



Moin An Bhealaigh Cumann Luthchleas Gael

## **125TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS**

*CELEBRATING THE RE-DEVELOPMENT  
OF THE CLUB GROUNDS*



*Commemorative Programme*

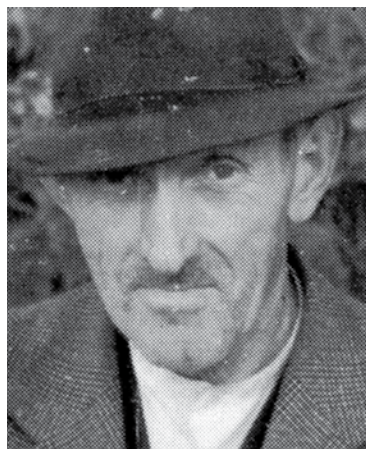
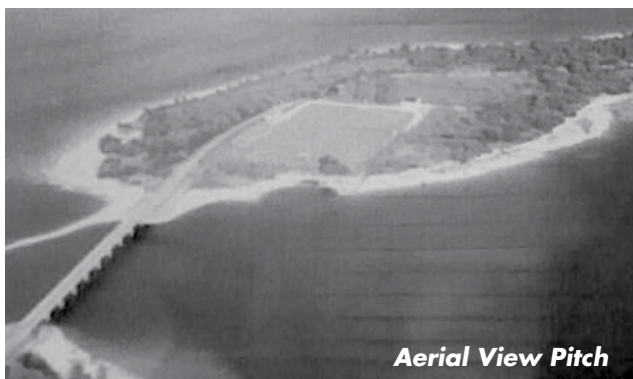
**Saturday, 20th July, 2013**

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# CLAR AN LEA

- 2.00 Go Games Presentation**
- 2.45 Under 13 Boys and Girls Games**
- 3.30 Boys and Girls provide Guard of Honour for President of the GAA Liam O' Neill**
- 3.45 President of the Association presents medals to under age teams.**
- 4.00 President of the Association gives address.**
- 5.30 Ladies Championship Game Vallemount V. Bray Emmets.**

*Refreshments will be served during the event.*



**Paddy Sullivan**

*Winner of Wicklow's first  
Railway Cup Medal*



**Tom Tipper**

*Secretary of the Club  
for over 40 years.*



**Sean O'Sullivan**

*Vallemount School Principal. He introduced hurling to the school and was the main motivator of the club Winning three adult Hurling Championships.*

*Wishing Vallemount All The Best in the Future!*

Fáilte ón gCathaoirleach

Ar son Chumann Moin an Bhealaigh ta sé de pribhléid agam fáilte chroíúil a chur roim gach duine ar ócáid stairiúil speisialta seo inniu. Chuir a lán daoine sár obair isteach chun an foirgneamh a fhorbairt agus táim thar a bheith buíoch dóibh go léir.

This is a historic day in the history of our club as we celebrate our 125th anniversary along with the re development of our grounds. As you will see in the compilation of our history we stretch back to the very dawn of the GAA and while we may have drifted for some time the tradition and heritage that is so much cherished in this area never died.

As a small club on the borders of the banks of the “lakes” we have encountered many challenges , from the flooding of the valley in 1939 to emigration and the lack of local employment. Not withstanding all those challenges we have continued to keep our “Gaelic Heritage” alive and as we look towards the future I am confident that the outlook for our club is as bright as the past is proud.

I am particularly grateful for Uachtaran Liam O’ Neill taking time out to be with us to day and on everyone’s behalf I thank him sincerely. I also thank all my predecessors for their input to the club over the years along with the present day committee for their involvement our players both male and female along with our sponsors and everyone who has made this day possible.

