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Spring is here and rarely have Limerick followers looked to the coming year with so much hope and confidence. The Green and White Army were on the march into September last year. Can Richie's men go one better in 2008? The signs are good for Limerick fans as both Mickey Ned's footballers (v Louth) and the hurlers (v Laois) made winning starts in the 2008 National Leagues.

Readers of The Green and White Magazine will know that the Cumann na mBunscol season is cranking into action. Already Indoor Hurling and Indoor Camogie blitzes are under way. Leagues are organised and fixtures announced. Remind your teacher to enter the INTO Sevens—and you could be in action in Croke Park before long! In this issue we feature action from the 2007 Mini-Sevens series.

All-Ireland titles have made their way to Limerick since our last issue. Doon CBS were in the winners' enclosure twice at the Gaelic Telecom Awards. And guess which magazine won the prize for Best Publication and Website? (For further details, see page 7).

Limerick GAA has a new chairman in Liam Lenihan, a primary school principal who has a long association with Cumann na mBunscol. On behalf of all our readers, we wish him well in his new role.

Luimneach Abú!

Ciarán Crowe & Joe Lyons

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Stadium of Light!

As a reward for winning the 2007 County Championship, the hurlers of Adare will be guests of Sunderland F.C. for their home match (v West Ham United). Adare millionaire Charlie Chawke, who is a Sunderland FC shareholder, arranged the trip.

A Quotable Quote

“ Last year we were unknown. Now, they all know what we can do and they will give us more respect ”

Brian Begley,
(first published in *The Irish Times*)

...And Another One...

“ After last year, fellas are keener now. The subs don't want to be subs anymore and we need a League or a Munster title or, please God, an All-Ireland. ”

Brian Geary
(first published in *The Limerick Leader*.)



New Limerick Crest and Brand

Cumann na mBunscol recently unveiled a new jersey-crest and brand for each of the 32

counties (plus London & Hertfordshire). Printed here are Limerick's brand new logos...



The County Chairmen— Liam Lenihan (Limerick) and Paul Kinsella (Kilkenny).



Cancun, Mexico

Well-earned Break for our Hurlers in Florida & Mexico

Check out pages 22 and 24 of this issue for some holiday snaps from the hurlers' 2008 trip to Florida (USA) and Cancun (Mexico). *Sincere thanks to Gary Kirby, Dave Bulfin and Donncha Sheehan for helping The G&W team compile this feature.*



Room with a view!

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Cumann na mBunscol AGM 2008--Adare

Cumann na mBunscol, the body charged with promoting Gaelic Games in primary schools throughout the island of Ireland, held its Annual General Meeting in Fitzgerald's Woodlands House Hotel, Adare in February. Delegates from all 32 counties (& London) attended. Cumann na mBunscol has a very active Branch in London which promotes Gaelic Games in primary schools in the London region.

Cumann na mBunscol was founded in 1971. Tom Garry, a native of Castleconnell, was its Rúnaí for many years and, though retired from teaching, still maintains strong links with the association.

Brother James Dormer of Doon CBS is National Treasurer of Cumann na mBunscol and looks after a budget of over €400,000 annually.

From humble beginnings, Cumann na mBunscol now promotes Gaelic games in over 3500 schools and is actively involved in fostering boys football, girls football, hurling, camogie, rounders and handball.

It is conservatively estimated that 100,000 boys and girls are catered for by the organisation every year.

Other innovations include the INTO Sevens which takes place in Croke Park on big match days throughout the summer, the Primary GO Games which are now an established feature of the Gaelic Games calendar in Munster, Indoor Hurling and Camogie and the Martin Donnelly interprovincial series which now features primary school players in action during the half-time interval and the Gaelic Telecom Awards

Liam Ó'Loineacháin, Chairman of Limerick County Board and a primary teacher himself, was among the guests in Adare.



▲ Mike O'Donoghue, Liam Lenihan, Paul Kinsella (Kilkenny) and Br. Dormer at the AGM in Adare.

Doon CBS winners of the GAA Project Award pictured in Croke Park with GAA President Nicky Brennan.



New Allianz Logo

Allianz, who sponsor the National Football and Hurling leagues are also the national sponsors of Cumann na mBunscol. Here is the new Allianz logo which will appear on all Cumann na mBunscol match programmes, billboards, stationery etc.



Cumann na mBunscol

Seamus Hickey...

All-action Limerick star

In May 2006, Seamus Hickey was preparing for his Leaving Cert exams in St Flannan's College in Ennis and dreaming of wearing the Limerick jersey in the Munster Championship.

Eighteen months later, he bears the title of Young Hurler of the Year; he has played in an All-Ireland senior Hurling Final and has his sights set on helping Limerick to win the McCarthy Cup in 2008.

Seamus first wore the Limerick jersey when he lined out in the Primary game eight short years ago. On a misty night in Kilmallock, Limerick trounced Cork... in football! Fast forward five years and Seamus is reunited with Don Hanley and several of those Limerick teammates in Croke Park in the All-Ireland minor hurling final. Galway were unstoppable that September Sunday but Seamus vowed to be back. And he was. In September 2007.

