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Ní gnáth bliain í seo 2020, ach caithimid cur suas leis. Tá an t-ádh linn go bhfuil na cluichí idirchontae ag dul ar aghaidh. Táimid ag súil le sár-chluiche idir na comharsa béal dorais.

On behalf of Comhairle na Mumhan I welcome the Players and their Management Teams of Cork and Waterford to Semple Stadium Thurles for today's Munster Semi-Final. Best wishes also to referee Seán Stack and his officials.



2020 MUNSTER SHC SEMI-FINAL **CORK v WATERFORD**

After last Sunday's opening game between Clare and Limerick, this weekend sees the Munster Championship begin in earnest with four games down for decision. I would like to record an expression of gratitude to the small group of stewards and officials who are tasked with running these games in a safe and efficient manner. While it's regrettable (but understandable) that supporters cannot attend our games at the present time, there is still an onus on Munster GAA to ensure that everyone involved here today follows the Health and Safety guidelines and stays safe.

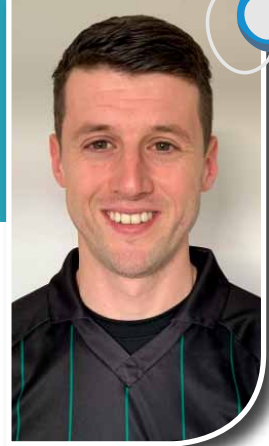
I look forward to an entertaining game between two counties who have served up some excellent classic encounters over the past 20 years and may the better team be successful.

Bainigí taitneamh as ár gcluichí.

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*Liam O'Loineacháin*  
CATHAOIRLEACH COMHAIRLE NA MUMHAN

**TODAY'S REFEREE**



## Seán Stack (DUBLIN)

**The Parnells clubman returns to Semple Stadium for the second time this year as in March he was the man-in-the-middle for the Allianz League tie between the hosts and Waterford.**

The Decies' February league outing in Mullingar against Westmeath was also played under Stack's watch, but this will be the Metropolitan's first outing with the Rebels. Last weekend Seán was on duty at Corrigan Park for Antrim v Westmeath in the Joe McDonagh Cup.

### Match Officials

- Standby Referee** - James Owens (Wexford).
- Linesman** - Rory McGann (Clare).
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- Umpires** - Willie Fallon, Paddy Power, Paddy Kiernan and Sean Dunican (Dublin).

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All games in the 2020 Munster GAA Senior Hurling Championship that finish level after normal playing times should be completed as per the GAA Ard Chomhairle Regulations approved 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.
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- 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.)
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  - 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.



## 2020 Munster GAA Senior Hurling Championship Fixtures



ROUND					DATE	VENUE	REFEREE	
QF	1	Limerick	0-36	Clare	1-23	25/10	Semple Stadium Thurles	Fergal Horgan (Tipperary)
SF	2	Cork		Waterford		31/10	Semple Stadium Thurles @ 3:30pm	Seán Stack (Áth Cliath)
SF	3	Tipperary		Limerick		1/11	Páirc Uí Chaoimh @ 4pm	Liam Gordon (Gaillimh)
FINAL						15/11	Neutral venue TBC @ 4pm	



SHANE BENNETT OF WATERFORD IN ACTION AGAINST MARK COLEMAN OF CORK DURING THE 2019 MUNSTER CHAMPIONSHIP

# Halloween Night thriller in store

By ED DONNELLY

**Cork and Waterford square up this evening under the lights of Semples Stadium Thurles for a place in the 2020 Munster Senior Hurling Final.**

Waterford do so on the back of a winless Championship run of 9 games dating back to the 2017 All-Ireland Semi-Final victory over today's opponents Cork. Following defeat in the 2017 All-Ireland Final to Galway, Waterford under the management of Derek McGrath secured 1 point out of a possible 8 in the 2018 Round-Robin, conceding 7-98. A change of management in 2019 saw Páraic Fanning's side qualify for the League Final before shipping a substantial defeat to Limerick followed by four heavy defeats in the Munster Round-Robin, losing by an average of 13 points, conceding 7-104.

