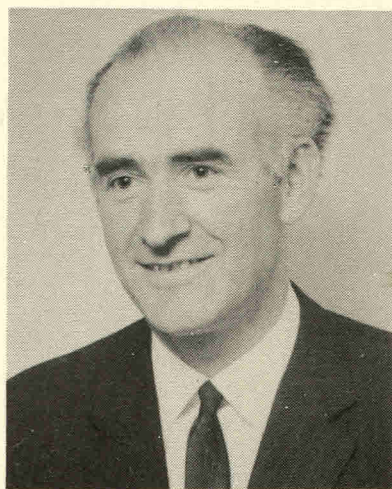


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Grange Golf Club
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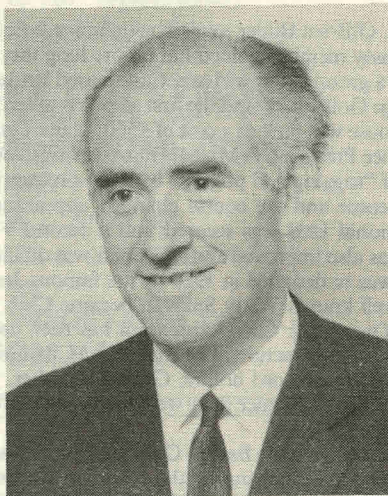
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GALWAYMENS' CAPTAIN

JOE MONAGHAN

Joe was born in Loughrea and educated locally. He was a keen sportsman in his youth and he later took up golf. He was a member of Hermitage and when he went to live at Kilgobbin he became a member of Grange, eighteen years ago. He is very popular at the Club and this year holds the position of Vice Captain. He is also Teams Manager. He has represented the Club successfully in the Pierce Purcell Championships in 1976 and in the Bloom Cup in 1975.



The year 1959 was a milestone in the life of Master Tailor Joseph Monaghan of 98 St. Stephen's Green. It was that year he first entered the prestigious Tailor & Cutter Competition in London.

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CAPTAINS MESSAGE

May I wish members of the Galwaymens', visitors and friends, a most enjoyable outing. My thanks to our sponsors. My committee, clubs that facilitated us and all who helped out in any way during 1982. Last but not least thanks to Sports Editors of Sunday Press and Sunday Independent for their assistance through the Golf Notices.

Joe Monaghan.

PRESIDENTS DAY

Our last outing for 1982 is arranged for Hermitage Golf Club on Thursday October 14th. President of the Galwaymens', Fr. Sean Kitt, presents his prize on this occasion. The Class Prizes are being kindly sponsored by John, Noel and Nicholas Keary.

GRANGE GOLF CLUB

In 1909 a Mr. O'Brien Butler made a rough nine hole Golf Course on Kilmashogue mountain. Many members joined but before long they decided to get a Club of their own. In 1910 a group led by a Henry Cave leased land at Marley Grange — hence the name "Grange Golf Club" and the first step was taken. A nine hole course was set out and a Club house was built at a cost of £500. Major Guinness was first President and a Mr. Nichal Vice President. A Mr. McGlue was first Club Professional. There was quite an amount of "tugging and pulling" between Grange Golf Club and their landlords for years to come and the course changed appearance on a number of occasions. Finally additional land was secured and a second 9 holes were laid in 1925. The Clubhouse was also improved and the course was officially opened in September 1925. The Course was re designed in 1928 by the famous James Braid, much as it appears today. The well known Watty Sullivan became Club Professional in 1964 replacing Joe Carroll. During the Clubs existence it has been used as an Air Strip, for grazing sheep and for training recruits. The Irish Close Championship was played here in 1970 and won by Course record holder, Grange member, David Sheahan.

During the club's existence there were many fine performances by individual players and teams.

In 1924 Grange won the Barton Cup outright and were beaten in the semi-final for five successive years following by the eventual winners. The winning team was J.A. Tamplin and H.J. McDougald, W.F. Hooper and S.E. Walker, T.J. O'Keeffe and J. Frewen.

In 1946 Grange won the Junior Cup outright, the team consisting of D.H. Meredith, P.J. Keatley, W.A. Bermingham, R.E. Davitt and G.M. Bowers. Two great shots are especially recalled from this win; Bob Davitt's shot to the 20th at Clontarf to beat Royal Dublin in the Leinster section and Paddy Keatley's over the garden at the 18th in Royal Dublin to get a birdie, the match and the cup.

