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Auburn Lodge Squash Club

A New Dimension in Sport and Health Facilities

A £140,000 sports and health centre is about to launch itself on the people of Ennis and farther afield, with the opening on (this) Friday of 5,500 square feet of sheer enjoyment and relaxation in what will be known as the Auburn Lodge Sports and Health Centre.

Attached to this exceedingly popular hotel on the Gort Road, the centre, expertly designed by Dermot Merry, architect, and built by McCarthy bros., builders, is but another dramatic step forward in the commercial acumen of Jack and Ann Wall who see the complex as the first of its kind in the Mid West region.

The two storied building is a paradise for the keep fit enthusiast, the squash fanatic or the person who likes to relieve the days stresses by relaxing and availing of such amenities as a sunbed, a sauna, a spa pool, and slendertone. Yes, these are all there to be enjoyed in this magnificent sports and health centre and the initial interest shown with a membership of over one hundred augurs well for its success.

Downstairs there are two squash courts, one with a carpeted gallery for 150-200 people. Changing rooms and showers adjoin them. Two saunas, a ladies' and a gents, are also in this section along with a massage parlour, sun bed and slendertone.

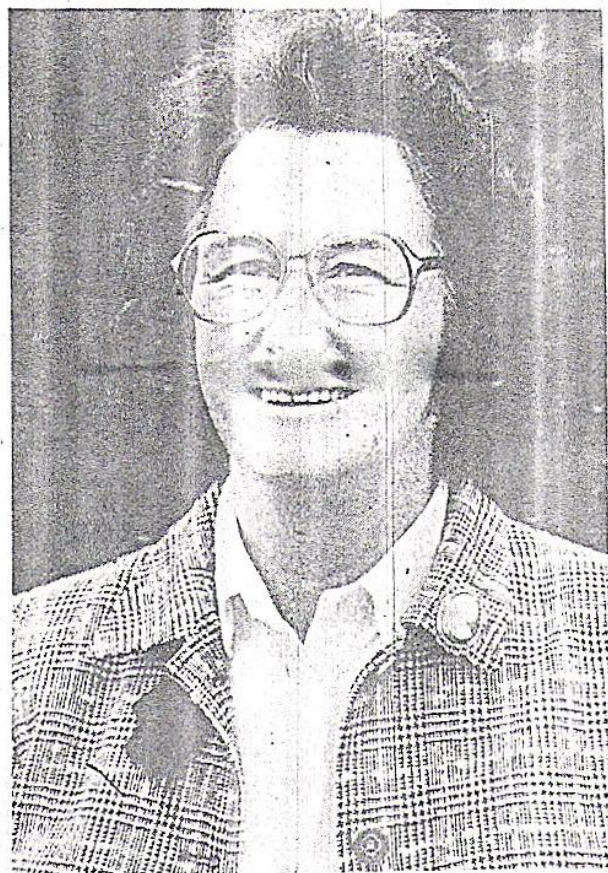
Topping off the downstairs area is what will shortly become a name and a facility to be reckoned with. It's a Jacuzzi!

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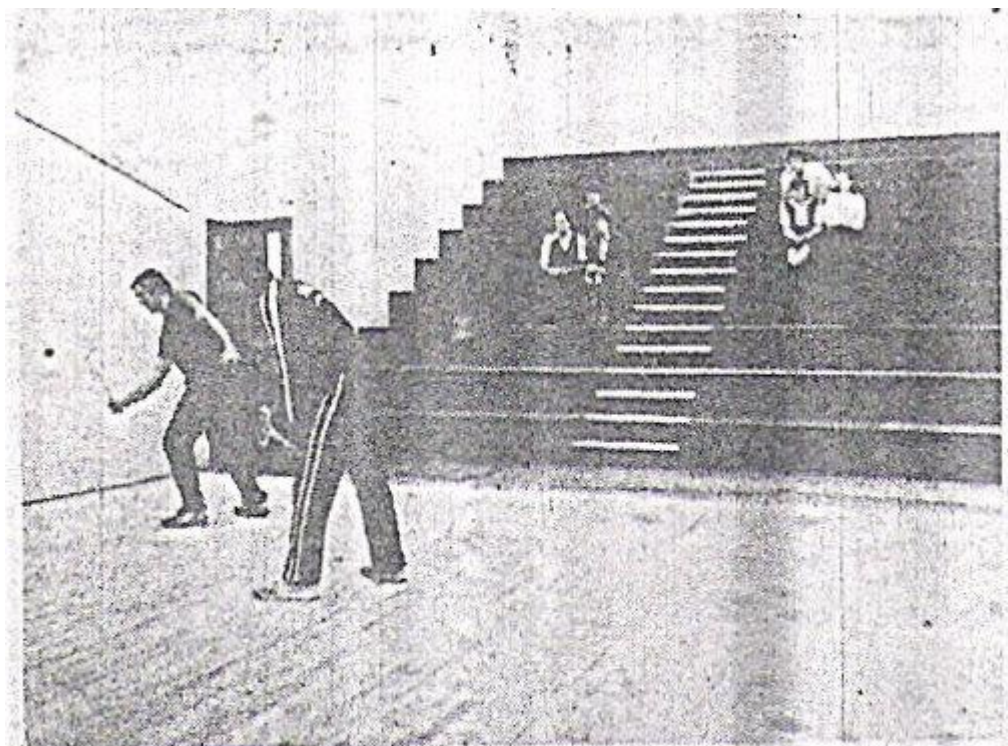
muscle-strain, rheumatism, sciatica, migraine, insomnia and many other tiresome bodily ailments. Certainly a new dimension in health-giving facilities and one that is sure to find favour very quickly.

Upstairs there is a contrast in the facilities provided. For the leisurely keen eyed, snooker fan, there is a table to tickle his or her fancy while nearby, in a gymnasium, the more energetic can while away the hours on such things as the home cycle, treadmill, combination unit that comprises abdominal boards, chinning bar, spring expanders, rowing machines, etc.

As can be readily seen from all that the Auburn Hotel Sports and Health Centre has to offer, the emphasis is not on sporting activities. One does not have to be a squash or snooker enthusiast to avail of the other advantages there. The squash and snooker, will of necessity mean that special clubs will be set up, but people with no interest in these may gain the benefit of the remaining facilities by appointment.



● MRS. ANN WALL



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The birth that was the Auburn Lodge Hotel back in 1969 was an occasion that few, even the proprietors Jack Wall and his wife Anne, could have envisaged as growing to the status it now enjoys.

At the time, it might have been considered to be tempting fate that this enterprising couple should have gone so far out of town to set up an establishment of this nature. Time has proved how correct they were, and from the small beginnings of six rooms, the Auburn Lodge has steadily grown into a hotel where warmth in the personal attention of its management is matched by the comfort of its surroundings and in the provision of food that has found fame far outside the confines of Ennis and Clare.

The hotel now has twenty two rooms, each with bath, telephone, colour TV and central heating and there are plans to extend this complement by a further 20/30 rooms, in the near future.

Its function room was extended last year to now cater for 250 people while there is a private room for groups of 15/30.

The excellence of the food has been a hallmark of the Auburn Lodge in its relatively short existence. This has been a conscious decision on the part of the Walls and the exquisite surroundings of the dining room all add to the pleasure of the customer.

It's fame for weddings, of course, has spread over a very wide area. On average, three weddings a week are offered for, all under the personal



● MR. JACK WALL

supervision of Anne, while the secluded gardens are ideal in setting for photographs. The Walls are extremely popular in the

of musical comedy enthusiasts. Anne, hails from the Goldsmith country of Westmeath and has brought with her to Ennis a wealth of experience in the hotel trade. They have two in family, Roger and Pamela.

The management is at pains to point out that no pressures will be exerted on people to avail of these facilities. They are there for those who want them, from 11 a.m. to 11.30 p.m. each day and throughout next week, they will be open to the public for viewing.

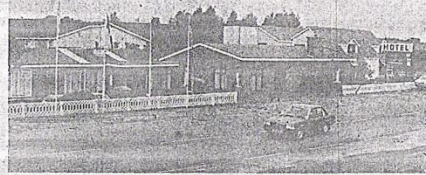
As from Oct. 1st, a fully qualified masseuse in the person of Anne McMahon, from Miltown Malbay will be there and it is hoped that keep-fit classes will be organised shortly.

Leisure activities, be they strenuous or otherwise, are becoming a way of life. The growth of interest in such games as squash and snooker has been augmented by their exposure on television while events such

as the Dublin City Marathon and the huge response this race receives annually, has brought more and more people on to the roads, and the tracks, with consequent direction of attention to gymnastics.



● ROGER WALL



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Sept 1982

Exciting senior Squash league

With just two rounds remaining in the Clare senior squash league, there is a tremendous battle on for first prize between De Beers and the One Mile Inn.

Both sides recorded victories on Tuesday night when the Shannon team picked up full points against the Auburn Lodge with the One Mile Inn dropping just three points to Ennis C.B.S. The leaders will meet in the final game and there should be little, if anything, between them when they meet at Shannon. Last week the One Mile Inn scored a narrow victory and they will be looking for a repeat if they are to win this inaugural competition run by the newly formed Clare squash racquets Association.

On this Thursday night at the magnificent Auburn Lodge complex Clare will take on a very strong Galway selection in a friendly commencing at 7.30 p.m. There will be ten matches with the top ten players from both counties in action and a great

night's squash is expected.

The One Mile Inn club's November blitz, sponsored by Studio Eyewear, will be played on Monday night with eight teams taking part.

Last week there was a very successful blitz at Newmarket sponsored by the Weavers Inn. The winning team comprised of Con Woods, Pat McCaul, Jim Maher, Johnny Cusack, Lil Moyles, Gina Shanagher and Brendan Quinlivan. The runners up were Pat Coughlan, P. J. Cusack, Mike Hogan, Dominic McMahon, Pauline Kilmartin, Mary Marrinan and Paul Cusack. In the unavoidable absence of sponsor, Paul Higgins, the prizes were presented by club chairman, Dermot O'Hanlon.

Nov 1982

● **SQUASH:**

Clare league arrange refereeing course

There will be a refereeing/markings course at the Auburn Lodge on Friday week, January 14, commencing at 7.30 p.m. The course will be conducted by Limerick official, Mochaél Barry, and will be open to interested personnel from all clubs in Clare. The CSRA has requested all clubs to send representatives to this course.

There has been much competition in recent weeks at the Ennis CBS club. The Christmas turkey blitz was won by Jack Keane's team from Brian Fitzgerald's side with the winners staging a great comeback.

The winter team league ended last week and again Jack Keane's team was victorious beating Sean Heaslip's side narrowly in the decider. The results (Heaslip's team first) were B. Bitzpatrick's bt. M. O'Grady (3-0); L. Lenihan lost to M. Carey (0-3); B. Tuohy lost to D. Treacy (0-3); F. Howard lost to B. Cullen (2-3); E. Ryan bt. P. McInerney (3-0); S. Heaslip lost to J. Keane (2-3). The prizes were presented at an enjoyable function in O'Keeffe's afterwards.

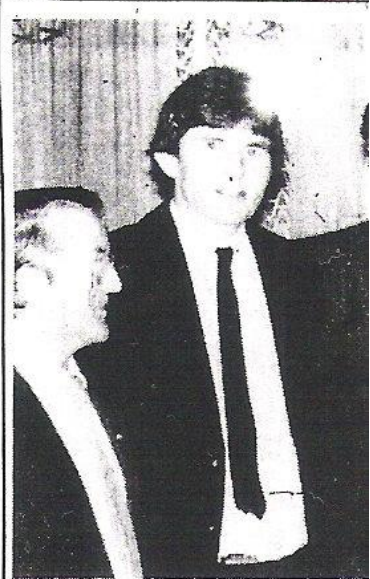
The club has two teams in Div. II of the Clare league and recently they were in opposition. Victory went to the side comprising of Eric Hanrahan, Declan Coote, Sean Heaslip, Tomas English and Eugene Ryan over Joe

accepted and the closing date is Saturday. Another blitz will be staged in two weeks time and on this occasion eight teams will be included.

The Auburn Lodge committee also decided to organise coaching sessions for club members and the first of these will take place on Wednesday, January 19 at 8 p.m. and all members are welcome to attend.

The Komputer World winter league at Newmarket will resume on Monday next after the winter league. At this stage Betty McMahon's team are favourites to win Div. I while the front runners in Div. II are the teams led by Con Woods and Pete McCaul.

The CSRA at its meeting on Monday night decided to run a senior individual league. This will consist of three sections with nine players in Div. I and 8 in II & III. Div. I will commence on Monday night with the other two sections starting on Monday week.



● G.A.A. President Paddy B. Club at their annual Dinner. McNamara (Secretary), John Buggy, Sean Hehir (Chairman)

Capacit O'C Mil

There was one of the biggest O'Callaghan's Mills annuals on Sunday. A feature of the event was a large number of ladies.

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and Eugene Ryan over Joe Pender, Terry Hughes, Michael Conlon, Jimmy Cronin and Noël Crowley. The latter side were later beaten by Catholic Institute.

A recent visitor to the complex was J. O'Connor of Clonroadmore, winner of the World veterans squash championship in 1980. He now lives in Zambia and while in Ennis he enjoyed a game with Denis Maurer. In recent week's Maurer has been conducting twice weekly coaching sessions at the Ennis club.

The ladder competition has got under way at the One Mile Inn Club and competition will continue until Easter Sunday. Again there are three sections for men and two for ladies. Entries are now being accepted for the January blitz which will take place on Monday week, January 17. Entries are now being accepted also for a special novice team league sponsored by Tom Ryan car sales.

At a general meeting in the Auburn Lodge on Tuesday night a committee was appointed to run competitions within the club. This group immediately went to work and there will be a blitz on Tuesday night next consisting of four teams of five. Entries are now being

Jan 1983

● SQUASH:

Auburn Lodge win senior title

The first Clare squash Monday night when the league of the current Auburn Lodge won their season was completed on first title by taking the

mens senior team event. Going into Monday's last round they needed just four points against bottom of the table De Beers and the Ennis club duly scored a comfortable win to their their first title.

championships at the week-end. Seamus English of the CBS won the mens under 19 plate beating M. Collins of Leinster by 3-2 in the final while Seamus Howard of the One Mile Inn won the under 16 plate beating G. Doherty of Leinster in the decider.

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Meanwhile at the CBS club there was a tremendous battle for second place between the host club and the One Mile Inn. Going into the game the sides were on level terms and little was expected to separate them at the end. The CBS scored a good 4-1 win, the highlight being Tony Lynch's victory of Gerry Bredin. Other winners for the CBS were Derry Moloney (3-0 against Con Woods), Joe Pender (3-1 against Gert Lacheiner) and Seamus English (3-0 against Tom Malone) while Tony Lillis lost on a 1-3 scoreline to Seamus Hayes.

For the record the members of the Auburn Lodge side were Kieran Hurley, Denis Maurer capt., Jack Keane, Danny Liddy and Dickie Pyne with Damien Byrne as substitute.

The ladies league continues on Wednesday with little separating the One Mile Inn A and Newmarket while the One Mile Inn B are also well in contention. The mens division II league commences on Monday next. Two Ennis players recorded successes at the West of Ireland junior

The Autmun team league, a very popular event at the One Mile Inn, will get under way next week. There will be eight teams taking part and all fixtures will be posted on the notice board this week-end.

Last week there was a very successful blitz at the One Mile Inn from which all funds were donated to the Clare branch of the Irish Wheelchair Association for the Ard Ri campaign. The money was raised to sponsor candidate Jimmy Cullinan, a former member of the club.

The competition was sponsored by Studio Eyewear who, through the Managing Director, Gert Lacheiner, also joined with the club in presenting a sizeable sum of money to the Wheelchair Association.

There was also an entertaining blitz at the Auburn Lodge recently sponsored by Talty's Window Furnishings.

During the next week the Ennis CBS will hold a blitz competition from which the winners will each receive a Dunlop squash racket.

Oct 1983

Top Squash Players For Ennis This Week-End

It's true to say that over the last three to four years squash has grown enormously in popularity in Clare and has led to the provision of many fine courts around the County. As a result of this growth a Co. association was formed in Sept. of 1982 to promote competition at all levels between the clubs. This has been done successfully over the past year and a half and such has been the success of the Clare Association that the Munster body has honoured Clare by asking the committee to host the prestigious Munster close championships this week-end.

After many hours of planning the Clare Committee has finalised all arrangements for the tournament which has attracted the leading players in the province. The matches will be played in seven courts in five clubs and followers should see many top class games throughout the week-end.

The tournament will get under way at 6.30 on this Friday evening and all courts

selected will have matches right up to midnight. Competition resumes at 9.30 a.m. on Saturday and continues right through until 8 p.m. on Saturday night after which the official buffet social will take place at the West Co. Inn and tickets can be had from club or co. officials. Competition will resume at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday when only three courts will be in action (2 in Clarecastle and 1 at the

Auburn Lodge) and will continue until 4.30 approx.

All fans are looking forward to seeing such as Ritchie Power, the current Irish number 2 and the top Irish players for many years, in action. Power is the number 1 seed in the premier event with John Barrett (Irish No. 5) as the number 2 seed. Also in this grade will be such players as Jack Laffan, Val Flanagan and Tony Mullaney who have been amongst the top in the Country for some years.

The ladies A competition has also attracted many of the leading players in the Country with such as Ann Downey (no. 1 see) Phyllis O'Farrell (no. 2) Margaret Lucas, Barbara Murray and Very Shawxix taking part.

Local interest will centre in the B and C grades in both ladies and men. In the men's B division Clare's Seamus Haes and Denis Maurer, will carry the County's hopes.

CLUB NEWS

Recently the Auburn Lodge Club held a most successful blitz which was sponsored by Francie O'Halloran frozen foods and the winning team was captained by club treasurer Damien Byrne. In a club snooker competition Willie Donnellan emerged as winner while the club's table

tennis competitions were concluded this week. A blitz sponsored by Danny Moran will be staged on Feb. 9. Recently a group of club members paid a very enjoyable return visit to Dublin and they are now preparing for the visit of a Tullamore team in March. Weekly coaching sessions continue under the guidance of Danny Liddy, Denis Maurer and Kyran Hurley.

The Old Ground Hotel sponsored team league at St. Flannans concluded last Friday when the team comprising of Con Woods, Gerry Collison, John Flann, P. Coughlan, F. Browne and N. O'Connor emerged as winners. The prizes were presented at an enjoyable function at the Old Ground afterwards.

Hurling Selectors Name panel

BY SEAMUS HAYES

The Clare hurling selectors have announced a 26 strong panel for the remainder of the league campaign, the Centenary Cup and the Munster Championship. The selection features the return of Seamus Durack, Martin Meehan, John Callinan and Enda O'Connor, neither of

Making his first appearance on the panel is Kilkenny man Michael Maher who will this year be seen in the Eire Og colours. Maher was outstanding for the Clare teachers when they won the All Ireland senior inter firm title in 1982 and last year he was full back on the Kilkenny

year and is deserving of his place on the panel. Many will be disappointed with the omission of Eire Og Pete Barry from the panel. The Ennis man was a member of the side in the early league games and showed much form. He was very impressive against Kilkenny in the Oireachtas but disappointed against Waterford in the league tie. He has the potential

Feb 1984

Div. III Ladies Title For Auburn Lodge

THE Clare Ladies Div. III squash title has been won by the Auburn Lodge Club, who finished with 110, dropping only ten points in the competition. Ennis C.B.S. were in second place with 82 pts., followed by Kilrush/Kilkee, 37 and Shannon/Newmarket, 34. The league was run off smoothly with all games taking place when scheduled.

Three rounds of the ladies division IV league have been played and Ennis C.B.S. are in the lead with 38 points, with Clarecastle, Auburn Lodge and One Mile Inn challenging strongly.

The Clare championship will be run off during the first two weeks of April with the final on Friday, April 13, at the Auburn Lodge. Entries must be in next week after which the draws will be made. The format will be the same as last year.

The Ennis C.B.S. championships get under way this week and the finals will be staged on Friday,

March 23, followed by a buffet social at the Auburn Lodge Hotel. The club's inaugural handicap competition is nearing conclusion and the semi-finals will take place this weekend. Still in contention are Denis Maurer, Tony Lillis, Tony Lynch and John McEntee.

The draws for the One Mile Inn championship were made on Monday night and these will get under way next week with the finals set for Friday, March 30, after which the club will hold its Annual Buffet Dance at the West County Inn. There will be three divisions for both ladies and men.

March 1984

Auburn Finals

The finals of the Auburn Lodge squash club championships will take place on this Thursday night with Marg. Lacheiner and Ann O'Dowd in the ladies decider followed by the mens final between Seamus Hayes and Danny Liddy.

This week-end the club will play hosts to a team from Dublin and there will be games on Friday Saturday and Sunday with a special disco social on Saturday night.

The final blitz of the season at the One Mile Inn took place on Monday night and was sponsored by Leadmore Ice Cream. Tony Lynch completed a great year by leading the team his team to victory over Gerry Bredins side.

May 1984

Successful Start to Squash Season

The Clare squash season opened last week-end with the staging of the first ever inter-club championship at Clarecastle. Seven teams entered for the event from which Auburn Lodge 'A' and Ennis CBS 'A' qualified for the final on Saturday evening.

After a thrilling final the Auburn team took the title with an impressive win over a fancied CBS outfit. Mick Hennessy ensured success for the Lodge when he beat Pa Lynch by 3-2 after the CBS number one Tony Lynch was surprisingly beaten by Jack Keane.

The mens and ladies division 2 team leagues get under way this week-end and details of the draws are with the clubs involved.

A magnificent new squash court, attached to the recently opened Kilkee golf clubhouse, was officially opened on Friday night last by club President, Mr. Michael McMahon.

To mark the official opening there was an exhibition game between local star Paul Costello and Seamus Hayes. Costello emerged as the winner of this five setter when he took the last game on a 10-9 scoreline.

This is certainly a superb court and must rate as one of the best in the region. It should prove a tremendous boost to the game in the seaside resort.

Another new court will be opened in the coming weeks when the Cooraclare club will open their court which is

attached to the local GAA club. Membership is presently being accepted by Gerard Kelly.

Meanwhile all club committees are busy preparing for the new season and blitz competitions and internal league are being organised. Coaching is available from the CSRA.

Sea Angling Competition

The Lisdoonvarna - Fanore sea angling club recently ran a very successful competition to raise money for the Royal National lifeboat institution. The first competition was a shore event at Balckhead on Sunday week last when Michael Foudy, of Ruan was the winner of the RNLI cup and silver spoon. Second was Joe Clarke of Galway with Tom Minogue of Gort in third spot. Nigel Moloney of Clarecastle was the best juvenile.

The second competition was a boat competition from Liscannor and this took place on Sunday last. The winners were Martin Cleary, Nigel and Tom Moloney (all Clarecastle.), Terence Mulligan, Limerick and Joe Mulroy, Galway.

The sponsors were Ennis businessmen, P. J. Keane and Paul Flynn.

Sept 1984

SQUASH

Senior League final on this Thursday

The final round in the mens senior individual (section A) league takes place on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge. Of the ten players involved, just two remain unbeaten and the meeting of Tony Lynch and Seamus Hayes will decide the first and second placings in the competition.

In last week's games Lynch and Hayes defeated Seamus English and Tony Lillis respectively in straight sets to set the scene for the final.

Hayes won the title two years ago and finished runner-up last year to Kyran Hurley. In fairness it must be pointed out that Lynch, has, to date this season, been the most impressive player in Clare squash and he will start as favourite on this Thursday. In recent friendly games between the players Lynch has had the upperhand and looks set to win his first Clare individual title.

In the ladies individual competition Lil Moyles of Newmarket and Ann O'Dowd of the One Mile Inn continue to be the leaders despite the fact that both were beaten last week. At this stage Mrs. Moyles has a one point lead and it appears as if her meeting with Mrs. O'Dowd in the final game on December 20 will decide the issue. Last week Mrs. O'Dowd lost to Mary Carey on a 1/3 scoreline while Mrs. Moyles lost to Jan Davis on a 2/3 scoreline.

The semi-finals of the mens division IV league will take place on Monday next and the semi-final pairings will be confirmed on this Thursday. The final round in the league section were being played

last night, Wednesday and the results were not at hand at the time of going to press. In section I, De Beers are leading from Newmarket and these two look set for the semi-finals. Going into last night's games Lissycasey A led the other section from the Auburn Lodge with Clarecastle in close contention. The semi-finals will start at 7.30 p.m. on Monday at Clarecastle (provided the home club is not involved; if Clarecastle qualify their semi-final will be at the Auburn Lodge) and the final will be on Wednesday next.

Harp Tourney

On the club scene the annual Harp handicap tournament at the One Mile Inn is in full swing and the quarter final stage has been reached. The finals are set for Wednesday night next and there should be a high standard of play in both the ladies and mens sections.

Auburn Lodge

The very active Auburn Lodge club will hold its Christmas blitz on this day evening for turkey competition will be followed by a track suit disco. It should prove exciting during the evening the prizes will be presented.

Newmarket

The Winter League is run by Newmarket. Fergus club continued Monday night when McMahon's team beat Eamuid Hanratty's side by 5 pts. to 5. The game of the night was the meeting Lewy Halpin and Fr. McCormack with Halpin winning narrowly.

Last week D. J. Meenan's team beat Kevin Green's team by 10 points to 3. The league which is sponsored by Paul Higgins of the Wexford Inn, continues until the end of January.

De Beers

The De Beers club will hold their Christmas blitz on this Thursday night and a large entry has been received. Competition has been keen this season and a most enjoyable blitz is expected.

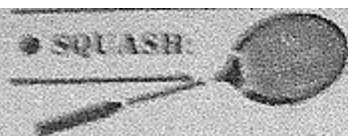
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Inter-firm title for De Beers

The inaugural inter-firm Clare squash championship concluded at Shannon Diamond club on Saturday night last with De Beers emerging as winners of this highly successful event. Fourteen teams took part in the competition which commenced on Saturday week last. After the quarter finals on Thursday of last week the line up was as follows: De Beers v Boart Hard Metals, and Clare Champion (reporters) v Air Traffic Control.

The highlight of the quarter finals was surely the game between Clare Champion and Ennis C.B.S. with the Champion scoring a great 3/2 verdict. In the semi-final they overcame Air Traffic Control, again on a 3/2 scoreline while De Beers had a 4/1 win over Boart Hard Metals.

The final was a most entertaining contest with De Beers winning on a 3/2 scoreline. The members of the winning team were Pat O'Grady, Tony Madigan, Betty McMahon, Caroline McDonnell and Tommy Hehir while the Clare Champion's line up included Seamus Hayes, Liam McGrath, Margaret

Ennis C.B.S.

The annual handicap tournaments (mens and ladies) at the Ennis C.B.S. club get under way this week and will be run off during the month of February. There has been a big entry for this very popular competition and some great games are expected over the coming weeks. Details of the draw and the dates by which the various rounds must be played, are posted on the notice board in the club.

One Mile Inn

week's exhibition game featuring World number 8, Hidi Jaham and George Okerchun which takes place at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night. It will be preceded by the clash of Connacht number 1, Aidan Kelly from Galway and Munster team member, Michael O'Donoghue of Limerick at 7.45 p.m. There are still a very limited number of tickets available for the games and those interested should contact any of the C.S.R.A. officials immediately.

Clare back

CLARE 5-12

Clare hurlers are back of the National League comprehensive victory over Park, Belfast on Sunday. There is no doubt about the control from an early stage of a place in the quarter

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Champion's line up included Seamus Hayes Hayes, Liam McGrath, Margaret Lacheiner, Carmel Verling and Gerry Collison. At an enjoyable social in the Shannon Diamond club afterwards the prizes were presented to the finalists.

Auburn Lodge

The February blitz at the Auburn Lodge was staged on Monday and Tuesday nights of this week and proved most enjoyable. Competition was extremely keen throughout and a play-off was needed to decide the winners at the end of the night. The winning team comprised of Seamus Hayes, David Tindin, Bill O'Doherty, Cecil McDonagh, Phil Butler and Norman Spooner while the runners up were Pat O'Shea, Mike Mullins, Michael Nelson, Eanna Nugent, Ann Mackham and Mary McMahon. The prizes were sponsored by the Auburn Lodge Hotel.

One Mile Inn

The One Mile Inn's ladder competition, the winner of which will earn a continental holiday, gets under way this week and will run until the end of March. The rules pertaining to the competition are posted on the notice board and it promises to be one of the most exciting competitions in the history of the club.

Newmarket

The final of the Newmarket-on-Fergus team league will take place on Thursday night when the teams captained by D. J. Meehan and Betty McMahon will be in opposition. When they met in the league there was little between them and it's expected that the final will be equally close.

Exhibition game

There has been a huge demand for tickets for next

Feb 1985

■ SQUASH

STARS SET TO THRILL CLARE FANS

THERE will be a capacity attendance at the Ashburn Lodge Squash Club on this Thursday night for the exhibition match featuring World star Hidi Jahan and young Chianian George Okerchiri. Following Jahan's fine showing against Jonah Barringham in an exhibition match at the Irish Open last weekend (the game was featured on TV) there is huge interest in Thursday's game.

Okerchiri was a very popular visitor to Ennis for the recent Munster Open championships and he looked very impressive in some of his games. Thursday's match should certainly be a major attraction for all squash fans in the County.

The first game on Thursday's programme should be a superb contest between Connacht number one Aidan Kelly from Galway and Munster team member Michael O'Donoghue from Limerick. Both players are well known on the squash circuit and they will be determined to do well.

Patrons are reminded to be in the viewing gallery at 7.45 p.m.

the winning members of the victorious side against Pat Pilkington, B. Kelly and Mary Matziman.

Betty McMahon and Louis Halpin lost to D. J. Moohan and Paddy Keegan.

The presentation of prizes will take place at a function on Thursday, March 7, at the Weavers Inn.

ENNIS C.B.S.

The first round of the handicap tournament at the Ennis C.B.S. club has been completed and the big surprise was the defeat of the holder, Tony Lynch by Jack Keane. Lynch was

given 100 to 1 odds and is certainly proving a tough man for Lynch. The second round of the competition must be played by this weekend to clear the way for the quarter-finals.

AUBURN LODGE

The Annual Handicap Tournament at the Auburn Lodge is now ready to start and the first round must be completed by Wednesday next. There has been a large entry for both the men's and ladies sections and some great competition is expected.

ONE MILE INN

Everything is now in readiness for the One Mile Inn ladder competition for which the winner will receive a continental holiday. Details of the rules have been forwarded to the members and the event will continue throughout the next two months.

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CLARE LEAGUE

A number of Clare leagues are now in full swing and as yet there are no clear leaders. In the mens confined league, Kilree have full points after two rounds, while Liscasey are also unbeaten after their first two games.

The mens 10c. H got under way last week and there were good wins for the Auburn Lodge A and B teams and Ennis C.B.S.

Both the mens and ladies individual (sections B and C) also commenced last week and will continue for the next two months.

NEWMARKET FINAL

In the final of the Newmarket Tournament on Thursday night last, Betty McMahon's team won the Weaver's Inn trophies when beating B.J. Meenan's side in a very close contest. Dominic McMahon, Bridget Keane, ally and Michael Torpex were

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Top class exhibition game at Auburn

Lodge

The exhibition game involving World star, Hidi Jahan at the Auburn Lodge club on Thursday night of last week proved an outstanding success. The packed gallery was treated to all of the skills in this extremely popular sport as Jahan beat Ghanian, George Okerchiri who is now the full time coach at Minnies Squash Club in Dun-
gavan.

After the game Jahan spoke to the gathering and answered questions on the game and especially on the training involved.

It certainly was a most successful undertaking by the Clare Squash committee who got generous sponsorship from Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wall, proprietors of the Auburn Lodge Hotel.

Clare League

On the local scene, Kilkee have been installed as favourites to win the inaugural mens confined league. They are unbeaten after three rounds of the competition and while there is still a long way to go, they are fancied to win out. The mens and ladies division III leagues are progressing favourably and will continue for the next month.

day when there were some very exciting games. Tony Lillis had a 2/1 win over Jackie Hynes who had knocked out Seamus Hayes in the second round. Hynes had 21 aces on Hayes and this proved too much on the night. Despite conceding 12 aces Lillis was well in control in Tuesday's quarter final. Johnnie Flynn, hotly tipped by many club members to win the title, defeated Mike Conlon in straight games and will now meet Lillis in the semi-final.

In the other side of the draw the semi-final will be between Seamus English and Jack Keane. On Tuesday night English had a 2/0 win over Eric Hanrahan who was somewhat unlucky not to bring it to a third. In the other quarter final Jack Keane beat John McEtee by two games to one in a very close contest.

Auburn Lodge

Kilkee Golf

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Auburn Lodge

In the Auburn Lodge hand-
icap competition, the second
round is being played this
week and must be completed
by Wednesday next. Its pro-
ving to be most entertaining
and some great games are
expected over the next cou-
ple of weeks as the battle for
the title continues.

One Mile Inn

The One Mile Inn continen-
tal holiday ladder competi-
tion got under way last week
and this event has certainly
generated new interest as
the members are all keen to
accumulate enough points to
win this prestigious event.
The February blitz the club
will take place on Monday
night next.

Ennis C.R.S.

In the Ennis C.R.S. hand-
icap competition the way is
now clear for the semi-finals
which take place on this
Thursday night. The quarter
finals were decided on Tues-

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■ SQUASH :

FLYING START FOR AUBURN LODGE

The Auburn Lodge got off to a winning start in their challenge for Munster Junior team squash honours when they scored an easy 4-1 win over Minnies B Dungarvan at the Auburn on Sunday evening last. This victory gives the Ennis side a second round game with either Christy's of Blarney or De la Salle B Waterford and for this game the Ennis team must travel.

The Auburn team comprises Denis Maurer, Jack Keane, Danny Liddy, Seamus Hayes and Tony Lynch.

The Clare senior mixed (3 men and 2 ladies) team league got under way on Tuesday of this week when all four teams were in action at the Shannon Diamond club. The league will be run off during the month of March each player will have six matches. The teams appear to be evenly bal-

anced and there should be a great battle for honours.

CLARE CHAMPS

Monday next March 11 is the last date for entries for the Clare Championships which will be held during the first two weeks of April. All clubs have been notified about this and all entries must reach Clare secretary Marie Lynch by Monday. Late entries will not be accepted.

UNDER AGE LEAGUE

The mens and ladies club championship will commence after St. Patrick's Day and the favourites here are Con Woods, Michael Neylon and Mary Crowley.

The Auburn Lodge handicap tournament is now at the quarter final stage and Tom Holly is fast emerging as a favourite for the title.

Last week he ousted Dermot O'Hanlon and he now takes on Jack Keane. Holder Danny Liddy is still in contention and is determined to retain the title.

NEWMAREKT

The presentation of prizes for the very successful Newmarket team league will take place at a function in the Weavers Inn on this Thursday night. The league was sponsored by Paul Higgins of the Weavers Inn and a big turnout of members is expected. The Newmarket team which captured the runners-up prizes in the Clare mens division IV league will also be presented with their prizes at this function.

A juvenile league for under 10, under 12, under 14 and under 16's will be staged over Easter week-end. The running of the various categories will depend on the

number of entries. A number of clubs have strong junior sections and the CSRA confident of a big entry. Competition is open to juvenile members from clubs and this inaugural event should prove very successful.

ST FLANNANS

The Spring league sponsored by the Old Gran Hotel, was held at St. Flannans, last night, Wednesday. Between K. Mulcahy's and F. Glynn's team. There has been a lot of competition at the club to date this season with blitz tournaments sponsored by Tom Hogan Motors, West County Inn and Bann Motors.

The clubs mens division team captain by Mike O'Sullivan are in the running for a place in the play-off stages of the Clare league while the club's team in the confined league, captained by Tommy Coughlan, is currently in second place.

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The Auburn Lodge team will be attempting to advance to the quarter final of the Munster junior team championship when they play Christies of Blarney on this Thursday night. The Auburn team must travel to Blarney for this second round game and should they win they will then have to travel to Waterford to play Celtic A and this game will be played next week, probably on Wednesday.

However the Auburn side must first get over Christies and this will not be an easy task. The Blarney team comfortably beat De La Salle B in the first round last week and are tipped to do well in the competition. Still The Auburn have an experienced side with three members of the team which won the title three years ago and they will be hoping to emerge victorious.

The Auburn club championship gets under way next

week and there will be three divisions. Details of the first round games are now on the notice board.

In the Clare leagues the ladies division III is building up to an exciting finish with Ennis C.B.S. and the Auburn Lodge battling hard for the winners spot. Kilkee are not far behind and good results in their remaining games could bring them well into contention.

The pairings for the mens division III semi-finals should be clear shortly with Ennis C.B.S., Auburn Lodge

and One Mile Inn all doing well.

In the mens confined league Kilkee are still unbeaten and are now odds on for the title. Battling it out for second position are St. Flannan's, Newmarket-on-Fergus and Lissycasey.

The Continental holiday ladder competition continues in the One Mile Inn and the club are now planning another handicap competition which should prove a major attraction.

Plans are now being finalised for the Clare championships which will get under way in early April and conclude on April 18 when the Association's annual buffet social will take place at the Auburn Lodge hotel. The draw for the competition will be made this week-end as will the draw for under age competitions which take place Easter week-end and full details will be announced next week.

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■ SQUASH:

Clare Championships attract big entry

The Clare Squash Championships will commence at Easter and will be run off over the following two weeks with the finals set for Thursday, April 18.

The draw was made this week (too late for publication) and details will be circulated to all clubs over the week-end. It's expected that once again there will be some great battles in this competition.

The mens event is said to be the 'most open' to date with a number of players all in with a very strong chance of success. Beaten finalist last year, Tony Lynch, is fancied by most to take his first title but the defending champion, Seamus English, cannot be overlooked while such as Seamus Hayes and Tony Lillis (both former winners) will also be strong contenders. Gerry Bredin could well be the man to cause the big surprise. He hasn't played in any of the competitions to date due to his involvement in badminton but he has gained a number of good results in recent friendlies and these suggest that he will be in the final shake up.

Meanwhile the inaugural senior mixed team league sponsored by De Beers is proving a very closely contested affair with very little between any of the four teams involved. The league will conclude next week when there will be two rounds on Tuesday and Thursday nights. After Thursday nights games the prizes will be presented at a function in the Shannon Diamond club.

Auburn Lodge

The final of the Auburn Lodge handicap competitions will take place on this Thursday night with the ladies final at 7.30 between Carmel Enright and Anne O'Dowd or Fiona Nugent. This will be followed by the mens final between beaten finalist last year, Jack Keane and Seamus Hayes who pipped the holder, Danny Liddy

in the semi-final.

The Auburn club championships in which there are a number of divisions, got under way this week and full details are on the notice board.

Ennis C.B.S.

The Ennis C.B.S. club championships (three divisions) also got under way this week and the first rounds must be played by this Sunday. The mens A grade here is expected to be the most keenly contested to date.

One Mile Inn

In the One Mile Inn club a handicap competition for both men and ladies is presently under way and proving a big attraction. Meanwhile the continental holiday ladder competition is continuing and with just a couple of weeks to go it's expected that there will be an increase in the number of games being played.

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CLARE C'SHIPS COMMENCE NEXT WEEK

THE draw for the Clare championships was made at a meeting of the C.S.R.A. last week and details of same are now available in the various club notice boards. The first rounds will be played on Tuesday, April 9 with the second rounds just 24 hours later. The quarter-finals are set for Friday, April 12 with the semi-finals on Tuesday 16th and the final on Thursday, April 18.

The plate competitions for first-round losers gets under way on Thursday, April 11 and the final will be on Thursday, April 18 also.

Absent for the ladies competition this year will be Betty McMahon, beaten in the final last year. Betty has spent much of her free time coaching this season and has done tremendous work for the game in both the Newmarket and De Beers clubs.

LEAGUES CONCLUDE

The Clare senior mixed team league, sponsored by De Beers, concluded on Friday last when the final round of games were played at the Shannon Diamond club. The competition, which was a great success, was won by the team comprising of Seamus English, Denis Maurer, Derry Moloney, Betty McMahon (captain) and Margaret Flannagan. The

runners up were John McEntee, Tony Lillis, Dermot O'Hanlon, Margaret Lacheiner and Fiona Nugent, the team captain. The presentations were made by Mr. Gus Barrett of the De Beers Personnel Department.

The inaugural mens 'confined' league concluded on Monday night and Kilkee, unbeaten in the competition, emerged as clear winners. There was a tremendous battle for second place with St. Flannans just getting in ahead of Newmarket and Lissycasey.

ENNIS C.B.S.

Ennis C.B.S. ladies teams have had a most successful season and their latest success came when their team won the Clare Div. III title. The team comprised of Geraldine Fogarty, Marie

Coote, Maura Hanrahan (Capt.), Celia Reilly and Margaret Heaslip and they finished ahead of the Auburn Lodge team.

Earlier in the season they won the Div. II title, while they were runners-up in Div. IV.

HANDICAP FINAL

The Auburn Lodge's annual handicap tournament concluded on Thursday night last with two very good finals. The ladies game stole the show, with Carmel Enright winning a three-set thriller against the holder, Ann O'Dowd. In the mens final, Jack Keane tasted defeat for the second year in a row when he lost to Seamus Hayes.

Both the Auburn Lodge and Ennis C.B.S. club championships are now at the semi-final stage and the battle for the titles is really hotting up. Clare CHAMPION, Seamus English was sent crashing out of the C.B.S. competition on Saturday last when a bang in form Tony Lillis recorded a 3-0 victory. Number four seed John McEntee bowed out also at the quarter final stage, when he lost to Jack Keane in a five setter.

The inaugural Clare junior competitions will be run off on this Friday, Good Friday, April 5. There will be events for under 12, under 14 and under 16 and an entry of over forty has been received. The games will be played at the Ennis C.B.S. club which supplies most of the players and will get under way at 9 a.m. on this Friday and continue throughout the day.

April 1985

All set for Clare finals

The Clare Squash championship finals will take place on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge and they will be followed by the Clare Association's annual buffet disco and presentation of prizes which will take place in the Auburn Lodge Hotel.

In all there will be four finals on the programme which will get under way at 8.45 with the ladies plate decider at 8.45 and this will be followed at 9.30 by the mens plate final in which Johnnie Flynn takes on Mike Conlon.

In the ladies championship final Margaret Lacheiner will be seeking her eight successive crown, surely a record that will never be broken. Since the competition was inaugurated she is unbeaten and will be odds-on favourite to win again. Her opponent is her One Mile Inn clubmate, Caroline McDonnell, winner of the senior league earlier in the season and the Russel girl is capable of making this a memorable decider.

The mens final will be a repeat of last year's decider with Seamus English the holder taking on the number one seed Tony Lynch. Both qualified after two great semi-finals on Tuesday which went the full distance. Lynch looked set for an easy victory when he took the first game 6-0 against Tony Lillis but back came Lillis to win the next two and Lynch looked to be in trouble. However he got back on control to get a 3-2 decision.

In the second semi-final English met Seamus Hayes. English has been struggling over time. Fogarty beat Ceila

the past two weeks with a knee injury. The game produced some great rallies as fortunes swayed throughout. English won the first but Hayes quickly equalised. English went in front again when he took the third but again Hayes equalised. The fifth was most entertaining before English, serving match point for the seventh time, clinched a place in the final.

C.B.S. Championships

The Ennis C.B.S. Club championships were decided on Friday last and here Tony Lynch retained his title with a comfortable win over Tony Lillis in a repeat of last year's decider. All of the prizes were presented at a most enjoyable buffet social afterwards.

The details are: Mens division I Plate, Johnny Flynn beat Terry Hughes; Div. II, Eugene Ryan beat Paddy Sullivan; Div. II Plate, Tom Holly beat Liam McNamara; Div. III, Euan Howard beat Ambrose Heagerty; Div. III Plate, Brendan Pyne beat John Casey.

Ladies division II, Geraldine Fogarty beat Ceila

Reilly; Div. II Plate, Maura Hanrahan beat Marie Dillon.

Auburn Finals

The Auburn Lodge championships will be concluded next week with the finals set for Friday night (April 25).

The Racquets club at the club on Monday night was a great success with victory going to the team which

included Danny Liddy, Michael Mullins, Paul Tuohy, Deirdre Feeley and Mary McMahon.

Clare Leagues

The semi-finals of the Clare mens division III league will take place on Monday night when the pairings will be One Mile Inn v Shannon Diamond and Ennis C.B.S. A v Auburn Lodge A. The final is set for Wednesday.

Annual Meeting

The annual General meeting of the Clare Squash Racquets Association will take place at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday next, April 25 at 9 pm sharp. Nominations and motions should reach the Clare secretary, Marie Lynch by Monday next, April 23. The meeting is open to all interested in squash but for voting purposes each club is confined to three representatives.

● CAMOGIE

Clare juniors score another fine win

The Clare junior camogie team continued on a winning run with a good win over Wexford in the National league on Sunday. However, the senior side again disappointed when they were thrashed by Wexford to the tune of 5-8 to 0-3.

CLARE	3-6
WEXFORD	0-3

This was a very evenly contested and exciting game with the result in doubt up to the end. Clare opened a three point lead shortly after the start with scores from Maura McNicholas (6-2) and Jackie Garry. Wexford hit back with a point and quickly followed with a goal to take the lead.

A fine piece of skill by Nuala Cummins resulted in a Clare goal and this was followed by a point from Nuala Quinn to give

Clare a three point lead - 3-4 to 0-1 at the break.

