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SEMI-FINALS 31.10.2020

DUBLIN v KILKENNY 3.45pm Croke Park

WEXFORD v GALWAY 6.15pm Croke Park

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ÁTH CLIATH V CILL CHAINNIGH

CROKE PARK 15:45PM



LOCH GARMAN V GAILLIMH

CROKE PARK 18:15PM



CLÁR AN LAE | PÁIRC AN CHRÓCAIGH — 31.10.2020 (Sat)

MATCH OFFICIALS

ÁTH CLIATH V CILL CHAINNIGH

Referee: Johnny Murphy (Luimneach)
Std By: John Keenan (Cill Mhantáin)
Linesman: Patrick Murphy (Ceatharlach)
Sideline: Conor Daly (Cill Dara)
Umpires: Mike Meade, James Hickey, Andy Dooley & Kieran O Callaghan
Hawk Eye Official: Dickie Murphy (Loch Garman)
Dressing Room 1 — Davin Stand



14.45 Pitch Walk: Teams & Match Officials (10 mins)
15.00-15.05** Both Co. Secretaries to present Team Lists in Referees Room
15.22 Áth Cliath amach ar an bpáirc
15.24 Cill Chainnigh amach ar an bpáirc
15.25 Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc
15.35 Toss
15.45 Tús an chluiche
A water break will take place between the 15th & 20th minute of the half**
16.23* Leath-am
Cill Chainnigh to leave the field immediately on half time whistle
Áth Cliath to leave the field once Cill Chainnigh have cleared the tunnel
16.38* Tús an dara leath
A water break will take place between the 15th & 20th minute of the half**
17.16* Críoch an chluiche
17.18 Pitch Walk: Teams & Match Officials (10 mins)
17.50-17.55** Both Co. Secretaries to present Team Lists in Referees Room
If Áth Cliath & Cill Chainnigh is level after normal time, see Clár an Lae B.

MATCH OFFICIALS

GAILLIMH V LOCH GARMAN

Referee: Colm Lyons (Corcaigh)
Std By: Fergal Horgan (Tiobraid Árann)
Linesman: Kevin Jordan (Tiobraid Árann)
Sideline: Gavin Quilty (Cill Chainnigh)
Umpires: Paul Kelly, Niall Ward, Pat O'Toole & Phelim Kell
Hawk Eye Official: Willie Barrett (Tiobraid Árann)
Dressing Room 1 — Davin Stand



17.52 Gaillimh amach ar an bpáirc
17.54 Loch Garman amach ar an bpáirc
17.55 Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc
18.05 Toss
18.13 Amhrán na bhFiann
18.15 Tús an chluiche
A water break will take place between the 15th & 20th minute of the half**
18.53* Leath-am
Loch Garman to leave the field immediately on half time whistle
Gaillimh to leave the field once Loch Garman have cleared the tunnel
19.08* Tús an dara leath
A water break will take place between the 15th & 20th minute of the half**
19.46* Críoch an chluiche
19.56 Toss & updated Teamsheets to Referee
19.57 Start of Extra Time 1st Half
20.08* End of Extra Time 1st Half
Teams Remain on the Pitch
20.12* Start of Extra Time 2nd Half
21.23* End of Extra Time 2nd Half
-- If Still level, Phase 2 (Penalties) —
20.26 Players registered with the Referee & Toss
20.27 Penalties
* depending on 'added time'

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FÁILTE ÓN GCATHAOIRLEACH



Fáilte Róimh Go Léir inniu.

I would like to welcome you all to the Semi Final stages of the Leinster GAA Senior Hurling Championship. Last week saw a welcome return to action, as Laois and Dublin got the ball rolling. I would like to pay special mention to both sides and officials who took the steps into the unknown and were so co-operative in helping ensure the fixture was played in accordance with all Covid guidelines.