Liam Cahill took the Waterford Bainisteoir role for the 2020 season following All-Ireland success for Tipperary



at Minor, Under 20 and Under 21 level. Cahill's first League match saw the Deise pitted against the Rebel County and the defensive frailties were very much in evidence as Conor Lehane and Shane Kingston scored Cork goals in the opening three minutes.

Waterford to their credit did not panic and by aided by a Patrick Curran goal, led at the interval by two points. The exchanges were even in the second half but with Cork hitting 17 wides on the day, a late Shane Kingston goal would serve as a consolation score with Waterford winning by 1-24 to 3-17.

Waterford would go on to secure subsequent victories over Galway and Westmeath with their only defeats coming at the hands of 2020 All-Ireland favourites Limerick and Tipperary. After the concession of three goals in the opening game, Waterford would only concede just two further goals (1 each to Westmeath and Limerick) over their remaining four matches which

shows the progress being made under the tutelage of Liam Cahill and his management team.

Waterford are certainly a team in transition and with players such as the Mahonys (Philip and Paraic), Noel Connors, Maurice Shanahan and Brick Walsh not involved today, it gives an opportunity for a new generation of Waterford hurlers to make their mark.

Cork on the other hand have been more impressive in Munster in recent years, winning the 2017 and 2018 Munster titles before qualifying for the knockout stages in third place in the 2019 Round-Robin. Their problems in the past three years have been exposed in Croke Park, losing knockout games to Waterford, Limerick and Kilkenny respectively. No more than Waterford, Cork's defensive record has been a concern, conceding 4-19, 3-32 and 2-27 in those meetings.

Under the returning management reign of Kieran Kingston, Cork managed to win two of their five games in the 2020 Allianz Hurling League, ending up as the second highest scorers but also finishing as the team which conceded the second most points, doing marginally better than Westmeath.

Cork have a number of new players coming on stream having qualified for the last two All-Ireland Finals at Under 21 and Under 20 level. However, at a time when Kieran Kingston is looking for new talent in defense, it's worth nothing that Cork have conceded a total of 8 goals to Liam Cahill managed Tipperary sides in those two recent All-Ireland Finals.

If the Rebel County can solve the problems at the back, then they would be a force for anyone with attacking players such as Conor Lehane, Seamus Harnedy, Alan Cadogan, Shane Kingston and Patrick Horgan sure to notch up a high score any day they take to the field.

If the recent rivalry is anything to go by between Cork and Waterford, scores are sure to be plentiful here today. If Waterford's new players can get up to the speed of Munster Championship early on, this could be a thriller with a place in the 2020 Munster Final on offer. Enjoy the game!

CORK MANAGER KIERAN KINGSTON AND WATERFORD MANAGER LIAM CAHILL SHAKE HANDS FOLLOWING THE 2020 LEAGUE MEETING IN JANUARY



CALUM LYONS OF WATERFORD IN ACTION AGAINST SEAMUS HARNEDY OF CORK IN THE 2020 LEAGUE MEETING





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	<b>1</b> A. de Nais <b>Anthony Nash</b> Kanturk	
<b>2</b> D. Ó Cathaláin <b>Damien Cahalane</b> St. Finbarrs	<b>3</b> C. Ó Speasláin <b>Colm Spillane</b> Castlelyons	<b>4</b> S. Ó Donnchú <b>Sean O'Donoghue</b> Inniscarra
<b>5</b> C. Seoigh <b>Christopher Joyce</b> Na Piarasáigh	<b>6</b> R. Ó Dunai <b>Robert Downey</b> Glen Rovers	<b>7</b> M. Ó Colmáin <b>Mark Coleman</b> Blarney
<b>8</b> L. Cúipéir <b>Bill Cooper</b> Youghal	<b>9</b> T. Ó Mathúna <b>Tim O'Mahony</b> Newtownshandrum	
<b>10</b> S. Ó hAirtnéada <b>Seamus Harnedy</b> St. Itas	<b>11</b> C. Ó Liatháin <b>Conor Lehane</b> Midleton	<b>12</b> A. Breatnach <b>Aidan Walsh</b> Kanturk
<b>13</b> A. Ó Ceadagáin <b>Alan Cadogan</b> Douglas	<b>14</b> S. Mac Clochaire <b>Shane Kingston</b> Douglas	<b>15</b> P. Ó hArgáin <b>Patrick Horgan (C)</b> Glen Rovers