Is mise,

Antain Mac Eochagain / Cathaoirleach





**Our current crop of Go Games players.**



**1985 Junior B Hurling Champions.**



**1988 Junior A Hurling Champions.**





**Our Ladies team that won the Senior Cup in 2012.**



Back Row L-R :- T. Clarke (Trainer), D. Clarke, P. Bolger, T. Pender, D. Reid, L. Cullen, B. Kavanagh, T. Nolan, W. O'Brien,  
 A. Miley, J. Nolan, A. Miley, P. Behan, M. Miley, B. Richardson (Selector).  
 Front Row L-R :- J. Richardson, J. O'Brien, B. Hennessy, P. Byrne, L. Miley, L. Reid, C. Behan, S. Nolan,  
 P. O'Brien, S. Miley.

**1978 Intermediate Champions.**

*"Congratulations Valleymount!"*

# CHUMANN MÓIN AN BHEALAIGH

- 1887 – Crosspikes 98's (i.e. Ballyknockan 98's formed).
- 1889 – Beat Rathdangan and Baltinglass. Lost to Annacurra in the final after extra time.
- 1890 – Ballyknockan 98's prominent in competitions.
- 1911 – Valleymount Junior champions. In this year Martin Murphy is mentioned as being Prominent in reforming the West Board.
- 1915 – Valleymount mentioned in reports as being prominent in the West.
- 1921 – Won West League (medals engraved as Valleymount).
- 1922 – Objections and counter objections with Hollywood – no west team in championship semi – Finals.
- 1923 – Participated in Avondale Tournament.
- 1923 / 24 – Cranabeg won senior championship 1923 final, played in 1924.
- 1927 – Cranabeg – qualified for senior final.
- 1928 – Two teams – Logstown, Valleymount.
- 1930 – 32 – No team in area.
- 1933 – Club revived by Martin Murphy and Mick Burke, Paddy Sullivan – first secretary.
- 1934 – Won a special minor league – beat Rathvilly in final.
- 1935 – Intermediate team regraded to junior.
- 1935 – Won West Final in junior – lost in an objection to Tuckmill.
- 1939 – West Wicklow Junior League winners.
- 1940 – Beaten in junior final by Coolboy.
- 1942 – Lost in junior final to Avondale. Won West Wicklow senior league.
- 1943 – 47 – Amalgamated with Hollywood to form St Kevin's.
- 1948 – Club reformed – Red and white jerseys for the first time. Beaten by Hollywood in West Final. Also fielded a junior team.
- 1950 – Beaten by Annacurra in Intermediate semi – final.
- 1951 – Won minor football championship.
- 1951 – Won Quinn Cup in Donard Tournament. Lost to Baltinglass in West Inter. Final.
- 1952 – Intermediate Champions.
- 1953 – Beat Kilcoole in Senior Championship. Lost to Roundwood in second round.
- 1954 – West Senior Champions – beaten by Kilcoole in semi- final. Won County Senior Football Phelan Cup
- 1955-58 – In competition with Donard and Baltinglass in the West.
- 1963 – Junior Football champions.
- 1964 – Intermediate champions.
- 1967 – Regraded to Junior.
- 1970 – Upgraded to Intermediate.
- 1970 – Won Murphy Cup – Ballymore Eustace tournament.
- 1972 – Won Corcoran Cup. Beaten in Intermediate final by Laragh.
- 1973 – Won West Junior Football League.
- 1973 – 74 – Intermediate Football League winners.
- 1975 – Won Murphy Cup.
- 1976 – Senior football League Division 3.
- 1976 – Polio Fellowships Plaques – Valleymount beat Baltinglass in final.
- 1977 – County S/F/L Division 2 winners. Beaten in Intermediate final by Avondale.

*"Wishing Every Success To Valleymount"*

# SNAPSHOTS IN TIME

/ won AIB County Senior Competition.

1978 – Intermediate Football championships. Corcoran Cup winners.

1983 – First ever hurling team – beaten in Co. Junior final by Blessington after replay.  
Won Hennessy Cup

1984 – Reached Co. Senior Football Championship final. Won DIV 2 County League  
& Hennessy Cup

1985 – County Junior “B” Hurling Champions. Won Leinster Leader Trophy.