In the end Dublin proved to strong for the O'Moore men and ran out convincing winners on the night. In doing so they set up a tantalising clash with last years finalists Kilkenny. These two sides have begun to build a nice rivalry stretching back to their league and championship clashes in 2013. Last years encounter in UPMC Nowlan Park certainly lived up to the billing and whets the appetite nicely for today.

Our second Semi Final see's Wexford begin a defence of their Leinster crown. That win was the highlight of the summer for many people. The out-pouring of emotion and the festivities that followed demonstrated just how hungry the Model County are for success. With Davy Fitzgerald once more at the helm they will be eyeing a Decembet date in Croke Park if possible. Today they face a Galway side who will be equally as hungry for success. Their cruel exit from last years championship will have had longer to fester than most and I am sure they will be relishing the chance to avenge it here tonight.

Once again I would like to pay special mention to our officials. Both Colm Lyons and Johnny Murphy bring with them a wealth of experience and I wish both them and their teams every success today.

Last weeeekend's action has served as a timely reminder for how much we have missed our games. While they may not be operating under a guise in which we are accustomed, I still hope they go some way towards brightening the long dark evenings for all within our community. So with that I will hand over to the teams and simply say enjoy!

Go n-éirí an bóthar libh.



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EXTRA TIME AND WINNER ON THE DAY REGULATIONS

Regulations approved Ard Chomhairle on the 19th January 2019 and in accordance with Rules of Specification 3.4 & 3.6 T.O. Part 2 2019, that relevant games that finish level after normal playing times should be completed as follows:

Phase 1

- Proceed to Extra time as provided for in T.O. Cuid II (two periods of ten minutes each way)

Phase 2 (Penalty Kicks/Pucks)

If still level, a "penalty competition" to decide the outcome:

- The relevant rules in T.O. Cuid II shall apply in relation to Penalty Kicks/Pucks, unless otherwise stated.
- Penalties will be taken for goals only.
- The Referee shall choose the end at which the penalty kicks/pucks will be taken. The end may be changed by the referee if it becomes unplayable during the course of the penalties.
- The Referee will ensure two goal umpires are in place at the end in which the penalty kicks/pucks are to be taken

- Both umpires shall position themselves on the end line at opposite side of the goals facing inwards

- If a penalty is scored, the goal umpire, will wave the green flag once the referee has signalled

- If the penalty is saved or missed the point umpire will signal a wide once the referee has signalled

- Each team shall register five penalty takers, a goal keeper & a substitute goal keeper with the referee and indicate in which order the penalty takers will take their penalties. (A penalty taker can also be a goalkeeper or a substitute goalkeeper.)
- The Referee shall toss a coin in the presence of the two captains to see which team will have the option of going first.
- Only players who are on the field of play at the end of Phase 1 (i.e. end of Extra Time), shall be allowed to be registered as a penalty taker or goalkeeper. Exception: The substitute goalkeeper can come from the team panel.
- A goalkeeper who is injured while the penalty kicks/pucks are being taken and is unable to continue as a goalkeeper may be replaced* by the substitute goalkeeper who has been nominated in advance, provided the referee is notified. If in the event the substitute goalkeeper also gets injured, one of the registered penalty takers may replace* the substitute goalkeeper, provided the referee is notified. (*Once replaced, the goalkeeper/ substitute goalkeeper cannot be reintroduced as a goalkeeper at a later stage)
- Subject to the conditions below both teams will take five penalty kicks/pucks which are taken alternately by the teams. The game is awarded to whichever team scores more of their five penalty kicks/pucks

-If, before both teams have taken five penalty kicks/pucks, one team has scored more goals than the other team could score, even if they were to complete their five penalty kicks/pucks, no more penalty kicks/pucks shall be taken

-If, after both teams have taken five penalty kicks/pucks and both teams have scored the same number of goals, the penalty competition will continue but in sudden death format using the same five registered players until one team has scored a goal more than the other from the same number of kicks/pucks.

-In sudden death, the same sequence of penalty takers does not have to be followed as in the first round of penalty kicks/pucks.

