



# NENAGH ÉIRE ÓG

## NEWSLETTER

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HURLERS NARROWLY  
LOSE OUT IN NORTH  
SEMI-FINAL



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SENIOR NORTH FINAL  
AND REPLAY



## ÉIRE ÓG WIN NINTH NORTH TIPPERARY SENIOR HURLING TITLE SEPTEMBER 21ST 2014



## NENAGH ÉIRE ÓG CROWNED NORTH TIPPERARY JUNIOR A CHAMPIONS FOR THE EIGHTH TIME SEPTEMBER 20TH 2014



**IT WAS A BUSY MONTH FOR NENAGH EIRE OG! CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SENIOR AND JUNIOR A HURLERS ON THEIR NORTH FINAL VICTORIES. WE WISH THEM THE BEST OF LUCK AS THEY PROGRESS IN THE COUNTY SERIES.**



## NORTH TIPPERARY SENIOR HURLING FINAL REPLAY

SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2014

Nenagh Éire Óg stormed to a six-point win over Burgess (0-14 to 0-8) in the replayed Hibernian Inn North Tipperary Senior Hurling Championship Final at MacDonagh Park, Nenagh. With eighteen minutes to play Burgess led 0-7 to 0-6, but the Blues dominated thereafter and hit eight points without reply to land the Frank McGrath Cup.



*Nenagh Éire Óg captain Noel Maloney pictured holding aloft the Frank McGrath Cup following the Hibernian Inn North Tipperary Senior Hurling Championship*  
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**Hibernian Inn North Tipperary Senior Hurling Championship Final Replay**  
**Nenagh Éire Óg 0-14 Burgess 0-8**

The opening half was defined by the physical battle for the upper hand with Burgess opening the scoring thanks to a Stephen Murray point in the ninth minute. Within a minute, however, Kevin Tucker set up Michael Heffernan for an equalising point.

A Stephen Murray free in the 12th minute helped Burgess back into the lead (0-2 to 0-1), but the Blues got motoring with three fine points helping Éire Óg into a 0-4 to 0-2 lead by the 24th – Donnacha Quinn set up Paddy Murphy for the first of these scores, Pearse Morris provided the assist for a Tommy Heffernan point in the 22nd minute and in the 24th Donnacha Quinn

converted a free following a foul on full-forward Shane Maher. A Peter Gill point in the 27th minute offered Burgess some respite, but a Donnacha Quinn point in the 33rd following terrific work from Tommy Heffernan helped Éire Óg into a 0-5 to 0-3 interval lead.

**SECOND HALF** Burgess responded to the challenge in terrific style and hit two points during the opening

eight minutes of the second half to tie the game on 0-5 apiece – Noel Gleeson and second half substitute Eoin Hogan were responsible for these fine efforts.

Burgess `keeper Niall McGrath made a neat save in the 39th minute to deny the raiding Shane Maher a goal before a second Eoin Hogan point helped Pat Cremin's men into a deserved 0-6 to 0-5 lead with twenty minutes to play.

Éire Óg hit back with a Donnacha Quinn free following a foul on Paddy Murphy, but a second Noel Gleeson point in the 42nd minute was greeted by a massive roar from the Burgess faithful (0-7 to 0-6).

The Blues required a response and found it when Tommy Heffernan set up Donnacha Quinn for an equalising point in the 46th minute. Two minutes later Tommy Heffernan created the room for Michael Heffernan to present Éire Óg with a vital 0-8 to 0-7 lead. Michael Heffernan was on hand to accept a





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*Nenagh Éire Óg's John Brennan pictured accepting the man of the match award from Séamus Cleary and John 'Rocky' McGrath following the North final*



pass from Donnacha Quinn in the 49th minute and the centre-forward cracked over a fine score which presented Éire Óg with a two-point lead. Michael Heffernan was then fouled for a free which Donnacha Quinn converted in the 50th minute - 0-10 to 0-7.

Dáire Quinn loaded the gun for Tommy Heffernan to fire over an 11th Éire Óg point in the 51st minute. Six minutes later Burgess enjoyed a slight sniff of the Éire Óg goal, but Michael McNamara advanced to smother a Stephen Murray effort.

Paddy Murphy was irrepressible late on; in the 59th minute Paddy was fouled for a free which Donnacha Quinn converted and then, in the 60th and 62nd minutes, Murphy fired over points from play with Paul Ryan and Michael McNamara

responsible for the assists. In the 65th minute Burgess' Andy Dunne enjoyed the final say in the matter.

### OUR THANKS

Nenagh Éire Óg would like to thank the senior panel for the terrific manner in which they have represented the club, themselves and their families this year. Our thanks also go to the management team of Liam Heffernan (manager), John Fitzgerald (coach), Enda Costello (selector) and Noel Coffey (selector) for leading this panel of players to the Blues' ninth north Tipperary senior hurling title.