He's now a student of Biomedical Engineering in University of Limerick. "Intra- and extra-corporal devices", says Seamus. (In simple language, that's the study of artificial parts that go into the body such as heart valves, knee and hip joints.)

And what's a student's diet like in the playing season? "The usual. Lots of fresh fruit. At least four litres of water a day. Plenty of rest."

Seamus likes to practise on his own, pucking a ball against the wall to develop first touch and keep his eye in. But it's not all work. Orlando and Cancun are his favourite holiday venues and when he's not playing, training or studying, the young man from Boher likes to relax by reading fiction/ fantasy. And dreaming of Croke Park in 2008...



◀ Seamus Hickey enjoys his favourite magazine



◀ He plays in the backs for Limerick...and sometimes he signs backs!

Limerick hurler Seamus Hickey with some young fans in Ballybrown NS



INTO Sevens



▶ INTO 7s players greet the senior teams on All-Ireland final day

Follow the band! Primary School stars take centre stage



▶ What control! Action from the INTO 7s at Croke Park

Niall Moran, Mike Fitzgerald, Brian Begley, Niamh Mulcahy,... all players who have graced All-Ireland Final day in the Limerick colours. But they have something else in common. They all played in Croke Park as primary school pupils in the INTO Sevens. Is there any event in any other sport that affords 12-13 year old pupils the opportunity to play in front of 80,000 fans in one of the world's finest stadiums on the biggest sporting day of the year?

Eight pupils attending primary school in Limerick today will line out in Croke Park on the day of the 2008 All-Ireland final or semi-final, thanks to Cumann na mBunscol.

The INTO GAA Mini Sevens series is 21 years old this year. Each year 240 boys and girls are selected to play in Croke Park in the colours of the competing counties on Big Match day. Many of the boys and girls have gone on to become stars in their own right such as Ciaran Whelan (Dublin), Ollie Murphy (Meath), Paul Galvin of Kerry

(who was chosen in hurling!) and Declan O' Sullivan who captained Kerry to All-Ireland victory in 2006 and 2007.

Brother Dormer of Doon has an amazing record and his pupils have featured in the event since the outset, ranging from Dan Shanahan (Hurler of the Year) and Mike Fitzgerald all the way to Dara Stapleton in September 2007.

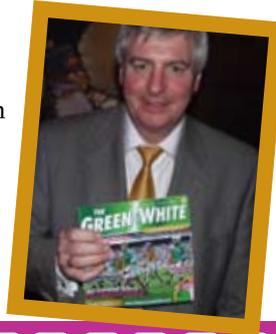
Keep the first and third Sundays in September free this year. You might be busy! **G&W**

Young Whistlers



All Ireland Glory for Limerick Schools!

Limerick went to Kilkenny last December and came home with not one—but three All-Ireland titles! The occasion was the Gaelic Telecom Cumann na mBunscol National Awards. Doon CBS emerged as national winners in the Best Small School category for the second year in a row and also won first prize in the Best Hurling Promotion section. The Green and White Magazine won



the award for Best Publication and Website. The awards ceremony at the Lyrath House Hotel in Kilkenny was attended by GAA President, Nicky Brennan, Minister for Education and Science, Mary Hanafin and Caitriona Ruane MLA, Minister for Education in the Northern Assembly. Master of Ceremonies for the night was RTE's Sunday Game host, Michael Lyster. **G&W**

Ciaran Crowe accepting the award for Best Publication



Joanne Breen accepts one of two national awards won by Doon CBS

Joe Lyons accepts an award on behalf of Cumann na mBunscol Munster



G&W Fact Box

Doon CBS has long been renowned as a nursery of Gaelic games. Michael Fitzgerald, star Limerick forward and a nominee for Young Hurler of the Year for 2007, is a graduate of the Doon CBS hurling academy. Prior to taking up his post as principal in Doon, Br. Dormer was Principal in Lismore CBS in Co. Waterford where he nurtured the talents of such hurlers as Dan Shanahan and Dave Bennett. Doon's awards were accepted by Vice Principal, Ms Joanne Breen who was responsible for co-ordinating the projects.

G&W Fact Box

The Green and White magazine was first published in September 1996. Thirty-five issues later, it is recognised throughout the GAA world as a model for all counties to emulate. The award is recognition of the magazine's success in appealing to readers of all ages throughout Limerick City and County...and beyond. The award was made to founding editors of the magazine, Joe Lyons (Principal, Ballybrown NS) and Ciarán Crowe (Principal, Patrickswell NS).