- Each penalty kick/puck is taken by a different player. All registered players must take a penalty kick/puck before any player can take an additional penalty kick/puck.
- The referee shall signal for the penalty to be taken. The penalty kick/puck is completed when the ball stops moving, goes out of play (including over the crossbar) or a goal is scored.
- Only the players involved in the penalty taking competition, as well as the Referee, Linesmen and Umpires are permitted on the pitch. With the registered penalty takers located between the 45m & 65m lines closest to the end selected by the referee. Goalkeepers to be located 20m from the goals.
- All other players (including substitute goalkeepers), managers, officials, backroom personnel etc should be at their designated sideline area, and off the field of play when the penalty-taking competition is taking place.



DUBLIN V KILKENNY



THE OLDEST PAIRING



The term 'old rivals' can truly be applied to Dublin and Kilkenny on the hurling field. Indeed, they are the oldest of final rivals in the history of Gaelic Games as their meeting at Portlaoise on July 15, 1888 was the first Provincial Final to be played in hurling or football in any province. Kilkenny were victors on that occasion and that was the first of their 86 Championship meetings to date, 59 of which have been won by Kilkenny and 19 by Dublin. There were 6 drawn games, including the 2013 semi-final, between the sides, which Dublin won at the second attempt, bridging a 71 year gap.

THE DETAILS OF THE 10 MOST RECENT MEETINGS ARE:

2009 KILKENNY 2-18 DUBLIN 0-18
2010 KILKENNY 4-19 DUBLIN 0-12
2011 KILKENNY 4-17 DUBLIN 1-15
2012 KILKENNY 2-21 DUBLIN 0-9
2013 DUBLIN 0-17 KILKENNY 1-14

REPLAY DUBLIN 1-16 KILKENNY 0-16
2014 KILKENNY 0-24 DUBLIN 1-9
2016 KILKENNY 1-25 DUBLIN 0-16
2018 KILKENNY 1-24 DUBLIN 3-16
2019 KILKENNY 2-23 DUBLIN 1-21

SHARP SHOOTERS



DUBLIN V KILKENNY



To say the game of hurling has evolved is an understatement. On average you can now see a score every 55 seconds. This means that having reliable sharp shooters is more important than ever. As we move towards the game we'll have a look at some of the key scorers who will be on display today.



TJ REID

V Dublin 2019

Scored - 2-12

From Play - 1-00



DONAL BURKE

V Laois 2020

Scored - 1-16

From Play 1-04

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DUBLIN FLASHBACK

BY JOHN HARRINGTON

David 'Dotsie' O'Callaghan was one of the stars of Dublin's dramatic 2013 Leinster SHC semi-final replay victory over reigning All-Ireland champions Kilkenny, scoring four points from play. He spoke to GAA.ie to give us the inside track on Dublin's first championship win over the Cats for 71 years.

Anthony Daly was in his fifth year as Dublin manager in 2013, so by then the team had really settled down and matured?

It had, yeah. The one thing that we always struggled with was consistency. In 2011 we had a massive breakthrough when we won the League and then went on to make another breakthrough by beating Galway in the Leinster semi-final. We probably froze a bit in the Leinster Final and Kilkenny were definitely motivated to avenge that League Final as well. We got back to an All-Ireland semi-final and produced a decent performance against Tipperary despite being down a few bodies

So there was massive hope going into 2012 but we completely flopped that whole year which was hard to take after 2011. We thought after getting to an All-Ireland semi-final in 2011 that we'd kick on even further, but sport doesn't really work like that.

We never trained as hard as we did in 2012. We were doing two sessions a day, we were flat out. But we were relegated in the League and the whole year became a flop.

TJ Reid got a late equaliser for Kilkenny in the first match and the common refrain afterwards was that you don't get second chances against that Kilkenny team and that Dublin had passed up a great opportunity. What were you and your team-mates thinking after the drawn match?

That's it exactly, everyone was saying you've lost your chance and you have to be wary of some of that talk sinking into your mind. I think though we gained a lot of confidence from how we'd played in the drawn game and within the camp there was something there saying we can go on and take this.