J.D. McCormack who is still an Honorary Member of Grange was a great golfer in his day. He won the Irish Championship in 1923, 1924, and 1927 but G.U.I. annals record him as a member of Hermitage. The same annals record him as a Grange member in respect of his ten international appearances between 1913 and 1937.

The Hon. P.G. Campbell, T.V. personality, author and journalist was a member of Grange from 1948 to 1958. He and David Sheahan have the distinction of being the only Grange members to play off a plus handicap.

David Sheahan takes pride of place over all Grange golfers. His record is impressive — scratch cupts, three Irish championships, won all matches in the Walker Cup in Turnberry, the only amateur since Bobby Jones to beat a real professional field; he virtually gave up the game for a few years to concentrate on his studies and as a practising doctor re-appeared in 1966 to win his second championship. He was selected to play for Ireland in seven years and was on the winning team in the European Championship Cup in Sandwich in 1965 and in Turin in 1967.

Grange emerged winners of the Bloom Cup on two occasions, in 1968 and '76. The club has also won the Leinster section of the Pierce Purcell Shield, in 1971 and '76.

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24/5/69

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1	195	7	3	3			
2	111	17	3	3			
3	384	1	4	4			
4	378	5	4	4			
5	301	13	4	3			
6	165	15	3	3			
7	383	3	4	4			
8	188	9	3	3			
9	315	11	4	4			
Total	2420		32	31			
10	385	2	4	4			
11	177	8	3	3			
12	287	16	4	4			
13	324	10	4	4			
14	483	14	5	4			
15	145	18	3	3			
16	380	4	4	4			
17	462	12	5	4			
18	357	6	4	4			
Total	3000		36	34			
Total	5420		68	31			
S.S.S.		67		65			

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Yours sincerely,



Denis O' Kane, P.P.

Above is a letter of appreciation from Fr. O' Kane P.P., Rowlagh, a new Parish in Dublin West. The donation, from society members, was contributed towards the cost of vestments for the new Church, due to be blessed in December. The total price of the vestments is in the region of £1,000. Other members wishing to be associated with this gesture should contact any member of Galwaymens' Committee.

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The Aughrim Slopes Band was formed in 1932 and was initiated by Jack Fahy, Killagbeg, Kilconnell one of the great traditional fiddlers of his day. The band took the form of a trio at first, namely, J. Mills, Paddie Kelly and J. Mulkere. By the end of the year they had got an audition under Vincent O'Brien and they went on Radio Eireann and were subsequently brought back to give broadcasts of Irish music. After a period of two years Josie O'Halloran joined the Slopes and he was appointed manager. He organised this group into a proper Ceile Band, which gave them their first performance at a Monster Ceile in Harpurs Hall, Ballinasloe. This ceile was organised by Rev. C. Cummins who was then a Curate in Ballinasloe and who did an immense amount of work in the revival and fostering of Irish music. Many others had joined the band by this time namely the Corbett Bros., Dan Tracy, Jim Drury, Paddie Fahy and George Shanley. In the course of a short time they were highlighted all over the province and were in great demand. They competed and won several Feis competitions including Feis Thomond. They were almost unable to cope with the demands from Ceile and Concert halls. Some of the individual band members namely Mills, Kelly and Fahy composed new Jigs and Reels to add to their repertoire and they made records with the Regal Recording Company.

But like all other great things, they had their setbacks by the end of the thirties due to the loss of members. J. Mulkere changed from the area and shortly afterwards Josie O'Halloran retired from the band.

Joe Mills then assumed control and brought it to its former standard. In 1954 the band went on a tour of England and Scotland and again in 1951 they toured England. In 1954 they won the All-Ireland Senior Ceili Band competition at the All-Ireland Flá in Athlone. During the period 1940 to 1950 they played all over the country having three to four engagements weekly.

At that time it was the opinion of many impartial authorities that there were no better traditional musicians in the country than Mills, Kelly, Tracey, Corbett and Fahy.

During the fifties the leadership changed and Pat Corbett took charge for a short period and he took the band on an invited tour of America about 1956 and regaled Irish emigrants with the traditional music of their native land. After a lapse of some years Johnnie Hynes assumed control and he revived it again and he took the band on a tour of England in 1964. Johnnie was succeeded by Jennie Campbell and she brought the band on tour to Scotland in 1968. By the end of that year the demand for ceili music in the area was almost a thing of the past and the band went out of business. The Slopes was again revived in 1972 by Jennie Campbell in the form of a group with Bernie Larkin, Bobby Kilkenny and Helen Larkin. The following are the names of some others who played with the band at different periods. Jim Drury, P. Carty, P. O'Brien, A. Whymys, K. Keegan, M. Kelly, F. Fallon and Mary McGuire.