The Clare backline played strongly in the second half with Helen Cusack, Betty Cassidy and goalie Pauline O'Brien playing well. A brace of goals from Maura McNicholas, the second from a free, put Clare on the road to victory.

This was a very impressive performance by Clare in which Pauline O'Brien, Helen Cusack, Betty Cassidy, Patricia O'Grady, Nuala Quinn, Rosie O'Shaughnessy, Gera Faby and Maura McNicholas did well.

WEXFORD	5-8
CLARE	0-3

After a shaky start in which both teams contributed scrappy play, Wexford settled down to take the upper hand and score 16 without reply before the break. Wexford's lead at the break would surely have been much greater but for the brilliance of Pauline O'Brien, who had played at the previous game. Three goals early in the second half ended whatever hopes Clare might have had of getting back into the contest.

Both of Clare's points came in the closing stages from Clare Jones. In addition to Pauline O'Brien, Clare Jones, Tina and Caroline O'Connell, Ann Faby and Carmel Wall played well.

U-16's

Clare under 16's travel to Cork on Sunday to play Cork in the Munster championship. The Clare team will be supported by members of the Clare senior team which reached the All Ireland junior final while there will also be players from St. Flannan's.

World Ranked Squash Players for Ennis

THE Clare squash season will commence on Monday next when three members of the Zimbabwe National senior side will be in Ennis to take part in exhibition games. These matches will be played at the Auburn Lodge Hotel club commencing at 8 p.m. and a very big attendance is expected.

The Zimbabwe team, all world ranked players, will arrive in Ireland this week-end for a two week visit. They will take on the Munster team in Cork on Tuesday night but first three members of the side will visit Ennis.

The opposition on Monday night will be provided by George Okerchiri, a Ghanian based in Dungarvan, Michael O'Donoghue of Limerick who will be on the Munster team in Cork on Tuesday night and Clare champion, Seamus English. It's hoped to make arrangements for some coaching sessions also on Monday and clubs will be notified of the details at the week-end.

The Clare squash committee has drawn up its programme of events for the coming season and the opening competition will be the inter-club knock-out team competition which will be run over the week-end of September 13-15 at the Auburn Lodge. The mens and ladies division 2 team events will commence a week later with the senior team (mixed) and individual competitions getting under way on October 1.

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ANOTHER COMPETITION

The Clare Hurling Board fixtures committee is to consider the possibility of organising a competition for senior teams knocked out of the senior championship prior to and at the quarter final stage. The request for such a competition came from Crusheen who explained that clubs in this position would have a long lay off until the Clare Cup commenced next March or April.

Should such a competition be organised consideration is to be given to the possibility of including an amalgamated side representing the hurling teams in West Clare.

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World ranked squash star, Hidi Jahan (right) being greeted at the Auburn Lodge club last season by proprietor Jack Wall. On the left is Ghanian George Okerchiri, new full-time coach at Minnies in Dungarvan, who played Johan in an exhibition match.



The Auburn Lodge Squash Club ran a very successful league for junior boys and girls last season. The winners were Michael Liddy and Sinead Butler with Gareth Noonan and Ross Warner the runners-up. Picture shows a group of the juniors involved with club members Damien Byrne, Danny Liddy and John Bastic.

Great contest for Division II title

The race for the Clare ladies division II title is now really hotting up with Ennis C.B.S. A, Kilkee and Auburn Lodge still battling it out at the top closely followed by Ennis C.B.S. B. Two rounds remain

in the competition which is unlikely to be decided until the very last game.

The mens division IV league will reach the half way stage on this Friday night and looking good for places in the

semi-final are Kilkee, Shannon Diamond and the Auburn Lodge while any one of a number of teams could get the remaining spot.

The Autumn team league at both the One Mile Inn and the Auburn Lodge are in full swing and the knock out stages will be played early in December.

The annual Harp handicap tournament at the One Mile Inn, always one of the highlights of the year will commence shortly. Entries are being accepted at present and the draw will be made next week.

The November blitz at the Auburn Lodge attracted a big entry last week when Michael Meere's team emerged victorious over John O'Shaughnessy's side. The tournament was sponsored by Maurer Jewellers.

On this Saturday a group of some thirty junior players from the Highfield club in Cork will visit Ennis to take on a Clare selection comprised mainly of players from Ennis C.B.S. The Clare side are managed by Jack Keane who plans to return to the Cork club in the near future. Games commence at 11 a.m. and continue throughout the day at the Ennis C.B.S. club.

Colleges U/16½ hurling championship when they had a one-point win over Colaiste an Spiorad Naomh of Cork in the Kinnane Cup at Bansha last week. While the Cork school would be better known as a football stronghold, they had defeated Cashel, the favourites, in the previous round of this competition by a whopping fifteen points and were determined to go all the way.

The tight marking of the Ennis boys, together with their obvious hunger for success, saw them lead at the break on the score of 1-3 to 1-2, following good scores from Tom Fogarty and John Hoey. The Ennis boys continued to hold a clutch

EASY FOR ENNIS

ENNIS V.S. 3-5

ENNISTYMON V.S. 0-0

As the scoreline suggests, Ennis had an easy win over Ennistymon Vocational School in the first round of the Clare Vocational Schools U/16 football championship at Lahinch recently. Playing with the aid of the breeze the Ennis boys ran up 2-2 in the first half. On the resumption, the anticipated revival from the North Clare side never materialised and Ennis continued to dominate.

Best for the winners were A. Meaney, T. Nagle, K. Molloy, S. McCarthy and D. Keane.

ENNIS V.S. C. Cusack: M

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'Opel' final at Lissycasey

The final of the Coughlans Garage (Main Opel Dealers) special senior league will take place at Lissycasey on this Thursday night commencing at 8 p.m. The league has been running for the past three weeks with five teams of two participating.

The competition came about as a result of the efforts of the Lissycasey Squash Committee and Martin Coughlan, proprietor of Coughlans Garage who agreed to sponsor the event. The final round of the league section was played on Tuesday night and the way is now clear for the decider in which Tony Lillis and Caroline McDonnell will meet Seamus Hayes and Carmel Enright.

It should be a very close contest and with the total aces deciding the issue, it's anybody's guess as to who will win.

In the Clare mens division IV league Kilkee and Newmarket won the semi-finals on Monday night to qualify for a final showdown. The final was played last night, Wednesday, but the result was not known at the time of going to press.

Kilkee scored a comprehensive 5-0 win over the Auburn Lodge at Lissycasey on Monday while Newmarket had a 4-1 win over Lissycasey in a marathon game at the Auburn Lodge.

The annual Harp hand trap competitions at the One Mile Inn have once again caused tremendous excitement at the club. The semi-finals were played at the weekend and the big surprise was the defeat of ladies champion Margaret Lachner by Teresa Corbett. Margaret was giving 20 aces to her opponent Teresa's opponent in the final will be Ann O'Dowd who defeated Teresa Corbett in the other semi-final.

Seamus Howard qualified for the mens final for the first time when he pipped Tom Malone in the semi-final on Monday night. On the same night the holder Seamus Hayes, chasing his third successive title, defeated Michael O'Connell.

The ladies and mens division III will start on January 14 and January 19 respectively and all clubs have been notified that entries must be with the league secretaries by January 6 at the latest.

The mens and ladies confined leagues will commence on January 17 and entries must be in by January 9.

The U.S.B.A.'s inter club blitz will take place on January 11 at the Shannon Diamond club and entries for this competition must be with Betty McMahon at De Beers by January 6.

The Autumn league final at the Auburn Lodge will bring Tony Lynch and Michael Meere into opposition on this Thursday.

The Ennis C.B.S. club's autumn league concluded last week with Sylvia Carroll's team emerging as winners over Marie Hogan's side. The prizes were presented by Jackie Hynes at a very enjoyable function after the final. The members of the winning team were: M. Carroll, D. Delaney, B. McCollough, S. Carroll, B. Kennedy, F. Dwyer while the runners-up were: D. McDonnell, J. Ryan, F. Flannery, M. Hogan, F. Heaghey, M. Kennedy.

CLARE YOUTH WEEK-END SPORTS

There was a huge entry in the athletics competition held in conjunction with Clare Youth Week-end and the results are as follows:

Minor girls: 1. T. Murphy, Tulla, 2. M. McInerney, do.

Minor boys: 1. G. Quailly, Tulla, 2. M. Hynes, Ennistymon, 3. D. McInerney, Tulla, Teams, 1. Ennistymon A, 2. Ennistymon B, 3. Ennis V.S.

Junior girls: 1. E. Brady, Ennis V.S., 2. M. Frawley, Ennis V.S., 3. A. Kelly, Tulla, Teams, 1. Ennis V.S.

Junior boys: 1. A. Quailly, Tulla, 2. G. Toomey, Ennis V.S., 3. M. O'Sullivan, St. Flannans, Teams, 1. Ennis V.S. A, 2. Ennistymon, 3. Ennis V.S.

Senior girls: 1. P. Rynne, Ennis V.S., 2. S. Hogan, Tulla, 3. D. Daly, Ennis V.S., Teams, 1. Ennis V.S., 2. Ennistymon, 3. Ennistymon, 3. Ennistymon.

Senior boys: 1. F. Hynes, St. Flannans, 2. D. Crowley, do, 3. O. McDonagh, do, Teams, 1. St. Flannans, 2. Ennis V.S., 3. Camogie, Shannon.

Hurling: Shannon. Badminton: Girls, U-14, Doubles, M. Cosgrove and M. O'Connell, U-16, Doubles, S. Hillery and D. Jordan, U-16, Singles, M. Cosgrove.

Boys U-14, Doubles, J. Monney and C. Hough, U-16, Doubles, M. Daffey and M. Casey, U-16, Singles, M. Daffey.

• SOCCER ROUND-UP:

Newmarket just get there

Newmarket 'A' 3; Newtown 'A' 2

(AFTER EXTRA TIME)

Newmarket Celtic 'A' had to fight to the end before defeating Newtown 'A' by the old goal in five in the premier shield final at Clonlough on Sunday.

Newtown had the best of the first half exchanges and took the lead with a Sean Lindsay goal before the break. They continued to dominate after the resump-

tion when they missed from the penalty spot.

Near the end Newmarket were awarded a penalty but Gerry Flannigan made a great save. However John

the game to extra time.

In the first period of extra time Newmarket scored twice, one coming from former St. Michael player Jarlath O'Halloran who had come on as a substitute. Newtown fought back and Lindsay had his second from a penalty but it was too late and Newmarket held on for a rather fortunate victory.

Bridge Celtic 3
Leathmoyne Rangers 3

Clare championship draw

The squash season in Clare is now at its busiest in relation to competition with just three weeks to go to the Clare championships. Wednesday next is the closing date for receipt of entries for this competition which, for the first time this year, included a B section for both ladies and men. There will be a plate section in all four events so a huge entry is expected. The draw will take place next Thursday so all players are reminded to get their entries in in good time.

Two more leagues concluded last week with Shannon Diamond and Kildysart capturing the honours. Shannon Diamond went through the Div. III ladies competition unbeaten to capture the honours. The members of the winning panel were Geraldine Fahy, Mary O'Loughlin, Teresa Hogan, Margaret Mullany, Mary Culligan, Catherine Burke and Miriam O'Grady.

The mens confined league was decided at Clarecastle on Saturday night last when favourites Kildysart defeated Shannon Diamond. The Kildysart panel consisted of Jimmy O'Dea, Pat Power, George Casey, Tony McMahon, Joseph Keane, Michael Clancy, and Willie Griffin. The Shannon Diamond panel was Mick Logan, Mark O'Sullivan, John Culligan, Pakie Power, Brendan O'Brien, John Flanagan and Oliver Darcy.

The mens Div. II is at the knock-out stages and the semi-finals will be played on this Thursday night. St. Flannan's, the only unbeaten team in the competition will meet Ennis CBS at the Auburn Lodge while Clarecastle will take on the Auburn Lodge at Lissycasey. The final will be played on Monday night next and the venue will be

decided on after the semi-finals.

Four rounds remain in the ladies confined league and the main contenders are Auburn Lodge A, Ennis CBS and St. Flannans A. This competition is proving most popular with those involved and there has been a high standard of play to date.

The mens individual league concluded at the week-end with Seamus Hayes emerging as the winner. This competition has been running since October with promotion and relegation operating between the different divisions. The ladies concluded recently with Margaret Lacheiner going through the competition without defeat to take the title from Betty McMahon.

This week the Auburn Lodge team of Tony Lynch, Denis Maurer, Tony Lillis and Seamus Hayes travel to Cork to play Castlelyons in the first round of the Munster team championship. Victory for the Ennis side would give them a quarter final meeting with either Gleneagle, Killarney or Highfield, Cork, and again the Clare side will be away, it involved.

Draughts league

After the third round of the Clare Open Draughts competition, the points position is as follows, S. Cronin, Limerick 12 points; M. O'Shaughnessy, Limerick, 9 pts.; T. Bryson, Shannon 8 pts.; S. Nolan, Ennis, J. Donnellan, Kilkishen and J. Cunningham, Limerick, 7 pts. each.

Squash competitions conclude

ALL competitions in Clare squash will be concluded inside the next two weeks with the various club championships in the final stages at present.

The Auburn Lodge's clubs programme for the year will conclude on this Thursday night with the finals of their Harp Lager club championships. Four finals will be played beginning with the Mens Div. II and followed by the Mens Div. I play; Ladies Div. I and Mens Div. I championships. The ladies final brings Caroline McDonnell and Fiona Nugent into opposition, while the mens decider will be between Seamus Hayes and either Tony Lynch or Denis Maurer. The finals will be followed by a social evening.

The Ennis C.B.S. finals will take place on Saturday night and here again Caroline McDonnell will be the favourite for the ladies title.

Seamus English will start as favourite for the mens title against either Seamus Hayes or Tony Lynch. The club's annual social and presentation of prizes will follow.

On Tuesday next it will be the turn of the One Mile Inn club to stage their finals and here again there should be some great games. The presentation of prizes will take place at a social after the games.

The Newmarket club championships are now in full swing and young U/14 star, Michael Torpey is doing well and is continuing to show good form. Joe Pender and Dermot O'Hanlon are fancied to qualify for the final.

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SQUASH :

Season ends on high note

THERE was some excellent squash during the past week as a number of clubs concluded their competitions for the season with their championship finals.

At the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night last the club staged five finals which were jointly sponsored by Harp and McMahan's of Ennis. Sue O'Sullivan, Aidan Feore, Michael Mullins, Caroline McDonnell and Seamus Hayes were the winners and the finals were followed by a most enjoyable social at which the presentation of prizes took place.

The full results are: Mens Div. I — Seamus Hayes beat Tony Lynch 3/1; Ladies Div. I: Caroline McDonnell beat Fiona Nugent 3/1; Mens Div. II: Aidan Feore beat John O'Shaughnessy; Ladies Div. II: Sue O'Sullivan beat Germaine Noonan; Mens Div. I Plate: Michael Mullins beat Mick Hennessy.

The Ennis C.B.S. club staged their finals on Saturday and here again there were some excellent games. The mens division 1 final was deferred due to an injury to Seamus Hayes, who was to play Seamus English. It is expected that the game will be played next week.

Caroline McDonnell completed a great week by winning the Div. I title at the expense of Kathleen Lenihan. Dermot McDonnell made it a

great occasion for the McDonnell family when he won the Mens Div. II final, beating Ger Browne on a 3/2 scoreline after a great game.

The results are: Mens Div. I Plate: Jack Keane beat Gary Neary; Div. II Champ.: Dermot McDonnell beat Ger Browne; Div. II Plate: John Costin beat Mickey O'Sullivan; Div. III Champ.: Jimmy Kelly beat Tony Kelly; Div. III Plate: Paddy Flannery beat J. J. Fahy; Ladies - Div. I: Caroline McDonnell beat Kathleen Lenihan; Div. I Plate: Marcela Griffin beat Noreen Murphy; Div. II Champ.: Celia O'Reilly beat Isobel Stokes; Div. II Plate: Mary Murphy beat Aine Reidy.

Kildysart Squash Club completed a tremendously successful season with the finals of their club championships recently. Over forty took part in these competitions. Michael O'Connell took the Mens Div. I title for the second time when he beat Jimmy O'Dea with Pat Lorrigan third and Pat Power fourth.

Div. II was won by K. O'Donnell, who beat D. Moloney in the final, with S. Cleary third and T. Griffin in fourth place.

In the ladies final Eileen

O'Neill won her second successive title when beating Valerie Corry with C. O'Donoghue third and L. O'Donoghue in fourth position. Again this year the prizes were sponsored by Michael O'Connell, Cahercon.

The Newmarket club championship will conclude on this Friday night and a great game is expected between Joe Pender and Dermot O'Hanlon. In the semi-finals, Pender accounted for Stephen Flanagan, while O'Hanlon proved too strong for Con Woods. Friday's final will be at 8.30 p.m.

The One Mile Inn club finals on Tuesday night were also highly successful. The mens division I final between Gerry Bredin and the holder Seamus Hayes will be played next week. The results of the other finals are: Mens Div. II: Seamus Howard beat Ken O'Farrell; Div. II Plate: Michael Carmody beat Tom Malone; Ladies Plate: Teresa Hehir beat Bernie Griffin; Ladies Champ.: Margaret Lacheiner beat Ann O'Dowd.

During the social function which followed, a special presentation was made by Club Chairman, Jim O'Dowd to Margaret Lacheiner in recognition of her achievement in winning the Clare Ladies Championship for the tenth consecutive year.

The Annual General Meeting of the club will be held on Tuesday night next at 9 p.m. and not on Monday as was previously announced.

SQUASH

Senior League Finals This Thursday

THE finals of the Clare senior individual leagues will take place on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge, commencing at 7 p.m. In the ladies final Caroline McDonnell will meet Fiona Nugent. In last week's semi-finals Miss McDonnell defeated Teresa Corbett while Miss Nugent ousted Ann O'Dowd. Teresa Corbett and Ann O'Dowd will meet in the playoff for third and fourth places and this game will open the four-match programme at 7 p.m.

In the mens final Denis Maurer will take on Seamus Hayes, while in the playoff for third and fourth places Mike Conlon will meet Jack Keane.

The finals of the annual Harp handicap competitions at the One Mile Inn were due to be played last night, Wednesday. At the time of writing Seamus Hayes, chasing a fourth successive title, had qualified for the final in which he was due to meet either Donal Hassett or Seamus Howard. Hayes plays off —25 with Hassett on —4 and Howard on —10.

The ladies final will be between Margaret Lacheiner (—15) and Teresa Corbett (—5). In the semi-finals Mrs. Lacheiner beat Ann O'Dowd, while her final opponent accounted for Teresa Hehir in a very close contest.

On Monday night last at the Auburn Lodge a Clare selection without flu victim Seamus English and the unavailable Tony Lynch scored a 5-2 win over a Limerick selection in a very entertaining game. The Clare winners were Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer, Tony Lillis, Jack Keane and Ger Browne, while Mick Conlon and Joe Griffin were unlucky to lose narrowly. A return match will take place in Limerick on Monday, January 12.

The Ennis C.B.S. club's

Christmas blitz will take place on this Thursday and Friday nights and again a huge entry is expected. Competitions in the club are being well supported this season and there will be at least eight teams for the blitz.

After the finals on Friday night the club Annual Christmas Party will take place and during the evening the presentation of prizes for recent competitions will be made.

The Molex Squash Club recently held a very successful Christmas blitz at the Clarecastle complex. The final was an extremely close affair with only one point separating the teams at the final. In fact, going into the very last game the position was that Jackie Hynes had to beat Malcolm Simpson 15-0 if his team were to win. Ennis C.B.S. man, Jackie responded magnificently to the challenge and so gave his team victory on a score of 57 pts. to 56.

The members of the winning team were W. O'Brien (Capt.), A. Murphy, M. Beegan, J. O'Connor, N. McNamara and J. Hynes, while the runners-up comprised of A. Geraghty (Capt.), J. Cosgrove, M. Allen, S. Fox, A. Looney and M. Simpson.

The Auburn Lodge Club will hold its Annual Christmas disco on this Thursday night and highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Auburn league prizes. The final round of this competition

takes place this week and it has proved very successful.

The Shannon Diamond Club held its Annual Christmas Party on Tuesday night last, at which prizes for recent competitions were presented. The Shannon club is having an extremely successful season both within the club and in Clare events and Tuesday night's function was again a great success.

From an original entry of nine teams, four remain in contention for the Clare title in the mens division four competition. The semi-final pairings will see the Auburn Lodge take on Kilkee at Lissycasey, while Shannon Diamond will play Lissycasey at Clarecastle. The final will take place on Friday night at Clarecastle commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Entries for the mens and ladies Div. III and confined leagues are now being accepted and the closing date for receipt of all entries is January 3. All four leagues will get underway in mid-January and a big number of teams are expected to take part in the competitions.

St. Flannans College squash club captured their first Clare team title last week when they were victorious in the ladies div. 4 league. Although losing on a 2-3 scoreline in their final match to Ennis CBS, St. Flannans picked up sufficient points to capture the title and record a narrow win over Ennis CBS in what was a most successful league. The members of the winning squad were Francis Browne, Deirdre Shalvey, Evelyn Lyons, Therese Lillis, Angela McMahon, Maureen Griffin and Mary Gleeson.

ANOTHER TITLE FOR ENNISTYMON

ENNISTYMON won their second Clare squash title of the season when they captured the ladies confined league title this week. The Ennistymon club really dominated this competition as, in addition to their A side winning the crown, their B team captured the runners-up prizes. The prizes were presented at the Auburn Lodge Club on Wednesday of this week.

The annual handicap tournament at the Auburn Lodge concluded on Thursday of last week when there were two very entertaining finals. In the ladies decider, Carmel Enright (—20) beat Mairead Bergin (—16) on a 2/1 scoreline. Miss Bergin won the first game but Miss Enright battled back to win the next two and so take the title.

In the mens final, Seamus Hayes made it three in a row when he beat Denis Maurer but he had to battle all the way for victory. Maurer took the first game but Hayes came

back to win the second narrowly and then go on to take the third and the title. Hayes played off —20, while Maurer was off —15.

Afterwards the prizes, sponsored by O'Reilly/Aerlod of Shannon, were presented by Club Chairman, Pat O'Shea.

The draw for the annual Clare championship was made at the weekend and is now on display in all clubs in the Ennis area where the games will be played. The championships attracted a total entry of seventy-five for the five sections (3 for men and 2 for

ladies). The competitions get under way on Monday next and will continue until April 10, when the finals will take place at the Auburn Lodge. The plate finals will be at the same venue on Thursday, April 9.

For the first time since the championships were inaugurated — this is the eleventh year — Margaret Lacheiner will not be competing. Having won the title for the past ten years, Mrs. Lacheiner, who has been a tremendous champion, decided not to take part this time. While all followers will be disappointed that she will not be in the event, there is sure to be keen interest in the race for the title.

The defending mens champion, Seamus English, has, surprisingly, not entered for this year's event. The fancied players here are Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer and Tony Lynch, with many tipping Lynch, who has been keeping a very low profile all season, to take his first Clare title.

March 1987

Squash Finals at Ennis C.B.S.

The finals of the Ennis CBS squash club champs. will take place on this Friday and some great games are expected. The mens A decider will be between Seamus English and Tony Lynch and this should be a cracker. English struggled to win his semi-final against Sean Gleeson while Lynch had a 3/0 win over Mike Conlon. In the ladies final Caroline McDonnell will play either Margaret Flanagan or Kathleen Lenihan. The mens B final will be between Eoin McMahon/Ken O'Farrell and Eric Hanrahan/Ger Browne. The prizes will be presented at a function which will take place afterwards.

The mens handicap final was decided at the club last

week and here Jack Keane pipped Eric Hanrahan 2-1; Keane won the first 15-14 while Hanrahan won the second 15-14 before Keane took the vital third on a 15-11 scoreline.

The Auburn Lodge club finals were held on Wednesday night last when Seamus Hayes retained the mens A title with a narrow win over Tony Lillis in a most enjoyable game. The mens A plate title was won by Dermot O'Hanlon who beat Mick Meagher while the div. 2 title went to Tony Fenton who overcame Ml. Neylon. Eileen Holly won the ladies final when she beat Maura Hanrahan.

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A Great Start For One Mile Inn Club

The one Mile Inn squash club got the new season off to a tremendous start when winning the inter club knock out compt., at the Shannon Diamond club on Saturday night last. This annual competition gets the season under way and the One Mile Inn's win marked their third victory in a row in the event. In Saturdays final they defeated the Auburn Lodge.

Six teams took part in the event which commenced on Friday when Shannon Diamond and Auburn Lodge had victories over Ennis CBS B, and One Mile Inn B. the Auburn Lodge side then went on to account for Ennis CBS A in the semi-final while the One Mile Inn A overcame the host club. In the final the One Mile Inn proved too strong for their fellow Ennis side. Members of the winning team were B. Griffin, M. Lacheiner, M. Griffin, D. Kelly and S. Hayes while the Auburn Lodge team comprised of A. M. Russell, M. Bergin, J. O'Shaughnessy, M. Mullins and J. Pender.

The prizes were presented at a most enjoyable social function afterwards, by the CSRA president, Dermot O'Hanlon.

The senior mixed team league got under way this week as did the senior individual mens and ladies competitions. The mens div. 3 commences on Monday night next with eight teams taking part in two groups of four. Clubs rep-

resented in this competition are Kilkee, Lissycasey, Ennistymon, One Mile Inn, Auburn Lodge, Ennis CBS, St. Flannans and Shannon Diamond and the league sec., is Jim Lusk.

The ladies div. 3 will commence on Friday week.

Competition in all clubs is now swinging into top gear

with blitz events at both the Auburn Lodge and the One Mile Inn this week. The club ladder competitions are also getting under way and there is huge interest in the new competition at the Auburn Lodge. The ladder will be organised in groups of six, in order of merit and there will be very valuable prizes on offer. Details of the event will be announced this week-end.

Clare NACA Elect Officers

The AGM of the Clare NACA board was held at Lissycasey last week when there was a good attendance. The President Fr. S. O'Dea, paid tribute to the board officers for their work while the sec., Teresa Russell reported that it was a successful year for the NACA in Clare.

The following officers were elected - Patrons M. Quinlivan and T. Malone. President - Fr. S. O'Dea. vice do., J. Cotter, M. Connys, P. J. Lynch, P. Birmingham. Chairman J. Honan, vice do., J. J. O'Looney and M. Vaughan. Sec., T. Russell. compt. Sec. C. Cotter. Treas. M. Feeney Sen. Reg. J. Casey. Juv. reg., Mrs. A. McCarthy. Central Council dels. J. J. O'Looney, J. Naughton and T. Russell.

Tributes were paid to Lawrence Larkin for his work for the body in Clare while the chairman in welcoming the new committee said that Clare NACA wants unity in athletics with all other associations involved in a 32 county Irish athletic team.

The convention was adjourned until Monday week, Oct. 12 at Kilmihil but before adjourning Very Rev. Fr. S. O'Dea presented sports star awards to the following S. McGrath, D. Russell, R. Malone (all St. Johns), P. Roughan, A. Roughan, P. Rynne, T. Loughnane, (all St. Senans), M. Feeney (Lissycasey), O. Wade, C. Hayes, D. Wade, F. Birmingham, K. Whelan, St. Senans, and R. McArthur, Killanena.

Leagues Get Under Way

In the opening round of the Clare senior mixed team squash league last week, there were wins for the holders, One Mile Inn and Ennis CBS over Auburn Lodge and Shannon Diamond respectively. The league will run for the next five weeks and its expected to be a close affair.

The senior individual leagues are now in full swing and all players will have a game a week over the next two months.

The mens div. 3 competition got under way on Monday night last. Eight teams are taking part in two groups of four. On this Friday the ladies div. 3 will commence.

The One Mile Inn club held a very successful blitz competition last week when the team captained by Seamus Howard emerged victorious when beating Joe Griffins side in the final. The club ladder compt., gets under way this week and all details are on the notice board. Its expected that the glass back court will be open next week.

The Auburn Lodge club had their first blitz of the year on Wed., of last week when Mick Mullins side won. The clubs new ladder compt., will commence this week and all those taking part would be advised to check the notice board for details of the event.

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Big Entry For One Mile Inn 'Open' • SQUASH

THE inaugural One Mile Inn open tournament sponsored by Budweiser, will take place on the Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The club's new glass-back court will be in operation for the tournament, which has five sections and which has attracted a total of sixty entries from Clare and Limerick.

First-round games will get under way at 6 p.m. on Friday evening and continue on both courts until near midnight. Competition will resume on Saturday morning and continue throughout the day with the semi-finals of the A grade on that evening at 7.30 p.m. There will be a buffet function after these games at 8.30 and a social evening will follow. All finals will take place on Sunday afternoon.

Details of the tournament can be had from the Committee or from the tournament director, Ger Browne.

ENNISTYMON'S TITLE

In only their second year in competition...

nistymon who, like their last side, have shown tremendous improvement in the past year. Only one member of the Ennistymon side is graded division three — the others are division 4 players — and the experience gained should prove vital in next year's division 3 league and in the division 4 competition after Christmas. Next Monday night's final will be at the Auburn Lodge at 7.30 p.m.

In the senior individual leagues, the semi-finals should be known at the end of next week. In the ladies competition Carmel Enright and Ann O'Dowd set to qualify from one section while another section is between Lil Moy...

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ENNISTYMON'S TITLE

In only their second year in competition, Ennistymon captured the Clare ladies Div. 3 league title on Friday last when they completed their programme with a good win over Ennis C.B.S. The North Clare girls were unbeaten going into this game and they held an eleven-point lead. On the night they proved superior to the Ennis girls and deservedly captured the honours.

The Ennistymon panel consisted of Kate Lane, Teresa McNamara, Ann Leyden, Geraldine Healy, Marie Concanon, Deirdre O'Brien and Geraldine Green. Members of the Ennis C.B.S. panel were Mary Murphy, Bridget Kenneally, Francis Devitt, Marie Dilleen, Margaret Conlon, Aine Reidy and M. O'Callaghan. After last Friday's game, League Secretary, Caroline McDonnell, presented the prizes to the members of the winning panel.

The mens division 3 final will be played on Monday night next and will be a battle between the 'old firm', Ennis C.B.S. and One Mile Inn. Both victorious in their semi-finals on Monday night when the final match did not have to be played in either contest. One Mile Inn overcame Kilkee while the C.B.S. defeated En-

Ann O'Dowd set to go from one section to the other section while Mairead Bergin, Lil Mahon and Kathleen Lenihan.

In the mens competition Seamus Hayes is safe through to the semi-final of the second qualifying round from this section resting between Eoin McMahon, doing very well in his first season in division one and Seamus Conlon will qualify from section two. Tomas English is very much in the running but has withdrawn due to an ankle injury. The semi-finals are due to be played on Monday week with the finals on the following Thursday.

The November blitz at the Ennis CBS club on Thursday of last week produced some very good squall. The winners of the O'Sullivan and Hansbury prizes were Jackie Hynes, J. J. Fahy, Michael Griffin, Marie Coote and Bridget Kenneally. The runners-up were Eric Hanrahan, Gerry Collins (what a surprise), Kathleen Lenihan, Biddy Fitzpatrick and L. Kenny.

The November blitz at the Auburn Lodge on Tuesday of last week attracted a big entry for the valuable prizes sponsored by Michael Leyden auctioneer. E. O'Shea's team which comprised Michael Mullins, Ann Mahon, Russell, Austin Hobbs and Patrick Culligan emerged as the winners.

Maurer's experience proves vital

That there is no substitute for experience was once again highlighted when the final of the Clare senior individual squash league was played at the Auburn Lodge on Monday night. In opposition were Denis Maurer, winner of numerous titles in the past decade and Seamus Howard who is attempting to make the breakthrough at senior level.

Howard qualified for the final with a 3-1 win over Mike Conlon in last Friday's semi-final. Denis Maurer received a walk over when the older Seamus Hayes, who was chasing his third successive league title this season, had to withdraw due to flu.

In Monday's final Maurer's experience proved decisive. On a number of occasions Howard looked set to take his first major title but Maurer never panicked. For much of the first game Howard looked set to win but Maurer came out on top on a 9-7 scoreline. Again in the early stages of the second Howard looked likely to win but Maurer came out on top on a 9-6 scoreline. In the third Maurer raced into a 4-0 lead but Howard levelled at 4-4. Maurer looked to be in trouble at this stage but some great play brought him to 8-4 before eventually he won on a

9-6 scoreline.

The ladies final was deferred until next week due to an injury to Ann O'Dowd who qualified with a 3-2 win over Mairead Bergin on Thursday last. Miss Bergin looked set for her first final appearance when she led 2-0 but Mrs. O'Dowd's experience won the day.

There was a big surprise in the second semi-final when the favourite Carmel Enright was beaten on a 3-1 scoreline by Lil Moyles. On the night Miss Moyles was deserving of her success.

The play off for third and fourth places resulted on a 3-0 win for Miss Enright.

The prizes were presented by CSRA President, Dermot O'Hanlon on Monday.

The ladies novice league will conclude this week and the title rests between Kilkee and the Auburn Lodge. These sides meet in the final round this week with Kilkee holding a slight lead.

The final round in the league section in the mens confined league will be played on this Thursday night. Shannon Diamond look set for the final while the other spot rests between Ennis CBS and Ennistymon who meet on this

Thursday. Ennis CBS are fancied to come through.

The final will be played on Monday night at the Auburn Lodge club commencing at 7.30 p.m.

On this Thursday and Friday, Ennis CBS will hold their Christmas turkey blitz competition. Frinads final will be followed by the clubs annual Christmas party and a big attendance is expected. The presentation of prizes will

take place at the party.

The final of the Fosters sponsored Autumn League will take place at the One Mile Inn on this Thursday night commencing at 7.30. The clubs Christmas blitz and party will be on Thursday night next.

The Auburn Lodge club will also hold its Christmas party and blitz on next Thursday, Dec. 17.

All clubs have now been notified of arrangements for

leagues which will commence early in January and January 4 is the closing date for all entries.

Molax squash club held its annual Christmas blitz on Saturday last at the Ennis CBS when the winners were John McCarthy, Mike Mulcahy, Martin Nolan, John Cosgrove, and Joe Bourke. The runners-up were Mike Dowling, Ann Looney, Michael McAllen, Noel McNamara and Pat Callinan.



Prize winners at the recent Budweiser One Mile Inn open squash tournament were back row, l. to r.: Mick Molloy, Seamus English, Tim Treacy, Mickey Meere, Darren Kelly, John Culligan. Front: Caroline McDonnell, Teresa Hehir, Bernie Griffin and Kate Lane.

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NOVICE TITLES FOR ENNISTYMON AND KILKEE

THE Clare 'confined' leagues (novice) concluded at the week-end with Kilkee and Ennistymon taking the honours. Kilkee, who had led throughout secured the ladies crown when they travelled to the Auburn Lodge and beat the home side on a 3-2 scoreline. it was a great victory for the Kilkee girls who were coached by Paul Costelloe and after the game they were presented with their prizes by Clare squash secretary Maura Hanrahan. The members of the victorious Kilkee outfit were Catherine O'Connor, Caroline Bermingham, Josephine Thornton, Imelda Murray and Marian Haugh.

The mens final took place on Monday night between Ennistymon and Kildysart. The final round of games in the league section concluded on Thursday night last and there were some surprises. Shannon Diamond looked odds on to reach the final going into their last game but they were well beaten by Kildysart and this was enough to put the Kildysart side into the final.

In the other section it was much closer but Ennis C.B.S. were fancied to qualify. However Ennistymon were deserving winners on the night and qualified for the decider. There was some good squash in Monday's final before Ennistymon emerged as winners. The North Clare club were the holders of this title and Monday's victory was all the more

praiseworthy in view of the fact that they had to field a new team this year.

Members of the winning panel were Mark Burke, John Flaherty, Colm Hammond, Enda Byrt, Michael Concannon, Liam O'Mara and Noel Lane. The runners-up panel comprised of Noel Cusack, John Guinnane, Kieran O'Donnell, Tommy Ayers, Donal Kelly, Sean Casey and Donal Moloney.

The prizes were presented by the president of Clare Squash, Dermot O'Hanlon.

Entries for the Division 2 and 4 Leagues (ladies and men) must be with the respective league secretaries by January 5 which is also the closing date for entries for the annual inter-club blitz. Details

of all of these have been sent to all club secretaries.

The Fosters Autumn League at the One Mile Inn concluded on Thursday night last and after a great battle the team comprising of Seamus Howard, Michael Griffin, Paddy commane, Kieran Browne, Lil Moyles and Marian Barry emerged as winners with just one point to spare. The runners-up were Joe Griffin, Aidan Feore, Gerard O'Gorman, Gerry Casey, Teresa Hehir and Collette Kelly.

The prizes will be presented at the club's annual Christmas party which takes place on this Thursday night. It will be preceded by the annual Christmas blitz which is also sponsored by Fosters.

The Banner Cars sponsored Christmas blitz at the Ennis

C.B.S. club was a great success last week-end. The winners were Dermot and Kevin McDonnell, Pat Stafford, Sylvie Carroll and Francis Devitt. The runners-up were Jackie Hynes, John Coughlan, Caroline McDonnell, Marie Hogan and Antoinette Kennedy. The prizes were presented at the club's annual Christmas Social which took place on Friday night and which was a huge success.

The Auburn Lodge will hold their Christmas function on this Thursday night after their annual Christmas blitz which has attracted a big entry. The prizes will be presented at the function when the highlight of the evening should be the presentation of the prizes for the ladder competition which has been running since the beginning of October. The competition concludes this week and at the time of writing six players were in contention for the main prize.

**Kilfenora Football Club
A.G.M.
Sunday, December 20th
At Community Centre,
Kilfenora
Commencing 3 p.m.**

Dec 1987

CLUB FINALS

The One Mile Inn club championship finals will be staged on this Friday night and some lively contests are expected as the club's very successful season draws to a close. Five finals will be decided and the games will be followed by the club's annual social and presentation of prizes.

The Auburn Lodge championships are in full swing and the finals will be on Thursday night next, April 21.

The CBS championships are also underway at the moment and they will conclude on the week of April 27/28 and 29 when their annual social and presentation of prizes will take place.

The Kilkee championship finals were held last week and here Catherine O'Connor won the ladies crown with a 3/2 win over Marian Haugh. The men's title was won by Paul Costelloe who had a 3/0 win over Sean de Clair.

The Newmarket-on-Fergus club championships also concluded recently when Dermot O'Hanlon won the title for the fourth year in succession beating Joe Pender in the decider. John Culligan won the Div. II title beating Paddy Keegan while the division 2 plate was won by Kevin Greene who beat Noel Casey on a 3/2 scoreline.

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The Auburn Lodge club won their first title for some time when capturing the ladies division 4 crown recently from Kilkee. Members of the successful Auburn panel were Patricia Moroney, Gertrude Hogan, Maureen O'Halloran, Sharon Dilger, Annette Mulqueen, Carmel Kelly and Antoinette Ryan.

The Kilkee panel comprised of Catherine O'Connor, Caroline Bermingham, Imelda Murray, Marian Haugh and Fionnuala Murnane.

A full attendance is expected at the AGM of Clare squash which will take place at the Auburn Lodge Hotel on this Thursday night at 9 p.m. All squash club members are welcome to attend the meeting but, for the purposes of voting, clubs are confined to three representatives. The meeting will elect a committee to run affairs for the coming season and make plans for the various competitions.

There was a very successful blitz competition at the One Mile Inn last week when the team comprising of J. Griffin, P. Sheehan, E. Kelly, and M. Barry emerged victorious over G. Browne, G. Breen, R. O'Reilly and B. Griffin.

April 1988

More Finals Decided

There was a fine attendance at the finals of the Harp sponsored Auburn Lodge squash club champs. on Thurs., night last. The ladies A final produced a great battle between Carmel Enright and Mairead Bergin with Miss Enright winning on a 3-2 scoreline. The mens A decider was won by Seamus Hayes who had a 3/1 win over Jack Keane. The mens B title was captured by Mick Meagher who beat Don Barrett in the decider. Other prize winners at the finals were J. Pender, P. O'Shea, T. Reynolds, F. Reddan, E. Holly, G. Hogan. Afterwards there was a very enjoyable social and the prizes were presented by Ml. McLoughlin of the sponsoring firm.

The Ennis CBS club champs. will conclude with the finals on this Thurs. and Fri. nights. The presentation of prizes will take place at teh clubs annual buffet disco which will be held at the West Co. Inn on this Sat. night and tickets can be had from any of the committee members.

There was a good attendance at the AGM of the Clare squash assoc. last week. There was some lively debate on a

number of motions and much discussion took place on the format of competition for next season. Two of the outgoing committee, Seamus Hayes and M. Conlon did not seek re-election. The committee for the coming season is: President - D. O'Hanlon, sec., M. Hanrahan, treas. C. Enright. Members - G. Browne, J. Lusk, C. McDonnell, J. Keane, F. McMahon, J. Casey, T. McMahon and M. Bergin.

The St. Flannans squash club champ finals will be decided on this Friday night. At the time of writing the semi-final pairings were - ladies M. Carey v D. Shalvey; F. Browne v E. Lyons; Men - M. Sullivan v J. Culligan; M. Molloy v J. Coughlan. The plate finals will also be played on Friday and the semi-final pairings are - ladies - K. McInerney v K. Kelly; M. Crowley v M. Culligan. Mens - F. Flynn v T. Cronin or V. Lambert; B. Keane v C. Ryan or J. Madden.

The presentaion of prizes will take place at a function in the West Co. Inn after the finals.

April 1988

SQUASH:

Good Standard at C.B.S. Finals

The squash season ended on Friday last when the Ennis CBS club finals were decided. In a closely contested mens A final Tomas English emerged as the winner with a 3-2 over Mike Conlon. Conlon led 2-1 but English battled back to take the title when winning 9-7 in the fifty game. Caroline McDonnell retained the ladies title when she beat Kathleen Pyne.

The other results were Mens div. 2 - J. Hynes beat D. Moloney, div 3 J. Coughlan beat F. McEnery. Div 2 plate - E. Hanrahan beat D. Delaney, div. 3 plate - B. O'Reilly bet J. J. Fahy. Ladies Div. 2 S. Carroll beat N. Murphy. Div. 2 plate - M. Murphy beat B. Fitzpatrick. Novice B. Kennedy beat K. Kenny.

There was consolation for Mike Conlon when he won the mens ladder competition with Marcella Griffin taking the ladies title.

Kevin McDonnell won the club mens handicap title when he beat Jack Keane in the final while Caroline McDonnell won the ladies title again beating Kathleen Pyne.

The prizes were presented at the clubs function which took place at the West Co. Inn on Saturday night.

The AGM of the One Mile club was held recently at which the following offices were elected - Chairman G. Browne, sec. J. Davis, Treas. S. Howard. Mens capt. J. Griffin, ladies capt. M. Lacheiner. Social capt., A. Feore.

The Auburn Lodge club AGM was held last Wed., and the following officers were appointed - Chairperson M. Bergin, vice do. M. Hennessy. secs., M. Meagher and P. Moroney. Treas. F. Reddan, PRO J. O'Shaughnessy. The Auburn club will hold a pitch and putt outing to the Halfway club on Wednesday next, May 11 at 7.30 p.m.

May 1988



★ Pictured after the Elan sponsored blitz at the Auburn Lodge squash club were (l. to r.), Pat Rutherford, manager, Elan, Shannon; Michael Hennessy, chairman; Annette Mulqueen, Michael Mullins, Cyril Lyons, Maura Hanrahan, Michael Meagher, Pat Doran, Patricia Meagher, Maureen O'Halloran and David Timlin.

Ballina Squash Club

SQUASH:

Winning Start for Ballina

The mens div. 4 team league which has attracted ten entries, got underway on Monday night when there were wins for Ballina, Shannon Diamond and Ennis CBS. Ballina had a thrilling win over Lissycasey at Lissycasey with Jack Brennan winning the decisive game by the nar-

rowest of margins in the fifth.

The league will continue on Mondays over the next seven weeks and there should be a great battle for the title.

A meeting of the CSRA on this Thursday night will finalise arrangements for the remaining leagues for the season and will also decide on the dates for the annual Clare champs. which will be held in mid March.

Arrangements are now being made for the Munster open championship which the Clare Association has again been asked to host. This event was a tremendous success last year.

Jan 1991

Boys National School Squash Club

■ SQUASH:

TITLE FOR ENNIS C.B.S.

THE opening competition of the season, the inter club knock out competition, was

Cumann Luthchleas Gael
Coiste Chontae an Chlair

BORD NA bPAIRC MEETING

● This Thursday night, West Co. Inn, Inis. This is a very important meeting and all clubs that carried out any type of development in 1988 should be present. There will be no other opportunity to speak.

staged at the Shannon Diamond clubs last week-end. Five teams participated. Ennis C.B.S. 'A' won the title for the first time when they beat the host club in the final. The members of the winning team were Mike Conlon, Derry Moloney, Michael Hanrahan, Caroline McDonnell and Mary Murphy. The Shannon Diamond team comprised of Pat O'Grady, Martin Moore, John Culligan, Teresa Hogan and Jean Murphy and they defeated the holders One Mile Inn in the semi-final. The other teams taking part were Ennis C.B.S. 'B' and St. Flannans.

Final arrangements are now being made for the senior team league and the individual leagues which will be getting under way shortly.