I remember that week well. You'd be nearly saying to yourself, this is it, it's now or never. We have to win this. I remember driving up to the Wicklow gap and listening to music and just really trying to get into the mindset for it. You'd be told not to play on emotions, but at that stage I definitely was, I was saying this has to be it and I was really trying to get into the zone.



You came on as a sub in the drawn match and did really well, scoring a couple of points. Did you know you'd start the replay?

I did, yeah, at the start of the week. I had done well in the drawn game when I came on fairly early as a sub and sometimes it's nice to be in that position. It tended to have a good effect on me sometimes, being in that position where you're coming on as a sub. You're not overthinking the game, you're just coming on and getting stuck into it.

But, yeah, I had come on in the drawn game and done quite well, so I was ready to really kick into gear from the start for the replay.

That was a seriously strong Kilkenny team. They had won the two previous All-Irelands and would win the following two as well in 2014 and 2015. What was it like to play that Kilkenny team? What did it take to really go toe to toe with them?

We had beat ourselves against them on some occasions. For a few years that Kilkenny team was literally walking to All-Ireland semi-finals because there was no-one in Leinster to compete with them. They were cruising through.

In 2011 we probably froze a bit on the day against them in the Leinster Final. So we'd never really managed to properly challenge them. There was a lot of talk that we would put it up to them in the championship in 2011 and 2012 and maybe that affected us psychologically, all this talk about Dublin are the coming team. You'd have to have huge respect for Kilkenny too because that team just didn't do complacency. Whoever they were playing against they showed them the ultimate respect and would do their best to beat you by 30 or 40 points if they could. Other teams might ease off if they were winning well, but Kilkenny were so mentally strong they never did.

In 2013 we weren't overwhelmed by the occasion or the sense of expectation like we maybe had been previously. We just focused on our hurling.

Did it mean all the more to you because you'd been hurling with Dublin for a long time and, as you say, had such a tough year in 2012.

It did, yeah. It was special for all of us because a lot of lads had been on the go with Dublin for a long time at that stage. You're putting in a lot of effort and you're there to try to win things. The Dublin hurling project meant a lot to me and I wanted to be part of teams that made breakthroughs and achieved things. When you put that much into it, then success is what you want, that's the reality. Winning a National League was phenomenal, but then we flopped so badly. So to come back and win the Leinster Championship was all the more tangible in terms of feeling like we had made progress and were going somewhere.

I would have played with the county footballers as well and I was laughed at over the years by some friends and by some football people for committing to the hurling. All you'd hear would be, "Sure what are you going to do there?" So proving people wrong by winning that Leinster Championship and lifting a hurling trophy with Hill 16 a sea of blue was nice. It was just a great couple of weeks back in 2013. As it turned out, that year was probably our best opportunity to win the big one, but it didn't work out unfortunately. You were hoping it would lead to bigger and better things and that Dublin would be up at a level where we're competing all the time, but inconsistency would remain a problem unfortunately. The Yo Yo team, we should have been called!