Nenagh Éire Óg would like to wish Burgess all the very best in the county senior hurling championship.

Nenagh Éire Óg previously won the north Tipperary senior hurling championship in 1915, 1957, 1964, 1992, 1993, 1998, 2001 and 2009. Hugh Maloney captained the team to divisional success in 2009 while

his brother Noel is current captain. In all Kevin Tucker has now won five north Tipperary senior hurling medals on the field of play (1993, 1998, 2001, 2009 & 2014).

### MATCH DETAILS

**Nenagh Éire Óg:** Michael McNamara, Mark Flannery, Noel Maloney (captain), John Brennan, Dáire Quinn, Hugh Maloney, Barry Heffernan, Kevin Tucker, Andrew Coffey, Pearse Morris, Michael Heffernan (0-3), Paddy Murphy (0-3), Tommy Heffernan (0-2), Shane Maher, Donnacha Quinn (0-6, 0-4 frees). Subs: (43rd) Paul Ryan for Shane Maher, (64th) Killian Gleeson for Andrew Coffey.

**Remaining Panel Members:** Kevin Flynn, Seán Geaney, Billy Heffernan, Conor Ryan, James Mackey, Mark Tuite, Adam Grattan, Alan Kelly, John Cahalan, Donnacha Heffernan, Eoin Fitzgibbon, Gary Howard, David Hickey, Philip Hickey, David Hackett, Niall Madden, Christopher Ryan, Brian Flynn, Michael Collins, Bob O'Brien, David Cleary, Johnny Slattery.

**Referee:** Kieran Delaney (Toomevara).





## NORTH TIPPERARY SENIOR HURLING FINAL SEPTEMBER 21ST 2014

### LATE PAUL RYAN GOAL RESCUES ÉIRE ÓG IN THRILLING NORTH FINAL

September 14, 2014

A goal in the fourth minute of injury time rescued Éire Óg and forced a replay after a dramatic Hibernian Inn North Tipperary Senior Hurling Championship final played at MacDonagh Park, Nenagh on Sunday afternoon.

### Hibernian Inn North Tipperary Senior Hurling Championship Final Nenagh Éire Óg 1-20 Burgess 2-17

Playing with a ferocity which has long been associated with the Burgess club Pat Cremin's men roared into a 0-5 to 0-1 lead inside the opening seven minutes. Points from Brian Hogan and Eoin 'Tossy' Hogan forced Burgess into an early lead before Donnacha Quinn responded with a free for Éire Óg following a foul on Paddy Murphy. Burgess, however, poured forward in search of further scores with Stephen Murray (free), Noel Gleeson and Donagh Maher adding to their tally.

Éire Óg settled down thereafter with points from Andrew Coffey, Michael Heffernan (free) and Pearse Morris dragging the Blues to within one of Burgess by the 14th minute. In the 15th Pearse Morris drew a foul and Michael Heffernan smacked over the equaliser from long-range (0-5 apiece).

Nenagh added further scores through Donnacha Quinn (free), Andrew Coffey and Paddy Murphy to edge themselves into a 0-8 to 0-5



*Thanks to Diarmuid O Braonain for this super photo of the celebrations on the line following Paul Ryan's last gasp equaliser.*

lead by the 22nd minute. In the 24th Paddy Murphy broke a ball through to Killian Gleeson; Burgess' Niall McGrath made a sensational save to deny Gleeson a certain goal, but the corner-forward gathered the rebound and was hauled down for a penalty which Donnacha Quinn tapped over the bar (0-9 to 0-5).

Stephen Murray (free) managed a response for Burgess, but Éire Óg, who were playing with an encouraging breeze in the opening half, added a tenth point thanks to the efforts of Michael Heffernan in the 27th minute.

To their credit Burgess made a great stand during the closing minutes of the half when they out-scored Éire Óg 0-3 to 0-1. Tommy Heffernan was responsible for the

Blues' effort while Daniel Ryan, Brian Hogan and Stephen Murray (free) struck for Burgess. The sides retired with two between them at the break (0-11 to 0-9).

### SECOND HALF

Two Stephen Murray efforts (one free, one '65) book-ended a Donnacha Quinn free to leave just a point between them (0-12 to 0-11) by the 35th minute. A terrific point from Dáire Quinn preceded an effort from Damien O'Brien before Michael Heffernan converted a long-range free in the 39th minute to leave two in it (0-14 to 0-12).

In the 41st minute Burgess scrambled home a goal to take the lead (1-12 to 0-14), but Éire Óg hit back immediately when



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Paddy Murphy (above) won a free from the resultant puck-out and Donnacha Quinn converted the placed ball.

With sixteen minutes to play, however, Eoin 'Tossy' Hogan rifled in a second Burgess goal. Within a minute the unerring Stephen Murray added a free and now Éire Óg trailed by four (0-15 to 2-13).