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Golfer of Day		Class I	Class II	Class III
HERMITAGE 30th April.	Lar Dervan (7) 34 Pts.	C. Hayes (8) 33 Pts.	S. Stanley (16) 33 Pts.	P. Vaughan (24) 32 Pts.
		B. Foy (8) 30 Pts.	E. Shaughnessy (16) 33 Pts.	Fr. Flynn (18) 32 Pts.
		M. Walsh (6) 28 Pts.	J. Monaghan (14) 31 Pts.	N. Keary (17) 29 Pts.
NEWLANDS 14th May.	Fr. S. O'Neill (13) 40 Pts.	P. McGilloway (7) 40 Pts.	P. Treacy (14) 38 Pts.	P. Fallon (21) 38 Pts.
		K. Raftery (5) 36 Pts.	C. Fallon (15) 37 Pts.	Fr. Stanley (18) 36 Pts.
		B. Foy (7) 35 Pts.	S. Stanley (13) 35 Pts.	N. Keary (17) 32 Pts.
FORREST LITTLE 22nd July.	M. Killilea (8) 36 Pts.	M. Burnell (7) 35 Pts.	D. Stanley (12) 30 Pts.	M. Spellman (16) 31 Pts.
		M. McCarthy (7) 34 Pts.	P. Treacy (14) 30 Pts.	P. Vaughan (24) 30 Pts.
		M. Sweeney (9) 33 Pts.	Fr. S. O'Neill (11) 30 Pts.	P. Fallon (19) 29 Pts.

GALWAYMENS' GOLFER OF THE YEAR LEADERBOARD

S. Stanley	14	M. Burnell	9
Fr. S. O'Neill	14	J. Monaghan	8
B. Foy	12	P. Vaughan	8
P. Treacy	12	Fr. B. Flynn	8
P. Fallon	11	M. McCarthy	8
L. Dervan	10	Noel Keary	8
P. McGilloway	10	C. Fallon	7
M. Killilea	10	M. Sweeney	7
C. Hayes	9	K. Raftery	6
E. O'Shaughnessy	9	Fr. J. Stanley	6

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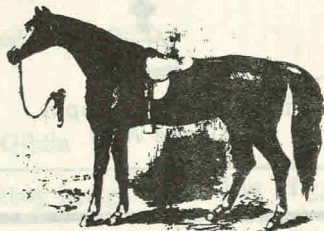
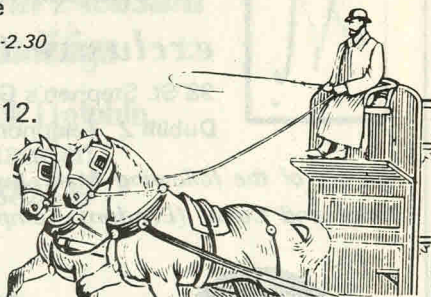
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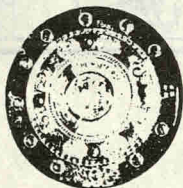
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(1)

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King Mattie was outstanding
And the crew so very small,
But with Furey, Mills and Quigley
They didn't mind at all.
And as the boat struck up the stream
The band began to play
Cruising down the Grand Canal
On such a lovely day.
And the Skipper had to hold his breath
In case he would 'conk out'
As E. Jay knew that basking sharks
Were sighted round about.

Chorus

Down on board the Royal Barge
Came Giblin and his crew
Four-and-twenty working men,
With 'Deco' Rankin too,
Sure 'Boney' was the Captain
He roared with all his might
When his Highness did appear
He gave them all a fright.

2

He was greeted at the Harbour
By Flynn and Guinnessy too.

Joe Scarry led the big parade,
With his staff and flag of blue.
There were stewards at every corner.
To keep the crowds at bay.
Jim Higgins was in grand mufti
And in state went all the way.
And "Mossy" was his Aide de camp
Right through the whole frac
Paul Dooley was the marshal chief,
And well he kept the law,
Tom Larkin too, threw in his lot
To give the boys a hand,
And nice it was to see the King,
Serenaded by the Band.