	<b>1</b> S. Ó Caoimh <b>Stephen O'Keeffe</b> Ballygunner	
<b>2</b> S. de Fibhis <b>Shane Fives</b> Tourin	<b>3</b> C. Ó Pronntaigh <b>Conor Prunty (C)</b> Abbeyside	<b>4</b> S. Mac an Ultaigh <b>Shane McNulty</b> De La Salle
<b>5</b> C. Ó Laighin <b>Calum Lyons</b> Ballyduff Lower	<b>6</b> T. de Búrca <b>Tadhg de Búrca</b> Clashmore / Kinsalebeg	<b>7</b> Á. Ó Glasáin <b>Austin Gleeson</b> Mount Sion
<b>8</b> S. Ó Barún <b>Jamie Barron</b> Fourmilewater	<b>9</b> J. Diolún <b>Jake Dillon</b> De La Salle	
<b>10</b> C. Ó Móráin <b>Kevin Moran</b> De La Salle	<b>11</b> S. Ó Faogáin <b>Jack Fagan</b> De La Salle	<b>12</b> C. Mac Beinéid <b>Kieran Bennett</b> Ballysaggart
<b>13</b> D. Mac Úistín <b>Dessie Hutchinson</b> Ballygunner	<b>14</b> S. Mac Beinéid <b>Stephen Bennett</b> Ballysaggart	<b>15</b> S. de Priondragás <b>Jack Prendergast</b> Lismore

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- 16. P. Ó Coileáin  
**Patrick Collins** Ballinhassig
- 17. S. Ó Laoire-hAodha  
**Sean O'Leary-Hayes** Midleton
- 18. N. Ó Laoire  
**Niall O'Leary** Castlelyons
- 19. L. Ó hAonasa  
**Billy Hennessy** St. Finbarrs
- 20. C. Ó Laoire  
**Chris O'Leary** Valley Rovers
- 21. S. Mac Dónaill  
**Stephen McDonnell** Glen Rovers
- 22. L. Ó Miach  
**Luke Meade** Newcestown

- 23. D. Ó Daltúin  
**Declan Dalton** Fr. O'Neills
- 24. S. Ó Conchúir  
**Jack O'Connor** Sarsfields
- 25. D. Ó Conaire  
**Daire Connery** Na Piarasáigh
- 26. B. Turnbull  
**Brian Turnbull** Douglas

## FIR IONAIÐ

- 16. L. Ó Nualláin  
**Billy Nolan** Roanmore
- 17. E. Ó Cionaoith  
**Ian Kenny** Ballygunner
- 18. M. Ó Briain  
**Mark O'Brien** Ferrybank
- 19. M. Ó Cearnaigh  
**Mikey Kearney** Ballyduff Upper
- 20. P. Ó Corráin  
**Patrick Curran** Dungarvan
- 21. L. de Paor  
**Billy Power** Clonea
- 22. C. Ó Ciarubháin  
**Ciaran Kirwan** Kill
- 23. D. Ó Laighin  
**Darragh Lyons** Dungarvan
- 24. N. Mac Iomaire  
**Neil Montgomery** Abbeyside
- 25. S. Ó Riain  
**Shane Ryan** Fourmilewater
- 26. C. de Paor  
**Kieran Power** Dungarvan

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seacháí	65m	Saor Pocanna
1 Adh Leath					
2 Adh Leath					
<b>lomlán</b>					

### BAINISTIÓCHT:

**Bainisteoir:** Kieran Kingston (Tracton);  
**Roghnóirí:** Diarmuid O'Sullivan (Cloyne)  
and Ger Cunningham (St. Finbarrs).