Four agonising minutes passed before the Blues launched a comeback. In the 49th Tommy Heffernan fired over a point before converted frees from Donnacha Quinn and Michael Heffernan dragged Éire Óg to within a point (0-18 to 2-13) with six minutes to play. In the 56th minute Stephen Murray converted a vital '65 for Burgess and although Paul Ryan

responded for Éire Óg another Stephen Murray free left two in it (2-15 to 0-19) as this final moved into injury time.

The Éire Óg lads poured forward in search of vital scores and a Michael Heffernan free in the 61st minute cut the gap to a manageable one (0-20 to 2-15).

Burgess stood their ground, however, and hit back with a Stephen Murray free before Eoin 'Tossy' Hogan landed a terrific point from distance in the 63rd minute.

Referee Michael Murphy had indicated four minutes of injury time and as the game moved into the 64th minute there seemed little chance of Éire Óg rescuing the situation, that is until Michael Heffernan worked the ball into the hand of Paul Ryan who buried a rasper in the top corner of Niall McGrath's net.

Sunday's drawn affair was the first senior final to require a replay since 1996. Éire Óg have drawn two previous finals – in 1982 the Blues battled to a stalemate with Roscrea (0-17 to 3-8), but the replay never

took place. Then, in 1991, Éire Óg drew with Toomevara (0-12 apiece) before losing the replay 2-7 to 2-11.

### MATCH DETAILS

**Nenagh Éire Óg:** Michael McNamara, Dáire Quinn (0-1), Noel Maloney (captain), John Brennan, Billy Heffernan, Hugh Maloney, Barry Heffernan, Kevin Tucker, Andrew Coffey (0-2), Pearse Morris (0-1), Michael Heffernan (0-6, 0-5 frees), Tommy Heffernan (0-2), Killian Gleeson, Paddy Murphy (0-1), Donnacha Quinn (0-6, 0-5 frees, 0-1 penalty). Subs: (40th) Seáníe Geaney for Billy Heffernan, (49th) James Mackey for Kevin Tucker, (52nd) Paul Ryan (1-1) for Killian Gleeson.

**Burgess:** Niall McGrath, Jack O'Flaherty, Jonathan Mulqueen, John O'Dwyer, Shane Maher, Donagh Maher (0-1), Michael O'Flaherty, Daniel Ryan (0-1), Peter Gill, Damien O'Brien (0-1), Brian Hogan (0-2), Noel Gleeson (0-1), Eoin Hogan (1-0), Eoin 'Tossy' Hogan (1-2), Stephen Murray (0-9, 0-7 frees, 0-2 '65s). Subs: (42nd) Bill O'Flaherty for Eoin Hogan.

**Referee:** Michael Murphy (Toomevara).





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### NORTH FINAL CELEBRATIONS!

AS CHRISTY MCLOUGHLIN SAID IN LAST MONTH'S EDITION 'ALL ACHIEVEMENTS ARE ONLY SPECIAL BECAUSE YOU SHARE THEM WITH YOUR TEAM, FRIENDS, FAMILY AND SUPPORTERS'



*The McNamara family with Mickey*



*The Quinn family*



*The Tucker family*



*John Fitzgerald and family*



*The Heffernan family*



*The Morris family*



*Eddie Sheary with Noel Coffey*



*Paul Ryan and nephew*



*Michael Cleary with Kevin Tucker*



*Ger Morris*



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### BLAST FROM THE PAST- A REPORT FROM THE 1915 NORTH FINAL MATCH REPORT TAKEN FROM THE NENAGH NEWS AND TIPPERARY VINDICATOR DATED JULY 31, 1915

#### CLUB NOTES.

The final of the North Tipperary Senior Hurling Championship was decided on Sunday last at Toomevara before a large attendance, when Nenagh defeated Moneygall by one point. The game was splendidly contested, both teams giving a fine display of hurling. The Moneygall team, since their sensational victory over the county champions, Toomevara were considered almost certain winners of the championship this year, and had left nothing undone in the matter of training. The Nenagh team had put up a good record this season by defeating Borrisokane and Lorrha (last year's champions), and their supporters were confident that they would put up a great fight against any individual team in the county this year. The result of Sunday a match well justified their expectations, for Nenagh certainly deserved their win, and were value for a few more scores on the play than the actual number placed to their credit.

The Nenagh hurlers, with one or two exceptions, are splendid exponents of the game, and if taken in bands now by some experienced player who understands training the team should make a great effort towards securing county honours next season, which achievement was always considered a straight road to the Munster and All-Ireland Championship. We think they possess one or two experienced players, at least one player has proved his worth already in no uncertain manner in the 1913 All-Ireland and Munster finals, and should know every point of the game

#### THE PLAY.

The game opened very fast, some exciting passages taking place at the Moneygall goal, Nenagh missing a few scores narrowly. The Nenagh end was next the scene of operations, but the backs held up well. After a short time Moneygall opened the scoring by a goal. Very fast and scientific hurling was now the order of the day, Nenagh pressing very hard and scoring two points, to which a goal was added in as many minutes. Both ends were now visited in rapid succession, but Nenagh held the upper hand, and before the short whistle went had added a further goal.