A new sports complex will open its doors in Ennis on Monday night next. The Ennis Boys National School complex comprises of two squash and two handball courts as well as tennis facilities. The facilities will be available from next Monday to members and those interested in joining should contact any member of the committee. It is a most modern complex and will certainly be a major asset to both the school and the town.

Oct 1988

SQUASH:

League Semi-Finals on this Friday

The mens individual league semi-finals will be played on this Friday night at Clarecastle commencing at 8 p.m. with the meeting of Mike Conlon and Seamus Hayes. This will be followed by the clash of Sean Gleeson and Jack Keane and the final is scheduled for the same venue on Monday night next.

In the senior mixed team league, One Mile Inn, Ennis CBS, and Limericks Catholic Institute are battling it out for the top spot. Following their defeat by Institute in Limerick last week, Ennis CBS bounded right back into contention when they had a 3-2 win over the One Mile Inn at the CBS on Monday night. Much interest now centres on the meeting of the One Mile Inn and Catholic Institute this week and this game will bring the first half of the competition to an end.

The mens div. 2 got under way last week when Clarecastle A and Ennis CBS A recorded victories. The ladies div. 2 got under way on Thursday night and this is a three person team competition.

The inaugural compt. at the new Ennis Boys N.S. squash club will take place on this Thurs. night. Patricks Bar, Market St., will sponsor this bliz which has attracted six teams. The presentation of prizes will be at 10 p.m. at Patricks.

The Autumn league is in full swing at the One Mile Inn and by the end of next week the way should be clear for the semi-finals.

Nov 1988

Three Teams Battling for Honours

As the senior mixed squash team league moves into the second round of fixtures, three teams are battling it out for the lead. Ennis teams, Ennis CBS A, One Mile Inn, holders, and Limerick side Catholic Institute are locked together at the top and some great games are expected in the next couple of weeks before the destination of the De Beers perpetual trophy is decided. The league concludes on Dec. 4.

The senior mens individual league was completed on Monday night and it resulted in a win for Seamus Hayes over Sean Gleeson. In the semi-finals on Friday, Hayes had a 3/0 win over Mike Conlon while Gleeson defeated Jack Keane on a 3/2 scoreline. Gleeson was 2/0 in front and 8-6 ahead in the third. He looked set for victory but Keane, as he has so often done in the past, battled back to level at 2-2. In the end Gleeson deserved his victory. The final was disappointing with

Gleeson failing to produce the form he had shown on the way to the decider.

Both the mens and ladies div. 2 leagues are in full swing at present with three rounds of each decided.

The newly opened Ennis Boys national school club held its inaugural blitz competition on Thursday night last. There was an excellent entry of six teams for the valuable prizes sponsored by Pat Keogh, Builders, and the presentation of prizes took place at a social evening held afterwards in

Patricks Bar. The members of the winning team were Jackie Hynes, Tom Malone, Tony Kelly, Bobby Stack, Eileen Holly, and Rita Foudy. The runners up were Eric Hanrahan, Mairead Bergin, Con Kearney, Jim Molloy, Isobel Stokes and Patricia O'Donnell.

The club's Christmas blitz for turkeys, sponsored by O'Dowd's stores, Turnpike, Ennis, will take place on Dec. 12, (Monday) and Dec. 15 (Thurs.,) and a big entry is expected.

Ennis CBS have finalised their plans for their annual Christmas social which will take place at the West Co. Inn on Friday, Dec. 9. The clubs annual Christmas blitz for turkeys will take place on Thurs., Dec. 8 and Fri., Dec. 9. Tickets for the function can be had from organising chairman Jackie Hynes or any member of the committee.

The draw for the annual One Mile Inn open will take place this week-end. The competition, which was an outstanding success last year attracted entries from Clare, Limerick and Nenagh, is being eagerly looked forward to and again there will be very valuable prizes on offer. There will be a buffet function on the Sat. night.

The One Mile Inn club's autumn league is nearing the semi-final stage and its expected that the pairings will be known next week.

Meanwhile a number of Clare players will travel to Killarney this week-end for the C. & C. sponsored Munster close champs. All of the leading Munster players will be taking part at three venues, Horans Tralee, Sports Complex, Tralee and Gleneagles, Killarney, where the semi-finals and finals will be staged.

Nov 1988

● SQUASH

ONE MILE INN 'OPEN' A GREAT SUCCESS

THE second annual Budweiser One Mile Inn open squash championships proved a tremendous success last week-end attracting entries from Limerick, Nenagh, Blarney as well as all Clare clubs. There were five grades and the standard in all was extremely high. The competition got underway on Thursday and continued on Friday and Saturday with the finals on Sunday afternoon.

After the competition the prizes were presented by One Mile Inn Chairman Ger Browne who received many compliments for the manner in which

he organised the event. The results are as follows:

Mens A: Tony Kelleher (Catholic Institute) beat Paul Hackett (do.).

Mens A Plate: Tim Tracey (Cath. Inst.) beat Sean Gleeson (Shannon Diamond).

Ladies A Plate: Mairead Bergin (One Mile Inn) beat Patricia O'Connor (Nenagh).

Ladies A Plate: Mairead Bergin (One Mile Inn) beat Jan Davis (do.).

Mens B: Jackie Hynes (Ennis CBS) beat Pat Haugh (Nenagh).

Mens B Plate: Mick Mullins (Clarecastle) beat Ger Browne (One Mile Inn).

Ladies B: Mary Murphy (Ennis CBS) beat Kate Lane (do.).

Ladies B Plate: Isobel Stokes (Ennis CBS) beat Maura Hanrahan (Clarecastle).

Mens C: Finbarr McMahon (Lissycasey) beat Gerry Casey (Clarecastle).

Mens C Plate: Michael Dafy (Ennis CBS) beat John Culligan (Shannon Diamond).

With just two rounds remaining in the Division 1 mixed team league, Ennis CBS consolidated their position at the top with a good win over Shannon Diamond last week. At the same time Catholic Institute moved into second place when they beat the holders One Mile Inn. All three can still win the title but it will be a major surprise if the CBS fail to take the honours at this stage.

Meanwhile the CBS will hold their Christmas blitz on

this Thursday and Friday when their annual social will take place at the West County Inn. Club Chairman Jackie Hynes has been busy in recent weeks organising this event which proved to be an outstanding success.

The Ennis Boys National School will hold it blitz next week when the first rounds will be on Monday with the semi-finals and finals on Thursday week (December 15). The competition will be for turkeys and is being sponsored by O'Dowds Convenience Stores. A huge entry has been received and another great competition is expected.

Early in January the Division 3, 4 and 5 C Clare leagues will commence and clubs will be asked to submit their teams in the near future. The annual inter club blitz will also take place in January.

● HANDBALL:

Clare share points with Cork

Clare shared the points with Cork in the Munster juvenile handball league at Mallow on Saturday last.

At under 13 level, Toonagh's Ollie Noonan and Alan Molloy came up against a very strong Cork pairing and they had to give best on a 15-4 and 15-4 scoreline.

At under 15 Tuamgraney's Francis O'Shaughnessy and Seamus Ryan called on their experience and power to win on a 15-7 and 15-0 scoreline and so put Clare into a one ace lead going into the last match.

Clare's representative at under 14 were Tulla's Pat Madden and Dermot Moroney and they lost the first game on a 10-15 scoreline. However, they hit back, with Pat Madden in superb form to the second on a 15-11 score and so leave the sides level at 65 aces each.

This week Clare play Limerick at Rahtkeale.

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SENIOR LEAGUE

THE Clare senior mixed squash team league concludes this week and barring a major surprise Ennis C.B.S. will win the title for the first time. At the time of going to press they held a fifteen point lead over second placed Catholic Institute who are two points in front of the holders, One Mile Inn.

In the final game Ennis C.B.S. take on the One Mile Inn at the latter's venue and nothing short of a comprehensive victory will do the latter any good. Victory will not be enough unless it is a decisive one.

The Autumn league at the One Mile Inn club concluded on Monday night when the team comprising of Dermot O'Hanlon, Michael Griffin, Finbarr McMahon, Kieran Browne, Jan Davis and Catherine Feore were victorious over a fancied side which included

Michael Meere, Michael Mullins, Ger Breen, Ambrose Heagney, Margaret Lachner and P. Moloney.

Ennis C.B.S. club's annual Christmas blitz was held last week when the winners were F. McEnery, T. Stack, K. Pyne, V. Lambert, O. Martin, K. Kennedy and J. O'Malley. The runners-up were K. McDonnell, P. Conway, T. Carroll, L. Duggan, M. Rooney, H. O'Loughlin, S. Duggan. Winners of the third placed prizes were J. Hynes, M. Neylon, M. Murphy, R. Crowe, T. Mulcahy, M. Duggan and B. Fitzgerald.

The O'Dowds sponsored blitz at the Ennis Boys National School will conclude on this Thursday night when the semi-finals and finals will be staged. The first rounds were played on Monday night when there was a fine turnout. The presentation of prizes will take place at Patricks Bar after the final on Thursday.

Dec 1988

● SQUASH:

ENNIS C.B.S. JUST GET THERE

The senior mixed team squash league concluded last week with the CBS winning the title for the first time, by a narrow margin. They entered the final series with a 16 point lead over their nearest rivals, Catholic Institute with the One Mile Inn a further two points behind.

The CBS certainly had to work hard for the title and for a long time it looked as if they might not make it. One Mile Inn, holders of the title for the past five seasons, were determined to fight to the end and this they did. On the night they scored a deserved 16-7 win over the CBS but it wasn't enough to prevent the latter from winning the title. Limerick side Catholic Institute remained in second place collecting full points in their last game.

The members of the winning CBS side were Seamus and Tomas English, Mike Conlon, Caroline McDonnell, Kathleen Pyne, Teresa Hehir, and Margaret Flanagan. The Catholic Institute team included Paul Hackett, Tim Treacy, Brian Williams, Caroline Dineen, Teresa Ryan and Mary Byrne.

The Div. II league for men

continues and there is a great battle for the premier places. Clarecastle lost their unbeaten run last week when they went under to Catholic Institute who are very much in contention as is the Ennis CBS side, holders of the title.

CHRISTMAS BLITZ

The Christmas blitz at the Ennis Boys National School was a great success last week. The winners were Mickey O'Sullivan, Tom Holly, Cathal O'Connor, Mairead Bergin, Patricia O'Donnell and Carmal Collins. The runners-up were Tony Fenton, Con Kearney, Ian Murphy, Isobel Stokes, Patricia Leahy and Bernie O'Gorman. The sponsor Jim O'Dowd presented the prizes at a social evening at Patricks Bar in Market Street after the final.

Dec 1988

Another Title for Ennis C.B.S.

Ennis CBS picked up another title when they captured the annual inter club blitz crown at the week-end. From an entry of six teams the CBS squad of T.English, J. Hynes, T. Stack, C. McDonnell and I. Stokes emerged victorious beating the holders, One Mile Inn in the final. The One Mile Inn team consisted of S. Hayes, G. Browne, F. McMahon, C. Enright, C. Feore.

A new senior team - 3 members - league for men got under way on Wednesday of this week. Seven teams are taking part in the event which will continue until the first week in April. Teams from Charleville, Nenagh, and Catholic Institute in Limerick have joined Ennis CBS, Shannon Diamond/Newmarket and the One Mile Inn, Ennis CBS, Nenagh, Limerick LLTC and Catholic Institute,

The mens div. 2 team league concluded last week with Catholic Institute capturing the honours and Nenagh finishing in second place. The prizes were presented at an enjoyable function in Ennis.

The mens and ladies div. 3 and confined (novice) leagues are in full swing at present and its anybody's guess as to who will capture the honours. The div. 4 competitions will commence within the next 2 weeks.

The first team league at the Ennis Boys N.S. Club, gets under way this week. 32 players - 16 men and 16 ladies - are taking part and the final will be on Thursday, Mar. 2. Full details are posted on the notice board in the club.

Feb 1989

SQUASH:

One Mile Inn Capture Ladies Team Title

THE One Mile Inn won the senior ladies team squash league when they finished their programme with a fine win over Catholic Institute on Wednesday night last. The Ennis side need just nine points from this tie to be sure of victory.

They scored 18 points out of a possible twenty to win the crown from Nenagh who finished in second place. The members of the One Mile Inn panel are Margaret Lacheimer, Rose Hynes, Carmel Enright, Ann O'Dowd, Mairead Bergin, Bridie O'Flaherty and Jan Davis.

Meanwhile the mens league will conclude this week-end. With two rounds to be played Ennis C.S.S. are comfortable leaders and it will be a surprise if they fail to win. In their final game they play the One Mile Inn side.

The annual Maurer Jewellers Clare championship will get under way on Monday next and will continue until Friday week, April 14 when the finals will be played at Clarecastle. A fine entry has been received for the various grades and some lively games are expected throughout the competition.

The various club championships will be concluded at the end of April. The Clarecastle competition is underway at present and will be concluded after the Clare event.

JUNIOR CHAMPS

The annual Clare Junior squash championships were held on Good Friday and there was an excellent entry for the various grades. There was a big surprise in the final of the boys under 19 grade when Fergus O'Loughlin from Clarecastle defeated the hot favourite Darren Kelly from the One Mile Inn club. Kelly, looked set to retain his title when he opened a 2-0 lead but O'Loughlin who has been in fine form throughout the season, battled back to take the next three and the title.

In the under 12 grade Alan

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petition.

The annual Harp handicap finals at the One Mile Inn club will take place on this Thursday night commencing with the ladies final at 8 p.m. followed by the mens decider at 9 p.m. In the mens grade Seamus Hayes will take on either Darren Kelly or Mickey Meere. The ladies final will be between Margaret Lacheiner or Carmel Enright and Rose Hynes or Bridie O'Flaherty.

The Ennis C.B.S. handicap finals were played on Monday night last. Caroline McDonnell won the ladies title when she beat Kathleen Pyne while the mens crown was won by Tomas English who had a 2/1 win over Mick Conlon.

A fine entry has been received for the Ennis boys National School championships which will be run off during April with the finals set for Thursday, April 27. There are three grades for both men and ladies and over seventy will take part in the competition. The full draw is posted on the notice board at the club giving details of the times when games must be played, etc.

In the under 12 grade Alan Meere justified favouritism when winning the title but he had to fight all the way against Darren Lynch. Lynch won the first but Meere battled back and the experience gained when representing Munster recently, proved to be an advantage.

The under 14 title was won by Declan Frawley who beat N. Morgan in the decider while D. Devitt won the under 16 crown beating Dereck Ryan in the final.

The under 16 ladies final was fought out between the Moloney sisters with Patricia beating Eileen.

Overall the championships proved extremely successful and the prizes were presented to the finalists following the finals at the Ennis C.B.S. club. Games were also played at Clarecastle and Ennis Boys National School.

The Juniors will be in action on Saturday week when a Clare selection will take on a Galway side at Ennis. Clare Junior manager, Jack Keane, is expected to name the Clare side early next week.

March 1989

CLARE CHAMPIONSHIPS IN FULL SWING

THE Clare squash championships got underway on Monday last and over eighty will participate in these tests which will conclude with the finals at Clarecastle on Friday night April 14. There are three grades for men and two for ladies.

The quarter finals will be played on this Thursday and Friday with the semi-finals on Tuesday and Wednesday next. Games are being played at Ennis CBS, Clarecastle and the One Mile Inn with the finals at Clarecastle. The presentation of the Maurer (Jeweller) prizes for the championships will take place after the finals on Friday week.

Meanwhile the senior mens team league concluded at the week-end with Ennis CBS recording a decisive win. In their final game they had a 2-1 victory over the One Mile Inn. The members of the CBS panel are Seamus and Tomas English, Mike Conlon, Jack Keane and Eoin McMahon.

The presentation of the Bank of Ireland prizes will take place

on this Friday night at a function at the One Mile Inn. Both the ladies and mens division 1 winners and runners-up will be receiving their awards at this function.

Meanwhile the division three league winners received their prizes from Eamonn Kelly on behalf of New Ireland Life Assurance at a function in Powers in Clarecastle on Thursday night last.

The annual Harp handicap competitions concluded at the One Mile Inn on Thursday night last when Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes captured the titles at the expense of Rose Hynes and Darren Kelly. Margaret Lacheiner who has won every honour in the game in Clare retained the ladies title when she had a 2-0 win over Rose Hynes who was playing in the competition for the first time. In the mens final Seamus Hayes regained the crown after a one year lapse when he proved too strong for teenager Darren Kelly who had put out the holder Seamus

Howard in the opening round. Hayes won a well contested first game on a 15-9 scoreline and from here on was in control, winning the second comfortably.

Arrangements are now being made for the One Mile Inn club championships which will be completed before the end of April. The CBS club championships will conclude at the beginning of May. The annual club championships at Newmarket on Fergus are in full swing and, at the time of writing, it seemed that the finalists will be Dermot O'Hanlon and Sean Gleeson.

The inaugural club championships at the Ennis Boys National School got underway during the past week and these will conclude on Thursday April 27 when there should be a big attendance for the finals. The tournament is being sponsored by Michael O'Sullivan Carpets (Ennis) and there has been an excellent entry of just over sixty for the six grades (three each for men and ladies).

April 1989

CLARE SQUASH PREPARES FOR NEW SEASON

THE annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Association will take place on this Friday night at the West County Inn at 9 p.m. The meeting will review a successful season and plan for the coming year.

The grading of players is expected to figure prominently on the agenda as there is dis-satisfaction in many areas with the present system.

The election of the new committee will take place and some changes are expected. Outgoing secretary Maura Hanrahan has announced that she will not be seeking re-election. She has played a major part in the rise of Clare squash in recent times.

The Clarecastle club finals were held on Thursday night last and brought to an end the club's most successful season; Fergus O'Loughlin followed up his Clare success when winning the club title at the expense of Pat O'Loughlin. In the mens B James Healy beat Jimmy Kelly while Frankie Moloney won the C crown at the expense of Kevin Moynihan. Ann Fennell won the ladies B when beating Maureen O'Halloran. Robert Fitzgerald and Maura Hanrahan won the A plates with victories over Gerard O'Loughlin and Gertrude Hogan.

The presentation of prizes took place at a function in Powers in Clarecastle.

The Kilkee squash club finals were decided on Friday night last. The ladies final was a repeat of last year with Catherine O'Connor defending her title against Marian Haugh. This time Marian came

out on top winning on a 3/2 scoreline. Paul Costelloe made it four in a row when beating Kieran Marrinan on a 3/1 scoreline in the mens final.

The prizes were presented by golf club captain Maurice Mangan at a function in the clubhouse after the finals.

The finals of the championships at the Ennis Boys National School will take place on this Thursday night commencing at 7.30 p.m. Some excellent finals are expected. The presentation of prizes will take place at a social function at Patricks, Market Street, at 10 p.m.



Ennis CBS recently won the presentation of prizes were (l. to r.) team captain, Gerry O'Brien, Conlon, Martin O'Sullivan, B.

ONE MILE INN FINALS A GREAT SUCCESS

ACTIVITIES at the One Mile Inn squash club concluded for the season on Tuesday night when the club championship finals were staged. There was some great competition particularly in the A finals. Holders Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles in high standard finals.

There was a capacity attendance for the deciders and the ladies final certainly gave the viewers plenty to cheer about. Mrs. Lacheiner was opposed by recently crowned Clare champion, Rose Hynes and they provided a tremendous contest. In the end the experience of Mrs. Lacheiner proved decisive and she recorded a 3/1 victory.

In the mens final Darren Kelly looked set for his first title when he raced into a 2-0 lead. Kelly played tremendous squash. When he went into a 5-1 lead in the third it seemed to be only a matter of time until he completed the proceedings. Hayes fought back to 5 before Kelly went to 8 and served for the match. In fact he served for the match on

Other prize winners in the Michael O'Sullivan sponsored competition were: Mens B, Eric Harrahan beat Tony Pen-ton; Ladies B, Patricia Leahy beat Maura Brooks; Mens C, John Casey beat Bobby Stack; Ladies C, Elaine Noel beat Una Behr; Mens A plate, Jack Keane beat Tony Lillis; Mens B plate, John Coughlan beat Paddy Lane; Mens C late, Cathal O'Connor beat John Brooke; Ladies B plate, Mary Crowley beat Margaret Conlon; Ladies C plate, Bernie O'German beat Kay Gill.

The presentation of prizes took place at a function at Patricks after the finals.

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served for the match. In fact he served for the match on four occasions but failed to get the vital score and Hayes kept the game alive when winning 10-9. The holder quickly won the fourth and then went on to take the fifth and the title for the sixth year in succession.

The mens E title was won by Frankie Coughlan who had a 3-2 win over Gerry Casey while Catherine Feore won the ladies division E crown when beating Patricia Duncan. Michael Griffin won the mens A plate when he defeated Aidan Feore and Maureen Bergin won the ladies A plate when defeating Jan Davis.

The presentation of prizes took place at a very enjoyable function afterwards when Donald Moloney of Seep Lp, the sponsors, presided.

When the finals of the Larus Boys National School squash club championships were decided last Thursday night, Thomas English gained revenge for his recent Clare championship defeat by Norman Hayes. The time English was a comprehensive winner. The ladies title was won by Patricia Moloney who beat the club secretary, Norma Murphy.

CLARE A.G.M.

There was a disappointing attendance at the annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Association at the West County Inn on Friday night last. The meeting failed to elect a secretary to succeed Maura Hanrahan who has filled the position for the past three years. Many tributes were paid to Maura for her excellent work as secretary. The following were elected: President, Dermot O'Hanlon; Treasurer, Carmel Faught; Committee, Jack Keane, Eamon Kelly, Ger Browne, Maureen Bergin, Tom Casey, Michael O'Connell, Catherine Lane and Tony McMahon. The new committee will appoint a secretary and report back to a general meeting in the next couple of months when next year's gradings will be announced.

The finals of the Larus C.B.S. championships will take place on this Friday and another good night's squash is expected.

The annual general meeting of the Clare Men's Club took place on this Thursday at 9 pm.

May 1989

Another Successful One Mile Inn 'Open'

The fourth annual One Mile Inn open, sponsored by Guinness Ltd., proved a tremendous success last week-end. There was an excellent entry for all five

grades with competition taking place on Thursday and Friday nights, all day Saturday and Sunday when all finals were staged.

The standard was high in all events and the patrons were treated to some great games. Ardnacrusha man, Billy Ryan, who lives in Shannon Banks and plays out of the Limerick tennis club, won the mens A title when he beat his club-mate Barry Hession in the final. This was a reverse of the result when they met in the Clarecastle final a couple of weeks ago.

Shannon's Claire Jones, who plays out of the Highfield club in Cork, won the ladies A title when beating Margaret Lacheiner of the host club in the final. Claire is a well-known camogie star having won all-Ireland senior medals with Kilkenny for the past three years.

The other results are: Mens B - M. Daffy, Ennis CBS beat K. McDonnell, do., Mens C - D. Devitt, Newmarket beat P. Talty, Ennis CBS. Ladies B T. McNamara Ennistymon, beat her sister Helen.

In the plate finals the results were - Men A S. Gleeson, Sh. Diamond, beat M. Colon, Ennis CBS. B - D. Fitzgerald, Clarecastle, beat M. Mullins, do., C - R. Fitzgerald, Clarecastle, beat G. Casey, One Mile Inn. Ladies A - C. Earlight, O.M.I., beat M. Bergin, do. B E. Howard, O.M.I. beat P. Muloney, do.

The annual Harp handicap competition at the One Mile Inn is now in full swing and the final is scheduled for Thursday night next, Dec. 4. The finals will be followed by the club's annual Christmas party and presentation of prizes for both the handicap and the Autumn team league.

The Clare ladies div. 4 concluded last week with Limerick's Catholic Institute emerging as the winners. Ennistymon captured the runners up spot after a great battle with the One Mile Inn. The North Clare club defeated the Ennis side in the final round to secure second place.

The Clare mens individual league gets underway this week and will continue until February. Ten players will take part and all will play each other.

Ennis Boys National Club

Following the completion of renovations at the Ennis B.N.S. complex, competition will resume on Tuesday next with the holding of a Christmas blitz. Members are advised to check the notice board on this Friday for details of the draw.

The renovations have resulted in the provision of additional showers which will be welcomed by the members.

Early in January teams from the club are expected to compete in Clare leagues at div. 5 level. This will be the first time that teams will represent the club at competition.

Easy for Eire Og

Eire Og 3-5
Wolfe Tones 0-1

Eire Og defeated the holders Wolfe Tones in this under 17 football semi-final replay at Clarecastle on Saturday last. Conditions were anything but good for the game in which both sides missed many chances.

Best of the winners were Peter Kelly, Gerard Curran, David McCarthy, Shane Slatery and captain, Declan Flynn. The scorers were Kieran Ryan (1-2), Liam Miniter (1-0), Paul Scahill (1-0), Tony McEnery (0-2) and Tadhg Lyne (0-1).

CHRISTMAS COMPETITION

The annual Christmas competition at the One Mile Inn club will take place on this Sunday at 2 p.m. when there will be lots of prizes on offer for men, ladies and juniors. This has proved to be a most popular outing in recent seasons and another big turnout is expected on Sunday.

SQUASH:

Handicap Finals Decided

The annual Harp handicap competitions at the One Mile Inn club concluded on Thursday night last, once again the competition which has been staged annually since 1974, provided entertaining finals.

Rose Hynes won the ladies title for the first time when she reversed last year's result by beating Margaret Lacheiner. It was a very close contest throughout.

The mens decider was also a repeat of last year and here Seamus Hayes retained the title when beating Darren Kelly.

The prizes were presented

to the winners and runners-up at a very enjoyable Christmas party which was held afterwards.

The Christmas blitz at the Ennis Boys National School proved to be very successful last week. The winners were Tommy Molloy, Pat Callinan, Margaret Flanagan and Kitty Henchy. The runners up were Tom Glynn, Ken Johnson, Patricia Leahy and Kay Gill.

There is a break from competitions for Christmas and all will resume at the beginning of January when the mens and ladies div. 5 competitions will commence.

Dec 1989

■ **Squash:**

Ennis C.B.S. Teams Lead

ENNIS C.B.S., holders of the mens division 1 league, are doing well in this season's competition. They are very much in contention for honours having completed their first round matches with just one defeat.

In fact, the Ennis C.B.S. club is also leading in the mens division 2 league and look set to capture this title which they just failed to win last season. The mens division 3 has just commenced and they have started with a good win.

The ladies division 1 and division 2 team leagues commenced this week. All leagues running at present will be completed prior to Christmas and the Clare Association is presently making arrangements for a function at which the various prizes will be presented.

The Ennis Boys National School complex committee is now recruiting members for the new season. With two squash and two handball/racquetball courts available, there are many opportunities for those wishing

to remain active. An open night will take place at the complex on Tuesday next from 7 to 8.30 p.m., to which all are invited. Handball, racquetball and squash games will take place and members of the committee will be present to outline plans for the season and to explain the details of the games.

The club's first squash competition of the season will take place on Thursday night next.

BEALAHA TUG-O-WAR SUNDAY 21st

1.30 p.m. sharp

■ Novice 680k. Senior for M. J. Gorman Mem. Cup. **Sheaf Tossing**—Ladies and Schools, open and confined.

Oct 1990

CBS Squash Club

Tremendous Interest in Squash in Ennis

Interest was never higher in the county and particularly in Ennis where all courts are almost constantly in use. Teams from both the One Mile Inn and Ennis CBS are presently competing in the Limerick league while inter club tournaments at both centres are meeting with much success.

At the One Mile Inn the final of the autumn league will be played on Wednesday night next and this will be followed by the annual Christmas party. The league, sponsored by Cha Gill of Universal Business Systems and Jim O'Dowd has proved most entertaining over the last number of weeks as it will not be known until after this weekend what two teams will meet in the decider. The games will commence at 5 p.m. and all club members are expected to attend.

At the Christian Brothers club's Christmas blitz for

turkeys will commence on Monday night with the final rounds taking place on Friday night. The November blitz which was completed last week was won by Ann Casey's team with Bridie O'Flaherty's side receiving the runners-up awards.

In the Limerick B league, Ennis CBS team has made a very good debut, winning their opening two matches against Shannon Diamond B and the One Mile Inn. However, there are still many games to be played in the competition and both Ennis sides will be fighting hard to figure in the final stages.

The One Mile Inn senior team have also been doing very well and a number of very good victories have been recorded. The ladies team at the One Mile Inn recently commenced their league campaign and this week will be travelling to Limerick for a fixture.

Successful Start to Squash Season

The first competition of the squash season at the One Mile Inn was run off on Monday and Tuesday night and once again it proved a great success. This was a blitz competition sponsored by Dwans Minerals Waters and there was an entry of eight teams.

After the first rounds on Monday night the teams captained by Tony Lillis, Brian Fitzgerald, Seamus Hayes and Damien Byrne had qualified for the semi-finals. These resulted in Tony Lillis' team qualifying to meet Seamus Hayes's side in the final.

The final proved very exciting with Tony Lillis' team of Ted Finlay, Noel Crowley, Frankie Moloney and Margaret Lacheiner coming out on top against Seamus Hayes, Dan Liddy, Dave Boyd, Michael Carmody and Jan Davis.

Afterwards John Bradley of Dwans presented the prizes to the winners and runners-up. He congratulated all of the high standard of squash and he wished the club continued success. Club captain John Costin thanked the committee for organising the event and he praised Dwans for their continued Sponsorship.

Blitz at C.B.S.

At the CBS club a blitz competition, the first of the season will be played on this Thursday night. Now that the magnificent second court has been completed the organising committee will be able to com-

plete the competition on the one night and this should add to the excitement.

There are eight teams of eight for the event and some very entertaining games are expected. Once again there will be valuable prizes for the winners and runners up.

Both Ennis clubs are at present making arrangements to select their teams for the forthcoming Limerick leagues. Further details of these competitions will be available next week.

Thomond '79 Car Rally For East Clare

It has been some time since Clare has hosted special stage rallying, but on Sunday, the Limerick Motor Club will run Thomond '79 over eighty miles of special stages in East Clare. Paddy Powell, Ballycasey, is clerk of the course and many of the officials live in Clare.

Thomond '79 is one of the bigger stage rallies on the R.I.A.C. calendar and an entry of 150 cars is expected. The rally headquarters will be at the Parkway Motel, Limerick and the end of festivities, including the Tulla ceili band, a rally car show, a Miss Thomond '79 will be among the highlights.

Local drivers who have entered include Michael Naughton, Ennis, Pat O'Brien and Tommy Dunne of Newmarket, Billy Hickey of Clonlara, James Cooney of Meelick and Shaun Wall of Shannon.

SUCCESS FOR CLARE DRIVERS

In the recent Cork 20 International Car Rally the Clare crew of Pat Canny and Pat Gleeson of Clonlara, driving an Avenger 1300G.T., finished second in their class. This is one of Ireland's toughest two-day events, covering 500 miles, 300 of which are on special time stages.

There was an entry of 150 cars, with only 40 managing to finish. Other Clare competitors taking part were Donal Griffin of Shannon and John Lernihan of Ennis, but both failed to finish.

Oct 1979

SQUASH

Ennis Teams Doing Well In Limerick League

Ennis C.B.S. Div. II mens team chalked up another good win last week in the Limerick league when they beat the One Mile Inn. The leaders in this league are Vale Squash Club 'A' and Limerick Lawn Tennis. Ennis C.B.S. will be hosts to LLTC in two weeks time and a win here would be a tremendous boost to the team.

In the Div. IV league the lead was shared last week by Ennis C.B.S., One Mile Inn and LLTC. The One Mile Inn side boosted their chances last week when they beat the C.B.S. by three marches to two.

The ladies league commenced recently and Ennis C.B.S. have had two very good wins to date to go into the lead. In the opening game they beat Shannon Diamond and followed this up with a good win over Nenagh last week. This week they will be at home to Catholic Institute.

The ladies senior league has been won by Team 'B' which included the Ennis number one and Clare champion, Margaret Lacheiner. Also in the team are Patsy Sheehan, Capt., and Irene Hannigan.

In the mens senior league Denis Maurer has had three good wins in recent weeks. He beat Kevin Dalton, 3-1; Liam Morrissey, 3-0 and Pat Casey, 3-2 and these victories helped him to move well up in the table. Tony Lillis who has just returned after four weeks in Africa, had a good 3-2 win over P. O'Donoghue last weekend. Tony has a number of postponed games on hand at present.

On the home front the three Ennis coubs will stage their Christmas blitz competitions next week. At the One Mile Inn the first rounds of the Collins Jewellers sponsored competition will be on Monday night with the semi-final and final on Wednesday night.

At the C.B.S. the turkey blitz will be played on Monday night with both courts in operation while the Golf Club will stage their turkey competition on Tuesday night. Entries are now being accepted at all three clubs.

too Good

David Casey darted over from a five yard scrum after the pack again won clean possession. John Casey converted both tries.

The under 18's play their third round Limerick League match against Scariff in Clare-

SQUASH

Blitz competitions at all Ennis clubs

There was a hive of activity at the three clubs in Ennis this week with the Christmas blitz being run off in each place. As well as that the various ladies and gents teams were in action in the Limerick league meaning that some players were playing five nights in succession.

At the C.B.S. the way is clear for the semi-finals of the turkey competition on this Friday night commencing at 6 p.m. sharp. As the two courts will be in operation both semi-finals will commence at this time. Dan Liddy's team will meet Seamus Hayes' while in the other semi-final Damien Byrne's team will be playing John Costin's side.

The first rounds of the One Mile Inn blitz which is sponsored by Collins Jewellers, O'Connell Street, Ennis were played on Monday night and proved very successful. Through to the semi-finals were Michael Nealon, Damien Byrne, Seamus Hayes and Jack Keane.

Also on this Friday night the

Ennis C.B.S. side were away to Charleville "B" and had a good 4-1 win.

In division IV the C.B.S. side scored a good 5-0 win over Charleville "B" at Ennis while the One Mile Inn side travelled to meet Charleville "A" and lost 3-2, their winners being Tom Malone and Jim O'Dowd, both of whom have put a lot of hours training in recent times.

The Ennis C.B.S. ladies team had their first defeat last week when they lost by three matches to two to Catholic Institute.

Three

One Mile Inn Lead Limerick League

In the Limerick Squash League Div. IV, the One Mile Inn team are in the lead from Charleville 'A', with Ennis C.B.S. in third place. On this Thursday night the One Mile Inn will play the C.B.S. side at the latter's venue and next week they will meet Charleville 'A' squad. Victory in these games and particularly against the Cork side would really enhance their chances of winning the competition.

The draw was made last week for the Harp Handicap competition and first rounds are to be completed by this Saturday night. Exciting games are expected in this popular event and the final is scheduled for February 18. The Committee have announced that there will be no extensions of time for the playing of the games.

In Div. II of the league the C.B.S. team are presently in third place behind Limerick Lawn Tennis Club and Charleville 'A'. The C.B.S. squad will travel to meet the One Mile Inn on this Thursday and are favoured to win.

In the ladies league the Ennis C.B.S. side are in second place behind Catholic Institute 'A' and are really doing very well.

The Seven-Up blitz at the One Mile Inn last week was won by Tony Lillis' team, with Damien Byrne's side as runners-up. Regional Manager, John Peacock, attended and presented the prizes to the members of the winning team.

Feb 1980

Club Championships Get Under Way

Both Ennis squash clubs, One Mile Inn and C.B.S., are now making arrangements for the running off of their club championships.

At the One Mile Inn the competition will get under way next week and the draw will be on the notice board this weekend. The finals will be on Friday, May 9, after which the club will hold a dance at the West County Inn following the success of the inaugural event last year the committee are looking forward to an even bigger attendance this year.

At the C.B.S. there will be two divisions in both the mens and ladies championships. This is the inaugural year of the club championships at the C.B.S. and they are expected to prove most interesting.

The March blitz at the CBS was run off on Monday night last and proved very exciting. Danny Liddy's team won the competition when they beat Michael O'Connell's side in the final.

The first rounds of the C. & C. sponsored blitz were played at the One Mile Inn also on Monday night and resulted in the teams led by Jim Neville, Seamus Hayes, Gerry Bredin and Danny Liddy advancing to the semi-finals.

In the mens Div. III, Limerick League, the Ennis C.B.S. side are in the lead having dropped only four points from the four rounds played. Indeed the C.B.S. side are favoured to win out this competition, but they have a number of stiff hurdles ahead.

In the Limerick senior

three man league, the One Mile Inn side are doing well, but in

the coming two weeks they will have a busy programme.

Arrangements are now almost complete for the final of the 'Spring Team League' at the Ennis Golf Club and this is expected to take place within the next two weeks.

Kilmurry-Ib. U-16s Celebrate

RECENTLY the Kilmurry-Ib. GAA club held a victory dance at the hall in Mullagh at which members of their victorious under 16 team of last year were presented with their medals.

The presentations were made by juvenile football board secretary, Christy Curtin, who was loud in his praise for the team and for their youthful trainer, Martin Morrissey.

Earlier the team and officials were treated to a meal at Daly's Guesthouse in Quilty when they celebrated their victory.

after a lapse of thirteen years, over Eire Og at Milltown on September 2 last.

The members of the winning panel were Peter Power, Gerard Sexton, Patrick Moloney, Gerard Talty, Martin Sexton, Patrick Comber, Aidan Looney, Danny Coughlan (captain), Martin Lynch, Brendan Killeen, Patrick McCarthy, Paul Hickey, Michael Killeen, Jimmy Considine, John Cunningham, Brian King, Con Donoghue, Kieran O'Neill, P. Callinan and Thomas Griffin.

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Ennis C.B.S. capture Squash League Title

Ennis C.B.S. captured the Limerick division 11 squash league when they beat Limerick Lawn tennis club in their final game at Limerick last week. Going into this game the Ennis side were 14 points to the good but it was possible for their Limerick opponents to take the title. To do this however they would have to score a big win over the Ennis men.

But the C.B.S. side were extremely determined to win this one and this they did on an 18 points to 9 scoreline. In doing so they won the first squash title for the C.B.S. club since it was formed a couple of years ago. Incidentally Ennis went through the competition unbeaten.

After the early games on Thursday, Ennis had assured themselves of success. Jack Keane scored a 3-0 victory while Cha Gill, although beaten, picked up two very valuable points. Brian Fitzgerald

looked to be heading for defeat when he trailed by two games to nil but he staged a great recovery to win 3-2.

In what was the toughest game of the night Gert Lacheiner was very un-lucky to lose narrowly in the fifth. In the final game Seamus Hayes had a 3-1 victory.

Afterwards trophies were presented to the members of the winning team by Denis Maurer of Ennis who sponsored the competition. A most enjoyable social evening followed.

Meanwhile the quarter finals of the club championships at the C.B.S. were being staged this week. There are two divisions in both ladies and gents and this is also the case in the Plate competitions. The championship finals will be decided on Friday week.

The final competition of the season at the One Mile Inn, the Leadmore Dairies blitz, attracted a very big entry. The first rounds were played on Monday night and in the semi-final Denis Maurer meets Brian Fitzgerald while Seamus Hayes plays Jim Neville.

In Clare

DIVISION III

	P	W	D	L	P
Newmarket	4	3	0	1	6
Tulla	4	3	0	1	6
O'C. Mills	4	2	1	0	5
Broadford-An Dr.	4	2	0	2	4
Ardnacrusha	4	1	1	2	3
Donnacda Ruas	4	0	0	4	0

C.B.S. championship finals on this Friday

The finals of the Ennis C.B.S. club championships will be decided on this Friday and a most entertaining nights squash is expected. On this Thursday night the Plate finals will be played. The presentation of all trophies will take place on Friday night at Broghans. The championships are sponsored by the Clare Champion Ltd.

And once again it will be Tony Lillis and Denis Maurer in the final of the mens section. Maurer appears to be playing his best squash of the season in recent weeks and he will be more than anxious to add this title to the One Mile Inn championship. But Lillis will want to get back on the winning trail and this should all add up to a tremendous night's play.

In the ladies section Margaret Lacheiner will be the hot favourite against surprise packet Joanne Lewis. On her way to the final, Mrs. Lewis has been very impressive but anything other than a Mrs. Lacheiner victory will come as a surprise.

In the division II mens final, the semi-finals had not been decided at the time of writing. Here Ritchie McAllister meets Eugene Ryan and the winner will qualify to play Sean Heaslip or John Coughlan. The division II ladies final will be between Nora Cahill and Teresa Browne.

The Plate finals will be played on Thursday night and the mens division I is causing tremendous excitement. At the time of writing Gerry Bredin was through to meet Terry Hughes in one semi-final while in the other side Eric Hanrahan was to play Tony Lynch.

Bredin is expected to win through.

The ladies division I is between Margaret Flanagan and Mary Carey and this should also be an exciting tussle with Mrs. Carey starting as favourite.

The division II plate will see Donal Cleary play Pat McNerney and this should be very close while in the division II plate Christine Egan will meet either Bernie Hedderman or M. Dowling.

The games will commence at 6 p.m. on each night and all players are asked to be on time.

BLITZ FINAL

The final competition of the season at the One Mile Inn, the Leadmore Dairies blitz proved very entertaining last week. The competition was won out by Denis Maurer's team which consisted of Colm Keating, Michael Neylon, Jan Davis, Adam Finlay and Michael Howard Jun. The runners-up were Seamus Hayes' side which included Jim O'Dowd, Jim Kearns, Ann O'Dowd, Clem Browne and Kitty McNerney.

Mr. Peter Glynn of Leadmore presented the trophies to club officials Mary Hennessy and Ann O'Dowd. Afterwards a most enjoyable social evening was held.

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Squash season re-opens

The squash season has now commenced and both Ennis clubs will be holding blitz competitions before the end of this month. The One Mile Inn will have their first competition of the new season on Monday week, September 22 while one week later it will be the turn of Ennis C.B.S.

Arrangements have now been made for the finalising of the summer league at the C.B.S. All out-standing matches must be played by Sunday week, September 21. The semi-finals will be staged on September 23 and 25. The final is fixed for October after which there will be a buffet social and presentation of prizes at the West County Inn.

Arrangements are now being made for the Limerick league competitions and these should be finalised within the next week.

Sept 1980

Squash

The squash season has now got into full swing and both Ennis clubs held blitz competitions last week. At the One Mile Inn where the event was sponsored by C & C, the winners after an exciting competition were Tony Lillis' team which included Jim O'Dowd, Michael O'Connell, Ann O'Dowd, and Michael Howard. Beaten in the final were Gerry Bredins team made up of Jimmy Cronin, Gerry Woods, Ann Boyd and Kitty McInerney.

Afterwards at an enjoyable social the trophies were presented to the winners by representatives of the sponsoring firm.

In the blitz at the CBS on Monday night, Brian Fitzgeralds team emerged as the winners against Jim O'Dowd's side.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual general meeting of the One Mile Inn club was held on Tuesday night when detailed accounts of the years activities were presented. Officer elected for the coming season were Chairman, Jim O'Dowd, Secretary, Mary Hennessy, Treasurer, Liz Moloney, Club captain, Seamus Hayes, Committee, Ann O'Dowd, Jan Davis, Kitty McInerney, Ann Boyd, Tom Malone, John Costin, Colm Keating, John Collins, Michael O'Connell and Margaret Lacheiner.

Membership is now up for renewal and anybody interested in joining should get in touch with the management as soon as possible.

CBS SOCIAL

Meanwhile at the CBS the final of the Summer league will take place on this Friday night. This will be followed by a social evening at the West County Inn at which the prizes will be presented to the winning players. This proved most successful event last year and a big attendance is again expected.

Oct 1980

SQUASH

LIMERICK LEAGUES UNDER WAY

THE Limerick squash leagues are now in full swing and the Ennis teams are doing well. To date the Ennis CBS Div. II side are unbeaten and are fancied to do well in their competition. Their Div. IV side after being unlucky to lose their opening round had an easy win this week.

Meanwhile the One Mile Inn ladies side swing into action in the junior event this week and they are also expected to do well.

Arrangements are now complete for the commencement of the Duggan Insurances sponsored senior individual league and first rounds were due to be played early this week.

Entries are now being accepted for the annual Autumn team league at the One Mile Inn. This competition, sponsored by O'Dowd's Stores and Universal Business Systems, will commence during the first week in November and will be completed early in December. This event is one of the most popular in the club and there should be a big entry. Only the first forty-eight will qualify for entry.

Oct 1980

Ennis Teams Doing Well

Teams from the Ennis squash clubs are doing very well in the Limerick league which are in full swing at present. The Ennis CBS, Div. II mens team, winners of the division III title last season, are leading in their competition with 51 points from the Catholic Institute club who have 34. After three series of games Ennis are un-beaten and must be fancied to do well. The team members are Aidan Spooner,

Clia Gall, Jack Keane, Gert Lacheiner and Brian LKFitzgerald.

In the ladies junior league Ennis One Mile Inn are in second place, just four points behind Catholic Institute while the Ennis CBS, side are in joint third place. Both of these teams have a game in hand as they each did not play their opening game due to the petrol shortage.

Oct 1980



Nov 1980

Ennis Teams Lead in Squash Leagues

ENNIS teams are presently doing very well in the Limerick squash leagues and must stand a great chance of capturing honours. The CBS mens Div. II team look certain of taking the honours in this group as they have opened a good lead on the other clubs involved. At the half way stage they were ahead of Nenagh and last week they travelled to Tipperary and beat the Nenagh men to further increase their lead.