The Celtic Image Shield



Special Report by Mike O'Donoghue, Cumann na mBunscol

Anything the boys of St. Nessan's can achieve on the playing fields, then so can the girls! One week after the lads won the County Shield, the girls travelled to Rathkeale seeking to retain the Celtic Image Shield. Hell-bent on stopping them were the East champions, Knockea NS. At half time the match was finely balanced at two scores each. St. Nessan's 1-1, Knockea 0-2. After the interval, St. Nessan's gradually got the upper hand to pull away from the East champions. Laura O Dea scored two goals while Clodagh Moloney and Alannah Lyons helped themselves to one goal each. Knockea responded with 1-3 to narrow the gap but there was no denying the Mungret girls.

Referee, Patsy O Dwyer presented the Celtic Image Shield to the victorious St. Nessan's team.

In the semi-finals St. Nessan's overcame Scoil Iosaf NCW while Knockea NS defeated Scoil Íosagáin of Hospital. **G&W**



▲ Referee Patsy Dwyer presents The Celtic Image Shield to the girls of St. Nessan's NS.



◀ Scoil Íosagáin, Hospital



◀ St. Nessans NS

▲ Scoil Iosaf, Newcastle West



▲ East Champions Knockea NS



First Allianz Larkin Shield Win for South Limerick Girls



The girls of South Limerick won the Allianz Larkin Shield for the first time when they defeated holders West Limerick at Mick Neville Park, Rathkeale. The Larkin Shield is the girls football inter-divisional championship for primary schools and is named after Patrick Larkin, a former Principal of St Nessan's NS in Mungret and a leading figure in promoting Gaelic Games in Limerick primary schools in the 1930's.

The girls of South Limerick were first into their stride. Jodie Kelly of Bruree struck a decisive blow when she scored a beautiful goal to send the South into a lead, which they never lost. Aided by Emma Condon and Laura Lyons, the South were well worth their lead at the interval.

West Limerick, with the redoubtable Timmy Woulfe directing operations from the sideline, started in determined fashion and Julia Kennedy found the net to give them hope. However, South Limerick were cool and composed and a second goal by Jodie Kelly sealed the issue, in spite of the best efforts of Rebecca Delee and her teammates

Semi Finals

West Limerick reached the final by virtue of a hard-fought victory over the Limerick City team on a scoreline of 2-2 to 1-2. South Limerick overcame a spirited East challenge by 3-3 to 1-3.

▶ South Limerick celebrate Larkin Shield success



Scoreboard

Allianz Larkin Shield

Half Time South Limerick 1-3: West Limerick 0-1

Full Time South Limerick 2-5: West Limerick 1-2

▼ Limerick City Girls Football Team



A Word of Thanks

Go raibh míle maith agaibh to referees Michael O'Flaherty and Martin Doherty and to Cumann na mBunscol Secretary Michael O' Donoghue who organised the tournament so efficiently.



▲ South Limerick, Allianz Larkin Shield winners for the first time



▲ Clodagh Moloney, Limerick City captain, meets her West Limerick counterpart.

The County Football Shield

No messin' from St. Nessian's!

St. Nessian's NS, Mungret has won the County Football Shield for the second consecutive year. The City champions reached the final when they defeated Doon CBS by 4-8 to 0-5. The other semi-final was a high-scoring affair as Kilmallock NS overcame West champions, Abbeyfeale BNS by 5-3 to 3-5.

The final saw St. Nessian's at their imperious best as their sharp-shooting forwards displayed their dazzling array of skills. Jack Harrington finished with a personal tally of 4 goals, while Dean Jordan played a captain's part scoring two fine goals. Conor Staunton was in top form for Kilmallock and notched one goal and two points for the runners-up. Br. James Dormer

of Cumann na mBunscol presented the County Shield to St. Nessian's captain, Dean Jordan. Who would bet against the Mungret marvels making it three-in-a-row in 2008? **G&W**



County Shield 2007



St Nessian's NS.



Kilmallock NS



Doon CBS



Abbeyfeale BNS

Hurling in Heaven

Hurling in the Field of Dreams! This is a story as old as the GAA itself. In case you haven't heard it before, we thought we'd give it another airing here...

Two 90-year-old men, Pat and Tom, have been friends all of their lives. When it's clear that Pat is dying, Tom visits him every day. One day Tom says, "Pat, we both loved hurling all our lives, and we played together for so many years, right up from U-12. Please do me one favour. When you get to Heaven, somehow you must let me know if there's Hurling played up there." Pat looks up at Tom from his deathbed, "Tom, you've been my best friend for many years. If it's at all possible, I'll do this favour for you."

Shortly after that, Pat passes on. At midnight a couple of nights later, Tom is awakened from a sound sleep by a blinding flash of white light and a voice calling out to him, "Tom! Tom!" "Who is it?" asks Tom sitting up suddenly. "Who is it?" "Tom! It's me, Pat." "You're not Pat. Pat just died." "I'm telling you! It's me, Pat," insists the voice. "Pat! Where are you?" "In heaven", replies Pat. "I have some really good news and a little bad news. Tell me the good news first," says Tom. "The good news," Pat says, "is that there's Hurling in heaven. Better yet, all of our old buddies who died before us are here, too. Better than that, we're all young again. Better still, it's always springtime and it never rains or snows, so there's no need for a defunct fixtures committee to mess things up. And best of all, we can play all the Hurling we want, and we never get tired..." "That's fantastic," says Tom. "It's beyond my wildest dreams! So what could possibly be the bad news?"