On the restart, Moneygall got through for a soft goal. This seemed to break up the Nenagh combination, and Moneygall, keeping up the pressure, raised the white flag. The game was now very strenuous, Moneygall endeavouring to pull down Nenagh's lead. The Nenagh backs kept them at bay for some time, but Moneygall, not to be denied, eventually raised the green flag. Nenagh now got going, and continued to press, but bad judgment of the forward line ruined their chances. They were all over their opponents, but it seemed as if bad luck would prevent their chances of scoring before the final whistle went amidst great excitement, and with two minutes to go, Flannery secured the ball, and dodging his opponent sent the ball through for a major score. From this to the finish Nenagh had the best of matters, and won on the score:—

Nenagh.. 3 goals 3 points.  
Moneygall.. 3 goals 2 points.

For the winners Minogue played a fine, dashing game. McGrath, as full-back, was very safe, doing the right thing at the proper time, and doing it well.

Flannery (Queen Street) promises a great future. Coonan, at midfield, is a very classy player, and if he understood tackling his man could scarcely be equalled. Meara, on the back, was a power of strength. Flannery (Kilruane) did some very clever hurling. Ryan will make a great midfield player. Nolan filled his position as full forward very creditably. Egan has few equals as *attacker*. Meara, on the wing, was very good, but seemed new to that position. Walsh, the injured player, seems a fine, dashing forward. Hogan played a good, tough game Darcy was safe, but a trifle slow. Kennedy seemed a bit nervous, as also did Coonan on the goal. Ayres, who replaced Walsh, played a good game, but should get rid of the ball at once when he gets possession.

The team was: Bill Coonan (Whitewalls), Bill O'Meara and Rody O'Meara, (Ballythomas), Frank McGrath, President of North Tipp. G.A.A. (Nenagh), Bill Flannery (Millview and Queen St.) Mick Kennedy (Bank Place), Christy Ryan (Silver St.) Rody Minogue, Ballintotty, Mick Coonan (Whitewalls), Paddy Coonan (do.); brother of Mick and Bill; Matt Hogan (Barrack St.); Win. Flannery (one time Chairman of the North Tipp. Board); Jimmie Nolan (Cunnahert) brother of Mr. Martin Nolan and Mr. Pat Nolan; Mick Egan (St. Patrick's terrace); Walsh (Kilruane); James Darcy, (Ardcrony); Martin Ayres (William Street).



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We encourage all of our ex-members and community to play the Nenagh Éire Óg GAA Club fundraising lotto. We also hope that we can all work together to promote this lotto and help get back in touch with people from Nenagh and Tipperary who may now be living all over the world.

To play, any three numbers are selected from 1 to 36. If anybody matches the three numbers selected on the night he/she wins or shares the Jackpot. Tickets cost €2 each. Your continued support is much appreciated and we wish you good luck in future draws.



Best of Luck,  
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Nenagh Éire Óg GAA Club  
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### NENAGH ÉIRE ÓG CROWNED NORTH TIPPERARY JUNIOR A CHAMPIONS FOR THE EIGHTH TIME SEPTEMBER 13TH 2014



*Nenagh Éire Óg – 2014 North Tipperary Junior A hurling champions.*

An excellent Kildangan team pushed the Blues to the very limit in an enthralling north Tipperary junior A hurling final played at Templederry on Saturday evening, Sept.13th.

#### **Watch Centre North Tipperary Junior A Hurling Championship Final Nenagh Éire Óg 0-13 Kildangan 1-9**

Kildangan were chasing a first junior A title since 1944 and signalled their intent in the opening nineteen seconds when Éire Óg 'keeper Kevin Flynn was asked to make a fine save from Johnny Horan.

The Blues took the lead in the second minute when John Cahalan set up Philip Hickey for the opening point of the game. Seán Webb responded for Kildangan six minutes later, but Éire Óg re-claimed the

lead in the 11th minute when David Hickey created the room for John Cahalan to land a fine effort off his left (0-2 to 0-1).

In the 12th minute Kildangan threatened a three-pointer once more, but Brian Flynn got in a terrific tackle to avert the danger. A minute later, however, Kildangan plundered the goal that their enterprising attacking play deserved when Shane Seymour booted his side into a 1-1 to 0-2 lead.

David Hickey responded with a point for Éire Óg, but Kildangan fired over two terrific efforts to take a 1-3 to 0-3 lead by the 22nd minute. Seán Webb and James Quigley were responsible for these outstanding efforts.

