



Cumann Lúthchleas Gael
An Sean Chaisleán
Gerry Reilly U-16 FT
Cup Final 2023

An Mhí
v
An Cabhán

Ref: Dean Alford (Dublin)

Milbrook, Oldcastle
Saturday, 12 August 2023

Admission €5 (*Proceeds in aid
of Oldcastle Juvenile GAA*)



Céad míle fáilte roimh go léir go dtí An Sean Chaisleán. Tá fáilte fé leith againn do na foirne, An Mhí agus An Cabhán.

We extend a warm welcome to the Meath and Cavan teams, their mentors and supporters as we play the Cup Final of the Gerry Reilly Leinster U-16 Football Tournament.

Our sincere thanks to Croke Park, Leinster GAA and all the 8 teams for their co-operation in bringing the competition to this stage and to our referees and their officials without whose dedication no competition could be organised.

Thanks also to LMFM, Hoganstand.com, Meath Chronicle, Drogheda Independent & Dundalk Newspapers

We are most grateful to our sponsor, Dromone Engineering for sponsoring ‘Man of the match’ Trophy and the medals today.

An Sean Chaisleán C.L.G

Gerry Reilly

Gerry was killed tragically in December '87 at 16 years of age, and he had already proved to be a great footballer with huge potential to go on to great heights in the game.

Go ndéanamh Dia trocaire ar a anam.

We are very grateful to Gerry's parents, Al (R.I.P.) and Claire, who kindly donated the cup for this competition. The competition has proved a great success in providing a platform to launch inter-county football careers. Only 2 weeks ago 11 of the All Ireland champions, Dublin had played in the Gerry Reilly.

The first Gerry Reilly Final was played in the Gilson Park, Oldcastle in 1989 between Cavan and Meath. Meath came out victors on the day. The referee on the day was **Mícel Grennan** (Cavan) and videod by **Michael Tynan**. **Brendan Halpin** (Oldcastle) captained the Meath team.

Anne Galligan, Oldcastle (Singing Our National anthem today), trained classical singer, has sang the National Anthem in many areas and events, and including in Croke Park. Anne loves supporting her club throughout the year.

At half-time we welcome the Tailteann Cup, mentors and team members

Gerry Reilly 2023 Group 1

Antrim, Cavan, Fermanagh & Louth

Gerry Reilly 2023 Group 2

Clare, Kildare, Meath & Tipperary

2023 Gerry Reilly Cup Semi-Finals

Meath defeated Louth

Cavan defeated Clare

Winners of the Gerry Reilly Cup to date:

Meath 1989, 1991, 1995, 1996, 2002, 2003, 2007, 2018, 2019

Westmeath 1990, 1992, 1994, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2006, 2010, 2011

Cavan 1997, 2004, 2005, 2014, 2015, 2016

Dublin 1993, 1998, 2008 (U-17 Blitz), 2012, 2013

Louth 2022

Mayo 2021

Monaghan 2017

Congratulations to the Cavan Girls who were crowned the U16 A All-Ireland Ladies Football Champions with a superb win over Cork in the replay at the TUS Gaelic Grounds in Limerick last month on a scoreline of 2-12 to 1-13.

This afternoon, our U9s will play a mini-match at half-time against our neighbours, Castlerahan. Make sure and give these young players a great round of applause

Our Blotto is the mainstay of club finances:

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An Mhí

1

Jamie Norris
Seneschalstown

2

Robert Hayes
Ratoath

3

Conor Black
St Patrick's

4

Cillian Yore
St Ultan's

5

Órán Meade
Simonstown Gaels

6

Thomas Sheridan
Oldcastle

7

Charles McCarthy
Seneschalstown

8

Cillian Rafferty
Syddan

9

Daniel Doherty
Donaghmore/Ashbourne

10

Ryan Brady
Walterstown

11

Cormac Nugent
O'Mahony's

12

Ciaran Sheridan
Dunderry

13

Evan Kelly
Don/Ashbourne

14

Senan Duffy
Slane

15

Pat Crawley
Oldcastle

Fir Ionaid:

16 James Donnelly Bective; **16 Ryan McCaffrey** Ballivor; **17 Conall Diggins** Ballivor; **18 Daniel Piers** Dunderry; **19 Rory McGrath** Ratoath; **20 Evan Demange** Drumbarragh Emmets; **21 Jack Doyle** St Peter's Dundoyne; **22 Cormac Smith** Clann na nGael; **23 Eoin Feldman** Ratoath; **24 Mackensie Doyle** Simonstown Gaels; **25 Jake Madden** Drumbarragh Emmets

Management Team – Niall Flynn (Dunsany), Stephen Claire (Dunshaughlin & Royal Gaels), Vinny Byrne (Longwood)

S&C Coach – Francis Marry (Slane)

Academy Head Coach – Paul Garrigan (Oldcastle)

An Cabhán

1

Max McKeown
Cootehill Celtic

2

Caolan Madden
Gowna

3

Aaron Dowd
Ballyhaise

4

Oisín Maguire
Mullahoran

5

Tyler Haynes
Ballinagh

6

Adio Metlovas
Cootehill Celtic

7

Senan Macken
Castlerahan

8

Thomas Gilsenan
Killygarry

9

Ryan Nwaneri
Blackwater Gaels

10

Freddie McGuigan
Killygarry

11

Joshua Sheue
Cavan Gaels

12

Tadhg Sheils
Mullahoran

13

Andrew Hill
Shercock

14

Jamie Clarke
Castlerahan

15

Lee Brown
Shercock

Fir Ionaid:

16 Darragh Gilsenan Killygarry; **17 Aaron Plunkett** Mullahoran; **18 Fiachra Brady** Gowna **19 Odhran Madden** Gowna **20 Eoin O'Reilly** Cuchulainns; **21 Luke Madden** Kingscourt Stars; **22 Seamus O'Reilly** Dernacrieve Gaels; **23 Charlie Fallon** Killygarry; **24 Shane McCabe** Cootehill Celtic; **25 Conor Doyle** Cavan Gaels; **26 George Cullivan** Cornafean; **27 Paul Sheridan** Lavey ; **28 Ultan O'Reilly** Mullahoran; **29 Charlie Gillick** Ramor United; **30 Ryan Corr** Crosserlough
Extended panel: Paul Cooney Laragh; **Cian Platt** Kingscourt Stars; **Finn Crowe** Cavan Gaels; **Ciarán Galligan** Cavan Gaels; **Seamus O'Reilly** Dernacrieve Gaels; **Ryan Owens** Killygarry; **Luke Reilly**; Knockbride; **Shane Galligan** Knockbride; **Jack Cooke** Lavey; **Tiernan Flood** Mullahoran; **Cian McCrystal** Ramor United; **Cormac McEntee** Gowna

When they last met in a Gerry Reilly Cup Final (2018)

Meath 2-14 Cavan 1-13

Cavan's Daryl McGurran got the opening score with a lovely point. Meath's Cillian Hegarty pointed for Meath and Niall Finnerty and Barry Thompson followed up with pointed frees to put Meath ahead. Meath had the advantage of the wind, but Cavan were putting a lot of pressure on the Meath backs. Points from Daryl McGurran and Finntan O'Reilly (f) had the sides level again at 0-3 each.

In the 18th minute Niall Finnerty pointed from a free to put Meath up again. Meath were creating goal chances, but were thwarted by great saves from Cavan's 'keeper, Brian O'Rourke' The crucial score of the half was Evan Corrigan's goal that stretched Meath's lead, which helped them lead by 6 points at the break.

A super goal to the Meath net by Finntan O'Reilly brought Cavan right back into it. It was Evan Corrigan's second goal to give Meath the lead at 2-9 to 1-7. Cavan did get the last 4 points to close the gap, but failed to get a needed goal to increase the pressure on Meath.

Scorers for Meath: Evan Corrigan (2-1), Niall Finnerty (0-6,3f), David Bell (0-3,3f), Barry Thompson (0-2,1f), Cillian Hegarty (0-1), Shane Smyth (0-1).

Scorers for Cavan: Finntan O'Reilly (1-2,2f), Daryl McGurran(0-5,2f), Caoimhin McGovern (0-4,1f), Jack Mooney (0-1), Cian Farrelly (0-1).

Meath: Dean Pluck (Ballinabrackey), Marc Donnelly (Ratoath), James McGovern (Drumbaragh), Harry Corscadden (Meath Hill), Harry Ryan (Ballinlough), Cillian Hegarty (Donaghmore/Ashbourne), Brian Cassidy (Kilmainhamwood), Josh Carolan (Simonstown)-(Capt), Endy Ehichoya (St Colmcilles), Evan Corrigan (Wolfe Tones), Pearse Sheridan (Oldcastle), Shane Smyth (Skryne), Niall Finnerty (Skryne), Barry Thompson (Ballinabrackey), Aaron Chinchilla (Simonstown)

Cavan: Brian O'Rourke (Ballyhaise), Cian Reilly (Killygarry), Paul McCabe (Killygarry), Eoin Galligan (Cavan Gaels), Owen Gibson (Mountnugent), James McCahill (Drumlane), Ross O'Gorman (Ballyhaise), Evan Kelly (Laragh), Matthew McGahern (Mullahoran), Colin McKiernan, (Ballyhaise), Jack Mooney, (Killygarry), Caoimhin McGovern (Shannon Gaels), Daryl McGurran (Drumlane), Finntán O'Reilly (Butlersbridge), Tiarnan Madden (Gowna)

The past year has been one of the more successful years for Meath GAA in recent times and one in which gave Meath Gaels great pride in following the various county teams around the country. One such high which stands out was the success of the Meath Senior football team in claiming the Tailteann Cup in a highly entertaining game versus Down on the 15th July 2023 in which Meath won out on the day on a scoreline of 2-13 to 0-14.

The sight of seeing a Meath senior team climb the steps of the Hogan Stand was one which brought back fond memories to the older generation of Meath supporters while the new generation of Meath supporters have new heroes. It was a special day for our club to see our own, **Jason Scully** who unfortunately missed out on the Tailteann Cup campaign through injury be a part of the panel after an excellent year in the green and gold and get his hands on silverware at senior county level. Oldcastle's involvement didn't stop there as **Paul Garrigan**, who was also the coach of Meath ladies successful back to back Senior All Irelands, and now coach on Colm O'Rourke's back room team also playing a huge part in the victory along with local St Brigid's clubman **Michael Flood** who played a key role throughout the year. It was fitting to see many members that played in the Gerry Reilly down the years part of that winning Meath team, playing in Crok Park.

Special mention must also go to local Gilson National School teacher **Sean Gearghty** and his Ballinlough club mates **Daire and Tom Shine** in capturing the **Christy Ring title** for the Meath hurlers. Sean plays a huge role in the local primary school and is a great role model for many our young juvenile players within the club.

We would like to wish all Meath teams at all levels the very best in 2024 and especially to the **Meath Camogie** team in their All Ireland replay today in Clones.

Today is all about the players from both Meath and Cavan competing to win the Gerry Reilly Cup. Here's hoping many more of today's finalists from both teams follow in the footsteps of many before them and wear their county colours in Croke Park and climb those famous steps. Karl Gibney, Oldcastle GFC PRO.

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