3

There were yells of great excitement,
As the King drew near the stand.
Cameras flashed from every side,
And Liam Keller took command,
Up from Jenkins' came some stewards,
And down from Dooley's too.
Ryan's was filled right to the door,
And Bannerton's quite a few.
The ovation was so wonderful,
Consternation was around,
For opening up at six o'clock
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THE G.A.A. IN BALLINASLOE

The Association was first established in Ballinasloe about 1889, but did not register for some years afterwards. Some of the founder members on record are: J. F. Gibney, Thomas Claffey, P. Brennan, M. Harris, Joe Fahy, J. Ryan, P. Larkin P. Ryan, A. Manning. P. Brennan became Co. Secretary in 1892 but progress throughout the county was slow. Fortunately Ballinasloe always had the willing few to keep it organised. In 1896 an organising meeting was held in Ballinasloe and the association began to take shape. Dr. Duggan, Bishop of Clonfert, took a very keen interest from the start in the association in Ballinasloe and the Clergy gave very valuable help subsequently.

Hurling was the oldest known game in the county and can be traced back for centuries. In its early form it was usually contested from field to field between adjoining parishes and each side had any number up to thirty players. The game would often take two to three hours if they were evenly matched, and whatever team would succeed in bringing the ball to a pre-arranged point in their own village would be declared the winners. This cross country system continued up to the eighteen eighties when it gradually changed to a more enclosed form under the G.A.A. rules. The hurling game was never very popular in Ballinasloe compared with football.

The town had a good football team from 1895 to 1912. They usually played against Tuam and Dunmore every year during that period. Mountbellew registered a team about this time and played against Ballinasloe frequently at Ahascragh. The following names were registered with the Ballinasloe Club about 1906: Tom Fallon, Paddy Shanley, Pat Keighery, C. Wiely, Joe Dunne, Dan Acton, J. Tully, J. Fahy, J. Murray, P. Corbett, J. Roche, Ml. Roche, P. Hall and F. Harney. Others who became prominent in the organisation at this period were: Sonny T. Burke, J. J. White, A. Staunton, Martin Ryan, P. Ryan, Tommie Mannion, M. Mannion and J. Deeley. Ahascragh and Aughrim registered teams after 1900 and many good games were played in Aughrim, Ahascragh and Kilconnell.

In the early years the games were played in different places in town namely: Poolboy, The Hill of Back, The Company's Field and Ashford. The G.A.A. club was enlivened in 1913 by Fr. Broderick and in the 1916 period it came under the management of Tom Keating, and the team became famous as the Ballinasloe County team from 1918 to 1926.

Another very important year in the Gaelic development was when the local sports committee purchased the football grounds in 1939. It was named the Duggan Park on the suggestion of the enthusiastic chairman, the Very Rev. Fr. Ed. Hughes who spearheaded the negotiations from the start. Here again the town is indebted to the committee who took charge namely: Very Rev. Ned Hughes, M/s. Tom McGrath, Wm. O'Rourke, Jim Cullen, Joe O'Connor, John Smyth, A. Staunton, T. Burke, J. Dunne, D. Egan and Joe Kelso.

The latter was then treasurer of the club and he was an energetic supporter for over 35 years.

The Duggan Pitch is one of the finest parks in the west with seating for approximately 5,000 people. The acquiring of this Park may be regarded as one of the most important achievements of the Gaelic Athletic Association in Ballinasloe.

Needless to say this development is a great asset to town business as many county provincial and All-Ireland semi-finals have been held in it since 1942. These include Connaught finals and semi-finals, All-Ireland junior semi-finals and minor semi-finals, Railway Cup semi-finals and Oireachtas semi-finals as well as other athletic events.

The following played in All-Ireland football matches between 1919 and 1928: Tom McDonnell, the Egan Brothers (Denis, John, Martin and Tom), Peter Higgins, Bill Flanagan, Paddy Roche, Paddy Ganly, Ted Hession, Tom Molloy, Frank Benson, Paddy Kilroy, Leonard McGrath, M. Banner-ton, Wm. Smyth, M. J. Brennan, Joe Walsh, Jack Hanniffy, Gilby Jennings, B. Fallon, Fr. Huges, H. Burke, John Kirwan, B. Murry, P. Fallon, Trixey Leech (who played in the Tail-teann Games in 1928), and Knacker Walsh whose name spread far and wide in football circles during that period.

From 1934 to 1938: M. Connaire, R. Griffin, P. J. McDonnell, John Dunne, C. Connolly, M. J. Brennan, M. Kelly, Pat McDonagh, Joe Kelleher, P. Kennedy, John Casey and Frank Cuniffe were All-Ireland football champions. The name of M. Connaire was rated amongst the greatest full backs in the country.