Éire Óg hit back when David Hackett converted a '65 in the 23rd minute. Two minutes later the corner-forward had goal on his mind, but Kildangan 'keeper Paddy Coen made a terrific reaction save to deny David Hackett from close range; Shane Maher fired over the rebound and now the Blues were within one.

Then, in the 26th minute, Shane Maher earned a free which David Hackett converted and the sides were level.



*martin mccloughlin*



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A Shane Seymour point edged Kildangan back into the lead (1-4 to 0-6), but a terrific long-range free from David Hackett in the 33rd minute following a foul on Eoin Fitzgibbon retired the sides all square.

Eleven first half wides (Kildangan four) had frustrated the efforts of the Éire Óg lads somewhat and the Blues found themselves trailing by two points early in the second half following points from James Quigley and Cathal Hanrahan (free) – 0-7 to 1-6. David Hackett and Cathal Hanrahan (free) traded points thereafter and with twenty minutes to play Kildangan led 1-7 to 0-8.

David Hickey threatened an Éire Óg goal in the 41st minute, but Paddy Coen was equal to the effort. A minute later, however, David Hackett converted a free following a foul on Philip Hickey. In the 43rd minute David Hickey recovered a ball when was heading wide and recycled it to Shane Maher who fired over a fine effort to tie the game.



*Above: Éire Óg junior A hurling captain John O'Donoghue pictured following the cup presentation from North Board chairman John 'Rocky' McGrath at Templederry*  
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Hanrahan free levelled matters and we braced ourselves for a dramatic finalé.

Following a couple of frantic minutes Philip Hickey won a ball in the Éire Óg half-forward line and set-up David Hackett for an excellent point off his right.

There was still plenty of time (six minutes of injury time) for Kildangan to respond, but Nenagh Éire Óg hung on to claim a welcome win.

In all Éire Óg fired twenty wides (Kildangan nine).

Our thanks go to the management team of Ger Tucker (manager), Donie O'Brien (selector) and Matt Lillis (selector) for leading this panel of players to the Blues' eighth north

Tipperary junior A hurling title. The club previously won the north Tipperary junior A hurling championship in 1953, 1962, 1983, 1999, 2000, 2009 and 2012.

Éire Óg were moving well now and took the lead in the 45th minute thanks to a free won

by Bob O'Brien and converted by David Hackett. Six minutes later Eddie Tucker forced a hurried clearance, Gary Howard intercepted the delivery and picked out John Cahalan who helped Éire Óg into a 0-12 to 1-7 lead. Éire Óg had now scored four points with reply. Kildangan needed to respond and did so in the 53rd minute when Paddy Lynch landed a terrific point; four minutes later a Cathal



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Nenagh Éire Óg would like to wish Kildangan all the very best in the county junior A hurling championship – each divisional finalist and champion progress to the county quarter-finals. Éire Óg's opponents in the last eight will be revealed in due course.

**Nenagh Éire Óg:** Kevin Flynn, Michael Collins, Alan Kelly, Brian Flynn, Adam Gratton, Niall Madden, Eoin Fitzgibbon, John Cahalan (0-2), Gary Howard, Philip Hickey (0-1), Shane Maher (0-2), Christopher Ryan, David Hickey (0-1), David Cleary, David Hackett (0-7, 0-4 frees, 0-1 '65).



Subs: (23rd) Richie Flannery for Christopher Ryan, (39th) Bob O'Brien for David Cleary, (49th blood) Eddie Tucker for Shane Maher, (51st blood) Shane Maher for Eddie Tucker, (54th) Eddie Tucker for David Hickey

**Remaining Panel Members:** Brian Gubbins, Niall Cahill, Donnacha Heffernan, Michael Hallinan, Alex Jones, Darragh Walsh, Darragh Gleeson, Cian Tucker, John O'Donoghue (captain), Jamie Gallagher, Aodhán Geaney.

**Kildangan:** Paddy Coen, Paddy Gallagher, Liam Kelly (captain), Darren Moran, Andy Loughnane, Dan Hackett, Jim Minehan, John Maher, James Quigley (0-2), Seán Webb (0-2), Gearóid Connors, Cathal Hanrahan (0-3, 0-3 frees), Johnny Horan, Shane Seymour (1-1), Paddy Lynch (0-1). Subs: (46th) Gerry Slattery for Johnny Horan.