"You're playing corner-forward on Tuesday evening!"

G&W



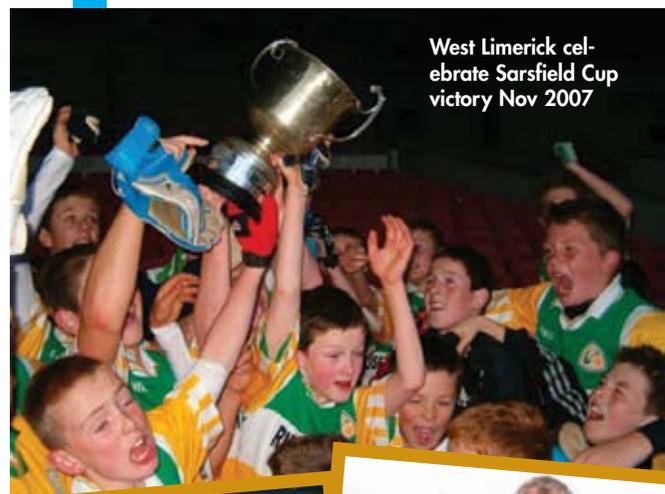
West Limerick retain Sarsfield Cup in class

West Limerick retained the Allianz Sarsfield Cup at Páirc na nGael when they overcame Limerick City after extra time in a dramatic decider.

Heartbreak and dejection were etched on the faces of the City lads as they trudged from the pitch after a final that must surely rank with the best seen in the 25 stagings of this tournament.

Ever since its inception in 1983, the Sarsfield Cup has been dominated by the twin powers of West Limerick and South Limerick but Limerick City surely must have felt they had one hand on the trophy when Patsy Coffey blew for half-time. The City lads, skilful and determined, led by 2-2 to 0-3 at the short whistle. Goals by David O' Brien of St Nessian's had given them a huge fillip while he also kicked two points from frees. West Limerick were confined to three frees by David O'Mahony of Shauntrade NS although Hughie Burke looked dangerous every time the ball came into his corner. Dara Shanahan and Andrew Carroll were rock-solid in the City rearguard while Andrew Cliffe was soundness personified between the posts.

West Limerick reduced the deficit after the break when James O' Brien pointed but Dan J. Harnett put the cat among the pigeons when he raised a green flag for the West. The City boys were tiring but were not to be outfought. The West resurgence continued with a point from Dan J. Harnett, followed by another West point to send them a point ahead with time running out. City captain Dean Jordan had other ideas and sent the game into extra time when he surged through from midfield to level the scores.



West Limerick celebrate Sarsfield Cup victory Nov 2007



City captain Dean Jordan and East captain Pat Ryan



West captain Chris Leahy City captain Dean Jordan with referee Patsy Coffey before Sarsfield Cup Final

n Allianz ssic final!

Scoreboard

Allianz Sarsfield Cup
West Limerick 1-8: Limerick City 2-4 (after extra time)

The first period of extra time saw play swing from end to end. No effort was spared as every last ounce of energy was needed to sustain the wholehearted commitment on display. Hughie Burke sent the West boys ahead when he curled a point over the bar. Back came the City to level scores again as the half drew to a close.

The second period of extra time saw both sides endure close calls and agonising misses. The West, however, had one more kick left in them and Dan J Harnett curled the ball between the

posts to secure victory for his side.

After the game, Brother James Dormer of Cumanna mBunscol presented the Allianz Sarsfield Cup to the West captain, Chris Leahy of Abbeyfeale. Brother Dormer praised the efforts of all four teams, their teachers, mentors, parents and supporters. He paid special tribute to Willie Mulcahy of the Gaelic Grounds staff. Patsy Coffey of Cappamore was an excellent referee.

G&W Fact Box

Semi-final Results

West Limerick advanced to the final when they defeated South Limerick. The scoreline of 5-5 to 1-3 does scant justice to the efforts of Ollie Coffey's side.

Limerick City defeated East Limerick by 2-8 to 2-2 in a free flowing game. A late flurry of scores saw the City boys clinch what had been a very close and entertaining contest.

◀ The huddle

West Limerick who won the Allianz Sarsfield Cup at the Gaelic Grounds



◀ Limerick City, runners-up to West Limerick in the Allianz Sarsfield Cup 2007



◀ The East Limerick team which played in the Allianz Sarsfield Cup



East Schools Review



East Limerick Update

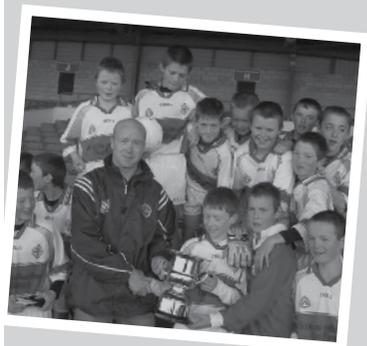
The East Limerick Cumann na mBunscol Football Finals took place at the Gaelic Grounds with 18 teams and over 280 children playing in their respective finals in ideal conditions. Thanks to the referees Patsy Coffey, Jonathan Dervan and Liam O'Sullivan and to all the teachers and parents involved with the teams for making such an effort to promote GAA in schools in East Limerick. Finals day was a great success.



