Patrick's Hall. He congratulated everybody within the club for their hard work and dedication in the club's best season ever.

Mr Joe Tobin, Hon Secretary gave a detailed account of the club's activities over the year and treasurer Liam Mulcahy showed the club to be in a good financial position. Officers elected were - Chair: Mr Pascal Pricard, Hon Secretary: Mr Joe Tobin, Hon Treasurer: Mr Liam Mulcahy, PR O: Mr Leonard Fraser, Manager: Mr Pat Noonan.

Committee - Mr Tommy Daly, Mr Raymond O'Fraser, Mr Milo Ahearn, Mr Colin Sice, Mr Pat McGrath, Mr Kevin Tobin and Mr Mike Hogan.

Mr Pat Noonan Manager, stressed that he was not satisfied with the fitness of the side at the start of the season and pre-season training has now been arranged. It was decided that players would report for training on July 26th and with tournament matches also coming up the side should be in good shape for the start of the season.

The annual sponsored walk was discussed but a final date will not be decided until after this Saturday night's meeting.

The ladies soccer matches played at Bride View Park recently have attracted the attention of the local ladies and Joe Tobin is currently busy organising a side.

The U 12 team play Modelgo in the semi-final of the Community Games in Lismore on Thursday evening, June 23rd.

All are asked to attend a meeting on this Saturday night at 7.45 to discuss the tournament for the festival.

Happy Event - Congratulations to Mr and Mrs John Tobin Children, Estate Dungarvan on the birth of their second child - a daughter.

Mrs Tobin is the former Miss Francis O'Hara daughter of Mr and Mrs Bernard O'Hara New Street Tallow.

Fais Winners At Ballynue - Congratulations to the following pupils of the O'Mahoney School of Dancing Tallow, who won both medals and certificates of merit at the Ballynue Festival Fais on Sunday afternoon last - Carmel Murphy, Mary Feeney, Martha McGarthy Kay Condon, Mary Murphy, Kieran Murphy, Yvonne Donnelly, Catherine Feeney, Sinead Barry, Margaret Condon, Jacqueline Hickey, Emily Feeney, Fiona Cunningham, Marie Hickey, Theresa Hickey and Nora Condon.

Fianna Fail Victory Dance - The Lismore Comhairle Ceannair Fianna Fail will hold a

NEWS FROM CAPPOQUIN AND DISTRICT

The Poll - The electors turned out in strength throughout the area and a poll of between seventy and eighty per cent was recorded in all booths. Happily though all parties were very fully involved in the proceedings passed without any untoward incident. It was encouraging to see too that the parties speedily removed election posters and other material.

Rowing - Cappoquin, drew recorded victories at Fermoy on Sunday though they did not enjoy similar good fortune at the Cork fixture on Saturday when the juniors again had their best narrowly to the Clonmel.

Athletics - Cappoquin juvenile athletes have recorded considerable successes at meetings last week-end at Newcastle N.A.C.A. sports. Gerard Brennan was first in the long jump under 16 and third in the 100m. Barbara Brennan won the 100m under 14 and Philip Beagin was second in the 400m under 14. Nuala Barry continued her run of success with another win the 100m under 9 and Pauline Barry was third in the 200m under 12.

At the Clashmore B.E.E sports T. Morrissey was second in the boys under 6. Valerí Colliender and Carol Colliender were second and third in the 100m under 8 (80m). Mary Buckley was 2nd in the 100m girls under 10.

J. J. O'Connor was first and Hugh Colliender 2nd in the 100m boys under 10. Mark O'Connor was 2nd in the 100m under 12 and M. Looby 3rd in the 200m boys under 14. M. Kelly was 1st and D. McGrath 3rd in the 100m boys under 18 while Mark O'Connor completed a double in the 200m under 12. J. Kelly was third. M. Buckley was winner of the

DUNGARYN-STRADBALLY CLASH HIGHLIGHT WEEK-END PROGRAMME

Says Commentator

WEEK-END GAMES - Because of the Padraigh O'Millea Commemoration Ceremonies on Sunday next, the programme of championship events has been limited to evening games.

What is expected to be one of the highlights of the championship takes place at Dungarvan, when Stradbally take on the Old Boro side in a first round intermediate tie.

Thus far as I can recall, it is the first time that these clubs have met in an adult hurling championship and with so many good hurlers on both sides the standard will be good.

Looking back to last season, we saw Stradbally and Cappoquin in that extraordinary and very controversial tie at the Dungarvan side, Cappoquin coming from a distance behind to win decisively following a nasty flare-up. Then we saw Dungarvan and Cappoquin in that tremendous Western side at Lismore. If we were to foolishly judge the teams on those particular displays - then Dungarvan would be very firm favourites to win on Sunday.