DUBLIN



KILKENNY



ALAN NOLAN
AILÉIN Ó NUALLÁIN
ST. BRIGIDS

1

2

PADDY SMYTH
PÁDRAIG MAC GABHANN
CLONTARF

5

CONOR BURKE
CONCHÚR DE BÚRCA
ST. VINCENT'S

3

EOGHAN O'DONNELL
EOGHAN Ó DÓNAILL
WHITEHALL COLMCILLE

6

DAIRE GRAY
DAIRE MAC CATHAIL RIABHNAIGH
WHITEHALL COLMCILLE

4

JAMES MADDEN
SÉAMUS Ó MADÁIN
BALLYBODEN ST. ENDA'S

7

CIAN O'CALLAGHAN
CIAN Ó CEALLACHÁIN
CUALA

8

SEÁN MORAN
SEÁN Ó MÓRÁIN
CUALA

9

RIAIN MCBRIDE
RIAIN MAC GIOLLA BHRÍDE
ST. VINCENT'S

10

CIAN BOLAND
CIAN Ó BEOLLÁIN
ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT'S EOGHAN RUADH

13

DONAL BURKE
DÓNALL DE BÚRCA
NA FIANNA

11

CHRIS CRUMMEY (C)
CRÍOSTÓIR Ó CROMTHA
LUCAN SANSFIELDS

14

DAVY KEOGH
DAIBHÉID MAC EOCHADH
THOMAS DAVIS

12

DANNY SUTCLIFFE
DÓNALL SUTCLIFFE
ST. JUDE'S

15

RONAN HAYES
RÓNÁN Ó HAODHA
KILMACUD CROKES

FIR IONAD

16. SEÁN BRENNAN/ SEÁN Ó BRAONÁIN CUALA
17. SHANE BARRETT/ SEÁN Ó BAIRÉID NA FIANNA
18. JAKE MALONE/ JAKE Ó MAILEIDIN CUALA
19. ANDREW DUNPHY/ AINDRIÚ Ó DONNCHAIDH ST. BRIGID'S
20. FERGAL WHITLEY/ FERGAL DE FUITLÉIGH KILMACUD CROKES
21. LIAM RUSHE/ LIAM Ó LUACHRA ST. PATRICK'S PALMERSTOWN
22. EAMON DILLON/ ÉAMANN Ó DIOLÚN NAOMH FIONNBARRAI
23. PAUL CRUMMEY/ PÓL Ó CROMTHA LUCAN SANSFIELDS
24. MARK SCHUTTE/ MARCAS SCHUTTE CUALA
25. JOHN HETHERTON/ SEÁN HETHERTON ST. VINCENT'S
26. DAVID TREACY / DAIBHÉID Ó TREASAIGH CUALA

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MARCAS Ó CUANA

EOIN MURPHY
EOIN Ó MURCHÚ
GLENMORE

1

2

CONOR DELANEY
CONCHUBHAR Ó DÚLÁINNE
ERIN'S OWN

5

PADRAIG WALSH
PÁDRAIG BREATHNACH
TULLAROAN

3

HUW LAWLOR
AODH Ó LEATHLOBHAI
O'LOUGHLIN GAELS

6

PADDY DEEGAN
PÁIDÍ Ó DUÍGINN
O'LOUGHLIN GAELS

4

CIARAN WALLACE
CIARAN BHAILIS
ERIN'S OWN

7

RICHIE REID
RISTEARD Ó RIADA
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8

CILLIAN BUCKLEY
CILLIAN Ó BUACHALLA
DICKSBORO

9

CONOR FOGARTY
CONCHÚR Ó FÓGARTAIGH
ERIN'S OWN

10

JOHN DONNELLY
SEAN Ó DONNGHAILE
THOMASTOWN

13

BILLY RYAN
LIAM Ó RIAIN
GRAIGUE-BALLYCALLAN

11

TJ REID
T S Ó RIADA
SHAMROCKS BALLYHALE

14

COLIN FENNELLY (C)
CÓILÍN Ó FIONNALAIGH
BALLYHALE SHAMROCKS

12

WALTER WALSH
UALTAR BREATHNACH
TULLOGHER ROSBERCON

15

EOIN CODY
EOIN MAC ODA
SHAMROCKS BALLYHALE

FIR IONAD

16. DARREN BRENNAN / DAIRE Ó BRAONÁIN ST LACHTAINS
17. PAUL MURPHY / PÓL Ó MURCHÚ DANESFORT
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GALWAY