In the ladies junior competition the One Mile Inn team are in the lead at the half way stage with 87 points from Catholic Institute with 85 with Limerick Lawn Tennis Club in third place with 66 points. Last Sunday the One Mile Inn side had a great vic-

tory over the Limerick Lawn Tennis girls in a postponed game and they meet again on this Thursday at the One Mile Inn and this game should have a big bearing on the outcome of the competition. It should be an exciting contest and club members are expected to be in attendance to support their team which comprises of Mary Hennessy, Bridie O'Flaherty, Jan Davis, Ann O'Dowd and Liz Moloney.

Meanwhile the Autumn league, sponsored by Universal Business Systems and O'Dowd's Stores, is in full swing at the One Mile Inn Club. The final of this competition and when one comes to the Christmas party will also take place.

The November blitz tournament at the CBS club will take place on Tuesday night next and again a big entry is expected.

MUNSTER JUNIOR

Last week a team of six travelled from the CBS to compete in the Munster open (U-14, U-16 and U-19) championships. This was the first time ever that the club was represented in these competitions and when one considers that they were up against representatives from the strong centres of Dublin, Waterford and Cork, they did exceptionally well.

Seamus English won the under 14 plate event while Tom Stack was runner-up in the U-16 plate. This competition should prove very profitable to the players concerned as they prepare for the forthcoming provincial trials.

Other members who participated were Tom Tuttle, Aidan Barrow, Seamus English and Eoin Doohan.

Nov 1980

Limerick League Title For Ennis CBS

Ennis CBS, division 11 (mens) team have won the Limerick league. This is their second running being being successful in Limerick as last year they captured the division 111 title. And as did last season, they again went through the competition without losing a game. They finished with 107 points and the team members are Aidan Spooner, Cha Gill, Jack Keane, Brian Fitzgerald and Gert Lacheiner.

Meanwhile the Ennis One Mile Inn ladies team are still on course to capture the Limerick junior title. They collected full points last week as did their closest challengers Catholic Institute which means that the Ennis side is still five points clear. It now seems that the outcome of this

competition will hinge on the game between One Mile Inn and Catholic Institute and they will meet in the final round at the Ennis Club.

The Autumn League at the One Mile Inn is now entering its second round and when this has been completed a clearer picture will appear as to who are the likely sides to contest the final. Again this competition is sponsored by Universal Business Systems and O'Dowd's Stores and the final is fixed for Tuesday Dec. 9.

In the Limerick league division 1V (men) the Ennis CBS side are in third place at the half way stage. Limerick Lawn tennis are the favourites here but with a little luck the Ennis team could at least get the runners up awards.

Oct 1980

Success for CBS Under Age Players

As mentioned last week, Clare squash representatives are certainly enjoying much success at present. In the recent Limerick junior open championships, Ennis CBS, had a number of players taking part and they had tremendous success. Indeed so impressive were the CBS players that three were selected to take part in the inter-Provincial trials which will take place in Dungarvan on Sunday week.

In the under 14 competition, Seamus English one of the most impressive young players around, was the runner

up and this was really a fine performance. His brother Tomas reached the semi-final of the under 19 section before bowing out. Rory Keating was runner up in the under 19 plate. The under 16 plate final was an all Ennis affair with Tom Stack beating Shane Hayes.

Those selected for the inter-Provincial trials were Tom Stack in under 16 and Seamus English and Eoin Doohan in under 14. After these trials the team for the inter-provincial championships which take place in Dublin from January 16 to 18 will be selected.

In the Limerick league, the ladies intermediate and the mens division 111 competitions both get under way this week and the One Mile Inn will be represented in each. The ladies competition gets under way on this Thursday and the One Mile side consists of Margaret Lacheiner, Ann Boyd, Mary Carey,

Bridie O'Flaherty and Jan Davis. Originally it was decided to make this a three persons league but the committee changed this last week.

The Autumn league, sponsored by Universal Business Systems and O'Dowd's Stores was completed on Tuesday night when the finals were decided. Once again this was a very successful competition and the winners on this occasion were Seamus Hayes, John Costin, Michael O'Connell, Margaret Lacheiner, Bridie O'Flaherty, and Marian Barry. In the final they beat Gert Lacheiner, Gerry Bredin, Michael Singleton, John Col-

lins, Gerry Molloy, and Josette Maurer. The prizes were presented by the sponsors Jim O'Dowd and Charles Gill.

Afterwards a very enjoyable Christmas party was held and there was a big attendance of members. During the evening presentations were made by Michael O'Connell coach to the successful ladies junior team and to the team captain Ann O'Dowd.

Next week there will be blitz competitions in the One Mile Inn (Sponsored by Collins Jewellers) and the Ennis Golf Club while the CBS will stage a racquet ball blitz.

Two Ennis schoolboys on Munster Teams

After the Christmas break, squash is now back in full swing and the big news in Clare this week concerns the selection of two CBS students on the Munster junior teams. This is a tremendous boost for the sport in Ennis and proof of the rapid progress being made.

Seamus English at number 1 will lead the Munster under 14 side while Tom Stack had gained the No. 5 spot on the provincial under 16 side. Both will be in action for the province against Leinster in Dublin this week-end, January 16 to 18.

Last week-end both were with the team members in Waterford for collective training.

The teams are: Under 14: S. English, Ennis CBS, T. Clooney, Fermoy, A. Cleary, LITC, K. Costello, do., D. Clooney, Fermoy, D. Byrne, Orchard.

Under 16: K. Gleeson, Highfield, L. O'Brien, do., P. Clooney, Fermoy, M. Brennan, De. La Salle, T. Stack, Ennis, P. Cronin, Highfield.

The Ennis One Mile Inn Div. III team continued their unbeaten run with a rather easy win over CIE, Limerick last week.

The Seven-Up blitz will be run at the One Mile Inn commencing on this Friday, and finishing on Wednesday night and once again there is a big entry.

Entries will be taken next week for the annual Harp handicap tournament and as this is one of the leading competitions of the year a big entry is again expected. This competition is confined to thirty two in both gents and ladies and the holder is Tony Lillis, in the men's and Margaret Lachener in the ladies.

● SQUASH:

Ennis Teams Doing Well

The mens division III Limerick league competition is certainly proving most entertaining and there is now just one point between the top two teams, Charleville and Ennis. One Mile Inn. The Vale team are the leaders, and on this Thursday night at Charleville the Ennis side will be hoping to take over the leadership.

The One Mile Inn continued on their winning ways on Monday night when they again collected full points against the L.L.T.O. ladies side.

Meanwhile the One Mile Inn ladies intermediate team collected full points when they beat Nenagh at Ennis last week.

In the junior inter provincials last week-end Munster were runners-up in both the under 14 and 16 events. In the under 14 with Seamus English of Ennis CBS at number 1, Leinster were the winners. Here the Ennis boy won against Ulster 3/0 before losing 0/3 to Leinster.

Ulster won the under 16 and in doing so only lost three games. Ennis representative Tom Stack won one of these when he lost 1/3 to his Northern opponent. Stack beat his leinster rival 3/0.

The Cork open will take place on February 7 and 8 and Ennis CBS will be sending teams to compete.

Successful competitions at Ennis Clubs

Two successful blitz tournaments were run off in both the Ennis CBS and One Mile Inn clubs last week. At the CBS there were eight teams of four taking part and Eric Hanrahan's team won out the competition.

At the One Mile Inn, the competition was sponsored by Brogans of O'Connell Street, and proved most entertaining throughout. The members of the winning

team were Bridie O'Flaherty, J. Kennedy, N. Tierney, J. Kearns, N. Crowley and S. Hayes. In the final they beat the team captained by Marian Barry.

Afterwards the trophies were presented to the winners and runners up by Mr. Paddy Brogan, the sponsor. He congratulated all involved on the success of the tournament.

The team league at the

Golf Club got under way last week when two games were decided. During the month of March this competition will be run off and some good games are expected as all concerned fight for a place in the final.

Meanwhile the Clare mens and ladies championships are now in full swing and first rounds were due to finish by last night, March 4. The plate events will get under way next week and these should also prove entertaining.

March 1981

S q u a s h

Both the One Mile Inn and Ennis C.B.S. clubs will be in action in the JWT squash team championship first rounds this week - and when they will participate in the junior competitions. Both have home advantage for the first round games which will be on Saturday.

The One Mile Inn will be hosts to Cloghroe of Cork while the C.B.S. will take on De La Salle 'A'. The winners will meet in the second round which is a quarter final when either Ennis C.B.S. or De La Salle will have home advantage. In the Limerick league ladies novice competition, the One Mile Inn side scored a good 4-1 win over Catholic Institute of Limerick last week. They are well in contention for honours in this competition in which the C.B.S. also have a team and are doing well.

Meanwhile the Clare Championships are now at the quarter final stages and there have been no surprises yet. This week, the Plate competition in both men's and ladies will get under way and it all points to very entertaining finals in all competitions on Thursday March 26 at the One Mile Inn.

March 1981

BUSY TIME ON SQUASH FRONT

Squash players in Clare are certainly being kept busy at present. The Clare championship and plate competitions are at the quarter final stages while the Munster team championship continues this week-end. Many of the Clare players are in action this week in the Limerick close while the usual club competitions continue.

In the Munster team championship the One Mile Inn received a walk-over from Cloghroe of Cork on Saturday last. It was disappointing for the Ennis side who received no notification from their Cork opponents.

Ennis C.B.S. hosted De La Salle 'A' of Waterford where the visitors scored a deserving victory. As a result of this win the Waterford men now meet the One Mile Inn in the quarter final and this game will be at the Ennis venue on this Saturday at 4 p.m.

As mentioned the Clare championships—men's and ladies—are at the quarter final stage and by this Friday the way will be clear for the semi-finals. The Plate competitions will also be at the semi-final stage by the weekend. On Monday night the Plate semi-finals will be played while the championship semi-finals will be decided on Tuesday and all games will be at the One Mile Inn. The finals will be on Thursday night next also at the One Mile Inn.

At the time of writing many Clare players were still in contention for honours in the various sections of the Limerick Close championships which will conclude on this Saturday. Hopes are high that some players will figure amongst the prize winners.

March 1981

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS UNDER WAY

During the coming weeks both the Ennis C.B.S. and One Mile Inn squash clubs will stage their club championships. In fact, the One Mile Inn event (sponsored by Mr. Howard) got under way this week and the finals are set for May 8, when the annual club function will be held at the West County Inn.

Within the next two weeks the C.B.S. competition, which is again sponsored by the Clare Champion, will commence and a big entry is also expected here.

The final of the spring team league at Ennis Golf Club was played on Monday night last. Tom Malone's

team won the honours when they defeated Jack Keane's side in an entertaining match.

Last week there was a very successful charity blitz at the One Mile Inn. The competition raised £100 for the Ennis Faith and Light group and Club Treasurer, Liz Moloney, presented the cheque to Mrs. O'Connor and Sr. Maura. The tournament was sponsored by C. & C. and Bridie O'Flaherty's team, which included Catherine Feore, Pat Kelleher, P. J. Garry, John Collins and Seamus Hayes, were the winners. In the final they beat the team captained by Mary Hennessy.

April 1981

Squash championships advancing

In the One Mile club championship, the way is now clear for the quarter finals in the mens section. These games will be played over the week-end and the pairings are K. Hurley v J. Keane, J. Neville v T. Lillis, S. Hayes v C. Woods, D. Liddy v D. Maurer. The ladies competition for men, semi-final stage and those expected to get through are Margaret Lacheiner, Mary Hennessy, Jan Davin and Bridie O'Flaherty.

The plate competitions in the mens and ladies sections will get under way this week-end while a novice competition for men, organised by club members is

now under way. All finals will be played on Friday, May 8 after which there will be the annual club social at the West County.

Entries are now being taken for the club championships at the Ennis CBS club and these are again sponsored by the Clare Champion. There will be two divisions in the mens competition.

The CBS racquetball championship gets under way this week and some exciting games are expected. Again there are two divisions in the mens section and there should be some exciting contests before the winners are known.

April 1981



Squash for Charity—A group of boys from Enniscorthy presented a cheque for £500 to the Clare Special Schools as a result of their 24 hour squash marathon at Easter. The committee of the CBS sports complex placed their facilities at the disposal of the boys. Front row: Paul McAleese, Enda Connolly, Donal Slattery, Paul McGann. Back: Terry Kelly, Mark Geraghty, Howard Flannery. Tom O'Halloran and Seamus Howard also participated.

May 1981

Squash at Ennis CBS

The Ennis C.B.S. squash championships got under way last week and the finals are set for June 5. In the men's 'A' division there are 16 players and the odds on favourites here is Kyran Hurley. There is an entry of thirty two for the men's B section while 16 will take part in the ladies competition. There will be plate events in the three competitions and the tournament is again sponsored by the *Clare Champion*.

The One Mile Inn club held its final competition of the season last week when a blitz for the Leadmore Dairies trophies was run off. The winners were Gerry Bredin's side who beat Gert Lacheiner's team in the final.

May 1981



● Finalists in the CBS squash championships were (from left): Mary Carey (runner up), Terry Hughes (Div. I runner-up), Jack Keane (Div. Runner-up), Pat McInerney, Chairman of Sports Committee; Margaret Scheiner (ladies winner) and Tony Lynch (Div. II winner).

June 1981

One Mile Inn Retain Inter Club Blitz

For the second year in succession, the One Mile Inn won the inter club blitz sponsored by the Bank of Ireland at the Catholic Institute club on Saturday night last. The competition was inaugurated last year and the one Mile Inn players were in sparkling form with both their teams reaching the final.

THEY ALMOST REPEATED THIS FEAT LAST WEEK AND THEIR 'B' string was only narrowly pipped for a place in the decider. Members of the 'B' side were Denis Maurer, Gert Lacheiner, John Costin, Michael O'Connell, Jan Davis and Mary Nennesy.

The 'A' beat the host club and the Lawn Tennis B side to qualify for the final in which they beat Lawn Tennis A. The members of the victorious side were Seamus

Hayes, Ken Glennon, Gerry Bréidin, Com Keating Margaret Lacheiner and Bridie O'Flaherty.

The Autumn League is now in full swing at the One Mile Inn club and all first round games were completed this week. THE FINAL IS SET FOR Monday Dec. 7.

There will be a blitz competition on Tuesday Nov. 24 with the finals on Friday, Nov. 27. Funds are in aid of the Year of the disabled and the competition is being sponsored by Studio Eyewear of Ennis.

NEW COURT

The new court at the Ennis CBS complex will be officially opened on Thursday Nov. 19. To mark the occasion there will be a blitz competition and a big entry is expected. On this date also the new gym facilities will be available for use by the members.

Nov 1981

Third Squash Court For Ennis

C.B.S.

The Ennis C.B.S. past pupils sports club has just completed a third squash court and have also added an exercise room. These new facilities will be officially opened on this Thursday evening when a squash competition (blitz) will be run off, sponsored by Jimmy Malone, building contractor.

The complex must surely be ranked as one of the best in the country and now includes three squash courts, two handball/racquetball courts, two tennis courts,

three basketball courts, badminton hall, exercise room and a sauna.

The squash blitz on this Thursday night is the first of a series of competitions to be run off before Christmas. There will be a handball blitz on November 26 and a racquetball blitz on December 3.

The squash blitz will commence at 6.30 p.m. and games will be played on all three courts.

Next week there will be a blitz at the One Mile Inn, sponsored by Studio Eyewear. Funds are in aid of the Year of the Disabled and the teams have been posted on the notice board. The first rounds are on Tuesday, with the semi-finals and finals on Friday. The Autumn League is progressing and by the end

of next week there should be a good indication as to who will qualify for the final on Monday, December 7.

Parteen GAA

At the annual general meeting of the Parteen GAA club last week the following officers were elected: Executive chairman Pat O'Loughlin, Ex. Sec., Thomas O'Connor Jnr., Junior club chairman N. Martin, Sec., D. Conway, Treas., I. McCarthy. Development chairman, John Pierce, Sec., B. O'Brien, Treas., N. Cusack. Investors chairman, James Pierce, Treas., D. Ryan.

The secretary will be appointed when the meeting resumes on Tuesday night next at 8.30 p.m.

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Some exhibition games were played, featuring Mary Hennessy against Joanne Lewis, P. J. Garry against Liam Ashe and Seamus Hayes against Denis Maurer. At a reception afterwards, Fr. Power paid tribute to all those who had assisted in the project — making particular mention of Frank Costello, Jim Hartnett, Seamus McMahon, Tim Ryan, Fr. W. Walshe, John Normoyle, Joe McMahon and Paddy Coleman. He thanked Clare Co. Council for their assistance in providing an amenity grant. He added that this was another stage in the College's plans to provide recreational facilities.

There was a huge entry for the blitz competition to mark the opening of the third court at Ennis C.B.S. on Thursday night last. Eight teams of eight took part and after exciting competition Martin Lillis' team won the valuable trophies sponsored by building contractor James Malone. In the final, Lillis' team defeated Brian Fitzgerald's side.

At the One Mile Inn club the semi-finals and final of the Studio Eyewear blitz will be played on this Friday night. The first rounds were played on Tuesday night and again there was a big entry. By this weekend the way will be clear for the Autumn League Final at the One Mile Inn on December 7.

Nov 1981

Autumn League Final on Monday

The final of the Autumn League, one of the major competitions of the season at the One Mile Inn squash club, will take place on Monday night next commencing at 6.30 p.m. Eight teams of seven took part in what has proved to be a most entertaining event and a really exciting final is expected.

Already through to the final is the team captained by Bridie O'Flaherty and which includes Geraldine Waters, Seamus Hayes, Pat Kirby, Michael Carmody, Jimmy Kearns and Tom Ryan. Colm Keating's team is favoured to come through from the other section but a definite result on this will not be known until the final game in the league section has been played on this Thursday night.

Once again the tournament is sponsored by O'Dowd's Foodstore, Universal Business Systems and Bredins Hardware Store and a big turnout is expected for the final.

The Studio Eyewear blitz proved most exciting last weekend and the members of the winning team were Seamus Hayes, Kevin and Caroline

McDonnell, Michael Sheedy, Michael Griffin and Cathy Rees. The runners up included Colm Keating, Michael Singleton, Dermot McDonnell, Pat Lynch, Mary Hennessy and Nuala Leonard. Mr. Gert Lacheiner of Studio Eyewear presented the trophies to the winners and runners-up at an enjoyable social afterwards.

ENNIS C.B.S.

There will be a racquetball competition at Ennis CBS on this Thursday evening commencing at 6.00 p.m. This game has become very popular in recent times and an exciting and entertaining competition is expected.

There was a most successful and entertaining handball blitz at the C.B.S. club last Thursday. In the semi-finals Jim Molloy's team beat Pat Hayes' while Pat Talty's squad defeated Johnny Flynn's team. After an exciting final Jim Molloy's team emerged as narrow winners. Aidan Griffin, chairman of the club presented the trophies and thanked the organisers, John Lavin, Pat Hayes and Johnnie Flynn.

BUSY SQUASH PROGRAMME

The Autumn League final at the One Mile Inn, deferred from Monday night last will be played on Tuesday night next. The final was deferred due to the unavailability of a number of participants as they were engaged in representing teams from both the One Mile Inn and Ennis C.B.S. in the Limerick league.

In the final are Colm Keating's and Seamus Hayes' teams and a thrilling contest is expected before the winners of the valuable trophies sponsored by O'Dowd Stores, Bredins Hardware and Universal Business Systems are known.

The Collins Jewellers Christmas blitz is being run off on Monday night next starting at 6 p.m. All the competition will be run off on

Monday night and the teams have been posted on the notice board.

The club's Christmas party will be held on Tuesday night after the Autumn league final. During the evening trophies will be presented to those in the league final as well as to the winners and runners up in the blitz which will be staged on the previous

night. All club members are asked to come along and a most enjoyable night is expected.

Meanwhile the Christmas blitz competition at Ennis C.B.S. will take place on Friday, December 18 and once again there is a big entry. The C.B.S. club will stage a handball blitz on Thursday, December 17.

The racquetball blitz held at the C.B.S. last week proved to be an outstanding success. In the final Brian Fitzgerald's team beat Joe Pender's side and the prizes were presented by club chairman, Aidan Griffin.

Dec 1981

Squash Competitions Resume

Activities for 1982 at the One Mile Inn squash club will get under way on Monday night next with the first round of the Seven Up blitz. There will be eight teams of six competing and the semi-finals and finals will take place on Tuesday night. The draw and times are posted on the notice board.

Entries are now been taken for the annual Harp handicap tournament and Monday next is the closing date.

The ladder competition will get under way next week and this should prove most entertaining. There will be

three divisions for men and two for ladies and there will be valuable prizes on offer. Names will be on the ladder board on Monday while the rules of the competition will be posted on the notice board.

The mens Div. IV team suffered their first defeat in the Limerick league on Thursday last when they lost to Ennis CBS. As a result of this win the CBS squad are now favoured to win the title but there is still a long way to go and the One Mile side are determined to get back in front.

Jan 1982

Ennis CBS Squash

The Ennis Electrical sponsored squash blitz was held at The Ennis CBS sports complex last week and attracted 64 entries. The event was well organised and the recent decision by the committee to provide refreshments has added greatly to the occasion.

The winning team consisted of Mr. Shannon, M. Carey, P. McMahon, F. Molloy, T. Power, J. Casey, J. O'Brien, and B. Fitzgerald while in the runners up team were J. Higgins, M. Flanagan, J. J. Fahy, T. Molloy D. Timlin, P. Talty, D. Coote and J. Pender.

One hundred members are presently taking part in the Winter team league which will be run off during the next month.

The annual Harp handicap competition got under way at the One Mile Inn club last week and the final is set for Thursday, February 18. A major surprise last week was the defeat of the holder in the ladies section, Margaret Lacheiner by Nuala Leonard. The defending champion, playing off -28 was beaten 2-1 by Nuala Leonard who plays off -2.

In the men's section, there were no first round surprises and some great games are expected before the final stages are reached.

This Friday, February 5 is the closing date for entries for the Clare championships and players from Ennis C.B.S., Shannon Diamond and Kilkee are expected to take part.

Feb 1982

All Set for Clare Squash Finals

The top seeded players qualify for the Clare championship finals; the One Mile Inn advance to the Munster junior championship semi-final and Ennis players win many honours in the Limerick Close championships; These were the highlights from another hectic week on the squash front.

All is now in readiness for what should be outstanding Clare squash championship finals at the One Mile Inn on this Thursday night. The defending ladies champion, Margaret Lacheiner is through to meet Betty McMahon of Shannon Diamond in a repeat of last year's final. Mrs. Lacheiner, lost the first game in the semi-final to Margaret Flannagan of the C.B.S. but she came back strongly to win the next three. In the other semi-final Betty McMahon was in top form winning 3-0. Mrs. Lacheiner will be the favourite for the final but she will have to be on form to hold off the challenge of the Shannon representative.

Last year's beaten finalist Seamus Hayes will meet former winner Denis Maurer in the mens final and a really close game is expected. In the semi-final Hayes pipped Gerry Bredin in a very exciting match. The winner looked set for an easy win when he took the first two games comfortably but then Bredin hit back to level the match at 2-2. The fifth was a real ding dong affair and it was anybody's game when they were level at 7-7. Hayes held on to win 9-7 and win a final place.

In the other semi-final Maurer was in top form when defeating Tony Lillis 3-0 in entertaining games. Lillis looked set to win the first game when he went into an

early lead but Maurer held on to take the match.

In the plate finals Ann O'Dowd, One Mile Inn will meet Noreen Darcy of the CBS while in the mens final Cha Gill and Jack Keane of the CBS will be in opposition.

The One Mile Inn advance to the semi-final of the Munster junior championship when they beat De La Salle B at Ennis on Saturday last. Ennis were 4-1 winners and now travel to Waterford on this Sunday to take on Celtic for a place in the final. It will be a very difficult task for the Ennis Players: Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer, Gerry Bredin, Tony Lillis and Tony Lynch but on form they can reach the final.

LIMERICKS CHAMPS.

In the Limerick Close championships held in conjunction with Civic Week, Ennis players figured prominently winning four titles.

The ladies B competition was an all Ennis affair from the quarter final stage. The eventual winner was Bridie O'Flaherty who beat Jan Davis in the final after Joanne Lewis and Caroline McDonnell had been knocked out in the semi-finals. In the ladies B plate Margaret Flannagan of the CBS was the winner beating Ann O'Dowd in the final.

Jack Keane of the CBS won the mens B championship knocking out Con Woods on his way to victory. In the Mens C section Dermot McDonnell of the One Mile Inn qualified for the final. The Mens C place resulted in a win for Michael Carmody of the One Mile Inn over his clubmate Kevin McDonnell.

All in all it was a very successful week for Ennis players who proved that the standard of squash in the area is very high.

The final of the team league at the CBS will take place on this Friday night commencing at 6.30 and the event is sponsored by Pepsi Cola. This tournament has provided great competition over the past two months and a very exciting final is expected. Times are on the notice board and the teams are: 1. Seamus Hayes, John O'Brien, Joe O'Brien, Fergus Dillon, Ritchie McAlliser, Michael Fahy, Noel Tierney, Mary Carey, Joan Higgins and Crissie Lynch. 2. Danny Liddy, Damien Byrne, Pascal O'Brien, Conor Murphy, Joe Casey, Michael Meere, Ger O'Brien, Joanne Lewis, Maura Hanrahan, Margaret Neylon.

The team league final at St. Flannans College has been set for Wednesday night next, March 31 and in opposition here will be Tony Lillis and Gerry Bredin. This competition has proved most entertaining over the past three weeks and a really great game is expected.

Meanwhile at the One Mile Inn there will be a blitz tournament, sponsored by C. and C. on Monday and Wednesday nights. The teams and times are on display on the notice board and all players are asked to be on time.

March 1982

IN MUNSTER FINAL



It was another marvellous week for Clare squash as there was a very high standard in the Clare finals on Thursday night last. On Sunday, the One Mile Inn junior team continued on their winning ways when they travelled to Waterford and defeated Celtic in the Munster Semi-Finals.

There was some great squash in the Clare championship and plate finals on Thursday at the One Mile Inn. The programme opened

with the ladies plate final and here Ann O'Dowd of the One Mile Inn was the winner when she beat Noreen Darcy of the C.B.S. on a 3-0 scoreline. In the mens plate decider, Jack Keane of the C.B.S. defeated his team mate, Cha Gill, 3-0.

reputed to have a stronger side now.

WINTER LEAGUE

The Winter League final at the C.B.S. on Friday night was entertaining with the result in doubt right to the finish. The winners were Mary Carey's team, with the runners-up prizes going to Joanne Lewis' team. At a function in Brogans afterwards, the prizes were presented by the representatives of the sponsoring company, Pepsi Cola.

During the coming month the club championships at the C.B.S. will take place. There are three divisions for men and two for ladies and the law sheets are on the notice board. The Committee will not allow any extensions in time for the playing of matches.

Hurling announced

Lee, D. Fox, T. O'Sullivan, S. Donoghue, K. Morrissey, J. Murphy, D. Mulqueen, C. O. Ceallaigh, S. Naughton, F. Hayes, J. Cahill, D. Nealon, M. Cahill, E. IConnolly P. O'Brien, B. Donoghue.

BIG WIN

East Clare 10-7
North Cork

For the sixth year in a row Margaret Lacheiner won the ladies championship of Clare. In a repeat of last year's final she defeated Berry McMahon of Shannon Diamond on a 3-0 scoreline in a match in which all three games were very close.

In the mens final, Denis Maurer looked set for victory when he took the first two games against Seamus Hayes on scorelines of 10-9 and 9-4. Hayes, beaten in last year's final by Kyran Hurley, showed a big improvement in the third and while Maurer scored the first two aces, Hayes was on top to win 9-3. Hayes continued to improve and took the fourth 9-3 to tie the match.

BLITZ

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the match.

Maurer refused to give in but Hayes held on to win 9-4 and take his first title.

At a social function afterwards the prizes were presented to all the finalists. Mr. Mary Hennessy presented the Plate Prixes on behalf of Syntex (Ireland) Ltd., while the championship trophies which are sponsored by J. Maurer & Son, Ennis, were presented by Denis Maurer and Club Captain Tom Malone.

With wins against Highfield (Cork) and De La Salle 'B' (Waterford) under their belts the One Mile Inn travelled to Waterford on Sunday to play a fancied Celtic side in the Munster semi-final. The Ennis side put up a magnificent performance to score a 4-1 victory and thus qualify for a final date against the holders, De La Salle 'A' at Cork on Sunday.

The Ennis players will certainly have to be in top form if they are to oust the holders in Sunday's final. The teams met in the quarter final last year when De La Salle had a 3-2 win. The holders have made a few changes and are

BLITZ

The semi-finals and finals of the C & C Blitz at the One Mile Inn will take place on this Thursday night. Details of the club championship at the One Mile Inn will be announced next week.

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Squash Season Nears Close

As the squash season is now drawing to a close, main interest centres on the club championships at both the One Mile Inn and Ennis CBS. The first rounds at the CBS, last week didn't produce any surprises and this week the plate events get under way. All finals will take place on Friday April 30.

At the One Mile Inn the Championships got under way on Tuesday night of this week and will continue until Friday. They will resume on Monday night and conclude on Friday, April 23 after which the club's annual buffet dance and presentation of prizes will take place at the West Co.

Inn. Tickets for this function are now available from any committee member.

The racquetball championship at the CBS also got under way this week and this will be completed by the end of April also. Two members of the club, Declan Coote and Sean Heaslip, competed in the Munster championships at Mitchelstown last week-end when they qualified for the final of the novice section. This certainly a great boost for the club which plans to send teams to compete in various competitions in the coming season.

April 1982

All set for Club championship finals

The finals of the One Mile Inn club championship will take place on this Friday night and club members are looking forward to some great games. Games in the various sections have been in full swing all week and at the time of writing the top seeded players were all in the running.

The finals will commence at 7 p.m. with the ladies plate followed by the mens plate (7.30 p.m.), mens novice (8.15), ladies championship

(8.45) and mens championship (9.30).

Afterwards the club's annual buffet dance will take place at the West County Inn when the prizes will be presented by the sponsor, Michael Howard. The winners in the ladder competition will also receive their prizes at this function from the sponsor, Pat Keogh.

In the C.B.S. club championships all competitors are reminded that the way for the semi-finals must be clear by this week-end. All semi-finals will be on Tuesday week, April 27 with the finals on Friday, April 30. In the men's competition there was a major surprise in Saturday's quarter final when Gerry Bredin was beaten Danny Liddy. Bredin, who has had an outstanding year was never allowed to produce his best form by Liddy who was at his best. Liddy will now meet the holder Seamus Hayes in the semi-final.

Racquetball

The C.B.S. racquetball championship will be finalised on Thursday week, April 29 when all finals will be

played. In the mens competition Declan Coote is through to the semi-final where he will meet either Eugene Ryan or Pat McInerney while in the other side the holder Seamus Hayes will meet either Aidan Spooner, the favourite or Johnnie Flynn.

In the mens division II Joe Casey will meet either Michael Clohessy or Liam Duggan in one semi-final while in the other side Br. Ryan or John Casey will meet Francis Power, Noel Hennessey or Terry Hughes.

All-Ireland Seven-a-Side

The Irish Life-UCD All-Ireland seven a side competition will take place on this Saturday and Sunday. The preliminary rounds will be at Belfield on Saturday commencing at 1 p.m. with the final stages at Croke Park on Sunday.

The teams will be grouped in sections and will play on a league basis up to the quarter final stage. This means that all teams are guaranteed three games and the Irish Life team will again be taking part in the competition.

The defending champions are Walsh Island of Offaly and leading clubs from all other counties will also be competing.

O'Connell defends Power Lifting title

Gerry O'Connell will defend his Munster senior Power Lifting titles when he competes in the provincial competition which goes on at the West County Inn on Sunday (2.30 p.m.). Fellow Ennis club man, John Dowling will also be competing.

Gael Linn Cup on Sunday week

Clare Football Board was notified on Wednesday that

April 1982

GOOD FINALS AT ONE MILE INN

The finals of the One Mile Inn squash championship provided lots of entertainment for the attendance on Friday night last. There were some excellent games before the winners were known and afterwards a most successful and enjoyable social took place at the West County Inn when the prizes were presented.

The Programme got under way with the ladies plate final which saw club treasurer, Mary Hennessy, score a 3 - 2 win over club secretary, Fiona Nugent. In the mens plate final, the experienced Cha Gill proved too strong for last year's novice winner, Donal Hassett; winning on a 3-1 scoreline. The novice competition again proved most exciting this year and in the final Cyril Lyons had a 3-1 win over Michael Griffin.

The ladies fonal proved to be a thrilling affair, with victory going to Bridie O'Flaherty against the holder Margaret Lacheiner. Mrs. Lacheiner won the first game, but Mrs. O'Flaherty came back to take the next two. In the fourth game Mrs. O'Flaherty looked set for victory when she led 7-2, but Mrs. Lacheiner then proved that she is a magnificent player by fighting back to tie the game at 2-2. In the fifth, Mrs. O'Flaherty won a great game on a 9-6 scoreline.

The mens championship final was a repeat of the Clare final, with Seamus Hayes and Denis Maurer in opposition. And again the game went the full distance, before Hayes scored a narrow win. Maurer took the first game before Hayes hit back to go 2-1 in front. Maurer won a tremendous fourth game on a 9-7 scoreline to square the match. The final game was a real thriller with Hayes eventually taking the honours at 10-8 to add to his Clare championship success.

The clud ladder competition concluded recently and the prizes were presented by the sponsor, Pat Keogh on Friday night. The winners were: Div. I: Seamus Hayes and Cha Gill; Div. II: Donal Hassett and Michael Carmody; Div. III: Gerry Woods and Michael Griffin; Ladies: Div. I: Margaret Lacheiner and Ann O'Dowd; Div. II: Catherine Feore and Mary Howard.

C.B.S. FINALS

The finals of the Ennis C.B.S. club championship, sponsored by the Clare Champion, will take place on this Friday and many interesting games are expected. The concluding stages of the various sections were taking place at the time of writing and it wasn't known who the finalists would be. A good turn out of members is expected for the games which should provide lots of entertainment.

RACQUETBALL

The finals of the C.B.S. racquetball championships will be played on this Thursday night. In the mens Div. II, Terry Hughes will play Joe Casey. Declan Coote had qualified for the mens Div. I final but on Saturday last he sustained a broken collar bone and this puts him out of action for some time. The title will now go to the winner of the semi-final between Seamus Hayes and Aidan Spooney. In the ladies competition, Joanne Lewis and Mary Carey will be in opposition.

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● **SQUASH:**

Clare league arrange refereeing course

There will be a refereeing/markings course at the Auburn Lodge on Friday week, January 14, commencing at 7.30 p.m. The course will be conducted by Limerick official, Mochaél Barry, and will be open to interested personnel from all clubs in Clare. The CSRA has requested all clubs to send representatives to this course.

There has been much competition in recent weeks at the Ennis CBS club. The Christmas turkey blitz was won by Jack Keane's team from Brian Fitzgerald's side with the winners staging a great comeback.

The winter team league ended last week and again Jack Keane's team was victorious beating Sean Heaslip's side narrowly in the decider. The results (Heaslip's team first) were B. Bitzpatrick's bt. M. O'Grady (3-0); L. Lenihan lost to M. Carey (0-3); B. Tuohy lost to D. Treacy (0-3); F. Howard lost to B. Cullen (2-3); E. Ryan bt. P. McInerney (3-0); S. Heaslip lost to J. Keane (2-3). The prizes were presented at an enjoyable function in O'Keeffe's afterwards.

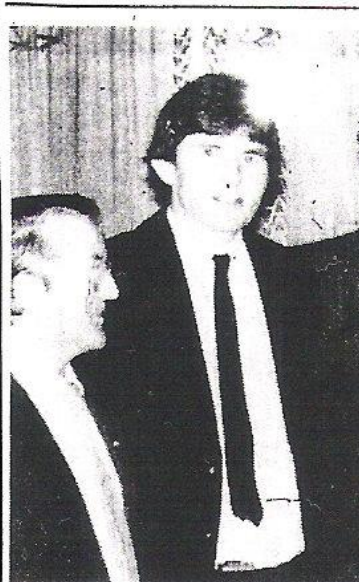
The club has two teams in Div. II of the Clare league and recently they were in opposition. Victory went to the side comprising of Eric Hanrahan, Declan Coote, Sean Heaslip, Tomas English and Eugene Ryan over Joe

accepted and the closing date is Saturday. Another blitz will be staged in two weeks time and on this occasion eight teams will be included.

The Auburn Lodge committee also decided to organise coaching sessions for club members and the first of these will take place on Wednesday, January 19 at 8 p.m. and all members are welcome to attend.

The Komputer World winter league at Newmarket will resume on Monday next after the winter league. At this stage Betty McMahon's team are favourites to win Div. I while the front runners in Div. II are the teams led by Con Woods and Pete McCaul.

The CSRA at its meeting on Monday night decided to run a senior individual league. This will consist of three sections with nine players in Div. I and 8 in II & III. Div. I will commence on Monday night with the other two sections starting on Monday week.



● G.A.A. President Paddy Buggy and John McNamara (Secretary) at their annual Dinner.

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There was one of the big O'Callaghan's Mills annuals on Sunday. A feature of the event was a large number of ladies.

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and Eugene Ryan over Joe Pender, Terry Hughes, Michael Conlon, Jimmy Cronin and Noel Crowley. The latter side were later beaten by Catholic Institute.

A recent visitor to the complex was J. O'Connor of Clonroadmore, winner of the World veterans squash championship in 1980. He now lives in Zambia and while in Ennis he enjoyed a game with Denis Maurer. In recent week's Maurer has been conducting twice weekly coaching sessions at the Ennis club.

The ladder competition has got under way at the One Mile Inn Club and competition will continue until Easter Sunday. Again there are three sections for men and two for ladies. Entries are now being accepted for the January blitz which will take place on Monday week, January 17. Entries are now being accepted also for a special novice team league sponsored by Tom Ryan car sales.

At a general meeting in the Auburn Lodge on Tuesday night a committee was appointed to run competitions within the club. This group immediately went to work and there will be a blitz on Tuesday night next consisting of four teams of five. Entries are now being

Jan 1983

Two Clare titles for One Mile Inn

Three Clare leagues were completed in the past week and two of the titles came to the One Mile Inn club with the other going to Catholic Institute in Limerick. In the ladies division II the One Mile Inn were comfortable winners with Limerick Lawn tennis club finishing in second place.

The One Mile Inn had a great victory in the mens division II. Going into the final round Catholic Institute held a one point lead. In the final series of matches Ennis C.B.S. 'A' scored a great 3/2 win over the Limerick side while the One Mile Inn beat Ennis C.B.S. 'B' to take the honours. At an enjoyable function in the One Mile Inn on Tuesday night of this week the prizes were presented to the winners and runners-up in both competitions.

Limerick club Catholic Institute captured the mens novice title on Tuesday night last when they beat Ennis C.B.S. by four matches to one in a most enjoyable final at the Auburn Lodge. Afterwa-

rds Gerry Malone of the Haven Arms, Kilrush, who sponsored the competition presented the prizes to the winners and runners up.

The mens division I, individual league has now reached the half way stage and the joint leaders are Seamus Hayes and Pat O'Grady who have full points from four games. Denis Maurer is in third place with 16 points from four games followed by Tony Lillis (15 pts. from 5 games), John McIntee (13 pts. from 5 games), Jack Keane and Tony Lynch (each with 12 pts. from five games), Gerry Bredin (5 pts. from five games) with Derry Moloney (3 pts. from 4 games) facing relegation to division II.

The January blitz at the C.B.S. was won by Declan Coote's team of Mike Hanrahan, Noel Tierney, Pat McMahon, Ann O'Brien and Celia O'Reilly from Sean Heaslip's side of Maurice Buckley, M. Corbett, Liam O'Dwyer, Mimi Conroy and Evelyn Moloney.

In the Clare ladies division II league the C.B.S. 'A' team finished in fourth position.

The mens division III team got off to a winning start last week when they beat De Beers. The team comprises of Noel Crowley, Pat McInerney, Gary Neary, John Casey and Paddy O'Sullivan.

The weekly coaching sessions under Denis Maurer are being well attended. The club ladder competition is providing great excitement with Terry Hughes rapidly moving up in division I while Paddy O'Sullivan is making steady progress in division II.

In racquetball the club hopes to have a friendly with Tulla this week-end before a team is nominated to travel to Tralee next week.

The final of the Komputer World League took place at

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★ Catholic Institute, winners of the Clare Novice Squash League receiving their trophies from Gerry Malone of the Haven Arms, Kiltrush. Picture shows (l. to r.), John O'Neill, D. Hayes, J. Farrell, Gerry Malone, sponsor; E. Philips, J. O'Dea and C. Morrison

...squash last week between Betty McMahon's team and Con Woods' team. At the end of an exciting match, they were still locked together at 6 points each, so it went to a play-off to decide the winners. Here Con Woods' team won by 22 points to 20. The Vice-Chairperson, Mrs. Lil Moyles, thanked all who took part and the sponsors, while Mr. Dan Courtney of Komputer World presented the prizes. The members of the winning team were Con Woods, Dominic McMahon, Ger Conaghan and Michael Mulquaney, while the runners-up were Betty McMahon, Mike Fawl, Jim Maher and David Crimmins.

There was a very successful blitz at the Auburn Lodge last week sponsored by Breda's Boutique. After exciting competition over two nights, Jack Keane's team captured the prizes which were presented by Mrs. Breda Butler.

Hurling Trials

Feb 1983

Ennis CBS Finals On This Thursday

After three weeks of keen competition, the way is clear for the finals of the Ennis CBS club championships and these will take place on this Thursday evening commencing at 6 p.m.

In all there will be ten finals and some great competition is expected. The pairings will be, Ladies Novice Plate: Michelle Dowling v Maureen Murphy, Ladies Novice

Championship: Mgt. Neylon v C. O'Reilly, Ladies Div. 1 plate, N. Cahill v B. Fitzpatrick; Ladies Div. 1 Champ, Mgt. Lacheiner v B. McMahon, Mens Div. 3 plate J. Crowe v N. Tierney, Mens Div. 2 plate, N. O'Driscoll, v T. Finlay Mens Div. 1 plate D. Coote v J. McEntee, Mens Div. 3 Championship, D. Delaney, v F. Howard, Mens Div. 3 Championship P. McNerney v G. Neary, Mens Div. 1 Championship Denis Maurer v Jack Keane.

ended on Monday night and the winner is Seamus Hayes. Although beaten 3-2 by Gerry Bredin in the final game, Hayes, has enough points to win the title from Denis Maurer who finished in second place.

In division 111 of this competition there is a tremendous battle for honours going into the final round on this Monday night, Donal Hassett leads on 35 points from Brian Fitzgerald (34) Jim O'Dowd (33) and Tom Malone (32) Hassett is tipped to win the title but the big battle should be for second place and Monday's game between Fitzgerald and O'Dowd will decide this.

The club racquetball championships also take place this week and the finalists here are Mens Sean Heaslip v Declan Coote, Plate John Casey v S. Custy, Ladies Mary Carey v Mgt. Flannagan, Plate N. O'Connell v C. Reilly.

The One Mile Inn club championships will commence next week and there will be three divisions in both ladies and mens. The draws were made at a meeting on Tuesday night and details will be on the notice board on this Thursday. Tickets are now on sale for the club's annual buffet function and presentation of prizes on FRIDAY April 22 and these can be had from any of the committee.

The CSRA mens division 1 senior individual league

The final of the St. Flannans College team league, sponsored by the Old Ground Hotel, took place on Thursday last and the competition was won by the side captained by Ann Meere, the club secretary. It was a most successful competition and afterwards the prizes were presented at a function at the Old Ground. The draws have been made for the club championship and these will be run off over the next three weeks.

The Auburn Lodge committee have also made the draws for their club championships and will also commence in the coming week.

Shannon Golf Club

The Ryan brothers of Newmarket-on-Fergus have certainly got the season off to a great start at Shannon Golf Club. On St. Patrick's Day, Pat Ryan had a nett 66 to win the Tradaree Cup and on Sunday last his brother, Timmy, returned a splendid 66 to win the first of the season's tankards.

The Wings outing to Spain returned early on Sunday morning and a number of those travelling immediately took part in the March tankard with Jerry Dunworth returning a fine 78 to win the gross prize.

Entries for the Thomond Cup close on Tuesday next, April 5 and members are reminded that those with subscriptions not paid by April 1 will not be included in

the draw.

RESULTS

Sat., March 26: 18-Hole Stableford: 1, D. Kelly, 43; 2, R. Bagnell, 39.

Sun., March 27: 18-Hole Stroke for the March Tankard: 1, T. Ryan (14), 66; 2, P. Fogarty (9) 67; 3, P. Finn (18) 68.

Best Gross: G. Dunworth (7) 78.

April 1983

Ennis CBS Finals

THE finals of the Ennis CBS club championships were played on Wednesday and Thursday nights of last week when there was some great play in both the ladies and mens competitions. Also staged were the club championship finals in racquetball and handball which were sponsored by the A.I.B. the squash competitions were sponsored by the *Clare Champion*.

Mens Div. I Champ: D. Maurer beat J. Keane 3-0; Plate: Declan Coote and John McEntee to play.

Div. II: G. Neary bt. P. McInerney 3-0; Plate: N. O'Driscoll bt. T. Finlay.

Div. II: F. Howard bt. D. Delaney 3-1; Plate: H. Crowe bt. N. Tierney.

Ladies, Div. I: B. McMahon bt. M. Lacheiner 3-1; Plate: N. Cahill bt. B. Fitzpatrick.