Either side could emerge from this clash.

Stradbally will not measure up to Dungarvan's hurling skill. The Old Boro side will have Eddie and Noel Sheehan, Timmy Healy, Pa Meehan, Liam Simms, John Power, John Moylan, Liam Sandford, Christy Phelan and company while Stradbally's side will be built around Robin and Sean Aherne, Tom Cunningham, Michael Cotley, Bill and Richie Dunford, Pat Ciancy etc etc. Physically Dungarvan and Cappoquin must find a way of countering this advantage. If they can not, then they could be in trouble.

EIRE OG V GERALDINES - Geraldines who won the junior hurling title last season, now set off in quest of the intermediate hurling crown when they take on Eire Og in a first round game at Cappoquin on Sunday evening.

Many of the Geraldines team, including Michael Kelleher, Patsy Kennelly, Tom "Stylo" Roridan, Mick Downing and John O'Grady, all of whom won junior honours with the club last year are reaching the veteran stage and must be contemplating retirement. These men have all given outstanding services to the club and indeed more is the pity that the crop of younger players now coming up do not possess the kind of spirit that these men have so often displayed on the playing fields of the county. I know of course that it is journalistic suicide to try to write these people into retirement, because as sure as there is a nail on a gun they will all be back again. In fact it will not surprise me if they all line out again on Sunday and with the Power brothers, Johnnie Cotter, Michael Tobin and company try to

overcome their first hurdle in this championship.

Elite Og are annoyed at having to play this one at Cappoquin at the same time on which their partners in the group team, Dungarvan, will be playing their first round at Dungarvan.

The Board has decided that it is now too late to consider a change of date for this championship which has only just begun, so the game goes on.

Apart from the players on the group senior side, I do not know what preparation the club has made for this game, but if they have done no training as I have heard, then I cannot fancy their chances against the Geraldines. I would back a fully fit Eire Og side to beat the Aglishmen. With players like Michael Donnelly, Jimmy Fraher, Paddy Joe Kelly, Jimmy Byrne, John Woods, John Sandford, Michael Monahan, Ollie Drumney etc. Eire Og should be well capable of making an impression in this championship.

However, Sunday's vote goes to Geraldines.

Both intermediate matches are at 7.30 pm.

BALLYDUFF V PASSAGE/TRAMORE

This senior hurling championship tie is scheduled for the Fraher field at 3.30 pm and it is expected to see the Western senior side through to the next round of the losers group. Mossy Walsh, Seamus Hanrahan, Liam Caning, Gene Gurry, Seanie Daly and company should prove much to strong a combination for this Eastern group side. Intermediate players, Nicky Connors, plays with Passage/Tramore.

TALLOW V MOLLERANS

This senior league tie which was due to be played at Lesambrien some weeks ago will be played at Lismore on Sunday evening. The result will put the winners into the senior league for 1977 and will relegating the losers to the division 2 of the league. Tallow may just about get there.

ABBEYSIDE V BUTLERSTOWN

This second round of the senior hurling championship proper will be played at Walsh Park on Sunday evening.

Abbeyside will be the slight favourites to advance and may just about do so if players like Nicky Cashin, Pat Enright, Johnnie Byrne, Roddy Cashin who is very likely to be available to the side on Sunday, John McGrath, Michael Kelly, John Regan, Jim Kelly, Michael Hanrahan, Feih Shields etc etc all hit their best form. In disposing of Cappoquin in the first round they looked quite good and should be good enough to win here.

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Kilgobnet are through to the semi-final of the losers group in junior hurling by virtue of their win over Rink at Dungarvan on Saturday evening. In Kilgobnet were well in front on the scoreboard at the finish, but the score hardly does justice to Ring, who played their best hurling for a long time. Both teams were good and as a result the match was good - one of the best that we have seen so far this season.

On Saturday night also, Shamrocks scored a seven points win over Tourin in their losers group tie in junior football. Referee Jimmy McGrath, said that it was a very lively match and much more even than the score of 1-13 to 1-6 suggests.

Referees are doing pretty well at Junior level this year - in fact they seem to be doing well in all grades.

ABBEYSIDE SEA ANGLING CLUB NOTES

Clonea Strand is the venue for our open shore competition on Sunday next, June 26. This competition which is kindly sponsored by Waterford Glass is being run by the club to raise funds for the monthly handicapped children's fund at St. John's School, Dungarvan.

I would like to make an appeal to all anglers from Dungarvan and surrounding areas to come along on Sunday next and show your support for this very deserving cause.

The check-in will be at the Ocean View Hotel, Clonea and the hours of fishing will be from 5 pm to 9 pm.

Congratulations to John Gough and Michael Power who were prize winners in recent deep sea angling events.

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