For some years afterwards the football banner was carried by Mick Fallon, Pat McManus, Sean Ward, Christy Madden and Paddy Ryan.

From 1954/'57: Gerry Kirwan, Sean Keeley, Gerry Daly and Tom Dillon; and from 1964: Cyril Dunne, Sean Meade and L. O'Neill.

Some of the junior standard bearers were: J. Kelleher, J. Dunne, B. Murray, M. Murray and M. Connaire. John Smyth, Brian Naughton, Jer. Kirwan, M. Ryan, Liam Manning, J. Smyth and P. B. Ryan were some of our minor stalwarts.

The following Ballinasloe men made contributions in the field of All-Ireland refereeing namely: John Dunne, Inkey Flaherty, Patsy Geraghty, Christy Costelloe and Tom Boyle.

The names of the secretaries from the beginning of the G.A.A. in the town are as follows: J. Gibney, P. Brennan, M. Farrell, D. Acton, T. J. O'Boyle, A. Staunton, J. J. Whyte, Sean T. Keating, M. Murray, B. Flanagan, F. Benson, T. Molloy, John Cunnane, M. Keegan, Ml. Ryan, John Power, J. Kelleher, J. Mills, Sean Keating, junior; J. Dunne, Patsy Geraghty, J. Smyth, M. Ganly, Eugene Kelly, M. Grealy, T. Boyle, M. Walsh, Matt Ganly 2nd time and M. Ryan.

Ballinasloe and the G.A.A. are greatly indebted to each of the above but there is one man to whom is owed the greatest debt of all. This man is John 'Tull' Dunne whose

life-time of dedication to the Gaelic Athletic Association is a shining example of a man's pursuit of a principle and a cause. John Dunne is the present county football secretary and was one of Galway's high lights in the 1938 period. He was for a number of years a trustee of the Central Council and a trustee of the football pitch and of several other parks in the county. He holds the distinction of winning the All-Ireland long kick in 1934. It can be fittingly said that there has been a definite football tradition in the Dunne family as his father and his uncle Joe were very energetic supporters in the early years of the organisation and the tradition still continues with his son Cyril who can be rated as one of Ballinasloe's best footballers.

Gaelic football and hurling took a hold in St. Brigid's hospital about the 1900 period and teams were formed and many county and All-Ireland players emanated from there from time to time namely: Gilby Jennings, Jack Haniffy, P. Campbell, B. Fallon, Paddy Ganly. They were followed in later years by C. Connolly, J. Casey, Paddy Cahill, Paddy Forde, Inky Flaherty, Pat McDonagh, Larry Connaire, B. Haniffy, I. Haniffy, 'Staff' Ruane, P. Manton, J. Creaven.

St. Brigid's Hospital registered a hurling team about the 1914 period and they competed in many matches up to county standard. The names of Gilby Jennings, Jack Haniffy, Bill Fallon, Pat Campbell, Jack Deeley and Paddy Ganly were on that team but the team simmered down after five or six years and was barely maintained by a small number of enthusiasts up to 1932 period when football took over for several years. In 1940 hurling came into the limelight again and a team was registered that won several East Board finals and the county final in 1951 and several county hurlers and some All-Ireland hurlers practised with that team.

This 1940 effort has an unbroken record to date. It is hoped that readers will forgive the writer for pinpointing individuals but the names of Jennings, Fallon, Campbell, Haniffy and Flaherty must be listed as having rated in the Ballinasloe Top Twenty. Some other outstanding wearers of the Maroon and White in this area from 1900 up to recent years were: M. Burke, Tommie Ryan, Blossom Kelly, M. J. Brennan, P. Cahill, T. Sweeney, P. Lally, F. Tyrell, H. Barrett, F. Glynn, T. Morgan, M. Morgan, P. Larkin, Hugh Gordon, Joe Salmon, Billy Duffy, J. Killeen, N. Dervan, Tom Larkin, C. Goherty, Fr. Boyle, F. Flynn, J. Jordan, T. Kelly, F. Spillane, Tony Reddin, P. Manton, J. Creaven, H. Burke, M. Garvey, P. Kenny, J. Kirwan, P. Nevin, P. J. Coen, P. Brody, M. Hennessy, M. Lowry, J. Beehan and J. Curley.

To write on hurling in Co. Galway without mentioning the late Jack Whelan would be unforgivable. Jack has been a G.A.A. veteran for almost half a century with over thirty years of secretarial service to the county hurling board.