Novice: C. Reilly bt. M. Neylon 3-1; Plate: M. Murphy bt. M. Dowling.

Racquetball—Men, Div. I: D. Coote bt. S. Heaslip; Plate:

I. Casey bt. S. Custy.

Ladies, Div. I: M. Flanagan bt. M. Carey; Plate: N. O'Connell bt. C. Reilly.

Handball—Div. I: P. Conway bt. P. Hayes; Div. II: T. Creedon bt. B. O'Reilly.

The One Mile Inn club championships got under way this week and will be played off over the next two weeks with the finals on Friday, April 22.

In the Clare ladies novice league the Ennis CBS team have won their section and this has put them into the final. The other section is not yet completed but it appears to be between Limerick Lawn Tennis Club and Catholic Institute.

In the Clare Mens Division III League the One Mile Inn lead with 87 pts. from five matches. Newmarket have 83 pts. from 7 matches while Ennis CBS have 64 pts. from 4 matches. The One Mile and Ennis CBS meet on this Friday night and this is a vital game for both clubs.

April 1983

● SQUASH:

Auburn Lodge win senior title

The first Clare squash Monday night when the league of the current Auburn Lodge won their season was completed on first title by taking the

mens senior team event. Going into Monday's last round they needed just four points against bottom of the table De Beers and the Ennis club duly scored a comfortable win to their their first title.

championships at the week-end. Seamus English of the CBS won the mens under 19 plate beating M. Collins of Leinster by 3-2 in the final while Seamus Howard of the One Mile Inn won the under 16 plate beating G. Doherty of Leinster in the decider.

Coiste Iomana an Chlair

An Open Forum

AT THE

WEST COUNTY INN, ENNIS

On This Friday, October 14

at 8.30 p.m.

● SUBJECT:

"Why has Clare but one Senior All-Ireland title in Hurling?"

All with constructive ideas are welcome. So if you are an official, selector, trainer, player or supporter—past or present—and you think you know the answer, please come along.

● 1984 is also the 70th Anniversary of Clare's first, last and only All-Ireland Senior title... a second is overdue... CAN YOU HELP?

NOTICE

● The Hurling Board Financial Year ends on October 31st. Persons claiming to be owed money, in any capacity by the Hurling Board are requested to submit full details immediately to:

*Gearoid Mac Lochlainn,
Cisteoir Coiste Iomana,
Cill Da Lua,
Co. An Chlair.*

Meanwhile at the CBS club there was a tremendous battle for second place between the host club and the One Mile Inn. Going into the game the sides were on level terms and little was expected to separate them at the end. The CBS scored a good 4-1 win, the highlight being Tony Lynch's victory of Gerry Bredin. Other winners for the CBS were Derry Moloney (3-0 against Con Woods), Joe Pender (3-1 against Gert Lacheiner) and Seamus English (3-0 against Tom Malone) while Tony Lillis lost on a 1-3 scoreline to Seamus Hayes.

For the record the members of the Auburn Lodge side were Kieran Hurley, Denis Maurer capt., Jack Keane, Danny Liddy and Dickie Pyne with Damien Byrne as substitute.

The ladies league continues on Wednesday with little separating the One Mile Inn A and Newmarket while the One Mile Inn B are also well in contention. The mens division II league commences on Monday next. Two Ennis players recorded successes at the West of Ireland junior

The Autmun team league, a very popular event at the One Mile Inn, will get under way next week. There will be eight teams taking part and all fixtures will be posted on the notice board this week-end.

Last week there was a very successful blitz at the One Mile Inn from which all funds were donated to the Clare branch of the Irish Wheelchair Association for the Ard Ri campaign. The money was raised to sponsor candidate Jimmy Cullinan, a former member of the club.

The competition was sponsored by Studio Eyewear who, through the Managing Director, Gert Lacheiner, also joined with the club in presenting a sizeable sum of money to the Wheelchair Association.

There was also an entertaining blitz at the Auburn Lodge recently sponsored by Talty's Window Furnishings.

During the next week the Ennis CBS will hold a blitz competition from which the winners will each receive a Dunlop squash racket.

Oct 1983

ONE MILE INN SET FOR VICTORY

THE Clare ladies senior squash league is in its final stages and the One Mile Inn 'A' team of Margaret Lacheiner, Bridie O'Flaherty and Ann O'Dowd, look set for victory. Still they cannot take anything for granted in their final games. Meanwhile, the One Mile Inn girls got off to a winning start in the Limerick league on Tuesday night.

The Clare mens division II league commenced on Monday night and the One Mile Inn "B" side are top of the table after the first round. They got full points against the Auburn Lodge/Newmarket amalgamation. One Mile Inn "A" lost a thrilling battle against the C.B.S. "A" on a 2/3 score, while C.B.S. "B" scored a good 3/2 win over a strong De Beers outfit.

The October blitz at the C.B.S. on Tuesday night for Maxply racquets proved an outstanding success with the result in the balance up to the last game.

In the first round Joe Pender's side beat Tony Lynch's team; Tony Lillis' team beat SEAMUS English's team; Gert Lacheiner's team defeated Jack Keane's team and Derry Moloney's team beat John McEntee's side.

The sides captained by Pender and Moloney went on to reach the final before Moloney's team of Brian Fitzgerald, Kevin McDonnell, Jimmy Cronin, Joe Casey and Michael Corbett won.

The ladies blitz, also for Maxply racquets, will be on Tuesday next, while the November blitz will have squash shoes as prizes.

Tennis and Badminton Socials

The highly popular monthly badminton socials start off once again on Thursday night next, Oct. 27, but under the new name of the Tennis and Badminton Social. The socials will be promoted by the Ennis Lawn Tennis and Badminton Club and the venue for the season will be the West Co. Inn.

The functions have for many years attracted big crowds and they run from October to April to coincide with the badminton playing season. Next week's event will be a supper/disco social but it will be back to the usual supper/dance in November.

Oct 1983

SQUASH IN FULL SWING

THE Clare squash leagues continue weekly with the mens Div. II and the ladies individual competition in progress at present. In the mens competition the Ennis C.B.S. A and B teams top the table and it would appear at this stage that the title rests between these sides but De Beers or the One Mile Inn A cannot be ruled out.

At the One Mile Inn club the Autumn League is nearing completion and on this Thursday night the second semi-final will take place between the teams captained by Ann O'Dowd and Caroline McDonnell for the right to

meet Rosemary Guthrie's team in the final on Thursday night next.

The annual Dwan's blitz will be at the club on Tuesday next, while the Harp competition, the eagerly awaited handicap event, gets under way on Monday week.

The One Mile Inn ladies team captured the Clare ladies Div. I title recently when they finished 18 points ahead of Newmarket. The members of the One Mile Inn side were Margaret Lacheiner, Bridie O'Flaherty and Ann O'Dowd.

There will be a blitz for men at the C.B.S. on Tuesday next while a week later it will be the turn of the ladies. A blitz is also planned for St. Flannan's next week, while their annual team league will also be getting under way.

Nov 1983

Ennis CBS set to take title

Ennis CBS A look all set to collect the Clare squash division II title. On Monday night of this week they scored a good win over the One Mile Inn A and it will be a major surprise if the CBS side do not take the honours. Indeed it could prove a great competition for the CBS club as their B team is strongly fancied to take the runners-up spot.

The Clare ladies individual leagues are in full swing at present and in section A, Margaret Lacheiner is the leader having beaten Betty McMahon in a top of the table clash this week. Bridie O'Flaherty is unbeaten after four rounds. In section B, Caroline McDonnell is the leader followed by Fiona Nugent, Theresa Hehir, and Lil Moyles in that order and four rounds have been completed.

In Div. II there are three players with full points after three rounds and they are Sylvia Carroll, Teresa Corbett and Marcella Griffin. The Div. III & IV ladies teams leagues will get under way after Christmas.

On the club front the final of the Autumn team league takes place at the One Mile Inn on this Thursday night when the teams captained by Ann O'Dowd and Rosemary Guthrie will meet. The competition is again sponsored by O'Dowd's Stores, Bredins Hardware and Universal Business Systems.

The draw for the annual Harp handicap will be made this week and first rounds will be played next week. December 16 is the date set for the final of this competition so players are reminded that no postponements will be allowed.

The Dwans sponsored blitz on Tuesday night proved very

successful and was won by the team which included Patricia Broderick, Kay Murphy, Christy Cleary, Michael Neylon, and Gary Neary. The beaten finalists were Ann Killeen, Ann Conway, Maurice Murphy, Seamus Howard and Donal Hassett.

There was a very successful blitz at St. Flannan's College club last week when the team comprising of Con Woods, Pat Sherlock, N. Quinlavan, M. Sullivan, G. Kenny and W. Griffin won the Cornmarket Tavern trophies. The annual team league at the College is now under way and will continue until January.

The Auburn Lodge squash club will have an outing to Dublin this week-end during which games have been lined up with some Dublin clubs, some of whom visited the Ennis club last March. Over twenty members will be travelling and a most enjoyable week-end's activities is expected by all involved.

Hurling Fixtures

Sunday, Nov. 27

Junior C. Champ Final

Pairc Chiosog: Ennistymon v Kilkee-Bealaha; K. Murphy.

N.H.L.

Pairc Chiosog: Clare v Limerick 2.30.

COISTE IOMANA AN CHLAIR

The final meeting of the Hurling Board for 1983 will be held at the West County Inn on next Thurs., night, Dec. 1 at 8.30 p.m. The agenda will include discussion on aspects of the past seasons competitions, structures, fixtures, referees, venues, disciplinary, etc.

VOTES OF SYMPATHY

To the family and relatives of the late Michael McGrath, Crusheen, to Fr. Gardiner on his vereavement, to the relatives of the late Mrs. McNamara, Claremont, Broadford. To the Quain, Quin, and Keys families Cratloe on their recent bereavements.

Nov 1983

Clare To Host Munster Squash Championships

The huge upsurge in both the numbers playing and in the facilities available for quash in Clare has been recognised by the Munster squash branch who have asked Ennis to host this season's Munster close championships. These will take place over the first week-end of Feb. (3 to 5) and last week the Clare squash, committee appointed a sub committee to handle arrangements for this major event.

Its expected that upwards on 300 will take part in the various divisions for both ladies and men and not only will the Clare group be responsible for running the tournament, they will be expected to make arrangements for accommodation and to book a number of clubs for the event.

All the leading players in the Province will be taking part and local squash fans are eagerly looking forward to the visit of Irish number 2 Ritchie Power, who was the Irish number one for a number of years until last season when Willie Hosey of Carlow took over.

Full details are expected to be announced in mid January.

There was a huge turnout for the One Mile Inn's tenth anniversary blitz on Tuesday night of this week. Committee members and winners of the amjor titles in the early years were amongst those who were invited to the part in the centenary blitz from which there was valuable sponsorship mfrom Pat McCarthy Shoes, of Ennis. The competition was followed by a social evening during which tributes were paid to all who had worked on the various committees in the club over the past decade.

Meanwhile the Harp handicap tournament has reached the quarter final stage and the quarter final games will be played on this

Friday night. The holders Margaret Lacheiner and Gerry Bredin are still in contention.

The Clare mens division 3 league got under way on Tuesday night and will continue until the end of January. There are two divisions comprising a total of seven teams and the top two from each will qualify for the semi-finals.

In the Clare mens division 2 league the Ennis CBS, A look set to take the title as they are clear leaders with two rounds remaining. LThere is a good battle for the runners-up spot and at this point the odds favour the Ennis CBS, B Team.

Meanwhile the Clare senior men's individual league is being drawn up and this will commence in early January. There will be two divisions.

Clubs are reminded that entries for the ladies division 3 must be sent to Caroline McDonnell as soon as possible as this competition will ge getting under way early in the New Year.

CLARE PLAYERS SHINE AT JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

At the Munster close junior squash championships at Clonmel last weekend, Ennis players had their most successful season ever. As a result of the weekend's performances, five players have gained selection on the Munster Under/14 and Under/16 panels. The group, managed by Ennis C.B.S. teacher, Jack Keane, has been in strict training for some weeks past, during which time Kyran Hurley did a lot of coaching which obviously paid off.

In the Under/19 grade, Seamus English of Ennis C.B.S. won the plate section. In the Under/16, Seamus Howard of the One Mile Inn and a pupil of St. Flannan's

College, was beaten in the final and has been named as No. 2 on the Munster team. Gary Logue of Ennis C.B.S., a beaten semi-finalist, finished in third place, having been beaten in the semi-final and he will be at No. 3 on the Munster team, while Gary Casey, another pupil of the C.B.S., will be a substitute on the Munster team. Incidentally, all with the exception of Howard, are members of the C.B.S. Club.

In the Under/14 grade, Brian Cosgrove has won a place on the Munster team, having reached the semi-final of the championship, while Gerry Cahill will be a substitute on the team. In the Under/14 plate final, it was an all-Ennis affair, with Morgan Cahill beating Ken Horgan.

Full marks are due to Jack Keane for his work with this group and to Kyran Hurley and it is expected that the coaching sessions will continue during the coming weeks.

The Clare Div. III League was scrapped last week and re-organised in two separate sections. There will be a Div. III 'B' for stronger players and this will be in one section and will take place on Monday nights. The Div. III will be for novice players and will be in two divisions and will be run off on Tuesday nights.

The final of the inaugural Spring League at the One Mile Inn will take place on this Thursday night when the teams, led by Jim O'Dowd and Tom Malone, will do battle for the Tidal Video trophies. The final will commence at 7.30 p.m. and there will be six matches.

The inaugural handicap competition at the C.B.S. Club is proving a great success and the quarter-finals will take place this week.

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Coiste Chontae an Chláir

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MONTHLY MEETING

QUEENS HOTEL, INIS

TUESDAY NIGHT NEXT, MARCH 6, 8.30 p.m.

Agenda: Centenary Opening Arrangements. The following are requested to attend and accept this advert. as official notice: **Chair:** Chairman Development Committee members; Centenary Committee members; Communicative Committee members; All Officers of Coiste Peil and Coiste Iomann, plus all Usual Delegates; Bord na nOg Peil; Bord na nOg Iomana; Primary School Board; Peil agus Iomann; County Supporters Club members. **ALL CLUBS:** Cathaoirleach, Runai and Usual Delegate; All Committees and Individuals that have undertaken special task in relation to Official Opening events.

CLUB AFFILIATIONS: Insurance, Registration, New Club Applications - Final date MONDAY, MARCH 5th. Failure to meet this deadline means that Club will automatically lose All Ireland final tickets for Thurles and Croke Park and incur a fine of £20.00 as per usual. **NOTE:** Material handed in to Meeting of March 6th in this respect will be deemed Late.

DRAW: The Results of the February Draw which takes place prior to County Board Meeting at 7.30 p.m. on March 6 will be published in 'The Clare Champion' issue of March 9th.

DEASUN MAC CONRO,
Runai/Cisteoir
Coiste Chontae an Chláir.

PLAY THE GAME - BUY IRISH

March 1984

Squash Finals

The finals of the Ennis C.B.S. Squash championships will take place on this Friday night and some great games are down for decision. There are three divisions in the mens competition and three plate competitions as well as the ladies event so there should be plenty of entertainment at the finals.

Afterwards the club will hold a buffet dance with the presentation of prizes at the Auburn Lodge Hotel and a limited number of tickets are still available from any of the committee.

The One Mile Inn club championship got under way this week and by this week-end the way should be clear for the quarter finals which are scheduled for Monday night next. The finals will take place on Friday week and will be followed by the club's annual buffet dance and presentation of prizes at the West County Inn.

The draw for the Clare championship was made at a meeting of the C.S.R.A. on Tuesday night and this

week-end it will be posted on the notice boards of all clubs involved. The competition will get under way on Monday, April 2 and will conclude on Friday, April 13 after which the Association's annual buffet dance will take place at the West County Inn.

Division 4 is the only ladies team league yet to be completed. It is proving a most exciting event and at the time of writing the Auburn Lodge are in the lead with 82 points (3 games to play) from Clarecastle who are on 67 points with 4 games to play. These teams meet on this Thursday night and the winners will be fancied to win the event. One Mile Inn are in third place with 53 points with the C.B.S. on 46 and McLysaghts on 14.

The first rounds of the Auburn Lodge handicap competition gets under way this week and there is a full entry for both the ladies and mens events. The competition will continue over the coming weeks and should prove most entertaining.



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SQUASH

First Clare Title For English

AFTER a week of surprises in the Clare men's squash championship, young Seamus English — he has just turned 16 — took the title for the first time when he staged a great comeback in Friday's final at the Auburn Lodge to beat Tony Lynch 3/2. The shocks started on Monday night when English beat the number two seed, Tony Lillis and he followed this up by beating the number three seed, Gerry Bredin in the semi-final. In the other semi-final, Tony Lynch produced his best display to date to beat Seamus Hayes on a 3/2 scoreline and he was then installed as the favourite.

Lynch looked set to take his first title when he won the first two games in Friday's final. In the third he led 5-3 but English never gave up and took this game on a 9/5 scoreline. Lynch raced into a 5-0 lead in the fourth but again English came back and after levelling at 5/5 he went on to level the match at 2-2 when winning 9/6. Lynch led 5-3 in the final game but English's superior fitness proved decisive and he won 9/6.

In a disappointing ladies decider, Margaret Lacheiner easily won her eight successive County title with a 3/0

win over Betty McMahon. Mrs. Lacheiner raced into an 8-0 lead in the first game before Miss McMahon levelled at 8-8. However, Mrs. Lacheiner hit back to win 10-8. From her on she was always in control.

In the mens place final, Pat O'Grady of De Beers had an easy 3/0 win over Danny Liddy of the Auburn Lodge, where the finals were played, while in the ladies plate competition, Lil Moyles of Newmarket beat Marcella Griffin of Ennis C.B.S. on a 3/0 scoreline.

The presentation of prizes took place afterwards at a

most enjoyable buffet/disco at the West County Inn when C.S.R.A. Chairman, Tony Lillis, thanked all who took part in the competitions and the clubs for the use of their courts.

In the Clare men's Div. IV final, Ennis C.B.S. have qualified to meet Clarecastle. The men's Div. III 'B' is nearing conclusion and will be over in two week's time.

The presentation of all the outstanding Clare league prizes will take place at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday next, April 26, at 9 p.m.

In the Auburn Lodge club the handicap competition finals will take place this week while the club championships are now in full swing.

Competition at the One Mile Inn is now nearing completion and this week a blitz tournament took place on Tuesday. The final blitz of the season will be run off in two weeks time.

The Annual General Meeting of the C.S.R.A. has been fixed for Monday, May 14 at Brogan's, O'Connell Street. Ennis and motions and nominations should be forwarded to the Secretary, Betty McMahon, Newmarket, as soon as possible.

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Squash Titles for C.B.S.

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Ennis C.B.S. club has captured the first Clare league title of the year with success in the ladies div. 2. And the clubs mens team are now odds on favourites to win the div. 2 competition after the surprise defeat of the One Mile Inn at the hands of C.B.S. B at the week-end. The ladies and mens individual (section A) leagues get under way next week and the draws will be announced at the week-end. There will be ten in each competition and each player must play the others in the section.

The mens and ladies div. 4 competitions will also commence next week and details of these competitions can be had from the league secs., Dermot O'Hanlon or Carmel Enright.

The Auburn Lodge club will run an inter club blitz on Thursday, Nov. 15. This competition will be for teams of five and a big entry is expected.

At the Munster junior championships in Limerick last week-end Seamus English of the C.B.S. was narrowly beaten in the quarter final by R. Veereker of Celtic Waterford. Tony Kelleher, well known to Clare squash members, won the title when he beat a fancied John Ryan of Waterford in the final.

This week-end a number of Clare players will travel to Galway for the West of Ireland open championship.

Oct 1984

De Beers Win Title

DE BEERS captured the Claremens Div. IV squash league title when they defeated Newmarket in a very entertaining final at Clarecastle on Wednesday night. The Shannon club recorded a 4-1 success to maintain their unbeaten run in the competition which proved most enjoyable.

The results in the final were as follows (De Beers names first): G. Fennell bt K. Greene 3/0; P. Looney lost to D. Hanratty, 1/3; P. Ryan bt P. Pilkington, 3/2; S. McMahon bt P. Keegan, 3/0; M. Moore bt L. Moyles, 3/0.

HARP HANDICAP

The Annual Harp Handicap Tournament concluded at the One Mile Inn last Wednesday when the holders, Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles. Title-laden Mrs. Lacheiner defeated Ann O'Dowd in straight sets while in the mens final Seamus Hayes defeated Maurice Murphy by two games to 1. Murphy caused the surprise of the competition when he defeated Tony Lynch

ENNIS C.B.S.

The Ennis C.B.S. Club's Christmas Blitz was an outstanding success on Wednesday night last when Eugene Ryan's team emerged vic-

torious over Declan Coote's side.

The club's handicap tournament is due to commence in January.

MUNSTER TITLES

The Munster Club Cross Country Championships were held in Bandon in the most trying conditions. St. Senan's A.C. marked the occasion with probably their best and most successful performance to date, taking a stunning four club titles, while being placed in two other competitions.

Results: Girls under 11: St. Senans, 3rd team, Karen Marie Danaher 11, Brid Bermingham 14, Sonja Burke 22, Catherine Minihan 34.

Boys under 11: County Champions, Donal O'Sullivan 5, James O'Brien 6, Kevin Browne 10, John Griffin 13.

Girls under 13: County Champions, Valerie Clancy 1, Clara Comerford 2, Marian Conway 6, Olive Wade 10.

Boys under 13: 3rd team, Martin



Inter-firm title for De Beers

The inaugural inter-firm Clare squash championship concluded at Shannon Diamond club on Saturday night last with De Beers emerging as winners of this highly successful event. Fourteen teams took part in the competition which commenced on Saturday week last. After the quarter finals on Thursday of last week the line up was as follows: De Beers v Boart Hard Metals, and Clare Champion (reporters) v Air Traffic Control.

The highlight of the quarter finals was surely the game between Clare Champion and Ennis C.B.S. with the Champion scoring a great 3/2 verdict. In the semi-final they overcame Air Traffic Control, again on a 3/2 scoreline while De Beers had a 4/1 win over Boart Hard Metals.

The final was a most entertaining contest with De Beers winning on a 3/2 scoreline. The members of the winning team were Pat O'Grady, Tony Madigan, Betty McMahon, Caroline McDonnell and Tommy Hehir while the Clare Champion's line up included Seamus Hayes, Liam McGrath, Margaret

Ennis C.B.S.

The annual handicap tournaments (mens and ladies) at the Ennis C.B.S. club get under way this week and will be run off during the month of February. There has been a big entry for this very popular competition and some great games are expected over the coming weeks. Details of the draw and the dates by which the various rounds must be played, are posted on the notice board in the club.

One Mile Inn

week's exhibition game featuring World number 8, Hidi Jaham and George Okerchun which takes place at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night. It will be preceded by the clash of Connacht number 1, Aidan Kelly from Galway and Munster team member, Michael O'Donoghue of Limerick at 7.45 p.m. There are still a very limited number of tickets available for the games and those interested should contact any of the C.S.R.A. officials immediately.

Clare back

CLARE 5-12

Clare hurlers are back of the National League comprehensive victory over Park, Belfast on Sunday. There is no doubt about the control from an early stage of a place in the quarter

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Champion's line up included Seamus Hayes Hayes, Liam McGrath, Margaret Lacheiner, Carmel Verling and Gerry Collison. At an enjoyable social in the Shannon Diamond club afterwards the prizes were presented to the finalists.

Auburn Lodge

The February blitz at the Auburn Lodge was staged on Monday and Tuesday nights of this week and proved most enjoyable. Competition was extremely keen throughout and a play-off was needed to decide the winners at the end of the night. The winning team comprised of Seamus Hayes, David Tindin, Bill O'Doherty, Cecil McDonagh, Phil Butler and Norman Spooner while the runners up were Pat O'Shea, Mike Mullins, Michael Nelson, Eanna Nugent, Ann Mackham and Mary McMahon. The prizes were sponsored by the Auburn Lodge Hotel.

One Mile Inn

The One Mile Inn's ladder competition, the winner of which will earn a continental holiday, gets under way this week and will run until the end of March. The rules pertaining to the competition are posted on the notice board and it promises to be one of the most exciting competitions in the history of the club.

Newmarket

The final of the Newmarket-on-Fergus team league will take place on Thursday night when the teams captained by D. J. Meehan and Betty McMahon will be in opposition. When they met in the league there was little between them and it's expected that the final will be equally close.

Exhibition game

There has been a huge demand for tickets for next

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■ SQUASH

STARS SET TO THRILL CLARE FANS

THERE will be a capacity attendance at the Ashburn Lodge Squash Club on this Thursday night for the exhibition match featuring World star Hidi Jahan and young Chianian George Okerchiri. Following Jahan's fine showing against Jonah Barringham in an exhibition match at the Irish Open last weekend (the game was featured on TV) there is huge interest in Thursday's game.

Okerchiri was a very popular visitor to Ennis for the recent Munster Open championships and he looked very impressive in some of his games. Thursday's match should certainly be a major attraction for all squash fans in the County.

The first game on Thursday's programme should be a superb contest between Connacht number one Aidan Kelly from Galway and Munster team member Michael O'Donoghue from Limerick. Both players are well known on the squash circuit and they will be determined to do well.

Patrons are reminded to be in the viewing gallery at 7.45 p.m.

the winning members of the victorious side against Pat Pilkington, B. Kelly and Mary Matziman.

Betty McMahon and Louis Halpin lost to D. J. Moohan and Paddy Keegan.

The presentation of prizes will take place at a function on Thursday, March 7, at the Weavers Inn.

ENNIS C.B.S.

The first round of the handicap tournament at the Ennis C.B.S. club has been completed and the big surprise was the defeat of the holder, Tony Lynch by Jack Keane. Lynch was

given 10 aces to Keane who is certainly proving a tough man for Lynch. The second round of the competition must be played by this weekend to clear the way for the quarter-finals.

AUBURN LODGE

The Annual Handicap Tournament at the Auburn Lodge is now ready to start and the first round must be completed by Wednesday next. There has been a large entry for both the men's and ladies sections and some great competition is expected.

ONE MILE INN

Everything is now in readiness for the One Mile Inn ladder competition for which the winner will receive a continental holiday. Details of the rules have been forwarded to the members and the event will continue throughout the next two months.

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CLARE LEAGUE

A number of Clare leagues are now in full swing and as yet there are no clear leaders. In the mens confined league, Kilree have full points after two rounds, while Liscasey are also unbeaten after their first two games.

The mens 10c. H got under way last week and there were good wins for the Auburn Lodge A and B teams and Ennis C.B.S.

Both the mens and ladies individual (sections B and C) also commenced last week and will continue for the next two months.

NEWMARKET FINAL

In the final of the Newmarket Tournament on Thursday night last, Betty McMahon's team won the Weaver's Inn trophies when beating B.J. Meenan's side in a very close contest. Dominic McMahon, Bridget Keane, ally and Michael Torpex were

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■ SQUASH



ENNIS PLAYERS ON MUNSTER TEAMS

FOLLOWING the Munster junior close squash championships at Fermoy last weekend, two members of the Ennis C.B.S. club have been named on Provincial junior teams for forthcoming competitions.

Gerard Gleeson will be at number 4 on the Munster U/16 side with Darren Kelly at number 4 on the Munster U/14 team. Both were beaten in their respective semi-finals.

The U/14 plate final was an all-Ennis affair with Niall Casey beating Eoin Liddy.

In all, twenty-one players from Ennis travelled to play in the competitions under the supervision of junior coordinator Jack Keane. All the players had trained hard in recent weeks under Jack Keane with Derry Moloney and Gary Neary also assisting in the coaching.

In the U/19 section, Seamus English narrowly failed to get on the Munster team.

tion at the Auburn Lodge is now at the quarter-final stage and these matches will be played over the weekend.

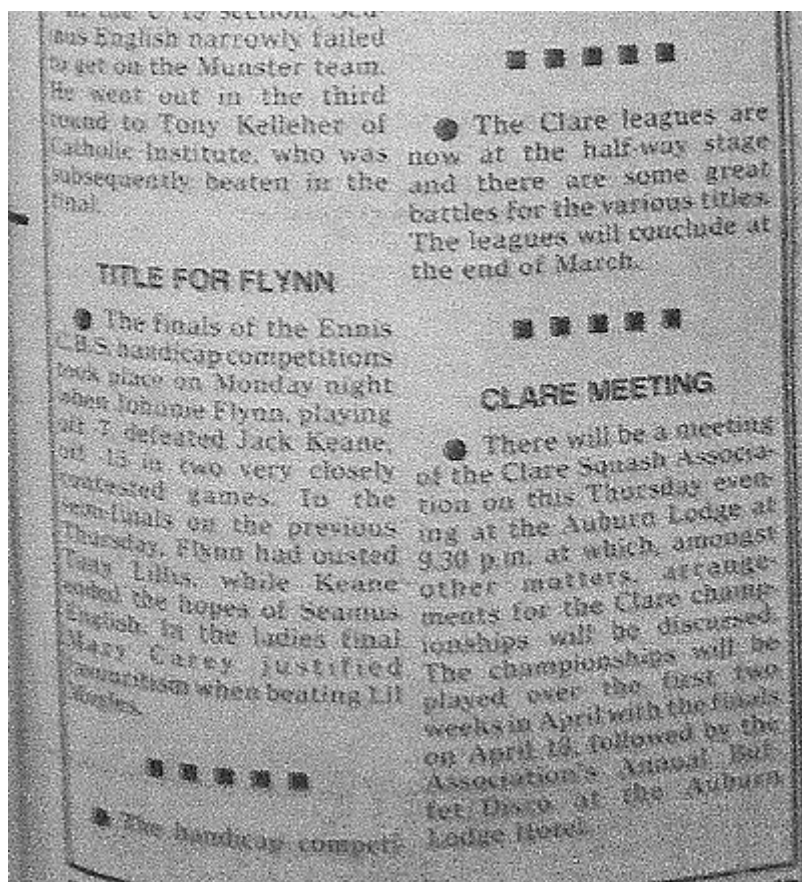
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● There was a very successful blitz competition at the One Mile Inn on Monday night when the team captained by club treasurer Ger Browne emerged victorious over Michael Carmody's team.

Meanwhile the club's Continental holiday ladder competition is arousing tremendous interest with a lot of games being played each week. The event will continue until the end of March.

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■ SQUASH:

Clare Championships attract big entry

The Clare Squash Championships will commence at Easter and will be run off over the following two weeks with the finals set for Thursday, April 18.

The draw was made this week (too late for publication) and details will be circulated to all clubs over the week-end. It's expected that once again there will be some great battles in this competition.

The mens event is said to be the 'most open' to date with a number of players all in with a very strong chance of success. Beaten finalist last year, Tony Lynch, is fancied by most to take his first title but the defending champion, Seamus English, cannot be overlooked while such as Seamus Hayes and Tony Lillis (both former winners) will also be strong contenders. Gerry Bredin could well be the man to cause the big surprise. He hasn't played in any of the competitions to date due to his involvement in badminton but he has gained a number of good results in recent friendlies and these suggest that he will be in the final shake up.

Meanwhile the inaugural senior mixed team league sponsored by De Beers is proving a very closely contested affair with very little between any of the four teams involved. The league will conclude next week when there will be two rounds on Tuesday and Thursday nights. After Thursday nights games the prizes will be presented at a function in the Shannon Diamond club.

Auburn Lodge

The final of the Auburn Lodge handicap competitions will take place on this Thursday night with the ladies final at 7.30 between Carmel Enright and Anne O'Dowd or Fiona Nugent. This will be followed by the mens final between beaten finalist last year, Jack Keane and Seamus Hayes who pipped the holder, Danny Liddy

in the semi-final.

The Auburn club championships in which there are a number of divisions, got under way this week and full details are on the notice board.

Ennis C.B.S.

The Ennis C.B.S. club championships (three divisions) also got under way this week and the first rounds must be played by this Sunday. The mens A grade here is expected to be the most keenly contested to date.

One Mile Inn

In the One Mile Inn club a handicap competition for both men and ladies is presently under way and proving a big attraction. Meanwhile the continental holiday ladder competition is continuing and with just a couple of weeks to go it's expected that there will be an increase in the number of games being played.

March 1985

CLARE C'SHIPS COMMENCE NEXT WEEK

THE draw for the Clare championships was made at a meeting of the C.S.R.A. last week and details of same are now available in the various club notice boards. The first rounds will be played on Tuesday, April 9 with the second rounds just 24 hours later. The quarter-finals are set for Friday, April 12 with the semi-finals on Tuesday 16th and the final on Thursday, April 18.

The plate competitions for first-round losers gets under way on Thursday, April 11 and the final will be on Thursday, April 18 also.

Absent for the ladies competition this year will be Betty McMahon, beaten in the final last year. Betty has spent much of her free time coaching this season and has done tremendous work for the game in both the Newmarket and De Beers clubs.

LEAGUES CONCLUDE

The Clare senior mixed team league, sponsored by De Beers, concluded on Friday last when the final round of games were played at the Shannon Diamond club. The competition, which was a great success, was won by the team comprising of Seamus English, Denis Maurer, Derry Moloney, Betty McMahon (captain) and Margaret Flannagan. The

runners up were John McEntee, Tony Lillis, Dermot O'Hanlon, Margaret Lacheiner and Fiona Nugent, the team captain. The presentations were made by Mr. Gus Barrett of the De Beers Personnel Department.

The inaugural mens 'confined' league concluded on Monday night and Kilkee, unbeaten in the competition, emerged as clear winners. There was a tremendous battle for second place with St. Flannans just getting in ahead of Newmarket and Lissycasey.

ENNIS C.B.S.

Ennis C.B.S. ladies teams have had a most successful season and their latest success came when their team won the Clare Div. III title. The team comprised of Geraldine Fogarty, Marie

Coote, Maura Hanrahan (Capt.), Celia Reilly and Margaret Heaslip and they finished ahead of the Auburn Lodge team.

Earlier in the season they won the Div. II title, while they were runners-up in Div. IV.

HANDICAP FINAL

The Auburn Lodge's annual handicap tournament concluded on Thursday night last with two very good finals. The ladies game stole the show, with Carmel Enright winning a three-set thriller against the holder, Ann O'Dowd. In the mens final, Jack Keane tasted defeat for the second year in a row when he lost to Seamus Hayes.

Both the Auburn Lodge and Ennis C.B.S. club championships are now at the semi-final stage and the battle for the titles is really hotting up. Clare CHAMPION, Seamus English was sent crashing out of the C.B.S. competition on Saturday last when a bang in form Tony Lillis recorded a 3-0 victory. Number four seed John McEntee bowed out also at the quarter final stage, when he lost to Jack Keane in a five setter.

The inaugural Clare junior competitions will be run off on this Friday, Good Friday, April 5. There will be events for under 12, under 14 and under 16 and an entry of over forty has been received. The games will be played at the Ennis C.B.S. club which supplies most of the players and will get under way at 9 a.m. on this Friday and continue throughout the day.

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All set for Clare finals

The Clare Squash championship finals will take place on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge and they will be followed by the Clare Association's annual buffet disco and presentation of prizes which will take place in the Auburn Lodge Hotel.

In all there will be four finals on the programme which will get under way at 8.45 with the ladies plate decider at 8.45 and this will be followed at 9.30 by the mens plate final in which Johnnie Flynn takes on Mike Conlon.

In the ladies championship final Margaret Lacheiner will be seeking her eight successive crown, surely a record that will never be broken. Since the competition was inaugurated she is unbeaten and will be odds-on favourite to win again. Her opponent is her One Mile Inn clubmate, Caroline McDonnell, winner of the senior league earlier in the season and the Russel girl is capable of making this a memorable decider.

The mens final will be a repeat of last year's decider with Seamus English the holder taking on the number one seed Tony Lynch. Both qualified after two great semi-finals on Tuesday which went the full distance. Lynch looked set for an easy victory when he took the first game 6-0 against Tony Lillis but back came Lillis to win the next two and Lynch looked to be in trouble. However he got back on control to get a 3-2 decision.

In the second semi-final English met Seamus Hayes. English has been struggling over time. Fogarty beat Celia

the past two weeks with a knee injury. The game produced some great rallies as fortunes swayed throughout. English won the first but Hayes quickly equalised. English went in front again when he took the third but again Hayes equalised. The fifth was most entertaining before English, serving match point for the seventh time, clinched a place in the final.

C.B.S. Championships

The Ennis C.B.S. Club championships were decided on Friday last and here Tony Lynch retained his title with a comfortable win over Tony Lillis in a repeat of last year's decider. All of the prizes were presented at a most enjoyable buffet social afterwards.

The details are: Mens division I Plate, Johnny Flynn beat Terry Hughes; Div. II, Eugene Ryan beat Paddy Sullivan; Div. II Plate, Tom Holly beat Liam McNamara; Div. III, Euan Howard beat Ambrose Heagerty; Div. III Plate, Brendan Pyne beat John Casey.

Ladies division II, Geraldine Fogarty beat Celia

Reilly; Div. II Plate, Maura Hanrahan beat Marie Dillon.

Auburn Finals

The Auburn Lodge championships will be concluded next week with the finals set for Friday night (April 26).

The Racquets club at the club on Monday night was a great success with victory going to the team which

included Danny Liddy, Michael Mullins, Paul Tuohy, Deirdre Feeley and Mary McMahon.

Clare Leagues

The semi-finals of the Clare mens division III league will take place on Monday night when the pairings will be One Mile Inn v Shannon Diamond and Ennis C.B.S. A v Auburn Lodge A. The final is set for Wednesday.

Annual Meeting

The annual General meeting of the Clare Squash Racquets Association will take place at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday next, April 25 at 9 pm sharp. Nominations and motions should reach the Clare secretary, Marie Lynch by Monday next, April 23. The meeting is open to all interested in squash but for voting purposes each club is confined to three representatives.

● CAMOGIE

Clare juniors score another fine win

The Clare junior camogie team continued on a winning run with a good win over Wexford in the National league on Sunday. However, the senior side again disappointed when they were thrashed by Wexford to the tune of 5-8 to 0-3.

CLARE	3-6
WEXFORD	0-3

This was a very evenly contested and exciting game with the result in doubt up to the end. Clare opened a three point lead shortly after the start with scores from Maura McNicholas (0-2) and Jackie Garry. Wexford hit back with a point and quickly followed with a goal to take the lead.

A fine piece of skill by Nuala Cummins resulted in a Clare goal and this was followed by a point from Nuala Quinn to give

Clare a three point lead - 1-4 to 0-1 at the break.

The Clare backline played strongly in the second half with Helen Cusack, Betty Cassidy and goalie Pauline O'Brien playing well. A brace of goals from Maura McNicholas, the second from a free, put Clare on the road to victory.

This was a very impressive performance by Clare in which Pauline O'Brien, Helen Cusack, Betty Cassidy, Patricia O'Grady, Nuala Quinn, Rosie O'Shaughnessy, Gera Faby and Maura McNicholas did well.

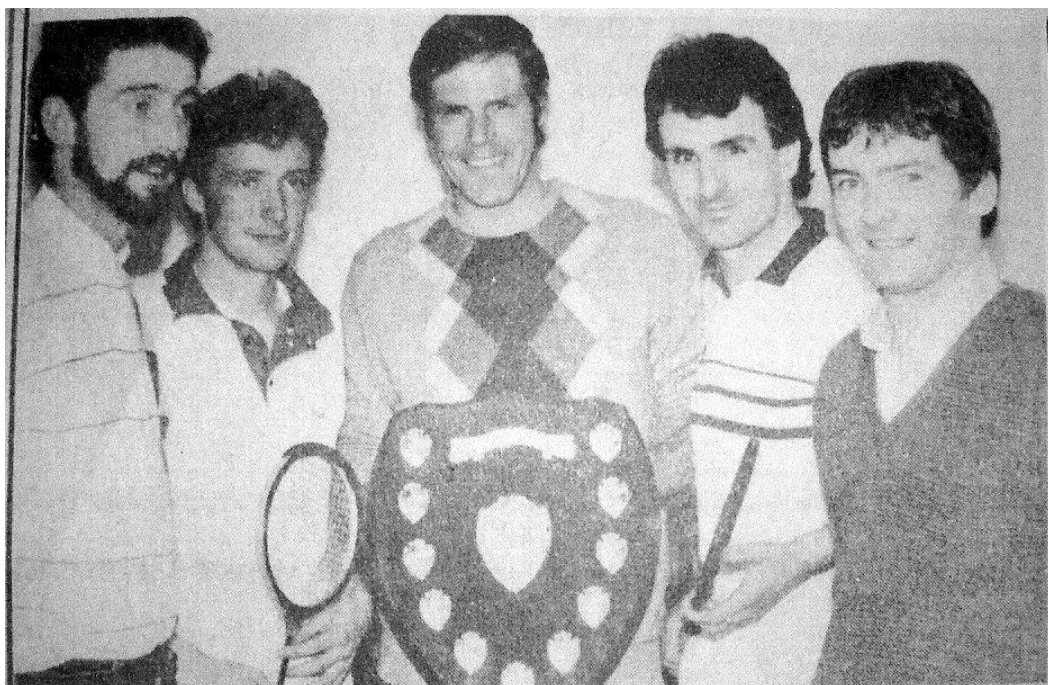
WEXFORD	5-8
CLARE	0-3

After a shaky start in which both teams contributed scrappy play, Wexford settled down to take the upper hand and score 16 without reply before the break. Wexford's lead at the break would surely have been much greater but for the brilliance of Pauline O'Brien, who had played at the previous game. Three goals early in the second half ended whatever hopes Clare might have had of getting back into the contest.

Both of Clare's points came in the closing stages from Clare Jones. In addition to Pauline O'Brien, Clare Jones, Tina and Caroline O'Connell, Ann Faby and Carmel Wall played well.

U-16's

Clare under 16's travel to Cork on Sunday to play Cork in the Munster championship. The Clare team will be supported by members of the Clare Junior team which reached the All Ireland junior final while there will also be players from St. Flannan's.



Pictured at the Clare Squash championship finals were (from left): Johnnie Flynn, plate winner; Seamus English, championship winner; Denis Maurer, sponsor; Tony Lynch, runner in championship; and plate runner-up Mike Conlon.

18 Clare Champion, Friday, 26th April, 1985

■ SQUASH :

ENGLISH RETAINS TITLE IN THRILLER

IN one of the most exciting Clare squash games for some time, seventeen-year-old Seamus English retained his Clare championship title when beating Tony Lynch in the final on Thursday last at the Auburn Lodge. In the ladies final, Margaret Lacheiner captured her ninth title in a row, surely a record that will never be surpassed.

The mens decider was the highlight of the evening in which both players gave their all before English won narrowly after an hour and a half of play. Number one seed Lynch entered the game as slight favourite but he was obviously mindful of last year's final when he was caught by a great comeback by English.

The standard of play was poor in the opening game as both players fought to get the upperhand. Matters livened up considerably nearing the end of the first game which Lynch won on a 9-4 scoreline. From here on it was a ding-dong struggle all the way. Lynch raced into a 5-0 lead in the second but English fought back in great

style was 8-6 in front before Lynch levelled at 8-8. English levelled when he won 10-8.

Again Lynch started well in the third and was 6-1 in front but English refused to give in and he came back to take a thrilling game on a 10-9 scoreline. Lynch had the upperhand in the fourth which he won on a 9-3 scoreline and so the scene was set for a magnificent final game. Scores were level on a number of occasions up to 7-7 before English made the decisive break to win 9-7 and capture his second title. It was a major disappointment for Lynch who had trained extremely hard for this one.

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Margaret Lacheiner was always in control in the ladies final against Caroline McDonnell who was making her first appearance in the final. Since the competitions were first organised nine years ago, Mrs. Lacheiner has never been beaten and she showed just why on Thursday night with a powerful display. Her One Mile Inn clubmate, Caroline McDonnell, who earlier won the senior league, is more to benefit from this experience.

The mens plate final was won by Johnnie Flynn who had a 3/0 win over C.B.S. clubmate Mike Conlon. The first game was extremely close before Flynn won on a 10-9 scoreline and this put him in control.

The ladies plate final was also an all-Ennis C.B.S. decider with Ann O'Loughlin recording a 3/2 win over Kathleen Lenihan.

The finals were followed by the Clare squash racquets Association annual buffet dance at which the presentation of prizes were made. The championship prizes were presented by Mrs. Josette Maurer of Maurers Jewellers, the sponsors, while Syntex Ireland Ltd. again sponsored the plate events.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Clare Association takes place on this Thursday

night at the Auburn Lodge at 9 p.m. sharp and all squash members are invited to attend. Plans for the 1985/'86 season will be drawn up at this meeting when the incoming committee will be appointed. Each club is entitled to three voting delegates and its expected that there will be a good attendance.

ONE MILE INN

The One Mile Inn club championships are now in full swing and the finals are set for Thursday, May 9. There are two divisions in the mens section and one in the ladies with plate competitions in all three.

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• SQUASH:

CLARE COMMITTEE APPOINTED

There was a good attendance at the annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Rackets Association held at the Auburn Lodge Hotel on Thursday night last.

The meeting was attended by Munster squash secretary, Michael Barry, who outlined the system of affiliation for clubs to the I.S.R.A. and appealed to the clubs to pay promptly at the beginning of the season.

In the near future there is to be a meeting between C.S.R.A. officials and representatives of the various clubs in the County with a view to planning a calendar of events for the season.