**Referee:** Pat Gibson (Burgess).



*Top left: David and Philip Hickey with their delighted parents. Left: The Morgan Walsh clan, Gary Howard's proud granddad and family. Above: Denise and Murt Flynn with Kevin and Brian.*



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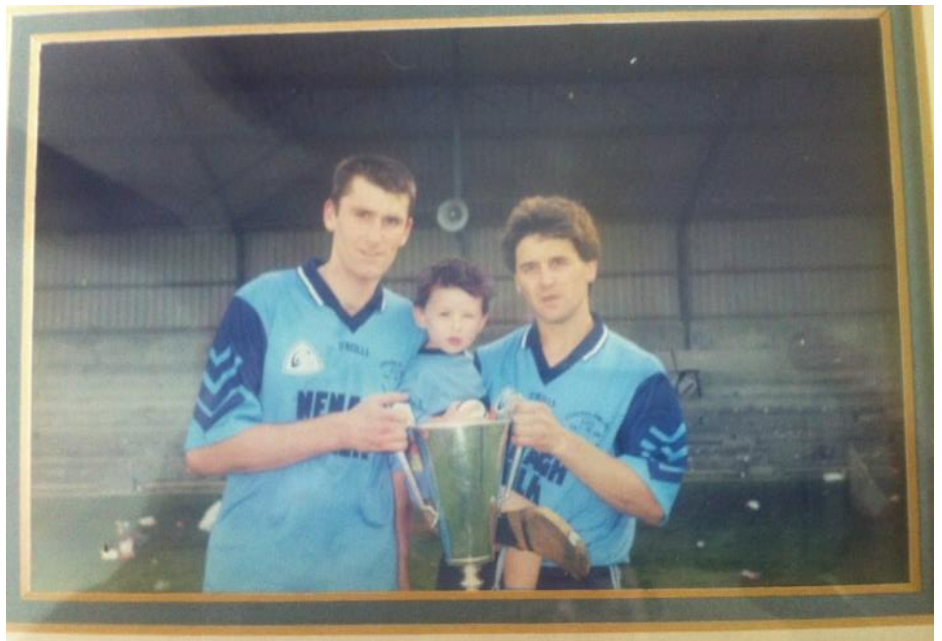
### OUT AND ABOUT WITH ÉIRE ÓG



The news of Éire Óg's victory in the North Senior Final was greeted far and wide with much enthusiasm by supporters of Nenagh. None more so than Willie Bolger who was snapped as he saw confirmation of the full time score on Twitter. Wearing a jersey he 'bought' in Nenagh before travelling 'down under' Willie's screams of joy could be heard throughout Western Australia. Willie plays in the State Finals next month and we wish him well in his bid to retain the championship his side won last year.

#### THEN AND NOW!

They grow up so fast! A very young Andrew Coffey with his father Noel and Eddie Tucker in 1998 and below with cup he has now won in his own right with Eddie and Noel again.



#### TEAMMATES NOW – FRIENDS FOREVER!





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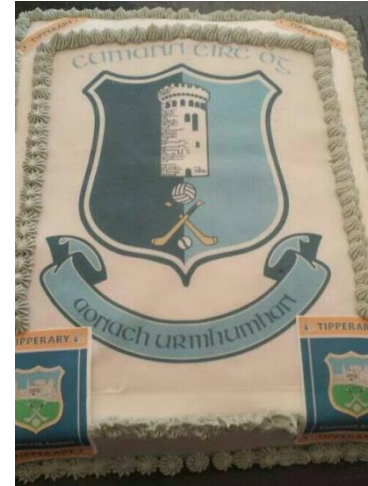
### OUT AND ABOUT WITH ÉIRE ÓG



On the weekend of the 20th of September we held our annual collection at various locations around the town. We wish to thank all our volunteers for kindly helping to collect, all who so generously donated and the business's around the town for affording us the opportunity to collect outside their premises.

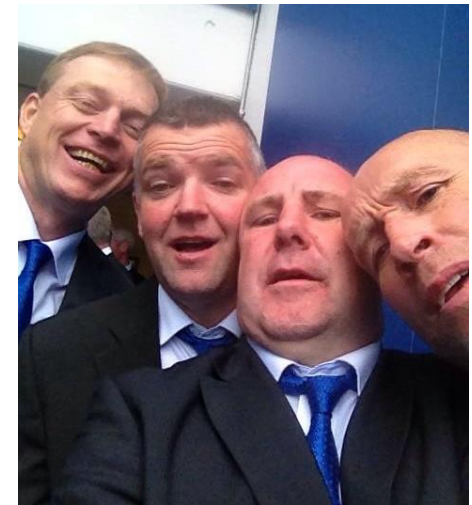


Club stalwart, Jimmy Morris recently returned home from Canada to take in the North Senior hurling final and to celebrate his 85th birthday. Looking younger than ever Jimmy enjoyed the party and celebrated the occasion with the Junior A hurlers and this wonderful cake. Happy birthday Jimmy from everyone in the club!