It is worth noting as well that in the resurgent period that the young women of Ballinasloe were not forgotten. Camogie started in St. Brigid's Hospital about 1915 mostly through the influence of Doctor Ada English and it could be said that

at one period they were one of the best teams in the country and many of the girls were selected to represent the county and province. The game remained very popular with the nurses for over fifteen years or so when the interest waned off.

Other forms of sport were catered for and promoted by St. Brigid's staff under the G.A.A. and N.A.C.A. rules. Annual sporting fixtures for athletic and field events were held there up to 1950. A special cinder track was laid in about 1921 for the holding of cycling competitions and many national cycling championships were held there year after year up to the mid century period.

Advice for Galway Hurlers & Footballers for 1983.

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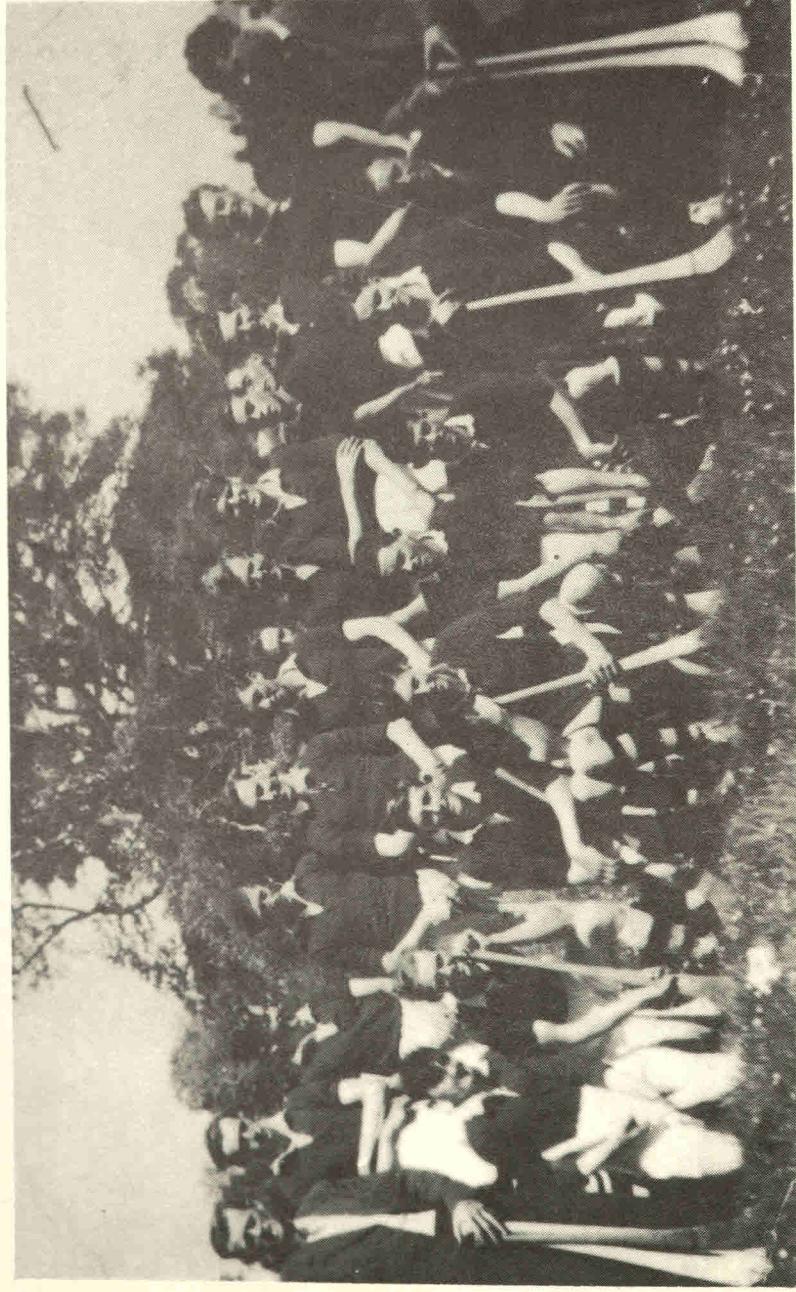
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Kiltormer's First Hurling Team. Junior 1956/7.



Back Row: M. Markham, M. Kelly, M. Jennings, J. McKeague, S. McGilloway, P. Brien, K. Daly, P. Treacy, J. White, M. Frehill, J. Harte, J. Mannion.

Front Row: M. Larkin, P. Kelly, P. Dolan, P. McGilloway (*Capt.*) M. Hoare, M. White, K. Donnelly, M. Lowry (*Trainer*).

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