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seacháí	65m	Saor Pocanna
1 Adh Leath					
2 Adh Leath					
<b>lomlán</b>					

### BAINISTIÓCHT:

**Bainisteoir:** Liam Cahill;  
**Maor Fóirne / Roghnóir:** Mikey Bevans;  
**Roghnóir:** Stephen Frampton.

# Classy Cork register another victory



## CORK 0-23 WATERFORD 1-15

Report by Jackie Cahill  
courtesy of GAA.ie

**Patrick Horgan scored 10 points as Cork booked their place in a first Munster senior hurling final since 2014.**

The Rebels came good again to defeat Waterford at Semple Stadium – four weeks after defeating last year's provincial and All-Ireland winners Tipperary at the same venue.

Cork lost corner back Colm Spillane to a second yellow card in the 62nd minute, but held out in front of 33,163 spectators to send Waterford heading for the qualifiers. Conor Lehane was deemed fit enough to start, and scored four points, but he limped off late on with a recurrence of the ankle problem that had threatened his participation.

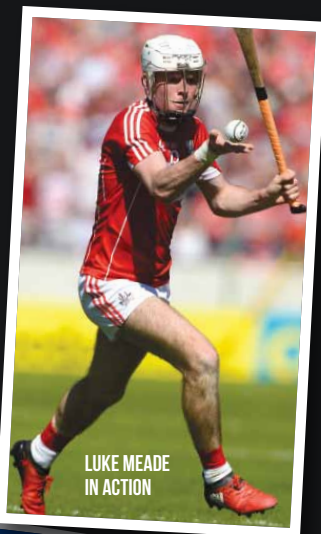
It was a generally forgettable afternoon for Waterford, who had hoped to book a third successive Munster final appearance. Hurler of the Year Austin Gleeson produced a couple of classy cameo moments, but didn't have the impact he or manager Derek McGrath would have wished for – and he was replaced in the second half.

The sides went in level at 0-10 apiece at the end of a rip-roaring first half. They were level three times inside the opening 13 minutes, but Cork held the lead from the 15th minute until Kevin Moran's equalising point for Waterford just before the interval.

There were some brilliant individual moments to savour, chief among them a wonderful pick-up and Waterford point from an initially grounded Gleeson in the 10th minute.

Cork's leading scorer Horgan was inches wide with a goal effort minutes later as the game ebbed and flowed.

With both sides adopting a 'man on man' approach, it was bubbling up into an absorbing fixture. By the 19th minute, Cork had managed to get three points clear, 0-8 to 0-5, but Waterford continued to battle. Cork's fifth



LUKE MEADE  
IN ACTION

# LAST MUNSTER CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL MEETING - 2017



point was another eye-catching score, Conor Lehane fetching Mark Coleman's pass brilliantly before racing away and firing over from the Old Stand side of the field.

The respective puck-out strategies were working well – Cork favouring the superb Coleman on the left touchline on more than one occasion, while Waterford were hitting the flanks and trying to keep the ball away from Mark Ellis. The Cork man was effective in the opening half, but his direct opponent, Pauric Mahony, still managed to get away for three points from play.

Content to hold his position, Ellis was prepared to concede some ground to Mahony and this duel was just one of the many sub-plots from an intriguing game. Approaching half-time, Waterford received a massive psychological lift by drawing level.

Before Moran's equaliser, Waterford goalkeeper produced heroics to deny first Alan Cadogan and then Seamus Harnedy, the latter an absolutely brilliant save low down to his right. Goal opportunities came and went early in the second half and as the game wore on, Cork thrived.

Spillane was dismissed soon after, but Waterford couldn't find a way back in the closing stages as Cork finished strongly. Shanahan had netted in the 46th minute to draw Waterford level at 1-12 to 0-15, but the Déise could only muster 1-5 after half-time.

Cork finished with 10 different scorers ensuring jubilant fans invaded the Semple Stadium sod at full-time to savour a famous win. Cork would go on to win the 2017 Munster Final before losing out to Waterford in the All-Ireland Semi-Final at Croke Park.

**Scorers for Cork:** P Horgan 0-10 (7fs, 165), C Lehane 0-4, S Harnedy 0-2, M Ellis, M Coleman (sl), B Cooper, D Fitzgibbon, A Cadogan, L O'Farrell and M Cahalane 0-1 each. **Scorers for Waterford:** Pauric Mahony 0-5 (1f), M Shanahan 1-1 (1f), A Gleeson, J Barron and Stephen Bennett 0-2 each, K Moran, Shane Bennett and B O'Halloran 0-1 each.