▲ Dean Coleman, Doon

13-a-side "A" Football final: Doon CBS 4:7 Donoughmore 0:0

Doon defeated Donoughmore in the top game of the day. Sterling defensive work from Stephen Ryan and all the Doon backs kept Donoughmore scoreless. Dean Coleman was outstanding in midfield controlling the game and supplying superb ball for the Doon forwards. Up front Pat Ryan and Barry Murphy scored most. Evan Shine and John McDonagh tried hard for Donoughmore but they could not break through for scores.



▲ Jonathan Dervan presents Doon CBS with Corn na mBráithre

13-a-side "B" Football Final: Knockea 1:1 Newport 3:4

Newport took away their first silverware in many years from East Limerick competitions with a well deserved win over Knockea. Aidan Moloney and Marcus Collopy dominated their positions, while Cian Tuohy and Sean Ryan also played really well. Best for Knockea were Barry Nash, James Ahearne and Jack Lynch.

11-a-side Football Final: Caherline 2:6 Nicker NS 1:2

Caherline proved too strong for Nicker in this final. The twins Timothy and William O'Keeffe (and the scoring threat of Kevin Wixted) were the difference between the teams. Joseph Keogh and Dion Shanahan scored for Nicker but Caherline were always in control.

9-a-side 'A' Football Final: Cappamore 3:7 Oola 0:2

Patrick Harty of Cappamore was the star of this game with his ability to score from frees off the ground, one of the only players to attempt this all day. He finished with a total of 1:5 to his name. Paddy Byrnes and Lee Ryan also played well for Cappamore. Niall Enright and Ciaran Ryan were best for Oola.

9-a-side 'B' Football Final: Caherconlish 3:3 Killinure 0:4

Caherconlish proved too strong for a young Killinure team in this final. Aaron Power controlled much of this game, appearing everywhere for Caherconlish including taking the kick-outs and scoring a goal. Jason Warren and Eoghan O'Leary were impressive too on the winning side. For a Killinure team without a sixth class player on show, Eoin Fitzpatrick was excellent in

defence while Dylan Ryan and Ross Kennedy tried hard in midfield.

7-a-side Football Final: Garrydoolis 3:4 Killeely 2:2

Garrydoolis defeated Killeely in the battle of the small schools. John Ryan (Garrydoolis) was his side's best player, scoring and defending valiantly. Martina Hanley and Eadaoin Bradshaw were also prominent for the winners. Jamie McCarthy and Jack Healey scored for Killeely and they held the lead for long periods of this game before succumbing to a late flourish from Garrydoolis.

12-a-side Girls Football Final: Knockea 1:4 Lisnagry 0:1

This was the top fixture in the girls' competition and it was a very competitive game. Knockea led at half time thanks to points from Emma Donnelly and Sarah Ryan. Lisnagry fought hard especially Michaela Dolan and Nicole Lavin but could not fashion the scores. Emma Donnelly won possession all over the field for Knockea. The decisive goal came mid-way through the second half.

9-a-side Girls Football Final: Cappamore 4:4 Oola 1:3

Claire Keating was probably the best girls footballer to play on finals day in the Gaelic Grounds. She contributed greatly to this victory. Denise Blackwell, Rebecca Conroy, Lisa Charles and Cathriona O'Connor put together some great moves for Cappamore. Oola played well at times but could not match the power of the Cappamore girls. Amy Hogan, Shauna O'Brien and Sarah Gardiner tried hard for Oola.

7-a-side Girls Football Final: Killinure 3:1 Garrydoolis 2:1

This was a close contest with a nerve-racking finish. Niamh Clohessy got the winning goal for Killinure but it came very late in the game after incessant pressure on the Garrydoolis goal. Siobhan O'Connor and Andrea Crowe played with heart and determination to ensure victory for Killinure. Best for Garrydoolis were Margaret Ryan (K) and Margaret Ryan (B) and Martina Hanley.

South Schools Review



South Limerick Cumann na mBunscol News

Mrs Theresa Moran recently stepped down as treasurer of South Limerick Primary Schools Board after many years of excellent service. Ms Lisa Power of Glenbrohane NS will replace Theresa.



▲ Limerick back, but whose back is it? Hint - he played for Croom NS in his day.