There was a stern warning to clubs or individuals found to change fixtures without the consent of the organising committee. In future all games must be played on the appointed times except in exceptional circumstances and these will be decided by the committee.

The following were appointed for the coming season: President, Seamus Hayes; Secretary, Marie Lynch; Treasurer, Fiona Nugent. Committee: John McEntee, Betty McMahon,

Denis Maurer, Finbarr McMahon, Jack Keane and Carmel Enright and this committee was given power to co-opt other members.

ENNIS C.B.S. WIN

Ennis C.B.S. retained the Clare mens division III title when they pipped the One Mile Inn in a tremendous final at the Auburn Lodge on Monday night. The match took over four hours to decide and in the end the C.B.S. just got there in a final which really could have gone either way.

The members of the winning panel were Johnnie Flynn, Mickey Meere, Liam McNamara, Michael Hanrahan (captain), Pat McInerney, Tom Holly and Jim Crosse while the runners up were Seamus Howard, Joe Griffin, Michael Griffin, Ger Browne (captain), Tony Chapman, Aidan Feore and Maurice Murphy.

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SQUASH :

GREAT BATTLE FOR DIV. II TITLE

THE senior mixed team league (Div. I) concluded on Wednesday last with the One Mile Inn emerging as winners. After a great battle for second place, Ennis C.B.S. 'A' just got there ahead of the Auburn Lodge team.

There is a great battle for the ladies Div. II title with three rounds remaining. Kilkee and Ennis C.B.S. 'A' are level on points with the Auburn Lodge just seven points behind.

The mens Div. IV team league got under way on Monday night and this will continue until December 18. In all, nine teams are taking part in three divisions.

Meanwhile, the senior individual leagues are continuing and will be running until February.

On the club scene the annual Auburn league at the One Mile Inn, sponsored by the Sherwood Inn, is now under way as is the Autumn league at the Auburn Lodge.

A very enjoyable team competition concluded at Ennis C.B.S. on Thursday last with Seamus English's team emerging as winners against Mike Collins' side. The winners were S. English, J. Costin, M. Simpson, B. McCullough, C. McDonnell, B. Murphy, V. O'Sullivan, while the runners-up were M.

Conlon, L. McNamara, M. Hanrahan, O. O'Loughlin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. M. Canny and M. Kennedy. The competition was sponsored by Josie O'Shea Sports, and after the final Josie presented the prizes.

The club's winter team league will commence shortly.

A new Clare senior league, sponsored by Coughlan's Garage, Lissycasey, Main Opel Dealers, will be run at Lissycasey over the coming weeks. The competition will be for six teams of two (man and woman) with the top two meeting in the final. There will be four rounds in the competition, details of which will be announced next week.

There was a great turnout on Friday last for the first competition of the season at St. Flannan's club. In a very close event, Kevin Mulcahy's team narrowly beat Mickey Sullivan's side in the final. The competition was sponsored by Banner Motors Ltd. and the prizes were presented at a function in the West County Inn.

Nov 1985

Great contest for Division II title

The race for the Clare ladies division II title is now really hotting up with Ennis C.B.S. A, Kilkee and Auburn Lodge still battling it out at the top closely followed by Ennis C.B.S. B. Two rounds remain

in the competition which is unlikely to be decided until the very last game.

The mens division IV league will reach the half way stage on this Friday night and looking good for places in the

semi-final are Kilkee, Shannon Diamond and the Auburn Lodge while any one of a number of teams could get the remaining spot.

The Autumn team league at both the One Mile Inn and the Auburn Lodge are in full swing and the knock out stages will be played early in December.

The annual Harp handicap tournament at the One Mile Inn, always one of the highlights of the year will commence shortly. Entries are being accepted at present and the draw will be made next week.

The November blitz at the Auburn Lodge attracted a big entry last week when Michael Meere's team emerged victorious over John O'Shaughnessy's side. The tournament was sponsored by Maurer Jewellers.

On this Saturday a group of some thirty junior players from the Highfield club in Cork will visit Ennis to take on a Clare selection comprised mainly of players from Ennis C.B.S. The Clare side are managed by Jack Keane who plans to return to the Cork club in the near future. Games commence at 11 a.m. and continue throughout the day at the Ennis C.B.S. club.

Colleges U/16½ hurling championship when they had a one-point win over Colaiste an Spiorad Naomh of Cork in the Kinnane Cup at Bansha last week. While the Cork school would be better known as a football stronghold, they had defeated Cashel, the favourites, in the previous round of this competition by a whopping fifteen points and were determined to go all the way.

The tight marking of the Ennis boys, together with their obvious hunger for success, saw them lead at the break on the score of 1-3 to 1-2, following good scores from Tom Fogarty and John Hoey. The Ennis boys continued to hold a clutch

EASY FOR ENNIS

ENNIS V.S. 3-5

ENNISTYMON V.S. 0-0

As the scoreline suggests, Ennis had an easy win over Ennistymon Vocational School in the first round of the Clare Vocational Schools U/16 football championship at Lahinch recently. Playing with the aid of the breeze the Ennis boys ran up 2-2 in the first half. On the resumption, the anticipated revival from the North Clare side never materialised and Ennis continued to dominate.

Best for the winners were A. Meaney, T. Nagle, K. Molloy, S. McCarthy and D. Keane.

ENNIS V.S. C. Cusack: M

Nov 1985

Ennis to take Title

Ennis C.B.S. look set to retain the ladies div. 2 title having scored some fine wins over the past couple of rounds. They are now leading with just one round to remain and it will be a major surprise if they fail to beat Clarecastle on Monday night. This will leave the Auburn Lodge and Kilkee fighting it out for second place and these teams meet at Kilkee on Monday night.

In the mens div. 4, Newmarket, Auburn Lodge and Kilkee look set for the semi-final as they lead in their sections at the half way stage. Any one of a number of teams could pick up the fourth semi-final spot and the picture will be much clearer next week.

The Coughlans Garage sponsored senior special league to be run at Lisycasey will get under way next week. This will involve the leading men and ladies in the county and details will be finalised by this week-end.

The competition will be run off before Christmas.

The Clare inter-firm competition, organised for the first time last year when it proved an outstanding success, is set to be played on the week-end of Dec. 13-15, with Shannon Diamond again the venue. Firms wishing to take part are asked to get in touch with Betty McMahon as soon as possible but not later than Thursday next, Dec. 5.

Kildysart Squash

KILDYSART Squash Club is in its second year and this Christmas will be entering teams in Clare competition for the first time. As part of their ongoing coaching programme a number of exhibition games featuring leading male and female players in the county will take place on this Thursday night at the club. There will be three games and the programme will commence at 7.45 and all members are asked to attend.

Nov 1985

● SQUASH

THE Clare Ladies Division II League concluded on Monday night last with Ennis C.B.S. emerging as winners while Kilkee took second place with a narrow win over Auburn Lodge in a great match at Kilkee.

The men's Division IV will reach the semi-final stage when the league section concludes on Monday night next. The semi-finals will be on Monday week (December 16) with the final on Wednesday, December 18 at a venue to be decided.

The presentation of prizes will take place immediately after the final and on this night the ladies Division II prizes will also be presented.

The Coughlan's Garage, Main Opel Dealers), sponsored Clare Senior League at Lissycasey commenced on Wednesday of this week and continues on this Friday. There are five teams of two competing in what should be a most entertaining event.

Dec 1985

'Opel' final at Lissycasey

The final of the Coughlans Garage (Main Opel Dealers) special senior league will take place at Lissycasey on this Thursday night commencing at 8 p.m. The league has been running for the past three weeks with five teams of two participating.

The competition came about as a result of the efforts of the Lissycasey Squash Committee and Martin Coughlan, proprietor of Coughlans Garage who agreed to sponsor the event. The final round of the league section was played on Tuesday night and the way is now clear for the decider in which Tony Lillis and Caroline McDonnell will meet Seamus Hayes and Carmel Enright.

It should be a very close contest and with the total aces deciding the issue, it's anybody's guess as to who will win.

In the Clare mens division IV league Kilkee and Newmarket won the semi-finals on Monday night to qualify for a final showdown. The final was played last night, Wednesday, but the result was not known at the time of going to press.

Kilkee scored a comprehensive 5-0 win over the Auburn Lodge at Lissycasey on Monday while Newmarket had a 4-1 win over Lissycasey in a marathon game at the Auburn Lodge.

The annual Harp hand trap competitions at the One Mile Inn have once again caused tremendous excitement at the club. The semi-finals were played at the weekend and the big surprise was the defeat of ladies champion Margaret Lachemer by Teresa Corbett. Margaret was giving 20 aces to her opponent Teresa's opponent in the final will be Ann O'Dowd who defeated Teresa Corbett in the other semi-final.

Seamus Howard qualified for the mens final for the first time when he pipped Tom Malone in the semi-final on Monday night. On the same night the holder Seamus Hayes, chasing his third successive title, defeated Michael O'Connell.

The ladies and mens division III will start on January 14 and January 19 respectively and all clubs have been notified that entries must be with the league secretaries by January 6 at the latest.

The mens and ladies confined leagues will commence on January 17 and entries must be in by January 9.

The U.S.B.A.'s inter club blitz will take place on January 11 at the Shannon Diamond club and entries for this competition must be with Betty McMahon at De Beers by January 6.

The Autumn league final at the Auburn Lodge will bring Tony Lynch and Michael Meere into opposition on this Thursday.

The Ennis C.B.S. club's autumn league concluded last week with Sylvia Carroll's team emerging as winners over Marie Hogan's side. The prizes were presented by Jackie Hynes at a very enjoyable function after the final. The members of the winning team were: M. Carroll, D. Delaney, B. McCollough, S. Carroll, B. Kennedy, F. Derritt while the runners-up were: D. McDonnell, J. Ryan, F. Flannery, M. Hogan, F. Heagney, M. Kennedy.

CLARE YOUTH WEEK-END SPORTS

There was a huge entry in the athletics competition held in conjunction with Clare Youth Week-end and the results are as follows.

Minor girls: 1. T. Murphy, Tulla, 2. M. McInerney, do.

Minor boys: 1. G. Quailly, Tulla, 2. M. Hynes, Ennistymon, 3. D. McInerney, Tulla, Teams, 1. Ennistymon A, 2. Ennistymon B, 3. Ennis V.S.

Junior girls: 1. E. Brady, Ennis V.S., 2. M. Frawley, Ennis V.S., 3. A. Kelly, Tulla, Teams, 1. Ennis V.S.

Junior boys: 1. A. Quailly, Tulla, 2. G. Toomey, Ennis V.S., 3. M. O'Sullivan, St. Flannans, Teams, 1. Ennis V.S. A, 2. Ennistymon, 3. Ennis V.S.

Senior girls: 1. P. Rynne, Ennis V.S., 2. S. Hogan, Tulla, 3. D. Daly, Ennis V.S., Teams, 1. Ennis V.S., 2. Ennistymon Convent, 3. Lisdoonvarna.

Senior boys: 1. F. Hynes, St. Flannans, 2. D. Crowley, do, 3. O. McDonagh, do, Teams, 1. St. Flannans, 2. Ennis V.S., 3. Camogie, Shannon.

Hurling: Shannon. Badminton: Girls, U-14, Doubles, M. Cosgrove and M. O'Connell, U-16, Doubles, S. Hillery and D. Jordan, U-16, Singles, M. Cosgrove.

Boys U-14, Doubles, J. Monney and C. Hough, U-16, Doubles, M. Daffey and M. Casey, U-16, Singles, M. Daffey.

• SOCCER ROUND-UP:

Newmarket just get there

Newmarket 'A' 3; Newtown 'A' 2

(AFTER EXTRA TIME)

Newmarket Celtic 'A' had to fight to the end before defeating Newtown 'A' by the old goal in five in the premier shield final at Clonlough on Sunday.

Newtown had the best of the first half exchanges and took the lead with a Sean Lindsay goal before the break. They continued to dominate after the resump-

tion when they missed from the penalty spot.

Near the end Newmarket were awarded a penalty but Gerry Flannigan made a great save. However John

the game to extra time.

In the first period of extra time Newmarket scored twice, one coming from former St. Michael player Jarlath O'Halloran who had come on as a substitute. Newtown fought back and Lindsay had his second from a penalty but it was too late and Newmarket held on for a rather fortunate victory.

Bridge Celtic 3
Leathmoyne Rangers 3

● SQUASH:

Exciting fare at Harp final

The annual Harp Handicap competitions at the One Mile Inn on Wednesday, December 18 and once again it proved a most enjoyable occasion. This was the 13th annual competition and both finals proved enjoyable for the big attendance.

The ladies decider was the opening game on the programme and here Ann O'Dowd was successful winning the crown for the first time. In the final she beat Teresa Corbett in two very closely contested games.

The mens decider went the full distance with the holder Seamus Hayes just coming out on top against Seamus Howard. In winning the title Hayes became the first player to win three in a row in the event.

The holder took the first game but Howard fought back to level the match and looked set for his first success in the competition when he held an 18 ace lead but Hayes fought back to win narrowly. At a very enjoyable function after the finals the prizes were presented by Mr. John O'Flynn of Guinness Group Sales.

The prizes for the Autumn league were also presented by Tommy Clancy on behalf of the Sherwood Inn, sponsors of the event. Winners of the competition which concluded recently were Ger Browne, Jan Davis, Joe Hickey, Bernie Griffin and Seamus Howard while the runners up were Joe Griffin, Margaret Lacheiner, Marian Hanley, Darren Kelly and Mary Hennessy.

Title for Kilkee

The Clare mens division IV league concluded on Wed-

nesday and Mary Davenport.

Auburn League

The Auburn Lodge autumn league concluded recently with Tony Lynch's team coming out on top against Mickey Meere's side. The Auburn club also ran a very successful Christmas blitz which was followed by a most enjoyable and successful disco.

'Opel' League

The special senior league run at the Lissycasey club and sponsored by Martin Coughlan of Coughlan's Garage concluded on Thursday, December 19 when Tony

Lillis and Caroline McDonnell emerged victorious over Seamus Hayes and Con Enright. In the ladies final Miss McDonnell built a comprehensive lead but Hayes was unable to get back when playing Lillis.

Afterwards the prizes were presented by Martin Coughlan who congratulated the winners and runners-up and tribute to all who took part. He expressed the hope that the competition would be beneficial to the Lissycasey club. The presentation of prizes was followed by a most enjoyable function.

Clubs are reminded that Monday next January 6th is the closing date for entries in both the mens and ladies division III team leagues while Thursday, January 9th is the last date for receiving entries for the mens and ladies 'confined' leagues.

● N.A.C.A.:

13th for Keane

Willie Keane of St. Johns captured his 13th Clare senior N.A.C.A. cross country championship on Sunday week last when he emerged victorious over a tough course at Barefield. His clubmate Rita Malone captured the honours in the ladies event.

Despite the bad weather in the week prior to the event the 7½ mile course was in good condition. St. Mary's Marty Reidy was first to the front after Lott O'Halloran had got the race under way

ended with 74 points and St. Mary's sixth score member P. Donnelly finished ahead of his St. Imy's counterpart, the title went to Mary's.

Rita Malone was a runner-up in the ladies event.

Title for Kilkee

The Clare mens division IV league concluded on Wednesday, December 18 when Kilkee defeated Newmarket-on-Fergus at St. Flannan's College. It was a very closely contested game with little separating any of the players.

Afterwards both teams received their prizes at the One Mile Inn. Members of the Kilkee side were John Stapleton, Kieran Marrinan, Jimmy Fitzpatrick, Noel Thornton, Liam Tuck, Peter James while Newmarket's panel included Stephen O'Flannagan, Kevin Greene, Paddy Keegan, Brian McNamara, John Ryan, Tony Mannion and Mike Hogan.

At the same function the prizes for the Clare ladies division II league were presented. The runners up were Kilkee who included Mary Madigan, Marian O'Rourke and Marie Maguire while the winners were Ennis C.B.S. and they comprised Ann O'Loughlin, Sylvia Carroll

Jan 1986

SQUASH:

INTER-CLUB BLITZ TITLE FOR ENNIS C.B.S.

THE annual inter-club squash blitz, promoted by the C.S.R.A., got the New Year off to a tremendous start at the Shannon Diamond club on Saturday night last. Seven teams representing four clubs — Auburn Lodge, Ennis C.B.S., Shannon Diamond and One Mile Inn — provided plenty of entertainment for the attendance and the result was in doubt right to the finish.

After some great competition, Ennis C.B.S. and the holders, One Mile Inn, qualified for the final. The C.B.S.

got off to a good start, thanks mainly to a superb performance by Caroline McDonnell, who beat Margaret Lacheiner to open up a twelve-ace lead with two matches remaining. Going into the final game between Seamus English (C.B.S.) and Seamus Hayes, the C.B.S. were eleven aces clear. Hayes emerged 15-5 ahead against English, but it wasn't enough and the C.B.S. held on to win by a single ace and capture the title for the first time.

The members of the winning team were Seamus English, Jackie Hynes, Eoin McMahon, Caroline McDonnell and Kathleen Lenihan, while the One Mile Inn side comprised of Seamus Hayes, Joe Griffin, Jan Davis, Margaret Lacheiner and Teresa Corbett.

The prizes for the senior league, which was won earlier in the season by the One Mile Inn, were presented on Saturday night by Mr. Chris Taylor, Resident Manager, De Beers (Ireland) Ltd., sponsors of the competition. In making the presentation, he complimented the C.S.R.A. on its work in promoting the game of squash. The members of the winning team were Seamus Hayes, Gerry Bredin, Joe Griffin, Ger Browne, Margaret Lacheiner, Ann O'Dowd and Jan Davis. Ennis C.B.S. were runners-up and their panel included Tony Lynch, Mike Conlon, Sean Heaslip, Jackie Hynes, Caroline McDonnell and Ann O'Loughlin.

The Clare ladies Div. III league commenced on Wednesday night of this week. Three teams are taking part

and they are Auburn Lodge, Ennis C.B.S. and Shannon Diamond.

The mens and ladies 'confined' leagues — novice competition — get under way on this Saturday with five teams

taking part in each. The mens Div. I which has attracted teams, will commence Monday night. The ladies division will be re-commenced with four

TICKET

Fast Heidi, which was runner-up at the Ennis-Clarecastle meeting, ran in the Oaks. Mr. Reidy is a native of Clonalila, Kilmihil, and was closely related to the late Sean O Riada.



Coughlans Garage, Main Opel Dealers, Lissycasey, league at Lissycasey.

Pictured: Caroline McDonnell, Martin Coughlan, Carmel Hynes of the Lissycasey.

Rugby:

Ennis Play Dungarvan

Ennis 'firsts' will play Dungarvan at Annacotty on Sunday at 2.30 and this will be the side's final outing before they entertain Bruff in the

first round of the Junior cup on Saturday. Ennis will be looking for a good performance on this occasion as the

Battle for Division III honours

The mens division III league, with seven teams competing, is now in full swing. After two rounds St. Flannan's College are looking good for their first ever Clare league title.

They have recorded good wins over the highly fancied Shannon Diamond and Auburn Lodge sides. The other club in this section is Lissycasey who started with a great win over Shannon. Indeed there should be a great battle between these four before the two qualifying teams are known.

There should be an equally keen contest in the other division between Clarecastle, Killeen and Ennis C.B.S. for the two semi-final positions.

In the mens confined league, newcomers Kildysart are off to a great start with full points from their two opening games against Shannon Diamond B and Lissycasey. They are tipped for the final and it looks as if Shannon Diamond A or Lissycasey will come through to provide the opposition.

In the ladies confined league all five teams involved look to be evenly matched while in the ladies division III Shannon Diamond are leading.

On the club front the 'salmon blitz', sponsored by Oakville Smoked salmon proved a great success at Ennis C.B.S. last week. The team comprising John Costin, Eoin McMahon, P. Looney, M. Kennedy and G. Fogarty won from D. McDonnell, J. Cronin, P. McMahon, A. M. Canny and S. Carroll. Afterwards the prizes were presented by Tony Lynch. The club are now taking entries for their annual handicap competition.

At the Auburn Lodge entries are now being taken for the club's handicap competition which will commence shortly. The One Mile Inn's spring league got under way last week and will continue until the end of February while a team league at St. Flannans is also under way at present.

Jan 1986

First Title for Clarecastle

Clarecastle captured their first Clare squash league title when they won the mens div. 3 league on Monday night. In a very entertaining final they defeated the holders Ennis CBS who were chasing a three-in-a-row in this event. The final was played at the Auburn Lodge and the prizes were presented to both teams afterwards.

C.B.S. started well when Pat McInerney recorded a 3-1 win over Ronan Collins. Gerard O'Loughlin levelled the match when he defeated the Ennis side's 1985 captain Ml. Hanrahan. The match between the number 3s was a cliff hanger with Clarecastles Tony Chapman recording a 3-1 win over Dermot Delaney. CBS Eoin McMahon levelled the match again when he had a 3-0 win over Don Barrett. In the final game Clarecastles captain Pat Doran had a 3-1 win over Christy Woods to give the title to Clarecastle for the first time.

The only league to be decided now is the ladies confined and this will conclude at the end of March.

The monthly meeting of the Clare association will take place on this Thursday night when the draws for the Clare championship will be made. At the time of writing there was a disappointing entry but the numbers were expected to

increase before closing time. The competition will commence on Tuesday Mar. 18 and will conclude one week later, Tuesday, Mar. 25 when the associations annual buffet social will take place. The presentation of prizes will be performed at the function and tickets can be had from any of the committee members.

This Thursday's meeting will also finalise arrangements for the inter-firm competition which was postponed earlier in the season. Arrangements will also be made for the junior championships.

The final of the 7-Up sponsored Spring team league at the One Mile Inn takes place on Monday night next. The competition has been running for the past eight weeks and has proved very exciting.

Monday is also the closing date for entries for the clubs 'holiday' competition. This event proved very popular last season and with a valuable prize for both the winner of the ladies and gents events it should provide excellent entertainment. It will be a handicap comp. and a very big entry is expected.

Good Start to C

Clare opened the 1986 Munster handball champs. campaign at O'Callaghans Mills on Wednesday last with easy victories by Ollie McNamara, novice, and Dan Kirby, masters, over weak Tipperary opposition.

At Tralee on Saturday evening the CBSs Paul Conway had a 21-6 21-8 win over Kerrys M. O'Halloran in the junior singles. John Kennedy of Ennis CBS was surprisingly beaten in the novice singles by Kerrys B. Sweeney in straight games.

Highlight of the Tralee programme was the superb mas-

ters singles display by Tuamgraney's Jimmy Walsh against the reigning champ. Billy Kearns of Kerry. Walsh was somewhat unlucky to lose the first on a 21-13 scoreline. Scores were level on seven occasions to 16-16 in the second before Kearns went 18-16 ahead. Walsh refused to

EAR TO THE GROUND

MAKING NOISE

March 1986

SQUASH

CLARE FINALS ON TUESDAY

THE Clare squash championships got under way on Tuesday and will continue throughout the week, concluding on Tuesday next with the finals at the Auburn Lodge. Some great games are expected during the week and there should be good crowds at all venues.

The semi-finals of the championships will be decided on this Friday night at the Auburn Lodge and Clarecastle, while the plate semi-finals will be played on Saturday night at the same venues.

Following Tuesday's finals, the Clare Association's Annual Buffet Disco will be staged at the Auburn Lodge and tickets are available from any of the committee. The presentation of prizes will take place during this function.

Details of venues and times for all games in the championship are posted on all notice boards.

The Clare Association's annual junior championships will take place on Friday week (Good Friday) at the Ennis C.B.S. Club. There will be competitions for U/12, U/14, U/16 and U/19 boys and girls. All

competitors must be under the specified age on May 1 of this year. Entries for this event close this weekend.

The annual inter-firm competition will take place on April 11, 12 and 13 at Shannon and entries should be sent to Betty McMahon as soon as possible.

A big attendance was treated to two very entertaining games when the finals of the Ennis C.B.S. handicap competition were staged on Thursday night last. In the ladies decider, Caroline McDonnell was the winner when she had a 2-1 victory over Kathleen Lenihan. The mens final saw Seamus English score a 2-1 win over Gary Neary.

Meanwhile the handicap competitions at the Auburn Lodge and the One Mile Inn clubs continue with the Auburn Lodge event scheduled to end before Easter.

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Some of the finalists in the Clare squash champs. for 1986. Back row - l. to r. S. Heaslip, D. Coote, S. English, D. Maurer, sponsor, S. Hayes, S. Gleeson. Seated M. Bergin, M. Lynch, C. Enright, M. Lacheiner.

March 1986

Squash Champions Retain Titles

DEFENDING champions, Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus English, retained their Clare squash championship titles when the 1986 finals were staged at the Auburn Lodge Club on Tuesday night before a packed gallery. The competitions have been going on throughout the past week and once again proved to be the highlight of the Clare squash season.

This latest success by Margaret Lacheiner gives her a tenth successful championship title. Her opponent on Tuesday was Carmel Enright who was appearing in the decider for the first time and was obviously very nervous. Mrs. Lacheiner won comprehensively but Carmel Enright showed that she will be a force in the coming years. In the semi-finals on Friday last Miss Enright defeated Caroline McDonnell in a five-setter, while Mrs. Lacheiner accounted for Ann O'Dowd.

Seamus English won his third successive mens title when he beat Seamus Hayes on a 3-1 scoreline. Hayes got off to a great start but had to survive a strong fight back from English before taking the first game. English improved as the game wore

on and his superb retrieving was a feature of an entertaining contest. The former Rice College Ennis C.B.S. student is the first player to win the title on three successive years.

The mens B championship, run for the first time this year, was won by Joe Pender, who pipped Sean Gleeson in a five-set final. The mens B plate, played on Monday night, was won by Dermot McDonnell, who had a 3-2 win over Pat Doran. Sean Heaslip won the mens A plate beating Declan Coote 3-0, while the ladies A plate, which opened proceedings on Tuesday night was won by Mairead Bergin, who defeated Marie Lynch, 3-0.

At the C.S.T.A.'s annual function on Tuesday night, the ladies 'confined' league trophies were presented.

This competition, run for the first time this season, was won by the Auburn Lodge with St. Flannan's College in second place.

The Annual General Meeting of Clare squash will take place on Thursday, April 10 at the Auburn Lodge at 9 p.m. Motions from clubs should be forwarded to any of the officers as soon as possible but not later than April 9. Nominations for positions on the Committee should also be forwarded as soon as possible.

The annual inter-firm competition will take place on April 11 and 12 at the Shannon Diamond Club and entries should be forwarded to Betty McMahon not later than April 6.

The finals of the Auburn Lodge handicap competitions will take place on Thursday next, April 3, while a similar competition at the One Mile Inn gets under way this week.

Meanwhile all clubs are now organising their club championships and these should be completed over the next month.

The Annual Clare Junior Championships will be played on this Friday (Good Friday) at Ennis C.B.S. and St. Flannan's College. There will be competitions for boys U/12, boys U/14, boys U/16 and boys U/19.

The best of three games will decide all matches and each event will be completed on Friday.

The following is the first round draw:

U/12 (Commencing at 12 noon at Ennis C.B.S.): G. Burns v. D. Lynch; S. Heaney v. J. Healy; N. O'Halloran v. L. Frawley, with winner meeting M. Arkett; J. O'Shea v. K. Considine; E. Howard v. S. Keane; H. Hehir v. P. Kearney, with winner v. D. Logue; D. Cahill v. F. Barrett; E. Kelly v. B. Maurer with winner v. E. Flynn.

U/14 (Commencing at 10 a.m. at Ennis C.B.S.): N. Casey v. A. Coll; A. Fennell v. B. Lynch; B. Clune v. E. Heaney; S. McNamara v. T. McInerney with winner v. R. O'Reilly; K. Mulqueen v. J. Garvey; G. Warney v. R. Horgan; A. Minter v. A. Logue; D. Fitzpatrick v. N. Cosgrove; P. Kelly v. P. Hogan; C. Casey v. A. Butler; T. Griffin v. P. Collins; G. Sheridan v. N. Hogan; D. Cahill v. G. Flannery or R. Keane; B. Murphy v. B. Keating; R. Liddy v. D. Sheehan; H. Gallagher v. C. O'Shea.

U/16 (Commencing at 2 p.m. at Ennis C.B.S.): D. Kelly v. P. Haugh or M. Scanlan; F. O'Dowd v. S. O'Shea; N. O'Reilly v. D. McInerney or S. McGuire; R. McMahon v. B. Cosgrove; M. Torpey v. K. Naughton or F. O'Loughlin; F. Haier v. G. Cahill; P. Daly v. N. Carmody or D. McNamara; C. Sheridan or C. Keating v. M. Cahill.

U/19 (Commencing at 10 a.m. at St. Flannan's College): S. Howard v. A. Neville, winner v. C. Connery; K. O'Brien v. G. Logue; G. Casey or J. Considine v. T. O'Halloran; D. McSweeney or A. Daly v. G. Gleeson.

Full details of the draw and times of games are on the notice board at Ennis C.B.S. and further information can be had from junior coordinator, Jack Keane.



March 1986

FINALS NEXT WEEK

Club championships are nearing conclusion in all clubs at present and in fact some clubs have completed their competitions for the season.

The Ennis CBS championships are in full swing at present and will conclude on Saturday week. The finals will be followed by the club's annual social and presentation of prizes and tickets are available from any of the committee.

In the Mens A championship

New Solicitor Welcomed

Mr. Paul Lynch, Solr., who recently commenced his own practice in Ennis was

Seamus English plays Jackie Hynes while Tony Lynch meets Seamus Hayes in the semi-finals while in the ladies competition Caroline McDonnell remains the favourite to win the title.

The Auburn Lodge championship finals will take place on Thursday next, May 1 and here the mens final will see Seamus Hayes play either Tony Lynch or Denis Maurer. The ladies final will be between Fiona Nugent and Caroline McDonnell.

The One Mile Inn finals will be decided on Tuesday night next, and these championships are being run off each night this week. The holiday handicap finals were decided on Thursday night last when Margaret Lacheiner had a convincing win over Bridie O'Flaherty while Ger Browne took the mens title at the expense of Seamus Hayes.

The St. Flannans College finals were decided on Friday last and there was a surprise in the mens section when Michael Neylon had a comprehensive win over Mickey O'Sullivan. In the Kildysart finals which were also played last week Michael O'Connell won the mens title beating Jimmy O'Dea in the final.

April 1986

Squash competitions conclude

ALL competitions in Clare squash will be concluded inside the next two weeks with the various club championships in the final stages at present.

The Auburn Lodge's clubs programme for the year will conclude on this Thursday night with the finals of their Harp Lager club championships. Four finals will be played beginning with the Mens Div. II and followed by the Mens Div. I play; Ladies Div. I and Mens Div. I championships. The ladies final brings Caroline McDonnell and Fiona Nugent into opposition, while the mens decider will be between Seamus Hayes and either Tony Lynch or Denis Maurer. The finals will be followed by a social evening.

The Ennis C.B.S. finals will take place on Saturday night and here again Caroline McDonnell will be the favourite for the ladies title.

Seamus English will start as favourite for the mens title against either Seamus Hayes or Tony Lynch. The club's annual social and presentation of prizes will follow.

On Tuesday next it will be the turn of the One Mile Inn club to stage their finals and here again there should be some great games. The presentation of prizes will take place at a social after the games.

The Newmarket club championships are now in full swing and young U/14 star, Michael Torpey is doing well and is continuing to show good form. Joe Pender and Dermot O'Hanlon are fancied to qualify for the final.

May 1986

SQUASH :

Season ends on high note

THERE was some excellent squash during the past week as a number of clubs concluded their competitions for the season with their championship finals.

At the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night last the club staged five finals which were jointly sponsored by Harp and McMahan's of Ennis. Sue O'Sullivan, Aidan Feore, Michael Mullins, Caroline McDonnell and Seamus Hayes were the winners and the finals were followed by a most enjoyable social at which the presentation of prizes took place.

The full results are: Mens Div. I — Seamus Hayes beat Tony Lynch 3/1; Ladies Div. I: Caroline McDonnell beat Fiona Nugent 3/1; Mens Div. II: Aidan Feore beat John O'Shaughnessy; Ladies Div. II: Sue O'Sullivan beat Germaine Noonan; Mens Div. I Plate: Michael Mullins beat Mick Hennessy.

The Ennis C.B.S. club staged their finals on Saturday and here again there were some excellent games. The mens division 1 final was deferred due to an injury to Seamus Hayes, who was to play Seamus English. It is expected that the game will be played next week.

Caroline McDonnell completed a great week by winning the Div. I title at the expense of Kathleen Lenihan. Dermot McDonnell made it a

great occasion for the McDonnell family when he won the Mens Div. II final, beating Ger Browne on a 3/2 scoreline after a great game.

The results are: Mens Div. I Plate: Jack Keane beat Gary Neary; Div. II Champ.: Dermot McDonnell beat Ger Browne; Div. II Plate: John Costin beat Mickey O'Sullivan; Div. III Champ.: Jimmy Kelly beat Tony Kelly; Div. III Plate: Paddy Flannery beat J. J. Fahy; Ladies - Div. I: Caroline McDonnell beat Kathleen Lenihan; Div. I Plate: Marcela Griffin beat Noreen Murphy; Div. II Champ.: Celia O'Reilly beat Isobel Stokes; Div. II Plate: Mary Murphy beat Aine Reidy.

Kildysart Squash Club completed a tremendously successful season with the finals of their club championships recently. Over forty took part in these competitions. Michael O'Connell took the Mens Div. I title for the second time when he beat Jimmy O'Dea with Pat Lorrigan third and Pat Power fourth.

Div. II was won by K. O'Donnell, who beat D. Moloney in the final, with S. Cleary third and T. Griffin in fourth place.

In the ladies final Eileen

O'Neill won her second successive title when beating Valerie Corry with C. O'Donoghue third and L. O'Donoghue in fourth position. Again this year the prizes were sponsored by Michael O'Connell, Cahercon.

The Newmarket club championship will conclude on this Friday night and a great game is expected between Joe Pender and Dermot O'Hanlon. In the semi-finals, Pender accounted for Stephen Flanagan, while O'Hanlon proved too strong for Con Woods. Friday's final will be at 8.30 p.m.

The One Mile Inn club finals on Tuesday night were also highly successful. The mens division I final between Gerry Bredin and the holder Seamus Hayes will be played next week. The results of the other finals are: Mens Div. II: Seamus Howard beat Ken O'Farrell; Div. II Plate: Michael Carmody beat Tom Malone; Ladies Plate: Teresa Hehir beat Bernie Griffin; Ladies Champ.: Margaret Lacheiner beat Ann O'Dowd.

During the social function which followed, a special presentation was made by Club Chairman, Jim O'Dowd to Margaret Lacheiner in recognition of her achievement in winning the Clare Ladies Championship for the tenth consecutive year.

The Annual General Meeting of the club will be held on Tuesday night next at 9 p.m. and not on Monday as was previously announced.



Pictured after the finals of the Ennis CBS championships were (from left): John Costin, Chairman; Martin Coffey, Trustees Savings Bank (sponsors); Seamus English, Dermot McDonnell, Ger Browne, Isobel Stokes, Caroline McDonnell, Kathleen Lenihan, Jack Keane, Gary Neary and Seamus Hayes, President C.S.R.A.

May 1986

ENNIS C.B.S.

THE highlights of the 1985-86 season for the Ennis C.B.S. Club were the successes of the club's team in the Inter-Club Blitz and the victory of Seamus English in the Clare championship when he recorded his third successive victory in the competition.

The 1986-87 season will get under way with a blitz in mid October. Also commencing in October and running throughout the Winter months will be a series of individual monthly leagues with prizes on offer at the end of the season for the various categories.

Great emphasis will be placed on coaching during the new season and members and intending members will be glad to hear that the subscriptions for the year will remain the same as last year—Single £50; husband and wife £80. Badminton facilities will also be available in the C.B.S. Hall on Monday and Wednesday nights.

The officers for the coming season are: Chairman, John Costin; Secretary, Patsy Hanrahan; Treasurer, Jimmy Kelly; P.R.O., Jackie Hynes.

Another Title for O.M.I. Ladies

THE One Mile Inn ladies squash team won the Limerick Division II league title last week. The competition has been running since September and going into last week's final game against the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club at Limerick the Ennis side needed just one point to secure victory. Although beaten on the night they collected nine points to secure a comfortable win in the competition. They were unbeaten in all their other games.

This was a deserved success for the Ennis side who have shown tremendous commitment in recent seasons. They trained particularly hard for this competition under club coach Michael O'Connell. The members of the winning panel were Margaret Lacheiner, Jan Davis, Ann O'Dowd, Bridie O'Flaherty, Teresa Hehir, Teresa Corbett and Mary Hennessy.

It's proving to be a very successful season for the One Mile club to date as last Wednesday they retained the Clare Division I mixed title when they had a 3-2 win over Ennis C.B.S. The sides have still to meet in an outstanding game but irrespective of the outcome here the One Mile are the champions. Second place rests between Ennis C.B.S. and the Auburn Lodge.

The results of last week's game are as follows: (One Mile names first): A. O'Dowd beat M. Griffin 3-0; M. Lacheiner beat C. McDonnell 3-0; D. Hassett lost to Mick

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Conlon 1-3; S. Howard lost to T. Lynch 1-3 and S. Hayes beat S. English 3-1. Other members of the successful One Mile Inn panel were G. Bredin, J. Davis and B. O'Flaherty.

Kilkee continue to lead the way in the Ladies Division II and are unbeaten to date. It will be a big surprise if they fail to win the crown. There is a great race for the runners-up spot with One Mile Inn, Auburn Lodge, Shannon Diamond and Ennis C.B.S. in contention.

The Mens and Ladies Division I individual leagues are in full swing at present and will continue until December 19 when both finals will be played at the Auburn Lodge. There were two big surprises in the mens competition last week when Tony Lillis and Denis Maurer were beaten by Joe Griffin and Jackie Hynes respectively.

Both the Ladies and Mens Division IV team leagues get under way this week. Four teams will battle it out for honours in the ladies section while the mens event nine teams divided into three sections will take part. Ennistymon will make their debut in Clare competition when they take part in the Mens Division IV event.

The One Mile Inn club captured another title this week when they won the mens division 2 league crown. The title rested between O.M.I. and Ennis C.B.S. with the teams on level points when they met in the final game of the league at the One Mile Inn on Monday

night. Its fair to say that this game proved to be one of the most exciting and entertaining in the history of the league and the big crowd present had to wait until the final match before the outcome was known.

Kevin McDonnell got the C.B.S. side off to a great start when he pipped Darren Kelly, who, just last week, won the Munster open under 16 B title at Limerick. McDonnell won on a 3/2 scoreline. Con Woods levelled the match for the One Mile when he had a 3/1 win over Eoin McMahon. The C.B.S. went back in front when Eric Hanrahan had a 3/1 win over Ger Browne with just two matches to play. Joe Griffin tied up matters again when he had a 3/0 win over John Costin and this left everything to play for between Donal Hassett of the One Mile and Jackie Hynes of the C.B.S. Hassett's greater fitness proved vital as he turned in a tremendous display to win 3/0 and ensure success for the One Mile side who were runners up in this competition for the past two years.

The other members of the One Mile panel were Jim O'Dowd and Aidan Feore while Ken O'Farrell was the C.B.S. reserve.

The Ennis C.B.S. club ran a very successful blitz competition last week which was won by the team comprising of Mike Conlon, Jim Hennessy, Frank McEnery, Noreen Murphy and Aine Reidy. The runners-up were Tomas English, Eoin McMahon, J. J. Tobin, Caroline McDonnell and Mgt. Conlon. The competition was sponsored by the Sherwood Inn.

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More honours for Clare squash

The high standing of Clare squash in the Province was further enhanced when the Munster close championships were held at the Gleneagle Hotel in Killarney last week-end. Clare players qualified for the finals of the men's B, C and D sections where they captured two of the titles on offer.

Clare champion, Seamus English won the B crown when he defeated Irish international ladies star, Marjorie Burke in the final. Miss Burke who won the ladies A title regularly plays in the mens B grades in most tournaments. Recently she beat English in Galway but the Ennis C.B.S. player made no mistake this time to win on a 3/1 scoreline.

Seamus Howard from the One Mile Inn qualified for the mens C final in which he lost on a 3/1 scoreline to Con Murphy. Mike Conlon of Ennis C.B.S. lost to Murphy on a 3/2 scoreline in the semi-final.

The mens D final was an all One Mile Inn affair with Joe Griffin defeating Ger Browne in the decider. Browne had earlier defeated Donal Hassett in the second round.

Caroline McDonnell was the

for the semi-finals alive. Ennistymon need to win against Kilkee and this should be very close while the Auburn Lodge will be chasing a win against unbeaten Shannon Diamond A. The league section of this event will conclude on Friday week when the top four teams will qualify for the semi-finals.

Competition within the various clubs is very keen at present. The final of the Autumn league takes place at the One Mile Inn this week with teams captained by Joe Griffin and Seamus Howard meeting in the decider. Also at the One Mile Inn this week club members will play in a major blitz in aid of the mammogram unit at Ennis General Hospital.

The autumn league at the Auburn Lodge is in full swing and by the end of next week

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in the decision. Browne had earlier defeated Donal Hassett in the second round.

Caroline McDonnell was the only Clare lady to play in the competition and she was in the A grade. She put up a tremendous performance in the first round when she was a little unlucky to lose to Deirdre Lenihan of Mallon Mallow on a 3/2 scoreline. On Saturday evening she bowed out of the plate event again after another very good display.

Arrangements are now being made for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open championships which will take place in Ennis on February 13, 14 and 15 next.

In the men's division 4 league there are a number of vital games down for decision on this Friday night. Kildysart will be seeking a convincing win over the One Mile Inn to keep their hopes of qualifying

alive. The autumn league at the Auburn Lodge is in full swing and by the end of next week there should be a clear picture as to who the likely winners will be. The club's Christmas disco will take place on Thursday, December 18 when the presentation of prizes will take place.

Ennis C.B.S.' club ladder competition is proving very exciting and is ensuring lots of competition each week. The club's Christmas function will be on Friday, December 19.

The annual Harp handicap tournament at the One Mile Inn gets under way this weekend and the final will be on Wednesday 17 and will be followed by the club's annual Christmas party at which the presentation of prizes for a number of competitions including the Autumn league will take place.

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Senior League Finals This Thursday

THE finals of the Clare senior individual leagues will take place on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge, commencing at 7 p.m. In the ladies final Caroline McDonnell will meet Fiona Nugent. In last week's semi-finals Miss McDonnell defeated Teresa Corbett while Miss Nugent ousted Ann O'Dowd. Teresa Corbett and Ann O'Dowd will meet in the playoff for third and fourth places and this game will open the four-match programme at 7 p.m.

In the mens final Denis Maurer will take on Seamus Hayes, while in the playoff for third and fourth places Mike Conlon will meet Jack Keane.

The finals of the annual Harp handicap competitions at the One Mile Inn were due to be played last night, Wednesday. At the time of writing Seamus Hayes, chasing a fourth successive title, had qualified for the final in which he was due to meet either Donal Hassett or Seamus Howard. Hayes plays off —25 with Hassett on —4 and Howard on —10.

The ladies final will be between Margaret Lacheiner (—15) and Teresa Corbett (—5). In the semi-finals Mrs. Lacheiner beat Ann O'Dowd, while her final opponent accounted for Teresa Hehir in a very close contest.

On Monday night last at the Auburn Lodge a Clare selection without flu victim Seamus English and the unavailable Tony Lynch scored a 5-2 win over a Limerick selection in a very entertaining game. The Clare winners were Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer, Tony Lillis, Jack Keane and Ger Browne, while Mick Conlon and Joe Griffin were unlucky to lose narrowly. A return match will take place in Limerick on Monday, January 12.

The Ennis C.B.S. club's

Christmas blitz will take place on this Thursday and Friday nights and again a huge entry is expected. Competitions in the club are being well supported this season and there will be at least eight teams for the blitz.

After the finals on Friday night the club Annual Christmas Party will take place and during the evening the presentation of prizes for recent competitions will be made.

The Molex Squash Club recently held a very successful Christmas blitz at the Clarecastle complex. The final was an extremely close affair with only one point separating the teams at the final. In fact, going into the very last game the position was that Jackie Hynes had to beat Malcolm Simpson 15-0 if his team were to win. Ennis C.B.S. man, Jackie responded magnificently to the challenge and so gave his team victory on a score of 57 pts. to 56.

The members of the winning team were W. O'Brien (Capt.), A. Murphy, M. Beegan, J. O'Connor, N. McNamara and J. Hynes, while the runners-up comprised of A. Geraghty (Capt.), J. Cosgrove, M. Allen, S. Fox, A. Looney and M. Simpson.

The Auburn Lodge Club will hold its Annual Christmas disco on this Thursday night and highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Auburn league prizes. The final round of this competition

takes place this week and it has proved very successful.

The Shannon Diamond Club held its Annual Christmas Party on Tuesday night last, at which prizes for recent competitions were presented. The Shannon club is having an extremely successful season both within the club and in Clare events and Tuesday night's function was again a great success.

From an original entry of nine teams, four remain in contention for the Clare title in the mens division four competition. The semi-final pairings will see the Auburn Lodge take on Kilkee at Lissycasey, while Shannon Diamond will play Lissycasey at Clarecastle. The final will take place on Friday night at Clarecastle commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Entries for the mens and ladies Div. III and confined leagues are now being accepted and the closing date for receipt of all entries is January 3. All four leagues will get underway in mid-January and a big number of teams are expected to take part in the competitions.