#### SILENT NOISE PARADE PLAY ELECTRIC PICNIC

Well done to Nenagh Boys, Owen Geaney, Joseph Geaney, Gary Sherlock, Liam Hayes and Kevin Gubbins who played Electric Picnic recently and whose new song *Fears* is the soundtrack for [Copa90's](#) Champion's League promo. [Click to connect with the band](#)



#### BEST TIPPERARY SELFIE

**EVER?** This excellent selfie was taken by Tipperary hurling legend John Leahy and posted to his twitter account (@Leahyjohnj) during the drawn All-Ireland final when John and his teammates were honoured by Croke Park on the 25th anniversary of their success in 1989. The photograph features Declan Ryan, Michael Cleary, John Leahy and Declan Carr. [CLICK FOR 1989 TIPP V ANTRIM ALL-IRELAND FINAL](#)



**WELL DONE TO JOHN HEFFERNAN, CONOR O'DONOVAN AND MICHAEL CLEARY** and the 1989 All-Ireland winning team whose 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary was celebrated at the drawn All-Ireland final. Conor says that it was a terrific occasion made all the more special by the huge Tipperary support and the incredible match that followed.



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### JUNIOR A CHAMPIONSHIP – ÉIRE ÓG VS KILDANGAN SEPT. 14TH

#### ÉIRE ÓG CLING ON TO REGISTER NARROW WIN OVER NEWPORT

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**County Junior A Camogie Championship  
Nenagh Éire Óg  
4-6 Newport 3-8**

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#### GUTSY DISPLAY FROM JUNIOR A CAMOGIE TEAM FALLS JUST SHORT

September 26 2014

**County Junior A Camogie Championship  
Nenagh Éire Óg  
2-7 Holycross 1-13**

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#### JUNIOR A CAMOGIE TEAM IMPRESS IN FIVE-POINT WIN OVER KILDANGAN

September 14, 2014

The Éire Óg junior A Camogie team led from start to finish in an entertaining battle with Kildangan at MacDonagh Park, Nenagh.

**County Junior A Camogie Championship  
Nenagh Éire Óg 1-11 Kildangan 1-6**

The aptitude for hard work and a terrific intensity in the tackle was a real highlight of this performance. Indeed, Éire Óg won a turnover ball as early as the second minute. Holly O'Brien was then fouled and O'Brien converted to present the Blues with an early advantage.

Three minutes later Louise Hickey won a free which Holly O'Brien converted before Kildangan responded with a free of their own in the 11th minute (0-2 to 0-1). Zoe Gratton landed a great point off her right in the 12th minute before a Holly O'Brien free following a foul on Louise Hickey helped Éire Óg into a 0-4 to 0-1 lead.

In the 16th minute the Kildangan 'keeper made a great save to deny

Aileen Duggan a certain goal. Undeterred Éire Óg pressed forward with Danielle Harrington setting up Holly O'Brien for a fifth Nenagh point in the 18th minute (0-5 to 0-1).

Éire Óg's dominance deserved a goal and that three-pointer materialised in the 20th minute when Danielle Harrington set up Aislinn O'Brien for a crucial score (1-5 to 0-1).

Éire Óg 'keeper Ali Darcy made a fine save in the 26th minute and the sides retired with seven between them at the break (1-5 to 0-1).

#### SECOND HALF

Kildangan made a determined stand during the opening ten minutes of the second half with three points (two frees) reducing the Blues' lead to four by the 39th minute (1-5 to 0-4). In the 41st minute Louise Hickey won a vital free which Holly O'Brien converted and two minutes later Alanna Morris fired over a terrific left-handed effort to leave six between them. Aileen Duggan added an eighth Éire Óg point in the 45th minute and now Nenagh led 1-8 to 0-4. Kildangan responded with

a free in the 50th minute, but Éire Óg hit back with two Holly O'Brien frees following fouls on Louise Hickey and Alanna Morris to lead 1-10 to 0-5 with time fast running out.

A Kildangan free cut the Éire Óg lead to seven with four minutes to play, but the Blues hit back once more with an Alanna Morris point from play.

Ali Darcy made a fine save to deny Kildangan a goal on the hour mark, but Kildangan did sneak in for a consolation goal in the 61st minute. The Blues have beaten Templemore and Kildangan and now face two remaining group games in the county junior A Camogie championship against Newport and Holycross-Ballycahill in the coming weeks.

**Nenagh Éire Óg:** Ali Darcy, Amy Heffernan, Rachel Maher, Kara Mulqueen, Michelle Collins, Ciara McGrath, Rachel Spillane, Zoe Gratton (0-1), Alanna Morris (0-2), Aislinn O'Brien (1-0), Louise Hickey, Holly O'Brien (0-7, 0-6 frees), Julie Moylan, Aileen Duggan (0-1), Danielle Harrington. Subs: (43rd) Elaine Slattery for Julie Moylan.

**Referee:** Joe Cahill (Kilruane MacDonagh's).



### BLAST FORM THE PAST – NENAGH’S LONG LOVE OF CAMÓGIE



This photograph is taken from Marcus de Búrca's book *The Story of the GAA to 1990*. The photograph was taken c.1914 and is believed to be the first photograph ever taken of a camogie game. The game took place in the Old Showgrounds in Nenagh and it emphasises the long history of hurling in the locality.