1986 – Reach O’Reilly Cup Final

1987 – Reach County Junior Hurling Final

1988 – County Junior “A” Hurling Champions. Won Corcoran Cup.

1989 – Won Intermediate Hurling & Football County Championships.

1990 – defeat Baltinglass in Hill/ Opel league.

1991 – Pat Mahon was a member of the Co. Senior F/ball that defeated Kildare in the  
Ballymore Tournament Final

1992 – Valleymount reaches Intermediate football Final.

1993 – Valleymount defeat Arklow Geraldine’s in Cunningham Cup decider.

1994 – Matt Reid received the Club “Hall of Fame “ awarded at the Clubs  
Annual Dinner Dance

1995 – Annual Dinner Dance attracted over 200 to the Downshire Hotel in March.

1996 – Joe Vaughan Manager Larry Miley and Jimmy Byrne were appointed in charge  
of the Clubs Football Team.

1997 – Ladies football Team established in Club. Won Fr Lucey Cup and  
West football league

1998 – Won Junior “A” Football Championship

1999 – Valleymount Ladies defeat Greystones to win the County League / Championship.

2000 – Valleymount Ladies Team defeat Clara in County Shield Final.

2001 – Sean & Kathleen O’ Sullivan two great supports of the club retired from the teaching  
post in the local school.

2002 – Building of New Club House commences. Ladies win County Junior championship.  
Reach County Junior Final defeated in replay.

2003 – Brian Carey former Club player selected on the Great Britain selection and  
was selected as player of the Tournament.

2004 – Valleymount N.S. wins County Small Schools League.

2005 – Valleymount defeat Baltinglass in County League final to gain promotion .

2006 – Club President Sean O’ Sullivan passed to his eternal reward. Tom Tipper officially  
opens new dressing rooms and Club House.

2007 – Ladies reach County Senior “B” Final.

2008 – Long serving Club secretary Tommy Tipper passes to his eternal reward.

2009 – Ladies Senior Team defeat Blessington to win the County Senior “B” Championship

2010 – Ladies Team win County Senior League.

2011 – Janet & Emer Miley win All Ireland Junior medals with Wicklow.

2012 – Ladies win County Senior Cup and men’s team win Hennessy Cup  
for the first time since 1984.

2013 – Celebrating 125 Club History and Achievements.

*All The Best to Valleymount in the Future!*



**The 1964 Intermediate Champions.**

Names as follows: **Back row** (l to r): T Mahon, M Fitzpatrick, J Lawlor, S O'Sullivan, F Reid, M Nolan, P O'Reilly, M O'Brien, P Bolger, P O'Reilly, B Richardson, L Osbourne, K Cooney. **Front row** (l to r): W Clarke, K Osbourne, R Hamill, M Ryan, S Kelly, M Fitzpatrick, J Reid, J O'Reilly, J McInerney, Fr McGrath, T Tipper.



**Our 2012 Junior team that won the Hennessy Cup.**



**1963 Junior Championship Team.**





**A picture of the Granabeg 1923 Senior Champions.**



**The 1952 Intermediate Champions.**

Names of players with jerseys as follows: **Back row** (l to r): D Cullen, C Reid, T Byrne, M Reid, G Mahon, P Nolan, P Clarke, L Osbourne. **Middle row** (l to r): M Fitzpatrick, B Kavanagh, P Cullen, B Reid, C Foster, P Quinn. **Front row** (l to r): J O'Reilly, P Foster, S Reid, T Tipper.



**Junior A 1998.**



**Our National School team that won the Division 3 school league  
this year with their coach Brendan Hennessy.**

*Wishing Valleymount All The Best in the Future!*

West Wicklow House, Main Street, Blessington, Co. Wicklow (045) 865214



**Paddy O'Sullivan, Tom Tipper.**



**1989 Intermediate Football Champions.**

*"Congratulations Vallemount!"*

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**Our current Intermediate team.**



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