St. Flannans College squash club captured their first Clare team title last week when they were victorious in the ladies div. 4 league. Although losing on a 2-3 scoreline in their final match to Ennis CBS, St. Flannans picked up sufficient points to capture the title and record a narrow win over Ennis CBS in what was a most successful league. The members of the winning squad were Francis Browne, Deirdre Shalvey, Evelyn Lyons, Therese Lillis, Angela McMahon, Maureen Griffin and Mary Gleeson.

Ennis CBS win Div. 3 Title

Ennis CBS captured the Clare ladies div. 3 squash league title on Monday night last. The CBS side were seven points ahead of their nearest rivals St. Flannans going into Monday nights last round and they held on by just 2 points, to take the crown from the Flannans side who finished in runners-up spot.

The members of the winning team were Isobel Stokes, Francis Davitt, Ann Marie Canny, capt., Mary Murphy, Marie Hogan, Maureen O'Callaghan and Aine Reidy.

St. Flannans team comprised of Bernie Tobin, capt., Francis Browne, Deirdre Shelvev, Evelyn Lyons, Teresa Lillis, Mary Gleeson, Angela McMahon.

After last Friday's final round of games in the mens division 3 league the way was cleared for the semi-finals which produced the following pairings: Ennis CBS v Shannon Diamond and Clarecastle v Kilkee. The final will take place on Tuesday night next at the Auburn Lodge commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The semi-finals of the mens 'confined' league will take place on this Friday night. Ennistymon take on Kildysart at the One Mile Inn while Clarecastle will meet Lissycasey at St. Flannans with both matches starting at 7.30 p.m. The final will be on Friday week at a venue to be decided this week-end.

Ennistymon continue to

lead the ladies confined league and it will be a major surprise if they fail to capture the honours for the first time. Arrangements for the Clare championships will be announced this week-end and its expected that the competition will commence on March 23 and conclude ten days later.

This week-end a number of Clare players will be travelling to Galway for the Connacht open champs. Meanwhile the One Mile Inn club travel to the Gleneagle club in Killarney for what promises to be an enjoyable week-end. There will be a squash game against a Kerry side as well as golf.

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Ennis C.B.S., winners of the Div. 3 squash ladies title last week. Back row (left to right) Mary Murphy, Maureen O'Callaghan and Isobel Stokes. Front (left to right) Marie Hogan, Anne Marie Canny and Frances Davitt.

March 1987

NEW CHAMPIONS CROWNED

The Clare squash championships, which proved most successful, concluded on Friday last at the Auburn Lodge club when new champions were crowned in both the ladies and mens sections. The championships which were well supported, attracted big numbers of spectators throughout the past week and there was a capacity attendance on Friday for the finals.

Caroline McDonnell and Tony Lynch are the new champions. They captured their first titles when beating Betty McMahon and Seamus Hayes on 3/1 scorelines. Both winners lost the opening games but rallied to take control and deservingly take the prestigious Maurer Jewellers shields.

The division two titles were won by Joe Griffin and Teresa Hogan and they beat Eoin McMahon and Isobel Stokes in the finals. The inaugural mens Division 3 title was won by Ennistymon's Johnnie Reynolds who beat Finbarr McMahon from Lissycasey in the decider. This is certainly a great achievement for Reynolds who is only in his first year in competitive squash.

The 'plate' finals, sponsored

by Syntex Ireland Ltd. were decided on Thursday night and here there were some great games. Mike Conlon had a 3/1 win over Joe Pender in the mens A while the ladies A was won by Mairead Bergin who proved too strong for Mary Carey. Both of the division 2 finals provided excellent fare with each match going the full distance. Ger Browne beat Pat O'Shea while Anne Marie Canny overcame Evelyn Lyons, both going to 10-8 in the fifth game. The division 3 plate title resulted in victory for Seamus Kelly over Zahid Niazi.

The presentation of prizes took place at a social function in the Auburn Lodge after Friday's finals. The presentations were made by Denis Maurer of the sponsoring firm who congratulated all finalists

and the members of the Clare Squash Association for their work in promoting the game.

The annual Clare junior championships will take place on this Friday at the Ennis C.B.S. club when there will be competition for under 12, 14, 16 and 19 players. Details can be had from the Clare junior squash co-ordinator Jack Keane.

The annual general meeting of Clare Squash will take place at the Auburn Lodge on Friday week, April 24 at 9 p.m. Nominations and/or motions should be with the secretary, Maura Hanrahan by Wednesday, April 22.



April 1987

Squash Finals at Ennis C.B.S.

The finals of the Ennis CBS squash club champs. will take place on this Friday and some great games are expected. The mens A decider will be between Seamus English and Tony Lynch and this should be a cracker. English struggled to win his semi-final against Sean Gleeson while Lynch had a 3/0 win over Mike Conlon. In the ladies final Caroline McDonnell will play either Margaret Flanagan or Kathleen Lenihan. The mens B final will be between Eoin McMahon/Ken O'Farrell and Eric Hanrahan/Ger Browne. The prizes will be presented at a function which will take place afterwards.

The mens handicap final was decided at the club last

week and here Jack Keane pipped Eric Hanrahan 2-1; Keane won the first 15-14 while Hanrahan won the second 15-14 before Keane took the vital third on a 15-11 scoreline.

The Auburn Lodge club finals were held on Wednesday night last when Seamus Hayes retained the mens A title with a narrow win over Tony Lillis in a most enjoyable game. The mens A plate title was won by Dermot O'Hanlon who beat Mick Meagher while the div. 2 title went to Tony Fenton who overcame Ml. Neylon. Eileen Holly won the ladies final when she beat Maura Hanrahan.

May 1987

SQUASH:

FAVOURITES WIN

There were no surprises when the finals of the Ennis C.B.S. squash championships were staged on Friday night last. In the mens final between Seamus English and Tony Lynch, English justified favouritism when winning on a 3-1 scoreline while in the ladies decider Caroline McDonnell completed a memorable season when she beat Kathleen Lenihan on a 3-0 scoreline. The mens division 2 title was won by Eric Hanrahan when he had a 3-0 win over Ken O'Farrell.

The Ennistymon club completed their first ever club championships on Friday last and here again the favourites won the main events. Johnnie Reynolds, winner of the inaugural Clare C championship earlier this year, had a 3-1 win over Jim Crosse in a moist enjoyable contest. In the ladies decider Catherine Lane scored a 3-0 win over Teresa McNamara.

May 1987

ENNIS C.B.S.

THE HIGHLIGHT of the 1986-'87 season was the double victory of Caroline McDonnell and Tony Lynch in the Clare championships. This marked the first time that both titles came to the club in the same season. We also won the Clare ladies division 3 title and the inter-club blitz crown.

It is planned to continue blitzes on a monthly basis and also to continue with the winter league ladder, run on a scoring and number of games basis, which proved an outstanding success last season. Quite a number of members entered the various County Open championships which provided great competition and undoubtedly raised their standard of play.

Coaching continues at all levels from school age to the higher ranks with the more experienced players giving freely of their time and efforts. The fee for the coming season will remain the same as in the past two years—i.e. Single £50; Husband and wife £80.

The officers for the 1986/'87 season are: Chairman, John Costin; Secretary, Patsy Hanrahan; Treasurer, Jimmy Kelly; P.R.O., Jackie Hynes.

SQUASH:

Great Battle for League Honours

The Clare leagues are in full swing right now and it looks as if there will be some great battles for honours.

In the senior team league, the holders One Mile Inn hold a slender lead at the half way stage. Last week they had a 3-2 win over Ennis CBS who are in second place with the Auburn Lodge in third position. All points are vital at this stage and while the One Mile Inn may appear to hold a slight advantage because of their narrow lead, there are many who fancy the CBS for honours.

In the ladies div. 3 Ennis CBS and Ennistymon are level on points and they meet this

week to complete the first half of the competition. The mens div. 3 is proving to be equally exciting with Kilkee, Ennis CBS, Ennistymon, One Mile Inn, Auburn Lodge and Shannon Diamond all very much in the running for the semi-final places.

The AGM of the Ennis CBS club was held last week when the popular Jackie Hynes was appointed as chairman. Mike Conlon is the new sec., with Tomas English appointed as treasurer. The new chairman has already announced details of competitions for the coming weeks. The ladder competition which was such a success

last season will get under way immediately and there will be a blitz, sponsored by O'Sullivan and Hansbury Car Sales, on Nov. 12. Coaching sessions will be conducted each Sunday evening at 6 p.m. when special attention will be paid to beginners.

The Clare individual leagues are nearing the half way stage and to date there have been no major surprises. Denis Maurer had to pull out all the stops to beat Jackie Hynes on a 3-2 score last week. Hynes won the corresponding game last season. Eoin McMahon is going great guns in his first season in senior ranks and to date has full points.

The mens and ladies 'confined' leagues will get under way in two weeks time and its expected that all clubs in Clare will compete in these grades which are for novice players. Entries should be sent to Maura Hanrahan or Finbarr McMahon immediately.

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Oct 1987

THREE IN-A-ROW FOR ONE MILE INN

THE One Mile Inn captured the Clare senior (mixed) squash league for the third year in succession when they beat Ennis C.B.S. in the final game of the league at the One Mile Inn on Wednesday night last. Going into the game the Mile were 17 points clear and needed just four to be sure of retaining the crown. On the night they scored a comprehensive victory.

Ennis C.B.S. held off a great late rally by the Auburn lodge to capture the runners-up awards. The Auburn collected a full twenty points in their last outings to come second the C.B.S. had to be confined to 3 points which didn't happen.

The members of the One Mile Inn team were Seamus Hayes, Seamus Howard, Joe

tion is 'wide open' with any of the four teams capable of winning but at this stage Ennis C.B.S. are the slight favourites.

The senior individual leagues are nearing the semi-final stage and all participants are reminded that all results must be submitted by November 25. The top two players on points at this date, in each section, will qualify for the semi-finals which take place on November 30.

The 'confined' leagues for men and women got under way in the past week and will continue until mid December.

The draw for the first One Mile Inn open tournament which takes place on Friday, Saturday and Sunday week will be made this week-end. There will be a number of grades for both men and women and entries should be

sent to club Chairman Ger Browne as quickly as possible. It promises to be a great week-end and the active committee members have secured valuable sponsorship while entertainment has also been arranged.

The Ennis C.B.S. club will hold a blitz competition sponsored by O'Sullivan and Hansbury Car Sales on this Thursday night. A big entry has been received and it should be a very enjoyable competition.

The Auburn Lodge ladder competition, the winner of which will receive a television, is at the half-way stage. This is proving to be a most exciting competition. At the half-way stage there will be promotion and relegation between the various groups. Each player has to play one game a week and the event will conclude in mid December.

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Hayes, Seamus Howard, Joe Griffin, Margaret Lacheiner and Ann O'Dowd while Darren Kelly and Jan Davis played in earlier rounds. The C.B.S. team comprised of Seamus and Tomas English, Mike Conlon, Caroline McDonnell and Margaret Flanagan.

The Ladies Division 3 League will conclude on this Friday night and the title rests between Ennistymon and Ennis C.B.S. The North Clare girls, playing in this grade for the first time, are the favourites as they hold an eleven point lead going into this tie but the C.B.S. will be very hard to beat, especially at home. It should be a thrilling finish to an entertaining league.

The Mens Division 3 has reached the semi-final stage and through to the last four are Ennistymon, Ennis C.B.S., Kilkee and One Mile Inn. The pairings are Ennis C.B.S. v Ennistymon at Clarecastle and One Mile Inn v Kilkee at Ennis C.B.S. Both games will be on Monday next at 7.30 with the final on Monday week at the Auburn Lodge. This competi-

Nov 1987

Another title for One Mile Inn

The 1987-'88 squash season is fast becoming the most successful ever in the history of the one Mile Inn club, the oldest club in Clare squash. On Monday night of this week they picked up their third title of the season when they captured the mens div. 3 crown at the expense of Ennis CBS. This was one of the most successful leagues run by the SCRA and both sides had to pull out all the stops to get to the final.

The big attendance were treated to some fine squash on Monday night at the Auburn Lodge complex. The CBS got off to a winning start when Michael Hanrahan beat Michael Clancy in the opening game. This was followed by a

thrilling contest between Margaret Lacheiner and Caroline McDonnell. Miss McDonnell won the first game but Mrs. Lacheiner levelled when winning the second after trailing 6-8. Mrs. Lacheiner then took the lead when she won the third but the match was all square when the CBS player won the fourth. Caroline McDonnell quickly raced into a 6-0 lead in the final game but the experienced Mrs. Lacheiner battled back to win and level the final.

Tony McMahon gave the One Mile Inn the lead when he beat Pascal Looney on a 3-1 scoreline and the title was destined for the One Mile Inn when Jimmy O'Dea had a 3-1 win over Frank McEnery. The respective captains Mr. Griffin, One Mile Inn and J. J. Tobin, C.B.S., did not have to play.

The One Mile Inn's victory came just twenty four hours after the completion of their inaugural 'open' tournament which was a major success.

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This week-end the curtain goes up on Scor na nOg with competitions at three venues.

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The details are as follows:
 Mens A champ. - S. English, Ennis CBS; beat T. Treacy, Cath. Inst. 3-1; Ladies A champ - C. McDonnell, Ennis CBS beat T. Hehir, OMI, 3-0; Mens B champ. - D. Kelly, OMI beat M. Meere OMI, 3-0; Ladies B champ. - B. Griffin OMI beat K. Lane, Ennistymon 3-1; Mens C.- J. Culligan, Sh. Diam. beat M. Molloy, St. Flannans 3-1; Mens A plate - M. Conlon, Ennis CBS beat S. Gleeson, Sh. Diam. 3-0; Ladies A plate - A. O'Dowd OMI beat L. Moyles OMI 3-2; Mens B plate - M. Carmody OMI beat A. Feore OMI 3-1; Ladies B plate - G. Cahill OMI beat T. McNamara, Ennistymon 3-0; Mens C. plate - F. McMahon Lissycasey beat P. Kenneally OMI 3-0.

The C and C. sponsored Munster Close champ. will take place in Tralee and Kilarney this week-end and there will be a number of Clare players taking part. Amongst those travelling to Kerry for the event are Mike Conlon, Caroline McDonnell, Margaret Flanagan, (all Ennis CBS) Seamus Howard and Ger Browne (One Mile Inn).

Nov 1987

Mike Conlon in Top Form

Ennis C.B.S. player, Mike Conlon - he is also the club secretary - is hitting the headlines in the squash competition at present. On this Friday night he will be competing in the senior individual league semi-final. He won his group in the competition with a decisive win over Denis Maurer last week. This was Conlon's first win over Maurer.

Last week-end he travelled to Killarney to compete in the C & C sponsored Munster close champ., where he continued to show excellent form. He was an impressive winner of the C section beating Corks Willie O'Regan in the final on a 3-1 scoreline. This was the only game Conlon dropped on his way to victory.

Earlier O'Regan had knocked out Ger Brawne

While the mens comp., is proving to be very close the odds favour Ennis CBS and Shannon Diamond to qualify for the final. Both leagues will conclude before Christmas.

C.B.S. FUNCTION

The Ennis CBS annual Christmas turkey supper function will take place on

Fri. Dec. 11 and will be a very big affair as expected. The Christmas turkey supper in conjunction with the function will be a representation of the club's place. Tickets for the function can be had from committee members.

AUTUMN LEAGUE

The annual league at the Gae Mhara club has reached the final stage. The match will be played on Thursday night with the Ennis CBS team. The competition is sponsored by Fosters Beer and great games are expected in the battle for the valuable prizes.

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knocked out Ger Browne from the One Mile Inn in the second round. Seamus Howard took part in the mens B section in which he was beaten in the opening round. In the plate comp't., he progressed to the semi-final before making his exit.

Caroline McDonnell reached the semi-final of the ladies B before losing to the eventual winner, while Magt. Flanagan went out in the second round of the ladies C grade.

The ladies individual league semi-final pairings are: Carmel Enright v Lil Moyles, A. O'Dowd v M. Bergin. Both these games will be played on this Thurs. night at the Auburn Lodge. At the same venue, twenty four hours later, the mens semi-finals will provide the following pairings: Mike Conlon v S. Howard, S. Hayes v D. Maurer.

The Clare 'confined' leagues are now at the half way stage and are proving entertaining. In the ladies competition Killeen are the leaders from the Auburn Lodge and the meeting of those sides in the final game on Wednesday next is likely to decide the champion.

Dec 1987

NOVICE TITLES FOR ENNISTYMON AND KILKEE

THE Clare 'confined' leagues (novice) concluded at the week-end with Kilkee and Ennistymon taking the honours. Kilkee, who had led throughout secured the ladies crown when they travelled to the Auburn Lodge and beat the home side on a 3-2 scoreline. it was a great victory for the Kilkee girls who were coached by Paul Costelloe and after the game they were presented with their prizes by Clare squash secretary Maura Hanrahan. The members of the victorious Kilkee outfit were Catherine O'Connor, Caroline Bermingham, Josephine Thornton, Imelda Murray and Marian Haugh.

The mens final took place on Monday night between Ennistymon and Kildysart. The final round of games in the league section concluded on Thursday night last and there were some surprises. Shannon Diamond looked odds on to reach the final going into their last game but they were well beaten by Kildysart and this was enough to put the Kildysart side into the final.

In the other section it was much closer but Ennis C.B.S. were fancied to qualify. However Ennistymon were deserving winners on the night and qualified for the decider. There was some good squash in Monday's final before Ennistymon emerged as winners. The North Clare club were the holders of this title and Monday's victory was all the more

praiseworthy in view of the fact that they had to field a new team this year.

Members of the winning panel were Mark Burke, John Flaherty, Colm Hammond, Enda Byrt, Michael Concannon, Liam O'Mara and Noel Lane. The runners-up panel comprised of Noel Cusack, John Guinnane, Kieran O'Donnell, Tommy Ayers, Donal Kelly, Sean Casey and Donal Moloney.

The prizes were presented by the president of Clare Squash, Dermot O'Hanlon.

Entries for the Division 2 and 4 Leagues (ladies and men) must be with the respective league secretaries by January 5 which is also the closing date for entries for the annual inter-club blitz. Details

of all of these have been sent to all club secretaries.

The Fosters Autumn League at the One Mile Inn concluded on Thursday night last and after a great battle the team comprising of Seamus Howard, Michael Griffin, Paddy commane, Kieran Browne, Lil Moyles and Marian Barry emerged as winners with just one point to spare. The runners-up were Joe Griffin, Aidan Feore, Gerard O'Gorman, Gerry Casey, Teresa Hehir and Collette Kelly.

The prizes will be presented at the club's annual Christmas party which takes place on this Thursday night. It will be preceded by the annual Christmas blitz which is also sponsored by Fosters.

The Banner Cars sponsored Christmas blitz at the Ennis

C.B.S. club was a great success last week-end. The winners were Dermot and Kevin McDonnell, Pat Stafford, Sylvie Carroll and Francis Devitt. The runners-up were Jackie Hynes, John Coughlan, Caroline McDonnell, Marie Hogan and Antoinette Kennedy. The prizes were presented at the club's annual Christmas Social which took place on Friday night and which was a huge success.

The Auburn Lodge will hold their Christmas function on this Thursday night after their annual Christmas blitz which has attracted a big entry. The prizes will be presented at the function when the highlight of the evening should be the presentation of the prizes for the ladder competition which has been running since the beginning of October. The competition concludes this week and at the time of writing six players were in contention for the main prize.

**Kilfenora Football Club
A.G.M.
Sunday, December 20th
At Community Centre,
Kilfenora
Commencing 3 p.m.**

Dec 1987

Another Title for One mile Inn

The One mile Inn squash club, after a lapse of two years, regained the Clare inter club blitz title when the competition was played at the Auburn Lodge complex on Saturday last. Six teams representing four clubs took part in what proved a most enjoyable competition.

Holders Ennis CBS were chasing their third title in a row and despite a tremendous effort by their captain Seamus English they had to be content with the runners-up spot. On the way to the final they accounted for the One Mile Inn B and the Auburn Lodge A sides. The One Mile Inn A side defeated Shannon Diamond in the semi-final after the Shannon side had knocked out the Auburn Lodge B team in the opening round.

After the competition the prizes were presented by the deputy president of the C.S.R.A., Mike Conlon. The Ennis CBS team comprised of S. English, D. Moloney, J. J. Tobin, C. McDonnell and S. Carroll while the winners comprised of S. Hayes, D. Kelly, M. Griffin, L. Moyles and B. Griffin.

The mens and ladies div. 4 leagues got under way on Thursday last while on Monday the ladies div. 2 kicked off. On Wed., of this week the mens div. 2 got under way. These four leagues will continue until early March.

Entry forms for the forthcoming Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open champ., are now available in all Clare clubs. The competition will take place on February 12, 13, and 14 and entries must be returned by Friday next, Jan. 29.

□ SQUASH:

Division 2 honours for Ennis C.B.S.

THE mens division 2 league concluded last week and as in recent years it proved to be a tremendous competition with the result in doubt right up to the final game. Going into the last game of the series the One Mile Inn held a slender lead of five points over Ennis C.B.S. The sides met last Wednesday at the C.B.S. club when the home side got off to a great start winning at numbers 5 (Dermot McDonnell beat Mick Meere 3/2) and 4 (Kevin McDonnell beat Con Woods (3/0).

The holders, One Mile Inn, were now in the position of having to win the remaining three games if they were to capture the title. In the next game Ger Browne of the One Mile Inn had a 3/1 win over Eric Hanrahan. In the next game the One mile Inn's Donal Hassett looked to be on the way to an easy win when he opened a 2-0 lead over Jackie Hynes. The C.B.S. player fought back to level and looked set for victory when he opened an early lead in the final game. Hassett recovered however to win 3/2 and so leave everything depending on the match between the number ones, Derry Moloney (C.B.S.) and Darren Kelly. Here the vastly experienced

moloney proved too strong and in winning 3/0 reversed the result of their previous meeting and ensured the title for the C.B.S. Afterwards Clare Squash President, Dermot O'Hanlon presented the prizes to the winners and runners-up.

The ladies division 2 concluded on Friday last with St. Flannans capturing the honours. They led from the start and this victory was a just reward for their commitment throughout. The runners up were Ennis C.B.S. and the presentation of prizes will take place in conjunction with the Clare championship finals at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday of next week.

The Clare championships

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★ By Seamus Hayes

which attracted a total entry of ninety-two got under way on Monday of this week and by the week-end the way will be clear for the semi-finals of all grades. This will take place on Monday and Tuesday nights with the finals on Wednesday and Thursday of next week at the Auburn Lodge.

HARP FINALS

The Harp handicap competition at the One Mile Inn club, the longest running competition in Clare squash apart from the Clare championship, concluded on Tuesday night last. Margaret Lacheiner won her eleventh title when she pipped Ann O'Duud in a tremendous final. This match went the distance and in the end Mrs. Lacheiner's experience proved decisive.

Seamus Howard was awarded the men's title when Michael Carmody was unable to play due to a leg injury sustained in the last minute of his semi-final win over the holder, Seamus Hayes.

KILDYSART FINALS

The Kildysart club, the newest club in Clare squash, held its club championships in recent weeks. They attracted a record entry of 112 and when the finals were staged three nights last week there was some tremendous competition. Jimmy O'Dea won the mens A title defeating the holder Jimmy Casey in the decider. In the semi-final Casey ousted Tony McMahon in what many say was the game of the championship. Sisters Mary and Patricia McMahon met in the ladies B final with Mary winning. In the boys under 16 Enda Casey beat his brother Paul while in the under 16 plate Declan Garry beat his brother, Sean.

The results are: Mens A, J. O'Dea beat J. Casey 3/1; Plate, J. Keane beat G. Casey 3/1; Mens B, K. O'Donnell beat D. Kelly 3/1; Plate, Hugh McGoldrick beat S. Cleary 3/2; Mens C, M. Keant beat M. Casey 3/0; Plate, P. O'Grady beat P. Garry 3/1; Ladies A, H. Cusack beat M. Quinlivan 3/1; Ladies B, M. McMahon beat P. Mahon 3/0; Boys U-19, T. Griffin beat J. McGoldrick 3/0; Plate, B.

Ringrose beat D. Casey 3/0; Boys U-16, E. Casey beat P. Casey 3/0; Plate, D. Garry beat S. Garry 3/0; Boys U-14, P. Garry beat A. Casey 3/0; Boys U-12, J. Murtagh beat N. O'Grady 3/2; Girls U-12, C. Guinnane beat B. Casey 3/2.

The presentation of prizes took place at a social evening on Friday at McCarthy's lounge in Kildysart.

The ladies division 4 league concludes this week and the title rests between the Auburn Lodge and Kilkee with the

Ennis club fancied to win.

Ennis C.B.S. player, Seamus English, a bank official in Galway, was a member of the Connacht team which played in the Inter-Provincial championships at Cork last week-end.



St. Flannan's Squash Club, winners of the Clare league division 2 title pictured with their coach John Culligan. Back row (left to right): Lorraine Cannon, Deirdre Shahey, Frances Browne. Seated: Evelyn Lyons, John Culligan and Mary Culligan.

DETERMINED SCARIFF BACK IN FINAL

Scariff Community College 0-10
Col. An Spiorad Naomh 1-5

SCARIFF Community College caused a major shock when they defeated Col. An Spiorad Naomh, Bishopstown in the Munster Colleges senior hurling B (Corn Phadraig) semi-final at Croom last week. The East Clare boys displayed tremendous commitment and determination to deservingly qualify for the decider for the second year in succession and for their fourth time in seven years.

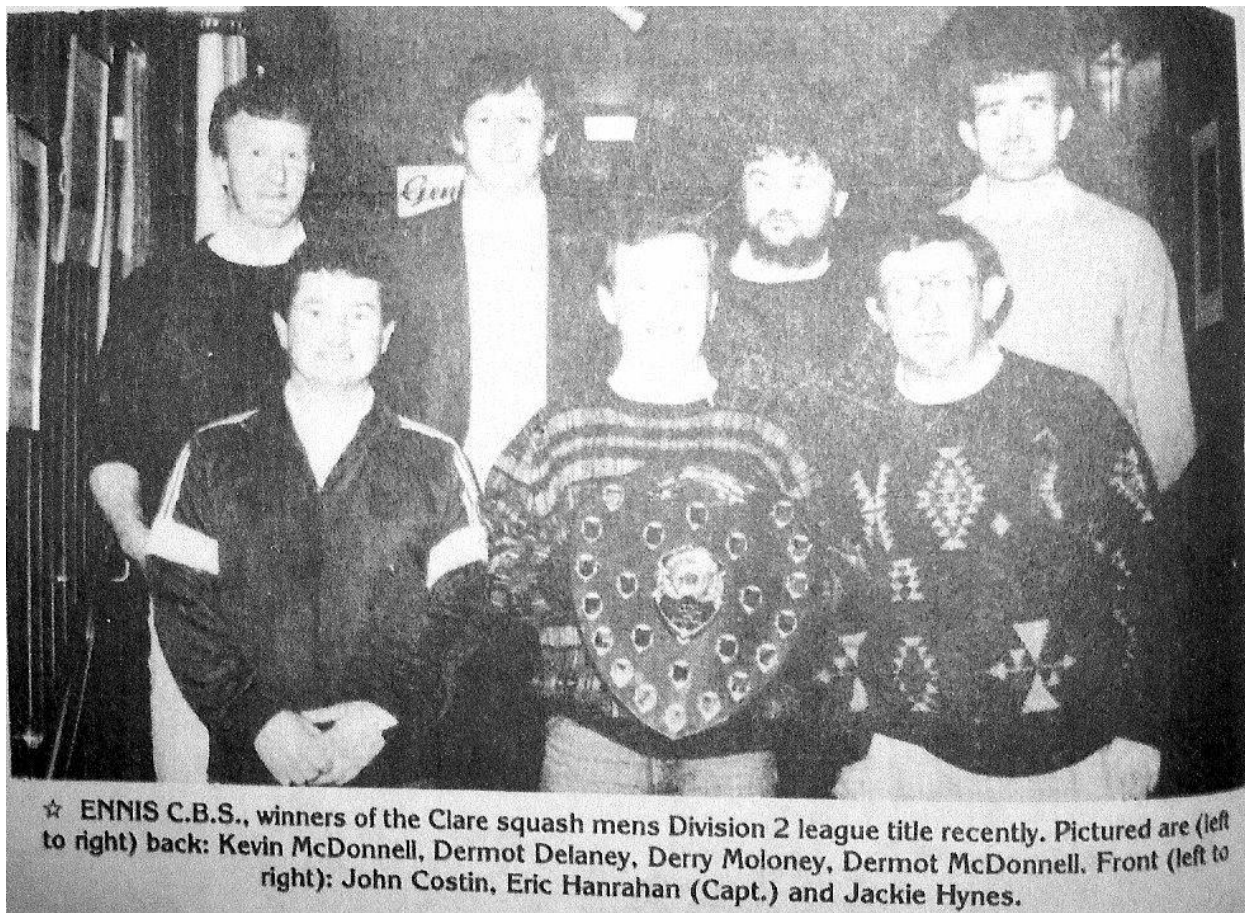
pressure but the Scariff defence and particularly the back trio of Michael Rochford, Kevin McNamara and Liam Wiley held firm for a place Sunday's decider.

★ Scariff: P. McInerney (Scariff), M. Rochford (Feakle), K. McNamara (O.C. Mills), Wiley (Bodyke), T. Anglin (Feakle), P. Minogue (Scariff), A. O'Rourke (do), P. Shanahan (Ogonnelloe) capt. and C. Hanahan (Killanena); S. Ryan (Bodyke), P. O'Neill (do), Doyle (Whitgate), F. Quinn (Scariff), M. McMahon (Scariff), S. Lowry (do).

Subs: T. McNamara (Ogonnelloe) for Ryan; M. O'Brien (Bodyke) for McMahon; D. Wilted (Broadford), M. Connolly (O.C. Mills), E. Kelly (Whitgate), J. Long (Scariff), M. Collins (Scariff).



★ Denis Maurer of Maurer Jewellers, presents the Clare ladies championship title to Caroline McDonnell of Ennis C.B.S. watched by C.S.R.A. President, Dermot O'Hanlon.



☆ ENNIS C.B.S., winners of the Clare squash mens Division 2 league title recently. Pictured are (left to right) back: Kevin McDonnell, Dermot Delaney, Derry Moloney, Dermot McDonnell. Front (left to right): John Costin, Eric Hanrahan (Capt.) and Jackie Hynes.

May 1988

SQUASH:

Good Standard at C.B.S. Finals

The squash season ended on Friday last when the Ennis CBS club finals were decided. In a closely contested mens A final Tomas English emerged as the winner with a 3-2 over Mike Conlon. Conlon led 2-1 but English battled back to take the title when winning 9-7 in the fifty game. Caroline McDonnell retained the ladies title when she beat Kathleen Pyne.

The other results were Mens div. 2 - J. Hynes beat D. Moloney, div 3 J. Coughlan beat F. McEnery. Div 2 plate - E. Hanrahan beat D. Delaney, div. 3 plate - B. O'Reilly bet J. J. Fahy. Ladies Div. 2 S. Carroll beat N. Murphy. Div. 2 plate - M. Murphy beat B. Fitzpatrick. Novice B. Kennedy beat K. Kenny.

There was consolation for Mike Conlon when he won the mens ladder competition with Marcella Griffin taking the ladies title.

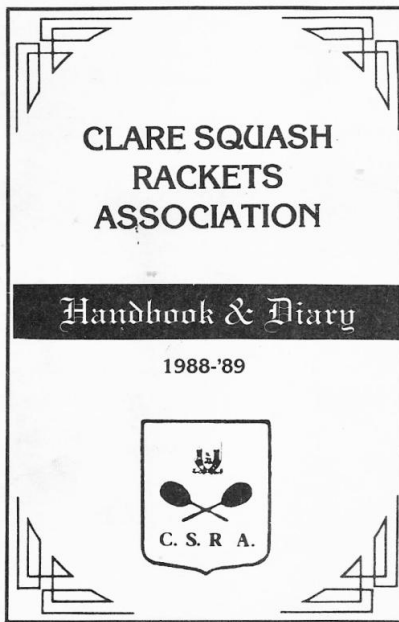
Kevin McDonnell won the club mens handicap title when he beat Jack Keane in the final while Caroline McDonnell won the ladies title again beating Kathleen Pyne.

The prizes were presented at the clubs function which took place at the West Co. Inn on Saturday night.

The AGM of the One Mile club was held recently at which the following offices were elected - Chairman G. Browne, sec. J. Davis, Treas. S. Howard. Mens capt. J. Griffin, ladies capt. M. Lacheiner. Social capt., A. Feore.

The Auburn Lodge club AGM was held last Wed., and the following officers were appointed - Chairperson M. Bergin, vice do. M. Hennessy. secs., M. Meagher and P. Moroney. Treas. F. Reddan, PRO J. O'Shaughnessy. The Auburn club will hold a pitch and putt outing to the Halfway club on Wednesday next, May 11 at 7.30 p.m.

May 1988



ENNIS C.B.S.

The highlight of the past season for the Ennis C.B.S. Squash Club came last March when Caroline McDonnell retained the Clare ladies Div. 1 championship title. The club had also reason to celebrate when they captured the mens division 2 league.

For the coming season blitzes will be held monthly and the winter league ladder will again take place. Coaching will continue regularly for both junior and adult players in the club. This will be provided free by the more experienced players in the clubs.

The officers for the coming year are, Chairman and PRO, Jackie Hynes; Secretary, Mary Murphy; Treasurer, Jimmy Kelly. Mary Murphy is in her first term as club secretary having taken over from Michael Conlon.

SQUASH SEASON BEGINS

THE 1988-89 squash season will get under way next week when the senior mixed team league will begin on Wednesday evening. Arrangements are now at an advanced stage for the season which will see a comprehensive programme of leagues and championships for all grades.

The Ennis C.B.S. Club will hold their first competition of the season on October 13 and 14. The committee for the season comprises of Jackie Hynes (Chairman), Mary Murphy (Secretary) and Jimmy Kelly (Treasurer). There will be coaching for beginners on Sunday evenings from 6 to 7 p.m.

The annual general meeting of St. Flannan's Squash Club will be held on Monday week, September 26 at the West County at 9 p.m. and all members are urged to attend.

Sept 1988

■ SQUASH:

TITLE FOR ENNIS C.B.S.

THE opening competition of the season, the inter club knock out competition, was

Cumann Luthchleas Gael
Coliste Chontae an Chlair

BORD NA bPAIRC MEETING

● This Thursday night, West Co. Inn, Inis. This is a very important meeting and all clubs that carried out any type of development in 1988 should be present. There will be no other opportunity to speak.

staged at the Shannon Diamond clubs last week-end. Five teams participated. Ennis C.B.S. 'A' won the title for the first time when they beat the host club in the final. The members of the winning team were Mike Conlon, Derry Moloney, Michael Hanrahan, Caroline McDonnell and Mary Murphy. The Shannon Diamond team comprised of Pat O'Grady, Martin Moore, John Culligan, Teresa Hogan and Jean Murphy and they defeated the holders One Mile Inn in the semi-final. The other teams taking part were Ennis C.B.S. 'B' and St. Flannans.

Final arrangements are now being made for the senior team league and the individual leagues which will be getting under way shortly.

A new sports complex will open its doors in Ennis on Monday night next. The Ennis Boys National School complex comprises of two squash and two handball courts as well as tennis facilities. The facilities will be available from next Monday to members and those interested in joining should contact any member of the committee. It is a most modern complex and will certainly be a major asset to both the school and the town.

Oct 1988

Squash Season Now in Full Swing

Both the one Mile Inn and Ennis CBS squash clubs held their opening blitz competitions of the season last week and in both cases there was an excellent entry. At the One Mile Inn on Thursday night the team comprising of Jim O'Dowd, Mick Mullins, Gearoid Howard and Margaret Lacheiner were victorious. There were eight teams in the competition.

There was also some exciting squash in the CBS competition on Friday night when the winners of the O'Sullivan & Hansbury prizes, were D. Moloney, B. O'Reilly, J. Collins, A. Heagney, M. Flanagan, M. Murphy and H. O'Loughlin. The runners-up were M. Conlon, F. McEnery, P. Conway, H. Crowe, C. McDonnell, B. Fitzpatrick and M. Enright.

The Clare div. 1 individual

mens league is now in full swing with the third round taking place this week. There are 2 divs. and the top 2 in each section will qualify for the semi-finals. The div. 2 mens individual league is also underway at present.

The senior mixed team league, which was deferred from earlier in the season, will get under way on Wed. night of next week. This year the competition will be for teams comprising three women and two men.

The One Mile Inn will be the venue on Tuesday night next for a refereeing course conducted by Corks Martin O'Donoghue, a well known refereeing instructor. Clubs should contact Dermot O'Hanlon immediately with the names of those interested in doing the course.

ONE MILE INN AND ENNIS

CBS SHARE LEAD

WITH two rounds of the senior squash team league played, the One Mile Inn and Ennis C.B.S. 'A' share the lead. Six teams including Nenagh and Catholic Institute are taking part in the competition for teams of two men and three women. The league will continue until Wednesday, December 14 and it's anybody's guess as to who will win the Shannon Diamond Cup.

The mens division 1 individual league is nearing conclusion and the semi-finals will take place on Thursday night next, November 17 at Clarecastle. The final will be at the same venue on Monday week, November 21. At the time of writing Seamus Hayes was through from his section with Sean Gleeson fancied for the second spot but Seamus Howard was still in with a chance.

In section two Jack Keane leads the way but Mike Conlon and Joe Pender are still very much in contention and a great battle is anticipated before the qualifying two are known.

The ladies individual league is due to get under way next week. The mens division 2 league will also commence next week and this is expected to be a very lively competition

in which Ennis C.B.S. will be defending their title.

Meanwhile the Autumn league is in full swing at the One Mile Inn with eight teams taking part. The competition is divided into two groups of four with the top two from each group qualifying for the semi-finals. The competition will be completed prior to Christmas.

The annual One Mile Inn open tournament will take place on the week-end of December 2, 3 and 4 and once again a huge entry is expected for this competition for which there will be very valuable prizes on offer. Entry forms will be distributed to the clubs this week.

The One Mile Inn's Darren Kelly will compete in the Irish junior close this week-end in Galway.

Nov 1988

Three Teams Battling for Honours

As the senior mixed squash team league moves into the second round of fixtures, three teams are battling it out for the lead. Ennis teams, Ennis CBS A, One Mile Inn, holders, and Limerick side Catholic Institute are locked together at the top and some great games are expected in the next couple of weeks before the destination of the De Beers perpetual trophy is decided. The league concludes on Dec. 4.

The senior mens individual league was completed on Monday night and it resulted in a win for Seamus Hayes over Sean Gleeson. In the semi-finals on Friday, Hayes had a 3/0 win over Mike Conlon while Gleeson defeated Jack Keane on a 3/2 scoreline. Gleeson was 2/0 in front and 8-6 ahead in the third. He looked set for victory but Keane, as he has so often done in the past, battled back to level at 2-2. In the end Gleeson deserved his victory. The final was disappointing with

Gleeson failing to produce the form he had shown on the way to the decider.

Both the mens and ladies div. 2 leagues are in full swing at present with three rounds of each decided.

The newly opened Ennis Boys national school club held its inaugural blitz competition on Thursday night last. There was an excellent entry of six teams for the valuable prizes sponsored by Pat Keogh, Builders, and the presentation of prizes took place at a social evening held afterwards in

Patricks Bar. The members of the winning team were Jackie Hynes, Tom Malone, Tony Kelly, Bobby Stack, Eileen Holly, and Rita Foudy. The runners up were Eric Hanrahan, Mairead Bergin, Con Kearney, Jim Molloy, Isobel Stokes and Patricia O'Donnell.

The club's Christmas blitz for turkeys, sponsored by O'Dowd's stores, Turnpike, Ennis, will take place on Dec. 12, (Monday) and Dec. 15 (Thurs.,) and a big entry is expected.

Ennis CBS have finalised their plans for their annual Christmas social which will take place at the West Co. Inn on Friday, Dec. 9. The clubs annual Christmas blitz for turkeys will take place on Thurs., Dec. 8 and Fri., Dec. 9. Tickets for the function can be had from organising chairman Jackie Hynes or any member of the committee.

The draw for the annual One Mile Inn open will take place this week-end. The competition, which was an outstanding success last year attracted entries from Clare, Limerick and Nenagh, is being eagerly looked forward to and again there will be very valuable prizes on offer. There will be a buffet function on the Sat. night.

The One Mile Inn club's autumn league is nearing the semi-final stage and its expected that the pairings will be known next week.

Meanwhile a number of Clare players will travel to Killarney this week-end for the C. & C. sponsored Munster close champs. All of the leading Munster players will be taking part at three venues, Horans Tralee, Sports Complex, Tralee and Gleneagles, Killarney, where the semi-finals and finals will be staged.

Nov 1988

● SQUASH:

ENNIS C.B.S. MOVE INTO THE LEAD

With three rounds to be played in the senior squash mixed team league, Ennis CBS A have moved into a narrow lead. Last week they scored a great win over Catholic Institute while on the same night their nearest rivals One Mile Inn suffered a narrow defeat to Nenagh. They now have a narrow seven point lead over the One Mile Inn with Institute a further two points behind. The CBS who have never won the title, must now be favourites for the crown.

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The signs are that it will be a tremendous year for the CBS club as they are presently leading both the men's and ladies division 2 leagues. These leagues are still in their early stages, however.

The big event this weekend will be the second annual One Mile Inn Open which has attracted a very big entry. Preliminary games will be played on this Thursday with the remaining first rounds on Friday. The quarter finals will be on Saturday morning with the semi-finals that evening. All finals will be played on Sunday afternoon.

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Sunday afternoon.

Entries have been received from Limerick and Nenagh as well as all Clare clubs and some great squash is expected over the weekend. There will be a buffet meal in the club on Saturday night. Details of the draw will be posted in all clubs.

Meanwhile the second part of the referees course given by Martin O'Donoghue from Cork, will take place on Monday night at the One Mile Inn.

The ladies individual senior league gets under way this week and will continue until the end of January.

Carmel Forrist reached the final of the Munster Club Ladies B championship in Killarney last weekend. In the final she was beaten by Claire Jones who plays out of the Curragh club but who is from Shannon. Claire is well known camogie player who has won All-Ireland medals with Clare (junior) and Kilkenny (senior). In the second round of the competition she beat Clare's Caroline McDonnell. Also taking part at the weekend were Maureen Hamsham and Mary Murphy.

Dec 1988

● SQUASH

ONE MILE INN 'OPEN' A GREAT SUCCESS

THE second annual Budweiser One Mile Inn open squash championships proved a tremendous success last weekend attracting entries from Limerick, Nenagh, Blarney as well as all Clare clubs. There were five grades and the standard in all was extremely high. The competition got underway on Thursday and continued on Friday and Saturday with the finals on Sunday afternoon.

After the competition the prizes were presented by One Mile Inn Chairman Ger Browne who received many compliments for the manner in which

he organised the event. The results are as follows:

Mens A: Tony Kelleher (Catholic Institute) beat Paul Hackett (do.).

Mens A Plate: Tim Tracey (Cath. Inst.) beat Sean Gleeson (Shannon Diamond).

Ladies A Plate: Mairead Bergin (One Mile Inn) beat Patricia O'Connor (Nenagh).

Ladies A Plate: Mairead Bergin (One Mile Inn) beat Jan Davis (do.).

Mens B: Jackie Hynes (Ennis CBS) beat Pat Haugh (Nenagh).

Mens B Plate: Mick Mullins (Clarecastle) beat Ger Browne (One Mile Inn).

Ladies B: Mary Murphy (Ennis CBS) beat Kate Lane (do.).

Ladies B Plate: Isobel Stokes (Ennis CBS) beat Maura Hanrahan (Clarecastle).

Mens C: Finbarr McMahon (Lissycasey) beat Gerry Casey (Clarecastle).

Mens C Plate: Michael Dafy (Ennis CBS) beat John Culligan (Shannon Diamond).

With just two rounds remaining in the Division 1 mixed team league, Ennis CBS consolidated their position at the top with a good win over Shannon Diamond last week. At the same time Catholic Institute moved into second place when they beat the holders One Mile Inn. All three can still win the title but it will be a major surprise if the CBS fail to take the honours at this stage.

Meanwhile the CBS will hold their Christmas blitz on

this Thursday and Friday when their annual social will take place at the West County Inn. Club Chairman Jackie Hynes has been busy in recent weeks organising this event which proved to be an outstanding success.

The Ennis Boys National School will hold it blitz next week when the first rounds will be on Monday with the semi-finals and finals on Thursday week (December 15). The competition will be for turkeys and is being sponsored by O'Dowds Convenience Stores. A huge entry has been received and another great competition is expected.

Early in January the Division 3, 4 and 5 C Clare leagues will commence and clubs will be asked to submit their teams in the near future. The annual inter club blitz will also take place in January.

● HANDBALL:

Clare share points with Cork

Clare shared the points with Cork in the Munster juvenile handball league at Mallow on Saturday last.

At under 13 level, Toonagh's Ollie Noonan and Alan Molloy came up against a very strong Cork pairing and they had to give best on a 15-4 and 15-4 scoreline.

At under 15 Tuamgraney's Francis O'Shaughnessy and Seamus Ryan called on their experience and power to win on a 15-7 and 15-0 scoreline and so put Clare into a one ace lead going into the last match.