*An ode to a camogie team in  
Nenagh printed in The Nenagh  
News Saturday August 18, 1906.*

*The Ladies' Hurling Team*

*Don't speak of golf or tennis  
play,*

*Or any foreign games*

*Don't speak about your hockey  
clubs*

*Nor of your ball room dames  
But go and see both strength and  
skill*

*Displayed upon the green  
By Nenagh's daughters fresh  
and fair*

*Our ladies hurling team*

*CHORUS*

*God bless the Gaels, their noble  
sport*

*Will be exciting when*

*The women folk can strike the  
ball*

*And score as well as men*

*The honours of our country will*

*Be guarded well, I ween*

*By Nenagh's daughters fresh  
and fair-*

*Our ladies hurling team*

*To see the match on Sunday last,*

*And watch the ladies score,*

*I'm sure such scientific play*

*You've never seen before*

*Champions they might envy  
them*

*Their proud and noble mien,  
And wonder how such skill was  
shown*

*By any ladies team.*

*Its grand to see the ladies play*

*The dear old ancient game,  
Displaying both strength and  
vigour too,*

*And fighting hard for fame.  
With chest expanded, limbs  
complete,*

*And muscles strong as steel,  
The maidens fair that constitute,  
Our ladies hurling team.*

*M Mackey Nenagh*



### PROFILE OF CAMÓGIE STAR RACHEL MAHER

**Name:** Rachel Maher

**Age:** 16

**Occupation:** Student.

**Favourite Position:** Full back.

**Favourite Film:** Pearl Harbour

**Favourite Music:** Garth Brooks and the music from Frozen.

**Favourite Food:** Chicken curry.

**Favourite Drink:** Fanta.

**Favourite Book:** Hunger Games.

**Can you remember your first match?** No!! That's too far back to remember!!!

**Toughest opponent:** Grace O'Brien, marking her is like trying to catch a rabbit in a field of thistles.

**Favourite hurler and why:** Pdraig Maher because he's a class defender, he bursts out with the ball just like me!

**Favourite camogie player and why:** Alanna Morris, she's unreal.

**Advice to young players:** Train hard, listen to your trainers and



keep your head up if you ever miss a ball or have a bad game.

**Proudest moment playing camogie:** Being on the under-16 Tipperary team last year that won the Munster and all Ireland final (pictured above), especially the All-Ireland final. It was a very proud

moment.

**Biggest disappointment in camogie:** Breaking my collar bone a few years ago, I missed the whole season and missed three or four finals that year.

**What does the club mean to you?** It means a lot to me, I love playing camogie it's a great feeling to be a part of the Nenagh team.

**Biggest influence on my career:** Kieran O'Brien, who was my trainer last year and a few years back. I like having him at the matches as he encourages me from the sideline and always told me what to do on the field and in certain situations.

**Who is the biggest joker on the panel?** Probably Aislinn O'Brien, always funny at training.

**Marooned on a desert island what could you not be without?** My phone.

**When I was a child I wanted to be what when I grew up?** P.E. teacher.

**What is your first camogie memory?** Winning the under-12 county final.

**If there was a transfer market, whom would you buy?** Ciardha Maher, she's class.

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### JUVENILE NEWS – UNDER-16 HURLING

Hard luck but well done to our super under-16 A hurlers who lost their North semi-final to Kilruane in Cloughjordan on Saturday September 20th. It was a wonderful game of hurling for the neutral on a perfect day for it but unfortunately we came out two points short on a 1-16 to 1-14 scoreline. It was a man-to-man battle from start to finish and we are very proud of our boys.

Well done to the management team of Michael Grey, Paudie Gleeson and Robbie Ryan and they would like to commend the team on their hard work and honesty throughout the year. Thank you to all the families for their support.





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#### UNDER-13 PLATE HURLING

The under-13 hurlers are through to the Plate final having won the first three of their group matches and drawing the fourth. Their opposition isn't known yet. Please check [nenagheireog.com](http://nenagheireog.com) and the club facebook page for fixture details. Best of luck to our boys!

### THE NORTH CUP VISITS THE C.B.S.



Happy lads in the C.B.S Primary welcomed Mickey Mac and the North cup recently. The boys are in full Gaelic football mode at the moment and training hard. Best of luck to them in upcoming matches.



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#### LIVING DANGEROUSLY....

Many thanks to Tom Doherty and Nenagh Camera for this wonderful photo of the Tipperary-loving under-6 & under-8 squad at training before the All-Ireland replay. We hope the boys were proud of their Tipp heroes this summer. Bring on 2015!

You can connect with Nenagh Camera on Facebook. Click below.

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### A WARM WELCOME FOR ÉIRE ÓG AT GAELSCOIL AONACH URMHUMHAN