MARK FANNING
MAIRC Ó FAÍNÍN
GLYNN-BARNTOWN

1

3

LIAM RYAN
LIAM Ó RIAIN
RAPPAEES

4

DAMIEN RECK
DAMIEN O REIC
OYLGATE-GLENBRIEN

2

SIMON DONOHOE
SIOMÓN Ó DONNCHÚ
SHELMALERS

5

PAUDIE FOLEY
PÁDRAIG Ó FOGLEÚ
CROSSABEG-BALLYMURN

6

MATTHEW O'HANLON (C)
MAITTIÚ Ó ANLUAIN
ST. JAMES

7

SHAUN MURPHY
SEÁN Ó MURCHÚ
OULART -THE BALLAGH

8

KEVIN FOLEY
CAOIMHÍN Ó FOGLEÚ
RAPPAEES

9

DIARMUID O'KEEFE
DIARMUID Ó CAOIMH
ST. ANNES

10

JACK O'CONNOR
SEÁN O CONCHÚIR
ST MARTINS

11

LEE CHIN (C)
LEE CHIN
FAYTHE HARRIERS

12

LIAM OG MCGOVERN
LIAM MAC SAMHÁIN
ST. ANNES

13

RORY O'CONNOR
RUAIRÍ O'CONCHÚIR
ST MARTINS

14

CONOR McDONALD
CONCHÚIR MAC DONALL
NAOMH EANNA

15

PAUL MORRIS
PÓL Ó MUIRIS
FERNS ST AIDANS

EANNA MURPHY
ÉANNA O MURCHÚ
TOMMY LARKINS

1

3

FINTAN BURKE
FIONTAIN DÉ BÚRCA
TURLOUGHMORE

4

AIDAN HARTE
AODHÁN Ó HAIRT
GORT

2

SEAN LOFTUS
SEAN Ó LACHTNÁIN
AN TURLOCH MOR

5

PADRAIC MANNION (C)
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12

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NA SÁIRSEALAIGH

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CILL IOMAIR DÁLAIGH

14

CONOR WHELAN
CONCHUBHAR Ó FAOLÁIN
KINVARA

15

JASON FLYNN
JASON Ó FLOINN
TOMMY LARKINS

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WEXFORD V GALWAY



11 PREVIOUS CHAMPIONSHIP MEETINGS



Galway and Wexford are today meeting for just the 4th time, since Galway's entrance into the Leinster Championship in 2009. In all they have met just 11 times in Senior Championship hurling, with Wexford being successful on six occasions to Galway's three, with the All-Ireland semi-final of 1976 going to a replay and the round robin stage of last year's Leinster Championship ending in a draw.

1887 GALWAY 2-8 WEXFORD 1-0

1951 WEXFORD 3-11 GALWAY 2-9

1955 WEXFORD 3-13 GALWAY 2-8

1956 WEXFORD 5-13 GALWAY 1-8

1970 WEXFORD 3-17 GALWAY 5-9

1976 WEXFORD 5-14 GALWAY 2-23

REPLAY WEXFORD 3-14 GALWAY 2-14

1996 WEXFORD 2-13 GALWAY 3-7

2010 GALWAY 2-22 WEXFORD 1-14

2017 GALWAY 0-29 WEXFORD 1-17

2019 WEXFORD 0-16 GALWAY 0-16

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SHARP SHOOTERS

To say the game of hurling has evolved is an understatement. On average you can now see a score every 55 seconds. This means that having reliable sharp shooters is more important than ever. As we move towards the game we'll have a look at some of the key scorers who will be on display today.



JOE CANNING

V Tipperary 2018

Scored — 0-11

From Play — 0-04



LEE CHIN

V Tipperary 2019

Scored — 1-07

From Play 1-00



WEXFORD LOOKING TO LAY DOWN MODERN MARKER



Wexford supporters, young and old, are beginning slowly but surely to feel confident in their own skin. Long since forgotten the memories of tramping to championship matches with little more than a dream and a prayer. The fortunes of this model county have changed so rapidly that even the most avid of skeptics wouldn't now, count them out against anyone. When Davy Fitzgerald first arrived on Slaney side it was seen as a throw of the dice, an experiment in external guidance which was at logger heads with what had gone before. However, any of those who attended that first game on a dreary winter day in Gorey would tell you, something changed in the air that day. A fixture that usually would struggle to raise the pulse of the most enthusiastic Wexican, was instead thronged with thousands of supporters all clamoring to breathe in this new exalted oxygen. Life it appeared had returned to the sleeping giant of the south east. What followed that summer went only to confirm these suspicions.