South Results

Allianz Cumann na mBunscol Football Finals 2007

Roinn 1
Winners: Kilmallock NS
Roinn 2
Winners: Bruree NS
Roinn 3
Winners: Galbally NS
Roinn 4
Winners: Anglesboro NS
Roinn 5
Winners: Banogue NS
Girls
Winners: Scoil Íosagáin, Hospital

G&W Quotation

"I owe nearly all my hurling to him, only for him I'd be an average hurler." (*Michael Fitzgerald speaks of Br. Dormer, Doon CBS—Sunday Times, 10/02/08*)

City Schools Review



City Results

Allianz-Cumann na mBunscol Football Results

Winners

Under 10 A
 St. Paul's NS
 Under 10 B
 An Mhodhscoil
 Under 10 C
 St. Mary's BNS
 Under 11½ A
 Scoil Chríost Rí
 Under 11½ B
 St. Paul's NS
 Under 11½ C
 Corpus Christi NS
 Under 13 A
 St. Nessans NS
 Under 13 B
 Patrickswell NS
 Under 13 C
 Gaelscoil Sairséail
 Girls A (Corn na Modhscoile)
 St. Nessian's NS
 Tony Clarke Shield (Girls)
 Kildimo NS

Runners-up

Monaleen NS
 Patrickswell NS
 Scoil Ide
 Monaleen NS
 An Mhodhscoil
 St. John the Baptist BNS
 Scoil Chríost Rí
 Ballybrown NS
 St. Mary's BNS
 Monaleen NS
 Milford NS

Quotation

Quote: "Take plenty of quality exercise. Don't overeat. Don't drink too much orange and coke etc. And eat plenty of fruit."
(Limerick selector, Gary Kirby speaking to readers of The Green & White Magazine in 2000)

▶ Captains Dara Shanahan and Evan Waters before the Under 13 B Football Final

City Girls Football Team discuss tactics with mentors



▶ Patrickswell NS Under 13 B Football Champions



▶ St Pauls NS Girls Football Team

▶ Ballybrown NS Girls Football Team



▶ Corpus Christi Moyross



West Schools Review



▲
Scoil Iosaf NCW Girls
Football 9-a-side winners



▲
James O'Brien,
Captain, Scoil Mhuire
Broadford



▲
"Is mór an onóir
dom..." arsa Captáen
Scoil Iosaf, NCW.



▲
Scoil Mhuire Broadford
West Division 2
Winners

West Results

West Limerick Allianz Cumann na mBunscol Football Results 2007.

Boys

Winners

Division 1: Abbeyfeale BNS

Division 2: Broadford NS

Division 3: Mahoonagh NS

Division 4: Monagea NS

Division 5: Kilcornan NS

Runners-up

Courtenay BNS

Shanagolden NS

Dromcollogher NS

Croagh NS

Gerald Griffins
NS, Loughill

Girls

Division 1:

Scoil Iósaf, Newcastle West

Castlemahon NS

Division 2:

Ardagh NS

Monagea NS

G&W Quotation

"Nothing compares with winning my first senior hurling County title with my club Adare."
(Limerick dual star, Steven Lavin speaking to The Green and White Magazine in April 2007)

Boys 0 Boys...

Every player who wears the green and white of Limerick started out in the Cumann na mBunscol leagues playing for his or her school. We've been trawling through the files of The Green & White and uncovered the following photos. Can you recognise these players as they appeared in their Cumann na mBunscol days? **G&W**



PT

Scored a never-to-be-forgotten goal v Tipp in 2007. And 1-7 (v Laois) in 2008.



SOC

Goalscoring full-forward for Ahane and Limerick



MF

Used to be a goalie, Nominated for Young Hurler of the Year in 2007. 'Doon' time in the forward line these days!



BM

His favourite number used to be 10. Now he's an All-Star No.1!

(And a Girl!)



BG & BB

Two Brians



A O'S

Be prepared for Shocks!



SH

Young Hurler of the Year in 2007. But he's even younger here.

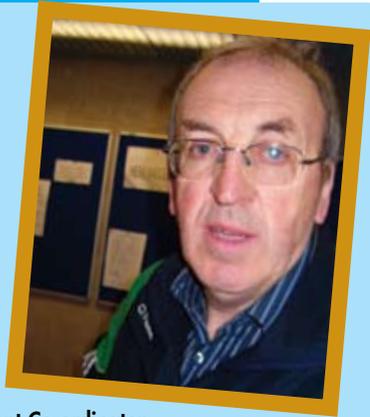


NM

Young Camogie Player of the Year—recently seen on the 9 O'Clock News receiving an award from Sir Alex Ferguson

Introducing...

Paudie Butler National Hurling Coach



Paudie Butler has an impressive-sounding title: National Hurling Development Co-ordinator.

But what does it mean? To co-ordinate the development of hurling in the 32 counties of Ireland (and beyond where possible).

Paudie has been involved in hurling all his life. As a player, he represented his club (Drom-Inch) and his county (Tipperary) at all levels. As a primary school teacher for over 30 years, he was involved in introducing young boys and girls to the game.

Paudie visited Limerick recently for the launch of the FunDo Activity pack. He conducted coaching sessions for club coaches, teachers and student teachers.