**CORK:** A Nash; S McDonnell, D Cahalane, C Spillane; C Joyce, M Ellis, M Coleman; B Cooper, D Fitzgibbon; L Meade, C Lehane, S Harnedy; A Cadogan, P Horgan, S Kingston. **Subs:** M Cahalane for Kingston (55), D Kearney for Fitzgibbon (60), L O'Farrell for Meade (60), B Lawton for Lehane (68), D Brosnan for Cadogan (70+3).

**WATERFORD:** S O'Keeffe, S Fives, B Coughlan, N Connors; C Gleeson, T de Búrca, Philip Mahony; J Barron, K Moran; Stephen Bennett, Pauric Mahony, M Walsh; A Gleeson, M Shanahan, Shane Bennett. **Subs:** T Ryan for Stephen Bennett (47), B O'Halloran for Shane Bennett (54), D Fives for S Fives (58), J Dillon for Gleeson (63), P Curran for Walsh (66).

**REFEREE:** Barry Kelly (Westmeath)

ALAN CADOGAN'S SHOT FOR GOAL IS SAVED  
BY WATERFORD GOALIE STEPHEN O'KEEFFE



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# Cahir's Bloody Sunday hero Jimmy McNamara Remembered



*Left to Right: John Devane (Chairman Tipperary County Board), Larry Queaney (Chairman Cahir GAA), Margaret O'Brien (relation of Jimmy McNamara), Barry O'Brien (Chairman Tipperary Football Committee) and Michael Power (Treasurer of Tipperary County Board) at the plaque unveiling outside Cahir GAA Club (Photo by Kevin Hanly)*

### By ENDA O'SULLIVAN

Cahir's Jimmy McNamara, the most successful footballer the town has ever produced, was remembered last September with a wreath-laying ceremony at his final resting place followed by a plaque unveiling outside their GAA grounds on St. Mary's Road. Clubman Colm O'Flaherty also produced a fantastic booklet chronicling the life of "Might Mac" who unfortunately died just nine years after he lined out at centre half forward on Bloody Sunday in 1929.

An all-round sportsman Jimmy excelled at soccer with Cahir Park AFC and, along with his inter-county teammate Tommy Ryan from Castlegrace, was offered an £8-a-week contract by Scottish giants Celtic FC however, both men turned down what was an incredible amount of money at the time and choose to stay at home and focus on Gaelic games.

At 5 foot 4, Jimmy was small for an inter-county footballer and adapted his game to rely on speed and sidesteps to avoid his opponents. Excelling in selling the dummy, Jimmy was noted for his incisive solo runs and moving quickly up the field while in possession. Chatting to Colm O'Flaherty in the 1980s, his Bloody Sunday teammate Bill Ryan from Laha remarked that he was "very fast and skilful".

The youngest of four boys, Jimmy worked in his parents Anne and William's business on Barrack St. which comprised a pub and general provisions shop. At the time, Tipperary were one of the most dominant teams in Gaelic football and Jimmy won a remarkable three Munster Senior Championships (1918, '20 and '22) as well as an All-Ireland Senior medal in 1920. However, due to the political situation in the Country at the time, that game was not played until 1922.

Jimmy was unfortunate not to capture the 1918 All-Ireland title when they were, controversially pipped at the post by the famous four-in-a-row winning Wexford team, 0-5 to 0-4. During the second half Tipperary were denied a goal after the Wexford netminder stepped over the line with the ball however the umpires declined to wave the green flag. To add further woe, star forward Gus McCarthy kicked a last minute chance to level the game wide.

Jimmy continued to play Senior for the County until 1926 and was a selector with the 1928 side which were the last Tipperary team to defeat Kerry in the Championship, 1-7 to 2-3.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Tipperary GAA Bloody Sunday Commemoration Committee have had to postpone the majority of their events to remember victims of that awful day however it is hoped that these events can proceed in 2021.





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