A packed house, the old enemy on the rack and the purple and gold playing with a style and skill not seen before. The result, a first Leinster final appearance since 2008. The opposition a new rival from across the Shannon way.

Supporters from all ends of the County descended on Croke Park that faithful day to bring a colour and sound to Leinster Final day not seen since the naughties. Hope sprung eternal for what this runaway train of starbursts and dancing crossroads could achieve. However, the men from Galway had read an alternative narrative and set about displaying their own one act production. The power and aerial presence of the Tribesmen was more than Davy and his men could handle and the wait for Leinster glory, that had only hours previous seemed inevitable, rolled on. Since that maiden trip to Croke Park for Wexford 2.0 they have built a consistency into their performances that had hitherto been unseen. 2018 did not quite hit the same heights as its predecessor but it proved to be just a quietening before the storm erupted again in 2019. A late goal from Dublin in Parnell Park and a subsequent come from behind draw in Salthill set up

a winner takes all clash once again with Kilkenny in Wexford. It was a balmy summer evening where the breath of the players seems to coincide with the packed stands as body blow and shoulder shook spectators to their core. Neither side wished to give an inch, as this modern-day rivalry continued to hit new heights. As the ball flew from Clonard to town end and back again, a winner never seemed likely. For 70 plus minutes the score board showed more balance then



the finest of scales refusing to tip in either Nore or Slaney favour. The final whistle was as with all draws, greeted first with relief only to be quickly subsumed by the inevitable question. What now? What transpired was one of the more surreal experiences you will find in a knockout competition. Word of a dramatic Dublin win over Galway was greeted with a roar from all in attendance as it meant all lived to fight another day, namely the Leinster Final. A throwback to what many consider to be the glory age of hurling, a Wexford side travelling to Dublin with nothing but win on their minds.

What unfolded on Jones Road will be remembered as one of the great days in hurling. The scene was set early with the Model Minors overcoming the cats in the first clash of the day. A game that was nip and tuck throughout resulted in the ending of a 14-year drought of anguish and misery in the Sunny South East. It has only served to add further to the folklore of the Davy experiment. One mountain has yet to be climbed by Fitzgerald and his men, that of a modern day win over Galway. Despite only clashing 3 times since the Westerners first forayed into Leinster, Wexford have as of yet to overcome them. A win today will see confirmation of their arrival at the very top table of hurling, and further evidence that they are here to stay. One thing is for sure that the day of uncertainty for Wexford supporters is over. Win lose or draw these most dubious of fans are now guaranteed a performance, this much we have proof of.



TURAS



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GAMES DEVELOPMENT

Across the Province Leinster GAA Games Development Coaches have been having a major impact. Since the return to activity in the summer they have begun re-engaging with schools and clubs with renewed vigour. Below is a snapshot of some of the ongoing hard work.

We are extremely grateful to everyone that has made this Return To Activity possible. Teachers, Coaches, Clubs and Staff have all gone above and beyond to ensure our Games continue to be developed.



TURAS
WORKSHOPS

209



TURAS
CLUB VISITS

269



TURAS
WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE

2822



TURAS
CLUB VISIT ATTENDANCE

889



NUMBER OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS
RECEIVING COACHING WEEKLY

616



41,548
PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN
RECEIVING WEEKLY COACHING.

KELLOGG'S CÚL CAMP WRAP

This years Kellogg's Cúl Camps were arguably the most challenging yet. A huge thank you to all the parents, children and coaches who made them possible. Below is a snapshot of the reach they gained

2,500
COACHES



900
CAMPS
NATIONALLY



35,000+
ATTENDEES IN
LEINSTER



OVER 5
WEEKS



WHERE WE
ALL BELONG



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Clúdaigh do shrón agus do bhéal
le naipcín nuair a dhéanann tú
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