The Green and White Magazine caught up with Paudie. Here's what he had to say. The Golden Rule for young players is: Your writing hand holds the hurley. If you write with your right, your right hand goes on top.

Practise with a ball against a wall.

Set yourself targets. How many times can I bounce the ball on the hurley in 20 seconds?

How many pick-ups can I do in 20 seconds?

Practise skills with either hand. Practise catching with left and right—not just your strong hand.

Don't be afraid of making a mistake: Let your fears go!



Paudie Butler with Ballybrown NS pupils

Prize Crossword

To enter Competition 35, send a photocopy of your completed crossword or a list of answers to: **The Green and White**, Patrickswell N.S., Co. Limerick. Answers by e-mail to: info@thegreenandwhite.com. Last term's winners and answers are printed on Page 23.

No. **35**

TRASNA

- 1 Disney movie about Giselle, a cartoon princess banished to the real world (9)
- 8 The egg with the toy inside; it's more generous! (6)
- 9 A hit for Alvin & the Chipmunks; it's not a Good Night! (3,3)
- 10 Gentleman (Masculine): ---- (Feminine)? (4)
- 12 If Adam was the First Man, who was the First Lady? (3)
- 13 European Free Trade Association, initially? (1,1,1,1)
- 16 What Goodfellas and Dominos sell by the oven-load! (6)
- 17 They can be acute, right, obtuse or reflex (6)
- 18 Zn? A metal used to galvanise steel (4)
- 21 Middle name of Limerick football manager, Mickey --- O Sullivan? (3)
- 22 Surname of Limerick hurling brothers, T.J., Donie and Dave? (4)
- 24 ROMANS? Ollie, Niall and James: a.k.a. the ----- of Ahane? (6)
- 25 ELVORS? They send cards to each other on Valentine's Day (6)
- 26 "There's a hole in the bucket, dear Liza. So fix it ---- ----!"(4,5)



SÍOS

- 2 Enid Blyton character from Toytown; friend of Big Ears (5)
- 3 Iománaithe. It's what Richie Bennis's boys are! (7)
- 4 Having excellent moral character--aristocratic. EBLON? (5)
- 5 ---- Murphy is the voice of Shrek's donkey? (5)
- 6 Singer who released album, Life in Cartoon Motion (4)
- 7 The Simpsons' eldest child, as seen on TV (4)
- 10 If 'J' stands for Jennifer; what does 'Lo' stand for? (5)
- 11 A word for "twelve," used when buying eggs etc. (5)
- 14 Mark from Adare, recently named captain of the county for 2008 (5)
- 15 SONAR? Setting fire to property for an illegal purpose (5)
- 17 Limerick's world-class professional boxer (4,3)
- 19 Movie and book title, The Man in the ----Mask (4)
- 20 A Munster county, conquerors of Limerick in the 2008 McGrath Cup final (5)
- 21 The correct way to say 'no' to a male teacher! (2,3)
- 22 A popular name for a dog (5)
- 23 The chocolate bar with the 'bubbles' in it (4)



Scribble Box



7 Sios:
Eat my shorts.



SETANTA McFANTA

A LEGEND IN HIS OWN HELMET



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The Green and White Gallery

Play Hurling— See the World!

Limerick Hurlers visited Florida & Mexico for some *sun and fun* following their All-Ireland heroics last autumn! On behalf of all their fans, we say thanks for the fantastic memories— and well done to everyone who made 2007 such a wonderful year for Limerick hurling fans everywhere!

Training...



Shamu



Limerick mentors meet Shrek and Donkey!

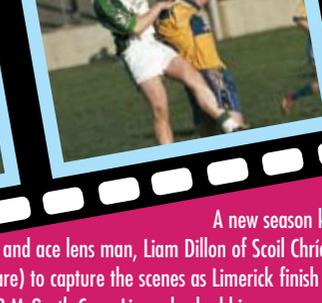


Gary Kirby oversees a training session where the emphasis is on striking the ball and practising the correct swing



Lucey and the Dodge!

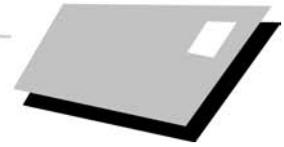
Limerick Senior Footballers in Action



Action from Limerick v Louth & Limerick v Clare

A new season kicks off — and ace lens man, Liam Dillon of Scoil Christí Rí, is on hand (at Cooraclare) to capture the scenes as Limerick finish runners-up to Clare in the 2008 McGrath Cup. Liam also had his camera at the ready at Páirc na nGael for Limerick's first-round victory (v Louth) in the NFL.

In off the Post



DATES

FOR YOUR DIARY

MARCH 12TH @ Millennium Centre, Caherconlish
12.30 pm: Indoor Camogie County Final
1.30 pm: Indoor Hurling County Final

APRIL 8th @ Neville Park, Rathkeale
INTO 7's County Finals
Girls Football: 12 noon
Boys Football: 1.30 p.m.

APRIL 15th @ Neville Park, Rathkeale
INTO 7's County Finals
Camogie: 12 noon
Hurling: 1.30 p.m.

MAY 19th @ The Gaelic Grounds
Allianz Mackey Cup (Inter-divisional Hurling)
3.30 pm: Limerick City v East Limerick
4.15 pm: West Limerick v South Limerick
5.15 pm: Final

MAY 26th @ THE Gaelic Grounds
Allianz Neville Cup (Inter-divisional Camogie, 15-a-side)

3.30 pm: Limerick City v East Limerick
4.15 pm: West Limerick v South Limerick
5.15 pm: Final

JUNE 16th @ The Gaelic Grounds
Limerick Leader Cup
(Contested by the "A" hurling champions of each division)
1.30 pm: West Limerick v East Limerick
2.15 pm: Limerick City v South Limerick
3.15 pm: Final

JUNE 18th @ The Gaelic Grounds
The Green and White Shield
(Contested by the "A" camogie champions of each division)
1.30 pm: West Limerick v East Limerick
2.15 pm: Limerick City v South Limerick
3.15 pm: Final
Note: This is a 13-a-side competition

My Favourite GAA Memory of 2007

Last term's competition required readers to write about their favourite GAA memory of 2007. We had a bumper entry to this competition and the standard of most of these was excellent. In order to do justice to our readers' wonderful work we have decided to wait until next term to announce who has won the hurley autographed by Richie's 'class of 2007.' In next term's magazine we will also publish a selection of the best entries. In the meantime, here's a flavour of what came in off the post...

... We were in the semi final against Waterford. It wasn't to be Waterford's day. We gave them a five goal hammering. Shocks scored a fantastic penalty. It shocked the Waterford team and they never really settled after that. Donie Ryan and Brian Begley scored a further two goals and that really sealed it...

Kevin Clohessy, Murroe N.S.

It was Limerick v Tipperary—again! It was our third time watching this contest in as many weeks. Before the match even started, the crowd were waiting in anticipation. The previous two games had the whole county enthralled and everyone lucky enough to be in the Gaelic Grounds knew this would be a game to remember...

Róisín McGuire, Scoil Iosaf, NCW

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Well Done Lucky Winners of Crossword No. 34!

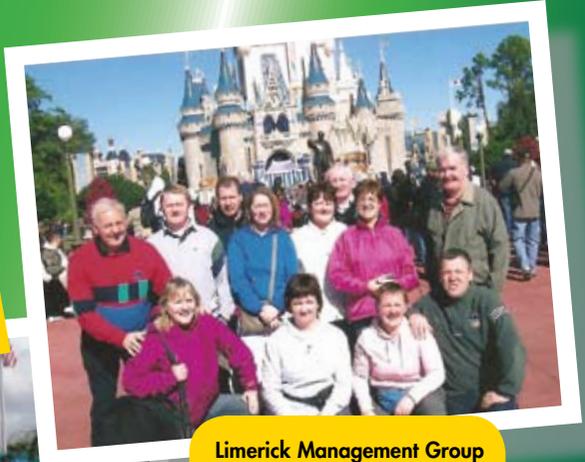
Denis Murray, Ashford, Ballagh, Co. Limerick
Máire Hourigan, Knockea NS, Co. Limerick
Niamh Lonergan, Knockainey NS, Co. Limerick

Crossword No. 33 Answers

Trasna: 1 Dan the Man 8 Parade 9 Tissue 10 Rose 12 A.K.A.
13 Stem 16 Bennis 17 Galway 18 Tara 21 Sam 22 Tree
24 Mondeo 25 Legend 26 Tipperary
Síos: 2 Adare 3 The Cats 4 Extra 5 An S.O.S. 6 NATO 7 Tube
10 Robot 11 Sonar 14 Tower 15 Maybe 17 Gambler 19 Akon
20 Ard Rí 21 Swoop 22 Tiger 23 Erne

G&W The BACK DOOR

Holiday Snaps Album



Limerick Management Group pose outside the palace at Disneyworld, Florida



Spot the Limerick hurler. (He usually plays in mid field)



Gang outside Wet and Wild



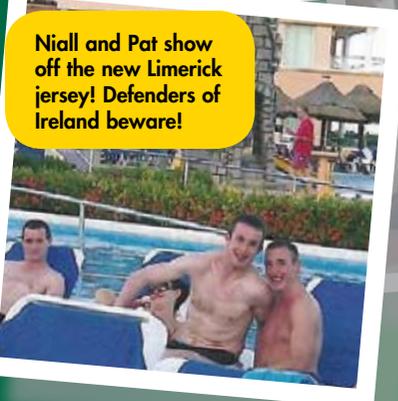
Richie on a jet ski



Mossie Sombrero O'Brien



This beats running up and down the sideline! (says Richie)



Niall and Pat show off the new Limerick jersey! Defenders of Ireland beware!

Watch out for G&W
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