Clare's representative at under 14 were Tulla's Pat Madden and Dermot Moroney and they lost the first game on a 10-15 scoreline. However, they hit back, with Pat Madden in superb form to the second on a 15-11 score and so leave the sides level at 65 aces each.

This week Clare play Limerick at Rahtkeale.

**Cumann Eire Og, Inis
(Eire Og GAA Club, Ennis)
RE-CONVENED**

**A.G.M.
AT CLUBHOUSE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER
13th**

At 8 p.m.

● **Members are requested to attend. Newmembers welcome.**

Liam O Grioia, Runat.

★ **Rugby Players go for Bargains—Rugby Boots £16.95 (Adidas); Shorts £5.95—at Gleeson Sport Store, 25 Upper Wm. St., Limerick.**

SENIOR LEAGUE

THE Clare senior mixed squash team league concludes this week and barring a major surprise Ennis C.B.S. will win the title for the first time. At the time of going to press they held a fifteen point lead over second placed Catholic Institute who are two points in front of the holders, One Mile Inn.

In the final game Ennis C.B.S. take on the One Mile Inn at the latter's venue and nothing short of a comprehensive victory will do the latter any good. Victory will not be enough unless it is a decisive one.

The Autumn league at the One Mile Inn club concluded on Monday night when the team comprising of Dermot O'Hanlon, Michael Griffin, Finbarr McMahon, Kieran Browne, Jan Davis and Catherine Feore were victorious over a fancied side which included

Michael Meere, Michael Mullins, Ger Breen, Ambrose Heagney, Margaret Lachner and P. Moloney.

Ennis C.B.S. club's annual Christmas blitz was held last week when the winners were F. McEnery, T. Stack, K. Pyne, V. Lambert, O. Martin, K. Kennedy and J. O'Malley. The runners-up were K. McDonnell, P. Conway, T. Carroll, L. Duggan, M. Rooney, H. O'Loughlin, S. Duggan. Winners of the third placed prizes were J. Hynes, M. Neylon, M. Murphy, R. Crowe, T. Mulcahy, M. Duggan and B. Fitzgerald.

The O'Dowds sponsored blitz at the Ennis Boys National School will conclude on this Thursday night when the semi-finals and finals will be staged. The first rounds were played on Monday night when there was a fine turnout. The presentation of prizes will take place at Patricks Bar after the final on Thursday.

Dec 1988

● SQUASH:

ENNIS C.B.S. JUST GET THERE

The senior mixed team squash league concluded last week with the CBS winning the title for the first time, by a narrow margin. They entered the final series with a 16 point lead over their nearest rivals, Catholic Institute with the One Mile Inn a further two points behind.

The CBS certainly had to work hard for the title and for a long time it looked as if they might not make it. One Mile Inn, holders of the title for the past five seasons, were determined to fight to the end and this they did. On the night they scored a deserved 16-7 win over the CBS but it wasn't enough to prevent the latter from winning the title. Limerick side Catholic Institute remained in second place collecting full points in their last game.

The members of the winning CBS side were Seamus and Tomas English, Mike Conlon, Caroline McDonnell, Kathleen Pyne, Teresa Hehir, and Margaret Flanagan. The Catholic Institute team included Paul Hackett, Tim Treacy, Brian Williams, Caroline Dineen, Teresa Ryan and Mary Byrne.

The Div. II league for men

continues and there is a great battle for the premier places. Clarecastle lost their unbeaten run last week when they went under to Catholic Institute who are very much in contention as is the Ennis CBS side, holders of the title.

CHRISTMAS BLITZ

The Christmas blitz at the Ennis Boys National School was a great success last week. The winners were Mickey O'Sullivan, Tom Holly, Cathal O'Connor, Mairead Bergin, Patricia O'Donnell and Carmal Collins. The runners-up were Tony Fenton, Con Kearney, Ian Murphy, Isobel Stokes, Patricia Leahy and Bernie O'Gorman. The sponsor Jim O'Dowd presented the prizes at a social evening at Patricks Bar in Market Street after the final.

Dec 1988

Another Title for Ennis C.B.S.

Ennis CBS picked up another title when they captured the annual inter club blitz crown at the week-end. From an entry of six teams the CBS squad of T.English, J. Hynes, T. Stack, C. McDonnell and I. Stokes emerged victorious beating the holders, One Mile Inn in the final. The One Mile Inn team consisted of S. Hayes, G. Browne, F. McMahon, C. Enright, C. Feore.

A new senior team - 3 members - league for men got under way on Wednesday of this week. Seven teams are taking part in the event which will continue until the first week in April. Teams from Charleville, Nenagh, and Catholic Institute in Limerick have joined Ennis CBS, Shannon Diamond/Newmarket and the One Mile Inn, Ennis CBS, Nenagh, Limerick LLTC and Catholic Institute,

The mens div. 2 team league concluded last week with Catholic Institute capturing the honours and Nenagh finishing in second place. The prizes were presented at an enjoyable function in Ennis.

The mens and ladies div. 3 and confined (novice) leagues are in full swing at present and its anybody's guess as to who will capture the honours. The div. 4 competitions will commence within the next 2 weeks.

The first team league at the Ennis Boys N.S. Club, gets under way this week. 32 players - 16 men and 16 ladies - are taking part and the final will be on Thursday, Mar. 2. Full details are posted on the notice board in the club.

Feb 1989

● SQUASH

ANOTHER TITLE FOR CLARECASTLE

THE Clarecastle Squash Club is certainly having its most successful season ever. Last week the club won yet another title when the mens Division 3 title was captured. The members of the squad which captured the New Ireland Assurance prizes were Fergie O'Loughlin, Dick Fitzgerald, Jim Lusk, Pat Rutherford, Gerry Casey, Don Barrett and Frank Power.

In the Bank of Ireland ladies Division 1 team league the One Mile Inn need just nine points from their remaining fixture to secure the title. And it will be a surprise if they fail to do this. Nenagh look set to capture the runners-up spot.

In the mens competition Ennis C.B.S. continue to lead and with three rounds remaining it will be a big surprise if they fail to capture the title. A number of teams remain in contention for the runners-up spot.

The draw for the Maurer Jewellers Clare Championship was due to be made this week and its understood that all details will be posted on club notice boards early next week. The competition gets under

way on Monday week and will conclude on Friday, April 14. As usual there will be a number of sections for both men and women.

At the One Mile Inn the annual Harp handicap tournament is nearing the semi-final stage. In the mens competition the holder Seamus Howard was beaten last week by Darren Kelly, fancied by many to win the title this year. In the ladies competition, all of the fancied players are still in contention. The finals are scheduled for Thursday week, March 30.

Entries are now been accepted for the inaugural Ennis Boys National school club championship in which there will be a number of grades. The draw will be made this week end and competition will get underway next week.

The Ennis CBS club handicap finals will take place on Monday night next. In the mens final Michael Conlon will play Tomas English. Conlon defeated Michael Neylon while English proved too strong for Michael Hanrahan in the semi-finals. The ladies final will be between Caroline

McDonnell and Kathleen Pyne who defeated Mary Murphy and Teresa Hehir respectively in the semi-finals.

The CBS club champs. will take place during the first week in May and this year, for the first time, a Swiss system will be in operation thus guaranteeing players four games.

JUNIOR CHAMPS

The annual Clare junior champs will take place on this Friday with three venues being used. Clarecastle will host the girls u. 16 and the boys u. 19, Ennis CBS will host the boys u. 12 and u. 16 while the Ennis boys N.S. will be the venue for the boys u. 14.

The first round pairings are: Boys u. 12 - E. Brennan v. J. Burke, 10 a.m.; winner v. A. Meere, 11 a.m.; G. Shanahan v. D. Hogan, 10 a.m.; winner v. N. McCullough, 11.45 a.m. J. Driscoll v. E. Brennan, 10 a.m.; winner v. D. Murphy 11.45 a.m. N. Howard v. M. Fitzpatrick, 10.35 a.m.; winner v. J. Keyes, 12 noon. M. Barry v. D. Hogan, 10.35 a.m.; B. Malone v. R. Concannon, 11.10 a.m.; P.

Murphy v. P. Franks, 11.10 a.m.; R. McInerney v. D. Murphy, 10.35 a.m.; winner v. D. Lynch, 12.15 p.m.

Boys u. 14: A. Garrihy v. V. Strand, 10 a.m.; winner v. N. Morgan, 11.35 a.m.; F. Flynn v. G. Byrnes, 10 a.m.; E. Enright v. E. Cullinan, 10.15; p. McCullough v. P. Meere, 10.15; D. O'Connell v. J. Dolan, 10.30; R. O'Connell v. E. Liddy, 10.30; winner v. V. Leyden, 12.15; A. Cahill v. P. J. Hogan, 10.50; B. Maurer v. B. Kearney, 10.50; A. Merry v. P. Guilfoyle, 11.05; K. Burke v. J. Curtin, 11.05; D. McLoughlin v. D. Nolan, 11.20; J. Leahy v. T. Dorris, 11.20; S. Mulvey v. A. Barry, 11.35; winner v. D. Frawley, 12.55.

Boys U. 16: J. Farrelly v. M. Carmody, 10.15; winner v. D. Ryan; J. Healy v. D. Cahill, 10.15; D. Murrehy v. G. Howard, 10.15; M. Arkett v. D. Cleary, 10.50; J. Garvey v. G. Barry, 10.50; G. Sheridan v. N. Purcell, 10.50; winner v. D. Devitt, 11.45.

Boys U. 19: D. McNamara v. K. Kelly, 10 a.m.; winner v. D. Kelly, 11 a.m.; B. Healy, v. C. Sheridan, 10.20; N. Hogan v. R. O'Brien, 10 a.m.; winner v. A. Butler, 11 a.m.; R. Fitzgerald v. A. Casey, 10.20; winner v. F. O'Loughlin, 11.20 a.m.

Girls u. 16: E. Moloney v. D. Vaughan, 10.35 a.m.; winner v. L. Howard, 12 noon. F. Malone v. C. Moloney, 10.35. M. Rynne v. F. Moloney, 11.20.



March 1989

SQUASH:

One Mile Inn Capture Ladies Team Title

THE One Mile Inn won the senior ladies team squash league when they finished their programme with a fine win over Catholic Institute on Wednesday night last. The Ennis side need just nine points from this tie to be sure of victory.

They scored 18 points out of a possible twenty to win the crown from Nenagh who finished in second place. The members of the One Mile Inn panel are Margaret Lacheimer, Rose Hynes, Carmel Enright, Ann O'Dowd, Mairead Bergin, Bridie O'Flaherty and Jan Davis.

Meanwhile the mens league will conclude this week-end. With two rounds to be played Ennis C.S.S. are comfortable leaders and it will be a surprise if they fail to win. In their final game they play the One Mile Inn side.

The annual Maurer Jewellers Clare championship will get under way on Monday next and will continue until Friday week, April 14 when the finals will be played at Clarecastle. A fine entry has been received for the various grades and some lively games are expected throughout the competition.

The various club championships will be concluded at the end of April. The Clarecastle competition is underway at present and will be concluded after the Clare event.

JUNIOR CHAMPS

The annual Clare Junior squash championships were held on Good Friday and there was an excellent entry for the various grades. There was a big surprise in the final of the boys under 19 grade when Fergus O'Loughlin from Clarecastle defeated the hot favourite Darren Kelly from the One Mile Inn club. Kelly, looked set to retain his title when he opened a 2-0 lead but O'Loughlin who has been in fine form throughout the season, battled back to take the next three and the title.

In the under 12 grade Alan

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petition.

The annual Harp handicap finals at the One Mile Inn club will take place on this Thursday night commencing with the ladies final at 8 p.m. followed by the mens decider at 9 p.m. In the mens grade Seamus Hayes will take on either Darren Kelly or Mickey Meere. The ladies final will be between Margaret Lacheiner or Carmel Enright and Rose Hynes or Bridie O'Flaherty.

The Ennis C.B.S. handicap finals were played on Monday night last. Caroline McDonnell won the ladies title when she beat Kathleen Pyne while the mens crown was won by Tomas English who had a 2/1 win over Mick Conlon.

A fine entry has been received for the Ennis boys National School championships which will be run off during April with the finals set for Thursday, April 27. There are three grades for both men and ladies and over seventy will take part in the competition. The full draw is posted on the notice board at the club giving details of the times when games must be played, etc.

In the under 12 grade Alan Meere justified favouritism when winning the title but he had to fight all the way against Darren Lynch. Lynch won the first but Meere battled back and the experience gained when representing Munster recently, proved to be an advantage.

The under 14 title was won by Declan Frawley who beat N. Morgan in the decider while D. Devitt won the under 16 crown beating Dereck Ryan in the final.

The under 16 ladies final was fought out between the Moloney sisters with Patricia beating Eileen.

Overall the championships proved extremely successful and the prizes were presented to the finalists following the finals at the Ennis C.B.S. club. Games were also played at Clarecastle and Ennis Boys National School.

The Juniors will be in action on Saturday week when a Clare selection will take on a Galway side at Ennis. Clare Junior manager, Jack Keane, is expected to name the Clare side early next week.

March 1989

CLARE CHAMPIONSHIPS IN FULL SWING

THE Clare squash championships got underway on Monday last and over eighty will participate in these tests which will conclude with the finals at Clarecastle on Friday night April 14. There are three grades for men and two for ladies.

The quarter finals will be played on this Thursday and Friday with the semi-finals on Tuesday and Wednesday next. Games are being played at Ennis CBS, Clarecastle and the One Mile Inn with the finals at Clarecastle. The presentation of the Maurer (Jeweller) prizes for the championships will take place after the finals on Friday week.

Meanwhile the senior mens team league concluded at the week-end with Ennis CBS recording a decisive win. In their final game they had a 2-1 victory over the One Mile Inn. The members of the CBS panel are Seamus and Tomas English, Mike Conlon, Jack Keane and Eoin McMahon.

The presentation of the Bank of Ireland prizes will take place

on this Friday night at a function at the One Mile Inn. Both the ladies and mens division 1 winners and runners-up will be receiving their awards at this function.

Meanwhile the division three league winners received their prizes from Eamonn Kelly on behalf of New Ireland Life Assurance at a function in Powers in Clarecastle on Thursday night last.

The annual Harp handicap competitions concluded at the One Mile Inn on Thursday night last when Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes captured the titles at the expense of Rose Hynes and Darren Kelly. Margaret Lacheiner who has won every honour in the game in Clare retained the ladies title when she had a 2-0 win over Rose Hynes who was playing in the competition for the first time. In the mens final Seamus Hayes regained the crown after a one year lapse when he proved too strong for teenager Darren Kelly who had put out the holder Seamus

Howard in the opening round. Hayes won a well contested first game on a 15-9 scoreline and from here on was in control, winning the second comfortably.

Arrangements are now being made for the One Mile Inn club championships which will be completed before the end of April. The CBS club championships will conclude at the beginning of May. The annual club championships at Newmarket on Fergus are in full swing and, at the time of writing, it seemed that the finalists will be Dermot O'Hanlon and Sean Gleeson.

The inaugural club championships at the Ennis Boys National School got underway during the past week and these will conclude on Thursday April 27 when there should be a big attendance for the finals. The tournament is being sponsored by Michael O'Sullivan Carpets (Ennis) and there has been an excellent entry of just over sixty for the six grades (three each for men and ladies).

April 1989



☆ Ennis CBS recently won the Clare Div. 1 mens squash league. Pictured at the presentation of prizes were (l. to r.) Dermot O'Hanlon, President, CSRA, Seamus English, team captain, Gerry O'Brien, Bank of Ireland Asst. Manager, Ennis (sponsors), Mike Conlon, Martin O'Sullivan, Bank of Ireland. Seated, Jack Keane and Tomas English.

April 1989

SQUASH SEASON ENDS

THE curtain came down on the squash season at the weekend when the finals of both the Newmarket-on-Fergus and Ennis C.B.S. club championships were staged. The division 1 finals at the C.B.S. will be played this week and the pairings are: Tomas English v Jack Keane; Caroline McDonnell v Teresa Hehir.

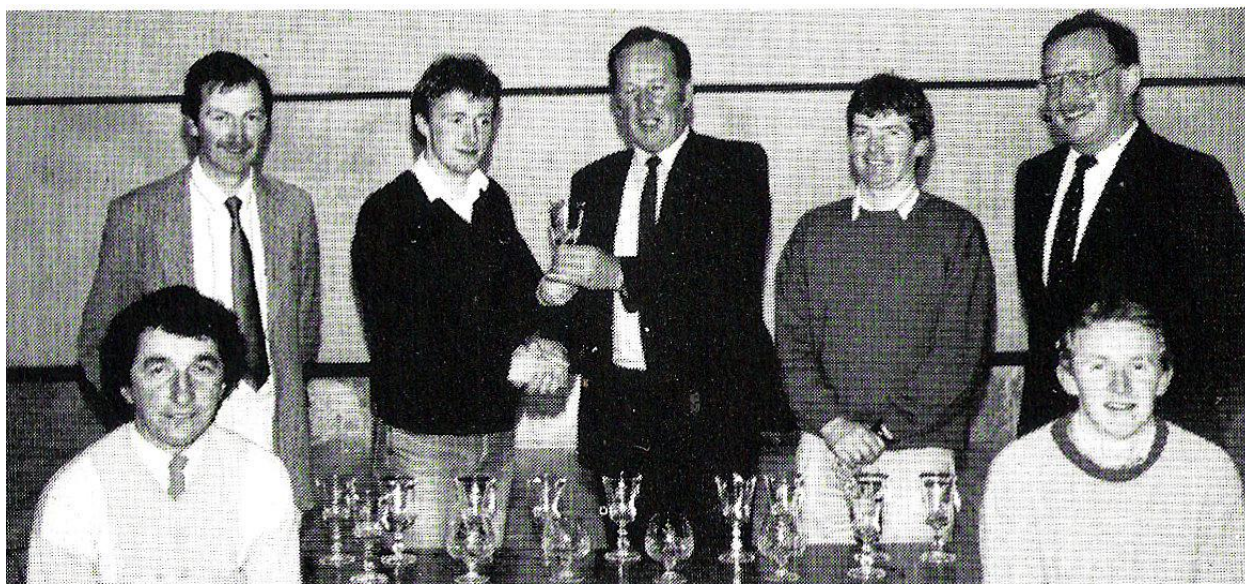
In the division 1 plate decider Jackie Hynes beat Eric Hanrahan on a 3-2 scoreline while Tom Stack won the division 2 title beating John Coughlan in the final.

Sean Gleeson won the Newmarket on Fergus title when he beat the holder Dermot O'Hanlon on Saturday. O'Hanlon was chasing his fifth title in succession. Brendan O'Brien won the division 2 title when beating Betty McMahon while Brian Cronin captured the division 2 plate when he beat Noel Clancy.

In conjunction with Sport for All Week the various squash clubs in the county will be promoting activities. Specific details are available in each club and amongst the activities will be 'Open Evenings' to promote the game.

The annual general meeting of the Munster Squash Association will be held at Cahir on Thursday night next and all clubs are entitled to send representatives.

May 1989



Ennis C.B.S., winners of the Clare Division 1 mens team squash league. Pictured at the presentation of prizes were (from left): Dermot O'Hanlon, President C.S.R.A.; Seamus English, team captain; Gerry O'Brien, Bank of Ireland Assist. Manager, Ennis (sponsors); Mike Conlon; and Martin O'Sullivan, Bank of Ireland. Seated: Jack Keane and Tomas English.

SQUASH:

Play-off Needed to decide Div. 2 League

A play-off will take place this week to decide the destination of the mens div. 2 squash league title. When the league section concluded last week, Ennis CBS and Catholic Institute from Limerick were on level terms. In the second last round they met at the Ennis venue and here the home side scored a very good win. They will be hoping to repeat that performance next week.

Meanwhile the div. 1 individual leagues are in full swing and will continue until Feb.

Plans are now at an advanced stage for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open champs. which will take place during the last weekend in February. The champs. are being held in conjunction with the Ennis 750 celebrations and a top class entry is expected.

Dec 1989

SQUASH:

Div. 2 Final Next Week

The Clare squash mens div. 2 play-off to decide where the title will rest this season, takes place at Clarecastle on Thursday next, Jan. 25. In opposition will be Catholic Institute, the favourites, and Ennis CBS.

As this league entered the concluding stages prior to Christmas, Institute looked set for victory but the CBS put in a tremendous finish to end level on points with the Limerick club.

Meanwhile the various Clare leagues are in full swing and these are proving to be very well contested. In the mens div. 3 last week the One Mile Inn and Kilkee had good

wins over Kildysart and Clarecastle. In the ladies div. 3 on Monday night the One Mile Inn staged a great rally to pip Clarecastle.

Entry forms for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open were distributed to all clubs in the region this week. Arrangements are now at an advanced stage for this event which is certain to attract all the leading players in the country to Ennis on the weekend of Feb. 23, 24, and 25. Games will be played at the One Mile Inn, Ennis C.B.S., Ennis Boys N.S., St. Flannans and Clarecastle which will be the headquarters for the tournament.

Jan 1990

SQUASH:

Ennis C.B.S.

Chasing Div. 2

Honours

A big crowd is expected at Clarecastle on this Thursday night when Ennis CBS and Catholic Institute from Limer-

ick meet to decide the destination of the mens div. 2 league title. At the end of the league section the teams were level on points and hence the play-off to decide the winners. It should be a very evenly contested game. The presentation of prizes will take place afterwards.

The presentation of the div. 1 mixed league prizes will take place at the Shannon Diamond squash club on Friday night at 8.30. The One Mile Inn team won this title from Nenagh.

Jan 1990

■ SQUASH:

ENNIS CBS PIPPED IN FINAL

ENNIS C.B.S. failed in their bid to capture the Clare mens division 2 squash title when they were defeated in a play off for the title at Clarecastle last week. Favourites Catholic Institute were in top form winning three of the bottom four games to secure a convincing win.

League secretary Ger Browne and Clare squash President Dermot O'Hanlon were present to present the prizes.

Despite this defeat it promises to be a very successful year for the Ennis C.B.S. club. They are presently unbeaten in the division 1 (three person) mens league of which they are the holders and this week they take on the only other unbeaten team in the competition, Nenagh. The Ennis club are also very much in the running for the mens division 3 title.

Clarecastle's Alan Moore, recent winner of the Leinster open under 12 title will be chasing the Irish Open under 12 crown this week-end in Dublin. The competition will commence on this Friday evening and conclude on Sunday. Newmarket's Declan Devitt will be taking part in the under 16 section.

Meanwhile there will be a very big local entry for the Catholic Institute Open championships in Limerick this week-end.

Arrangements for the Clarendridge Crystal Munster Open championships will be announced at a press reception hosted by the Auburn Lodge Hotel on this Friday evening. Entries for the competition takes place on February 23, 24 and 25, will close on Monday week, February 17. The Clarecastle complex will be the headquarters for this year's event.

The division 1 ladies team (5 person) league will reach the halfway stage this week and the holders the One Mile Institute are the leaders and are favourites to retain the crown.

Feb 1990

BIG ENTRY EXPECTED FOR CLARE CHAMPIONSHIP

ENTRIES for the annual Maurer Jewellers Clare squash championships close on this Saturday. All entries should be sent to tournament director, Gerard Browne.

Entry forms are available in all clubs and there will be A, B and C grades (numbers permitting) for both men and women. The championships will commence on March 26 and the finals are scheduled for Friday, April 6.

The mens division 3 league concluded on Tuesday night

last when there was a surprise defeat for the favourites Ennis C.B.S. by Charleville. The Cork side had been beaten twice by the C.B.S. in the league section of the competition but they turned the tables on the Ennis outfit on this occasion to record a 3-2 victory.

Jim O'Flynn, Ray McCaum, Pat Moriarty, Dave Leonard and Michael Casey were the victorious team while Declan Coote, Pat Talty, Dermot Delaney, J. J. Tobin and Declan Devitt made up the losers side on the night.

Two Clare players helped Munster to capture the Inter-Provincial under 12 squash title at Bangor at the weekend. Alan Meere and Michael Barry were members of the successful squad.

A number of Clare clubs are now preparing for their annual championships and entry forms are available on the various notice boards.

March 1990

Ennis C.B.S. Retain Div. 1 Title

The mens div. 1 three person team league concluded this week with Ennis C.B.S. comfortably retaining the title they won for the first time last year. The English brothers, Seamus and Tomas and team captain Mike Conlon, were well ahead of their nearest rivals at the final whistle. Nenagh were the runners up in this competition.

The ladies div. 1 team event concludes this week and the title rests between the holders, One Mile Inn and the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club. Going into the final game when the sides meet at the Limerick club's venue, just a point separates the teams.

The presentation of prizes for the div. 1 mixed team league which was won by the One Mile Inn from Nenagh, and for the div. 1 individual competitions took place at the Shannon Diamond Club on Tuesday night of this week.

The draw for the annual Maurer jewellers Clare champs. will be made this week-end. The competitions will get underway on Monday week, March 26 and will conclude on Friday, April 6.

Meanwhile the various clubs are holding their championships over the next couple of weeks as the squash season draws to a close.

ALL-IRELAND CHAMPAIONS - Gary Duggan, Ennis, right, with his partner, Alan Kirby, Waterford, after they had won the all-Ireland doubles badminton u. 12, title in Sligo last week.



KILKEE—Winners of the Clare Ladies Division 3 squash title. Back (left to right): Marie McGuire, Paul Costelloe (coach), Marian O'Rourke. Front (left to right): Aoife Haugh, Imelda Murray and Fionnuala Mumana.

March 1990

● SQUASH

CLARE SIDE IS BEATEN

THE curtain came down on the squash season at the week-end when the Clare team bowed out of the Munster championship. At the De La Salle complex in Waterford they lost to both Cork and Waterford who later contested the final with Cork winning narrowly.

At the One Mile Inn finals on Thursday last holders Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles, beating Rose Hynes and Joe Griffin. Frankie Coughlan and Gail Cahill were the Division 2 winners from Finbarr McMahon and Patricia Moloney. The plate winners were Michael Carmody, senior and junior and Marie Clancy who beat Michael Brooks, Michael Griffin and Grainne Ryan. The prizes were presented by Donal Moloney of Seven-Up and Michael Howard of the One Mile Inn.

At the Ennis C.B.S. finals on Thursday night Tomas English and Caroline McDonnell retained the Division 1 crowns. English beat Mike Conlon on a 3-1 scoreline in a

great game while Caroline defeated Teresa Hehir. Afterwards there was a very enjoyable end of season function at the West County Inn.

Other winners at the Ennis CBS finals were Ladies div. 2 C. Duggan beat I. Hallinan, Div. 1 plate, M. Flanagan beat M. Griffin. Div. 2 plate - M. McNamara beat P. Hanrahan. Mens div. 2 M. Arkett beat A. Heagney, div. 1 plate, D. Coote beat D. Moloney, div. 2 plate - S. Gibbons beat S. Duggan.

The clubs handicap was won by D. Devitt who beat D. Coote while K. Lane won the ladies title beating M. Flanagan.

At a meeting of the C.S.R.A. last week the following officers were elected: President, Ger Browne; Secretary, Anne Fennell; Treasurer, John O'Shaughnessy; P.R.O., Jim Casey. The committee members are now drawing up plans for the 1990-91 season and clubs will be notified of the details in the next couple of weeks.

May 1990

SQUASH:

Leagues in Full Swing

The new squash season is now in full swing with a number of leagues being run off. Three rounds of the mens div. 1 (3 person team) league have been played and its still anybody's guess as to who will be the team to beat here. Taking part are Ennis CBS (holders), Clarecastle, Limerick Lawn Tennis, Ctholic Inst., and Nenagh.

The ladies div. 1 gets underway next Monday with three teams - LLTC, One Mile Inn and Ennis CBS participating.

Both the above leagues are on Monday nights.

The mens and ladies div. 2 are on Wednesday nights with four teams in each. In the mens competition Nenagh, Catholic Institute, One Mile Inn and Ennis CBS will participate. The ladies compt.,

will have teams from One Mile Inn, Kilkee, Clarecastle and Charleville.

The mens div. 3 commences on this Thursday night with teams from Kildysart, Ennis CBS, Clarecastle, One Mile Inn and Charleville involved.

The first competition of the season was decided last Saturday when the Ennis CBS team of Seamus English, Declan Devitt, J. J. Tobin, Kate Lane and Sylvie Carroll won the honours. The plate winners were One Mile Inn team of Seamus Hayes, Ger Brown, Michael Griffin, Brida O'Flaherty and Maura Heahan.

**For the
Record**

Oct 1990

■ **Squash:**

Ennis C.B.S. Teams Lead

ENNIS C.B.S., holders of the mens division 1 league, are doing well in this season's competition. They are very much in contention for honours having completed their first round matches with just one defeat.

In fact, the Ennis C.B.S. club is also leading in the mens division 2 league and look set to capture this title which they just failed to win last season. The mens division 3 has just commenced and they have started with a good win.

The ladies division 1 and division 2 team leagues commenced this week. All leagues running at present will be completed prior to Christmas and the Clare Association is presently making arrangements for a function at which the various prizes will be presented.

The Ennis Boys National School complex committee is now recruiting members for the new season. With two squash and two handball/racquetball courts available, there are many opportunities for those wishing

to remain active. An open night will take place at the complex on Tuesday next from 7 to 8.30 p.m., to which all are invited. Handball, racquetball and squash games will take place and members of the committee will be present to outline plans for the season and to explain the details of the games.

The club's first squash competition of the season will take place on Thursday night next.

BEALAHA TUG-O-WAR SUNDAY 21st

1.30 p.m. sharp

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Oct 1990

Ennis C.B.S. Pipped . . . Against

CATHOLIC Institute retained the mens division 2 league title in the Clare squash rackets leagues last week.

In their final game they got full points against Nenagh and this helped them to a narrow win over Ennis C.B.S. who are runners-up for the second successive year.

In the mens division I league, Limerick Lawn Tennis moved a step closer to the title when they beat the holders, Ennis C.B.S., at Limerick on Monday night. Barring a major surprise they will win the title and the race now is for second place with Clarecastle, Catholic Institute and Ennis C.B.S. in the running. Clarecastle and Ennis C.B.S. meet on Monday night next.

The ladies division 2 league will reach the halfway point this week and the leaders are Charleville who are unbeaten. The Cork club are also leading in the mens division III which is also at the halfway stage this week.

At the Nenagh open at the weekend there were some fine performances from Clare players. Caroline McDonnell was the runner-up in the ladies A while Kate Lane was runner-up in the A plate. Maura Hanrahan was the runner-up in the ladies B. The mens B championship pro-

■ Squash:

duced an all-Clare final with Declan Devitt beating his Ennis C.B.S. clubmate Pat Doran. Ennis C.B.S. players Mike Conlan and Seamus English were beaten in the semi-finals of the mens A which resulted in Limerick teenager Barry Hession winning the title from Ardara resident, Billy Ryan.

Incidentally, Declan Devitt having a tremendous season last week he won his section of the Irish U/19 championships in Dublin. In the final he beat another Ennis player, Michael Brooks.

Nov 1990

SQUASH:

League Prizes Presented

In their second year in the Clare squash leagues the Vale Club from Charleville have scored a double. Last week they won the mens div. 3 title while this week they added the ladies div. 2 crown.

Prizes for the five leagues completed so far were presented at a pleasant function at Kearney's in Lifford last evening, Wednesday.

All of the winners prizes went outside the county with the Limerick Lawn Tennis club capturing both div. 1 crowns and Catholic Institute winning the mens div. 2 title.

Ennis CBS were the runners up in the three mens leagues while the One Mile Inn cap-

tured the runners up honours in the ladies div. 2.

Arrangements are now being finalised for the mens and ladies div. 4 and 5 leagues which will get underway in January. Entries for the div. 4 events must be with the Clare sec., Ann Fennell by this week-end.

On the local front the Ennis CBS club held a very successful Christmas blitz last week. It resulted in victory for the team which included J. Downey, K. McDonnell, M. Hanrahan, K. Pyne, S. Carroll and H. O'Loughlin. The beaten finalists were M. Daffy, E. Hanrahan, H. Crowe, J. Kelly, G. Downey and F. Heagney.

The Clarecastle club also held a successful blitz last week when Marie Lennon's team were victors over Mairead Bergins side. The club ladder competition is now entering the third round and this will get under way at the beginning of January. Meanwhile entries are now being taken for the annual handicap compt.

Dec 1990

■ **Squash:**

Ennis C.B.S. Take The Honours

THE annual Clare Inter-Club Blitz competition took place at the Shannon Diamond Club on Saturday night last when five teams participated.

The members of the winning team were Seamus English, Declan Devitt, Pat Talty, Caroline McDonnell and Gabriele Downey. Clarecastle's team included fergus O'Loughlin, Mick Hennessy, Martin Wallh, Mairead Bergin and Loretto O'Loughlin. Then other competition teams were Ennis Boys' National, Ennis C.B.S. 'B' and the host club Shannon Diamond. A most enjoyable reception followed for the teams at which C.S.R.A. President, Gerard Browne, presented the prizes.

Meanwhile the leagues continue and the third rounds of the mens and ladies division 4 competitions were played this week

as the mens and ladies division five competitions commenced. There has been an excellent response to these leagues which is most encouraging for those charged with the promotion of the game in Clare.

A ladies individual league gets underway this week and it has attracted an entry of twenty-four. Games will be played on Thursday nights and it will conclude at the beginning of March with prizes for the top eight players.

In the Clarecastle club ladder, just a week remains for games to be completed, while the club's annual handicap tournament will get underway in the next week.

Jan 1991

SQUASH:

Div. 4 Semi Finals on Monday

The semi-finals of the mens div. 4 team leagues will take place on Monday night next. At a meeting of Clare squash association last week the semi-final draws were made and resulted as follows: Kildysart v Catholic Institute; Ballina v Shannon Diamond. These games will be at Ennis CBS and the One Mile Inn. The final will be on Monday week at Clarecastle.

Clarecastle are the ladies division 4 champions. They scored maximum points against Ennistymon B on Tuesday night to win the title. Ennistymon A are the runners up. They had a 4-1 win over Ballina on Tuesday night.

Both the mens and ladies Div. 5 leagues are at the half way stage. In the ladies competition Shannon Diamond are the leaders and are now favourites to win the title. In the mens grade, Ennis CBS top their section following

their 4 - 1 win over Clarecastle last week. In the other section its still wide open as to who will make it through to the semi-finals.

Meanwhile the Clarecastle handicap competition is in full swing and the way should be clear for the semi-finals this week-end. Entries for that club's championships are now being taken and this will get underway next week.

The Ennis CBS club held a very successful blitz on Friday last sponsored by Woodys. The winners were Mike Daffy, Christy Woods, Caroline McDonnell, Kate Lane, Ml. Byrt, Carmel Dugan and Helen O'Loughlin. The beaten finalists were Pat Talty, Kevin McDonnell, John O'Shaughnessy, Kathleen Pyne, Kevin O'Dea, Margaret Flanagan, Patsy Hanrahan.

With just two weeks to go to the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open champs. which will be based in Clarecastle, entry forms have been distributed to all clubs and the organisers are confident of a huge response.

Feb 1991

Squash:

Juniors Dominate

THE annual Clare underage championships dominated on the Clare squash scene in the past week with the competitions being staged on Good Friday at Ennis C.B.S., Clarecastle and the Ennis boys National clubs.

The championships have been dominated by the C.B.S. club for the past number of years and while they again figured amongst the prizewinners its noticeable that the Clarecastle and Ennis Boys National School clubs also won titles.

Favourite Declan Devitt won the U/19 title, beating his C.B.S. clubmate Michael Brooks in the final. At U/16 level, Eamonn Enright from Clarecastle won the U/16 title from Pat Hayes,

also from Clarecastle. Last year's beaten finalist, Darren Lynch, won the U/14 title from Seamus Enright of the Boys N.S. Holder Alan Meere was a surprise absentee, withdrawing from the competition the previous day. The U/12 title was won by John Casey of the Boys N.S. who beat Gary Power from Clarecastle in the final.

There were two grades for girls and here there was further success for the O'Loughlin

family from Clarecastle with Clare winning the U/12 crown and Tara taking the honours at U/16 level. The beaten finalists were Terry Power and Debbie Roche, both Clarecastle.

There was a disappointing attendance at the Annual General Meeting of the Clare Squash Association at the West County Inn last week when Gerard Browne [President], Anne Fennell [Secretary], John O'Shaughnessy [Treasurer] and Kate Lane [Junior Co-ordinator] were all re-elected for the coming season. Mairead Bergin will also be on the Committee which will meet shortly to elect league secretaries and to appoint a club development officer whose duty it will be to promote the game in the clubs in the county.

Mixed Luck for Clare Teams

East Clare 4-15
Limerick City 1-1

East Clare had an easy win over Limerick City in the first round of the Munster under 16 hurling champ. at Broadford on Saturday. They will now meet Avondhu of Cork and this game is scheduled for Saturday week at Kilmallock at 2.30 p.m.

East Clare were always in control against Limerick City. The visitors did press hard in the opening half when playing with the aid of the breeze and it must be said that they were unlucky not to score

title race at Kilmallock when they were beaten by Cork City. The losers conceded two early goals and at the break trailed on a score of 0-1 to 2-3 having played with the aid of the breeze. Clare showed a marked improvement after the break and were unlucky not to score a couple of goals. The pitch cut up quite badly in the second period.

The absence of injured Richard Woods was a blow to the Clare side. They had good performances from Ray Carley, M. Guerin, D. Hoey, A. Bohannon, S. Mahon, O. Clancy, N. Tuohy, E. Taaffe and E. Flynn.

The final competition of the season, an inter club knock out team event, will conclude on this Friday night. Five teams, Ennistymon, Clarecastle, Ennis CBS, One Mile Inn and Shannon Diamond, entered for the competition and the final will be presented with the De Beers cup and prizes. Each team will consist of seven players, four men and three women, and the various divisions are represented.

On the club front both the Clarecastle and Shannon Diamond clubs are busy with club championships at present and these will conclude over the next two weeks.

April 1991

Title for Ennis CBS

Ennis C.B.S. captured the mens division 3 squash title last week when they scored a fine win over Catholic Institute in the final game of the competition. Entering the game the Limerick side held an 8 point lead but on the night Ennis scored a 17-7 win to finish two points ahead overall.

Entries are now being sought for the mens and ladies div. 4 and 5 league which will get underway in January. A division 1 mixed (2 men and three women) league will also be run in the New Year and these leagues should be used by players in preparation for the Clare champs. in March.

Dec 1991

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Sept 1992

Title for Ennis CBS

THE Clare Squash Championships are set to commence on Monday, March 22 and entries close on this Friday.

The draw will be available early next week with details of venues and times for all games. The championship finals will be on Friday, April 2.

Meanwhile the inter team knock-out title was won by Ennis CBS on Thursday night last. The team comprised of

Mick Conlon, Mick Hennessy, Dermot Delaney, Caroline McDonnell, and Maria Lennon.

In the final they beat Shannon Diamond whose team included Sean Gleeson, Pat O'Grady, Mark O'Sullivan, Jean Murphy and Mary Culligan.

The beaten semi-finaists were Ennis CBS 'B' and Clarecastle.

In the Ladies Div, 5 team league Kildysart are still unbeaten and remain favourites to win from Shannon Diamond.

March 1993

SQUASH:

SQUASH A.G.M.

A big attendance is expected at the annual general meeting of Clare squash on this Thursday night at the West County Inn at 8 p.m. when a successful year will be reviewed and plans drawn up for '93-'94. The season just ended started off quietly but concluded on a high note with some great league finals and a successful Clare championship. All clubs are urged to send delegates to this meeting.

Meanwhile the Ennis C.B.S. championships concluded last week and resulted as follows: Mens A, Mike Conlon beat Tony Fenton; A Plate, Jackie Hynes beat Dermot Delaney; Mens B00, Larry Donnellan beat Stephen Flanagan; B Plate, John O'Shaughnessy beat Michael Lydon; Mens C00, John Hehir beat Liam McNamara; C Plate 0, John Flaherty beat Frank Woods.

In the club handicap final Jackie Hynes overcame Martin O'Brien.

The Kildysart handicap final took place last week when Joe Keane defeated Michael Clancy in a great final. In the ladies final Bernie Meaney defeated Marie Clancy.

The club's team league also concluded and the winners were F. Coughlan, G. O'Garman, J. Murtagh, B. Meaney and G. Moroney. The runners-up were Pat Lorrigan, S. Casey, C. Ringrose, Marie Clancy and Sue McInerney.

April 1993

■ SQUASH:

WINNING START FOR KILDYSART

THE mens division 2 Clare squash league got underway recently and newly promoted Kildysart made a winning debut when they travelled to Ennis C.B.S. and won on a 3-2 scoreline.

Last week's game between Kildysart and Catholic Institute was cancelled due to a power failure. The Limerick side had travelled and two games had just commenced. They will play during the first week in January.

Meanwhile Kildysart's Christmas Blitz was a great success last week with eight

teams participating. Joe Keane's team won the prizes but only after Joe had to play off against Donal Moloney after the teams had ended on level terms.

In the final of the club mens top eight league Keane was also the winner scoring a comfortable win over S. Hayes in the final. Meanwhile the club ladder is in full swing and must be concluded by January 1.

The Ennis C.B.S. Club's Christmas Blitz was held last week and the winners were M. Conlon, T. Fenton, J. O'Shaughnessy, J. Flaherty and D. Downey. In the final they accounted for J. Keane, J. Hynes, C. Woods, H. Crowe and J. Collins. The presentation of prizes took place at Howleys and was followed by a social evening. The club ladder competition is in full swing.

Dec 1993

SQUASH:

Two Titles for Ennis C.B.S.

The Clare division 2 squash league concluded on Friday night last and as a result of Kildysart's win over Catholic Institute the league winners are Ennis C.B.S. The Limerick side came to Kildysart needing nine points out of a possible twenty to be sure of victory. They met a Kildy-

sart outfit determined to avenge the narrow defeat suffered in Limerick some weeks ago and that they did.

In the deciding match Kildysart's Joe Kent beat Denis Barron in a thrilling five set match. Keane went two up but Barron hit back to level. In the final game the local player was in great form and his win gave victory to the Clare side. Earlier Jimmy O'Dea and Seamus Hayes had scored 3-0 wins while Tony McMahon and Pat Lorrigan lost on similar sorelines.

It was a good week for the C.B.S. club as they also captured the division 3 title. In

their final game against Catholic Institute they needed just two points to secure the crown.

Victory ensured a double for Martin O'Brien as he also played on the successful division 2 team.

Meanwhile the mens division 4 and 5 leagues are taking place and there are big entries in both sections.

The ladies division 4 league is also in full swing and last week Kildysart had a good win over Ennistymon.

In the C.B.S. club the annual handicap competition is now taking place while in Kildysart the final round of the ladder is being played and all games must be decided by the end of this month.



Feb 1994

SQUASH:

Conlon Wins in Killarney

The Munster close championships were held in Killarney last week-end when there was an all-Clare final in the mens C grade. Ennis CBS clubmates Mike Conlon and Pat Doran reached the final where Conlon won on a 3-2 scoreline. In the ladies A competition Clare champion Rose Hynes finished in sixth place.

On the domestic front arrangements are now being made for the annual county underage championships which will take place on Friday, April 1. Entry forms will be distributed to the clubs this week.

The annual Clare squash champs. will take place at the beginning of April and full details will be announced shortly.

The mens division 4 and 5 leagues and the ladies division 4 competitions are in full swing as is the ladies individual league.

March 1994

● Squash:

Kildysart club champ'ships

THE Kildysart club championships commenced this week and will continue during the week with the finals planned for Friday next.

A huge entry has been received for the competition which has a number of sections

The CBS handicap final concluded last week and it was a case of third time lucky for Martin O'Brien. Appearing in his third final in four years, Martin won his first title when he pipped Tony Fenton in the decider. On his way to the title he beat Dermot Delaney (semi-final) and Michael Daffy in the previous round.

The annual Clare championships will commence in early April and the CSRA committee are expected to announce details later this week.

March 1994

SQUASH:

ENNIS C.B.S. FINALS

The finals of the Ennis CBS squash championships took place last week and there was some very entertaining fare. In the mens A decider Mike Conlon emerged victorious when he beat Mike Daffy. Jack Keane won the plate title accounting for Tony Fenton in a game which went the full distance.

Pat Talty won the B title beating Michael Lydon with the B plate crown going to John O'Shaughnessy who beat Joe Downey. In the mens C grade Joe Whelan was the winner beating Tony Chapman. Dominic Considine won the plate title when he accounted for John Hehir.

The champs. were sponsored by O'Sullivan and Hansbury, Mid West Tiles and Michael Sullivan Carpets.

May 1994

Squash:

BIG ENTRY FOR S.D.C. OPEN

Over eighty entries have been received for the Shannon Diamond squash club's open tournament which will take place early in the New Year finishing on Saturday, January 14. There will be a total of six grades, four for men and two for ladies and some excellent competition is expected given the entry.

The competition which didn't take place last year was a great success in previous years. Limerick's Barry Hes-sion, a member of the Irish under 19 panel in recent years, will be the top seed in the mens A which will feature Clare players Fergus O'Loughlin and Alan Meere.

Meanwhile Kildysart squash club held its Christmas blitz competition last Thursday when there were eight teams taking part. All games were very close throughout the evening with only two points separating the teams in the final. The winners were Grainne Sheehan, Michael O'Neill, Sean Casey and Seamus Hayes and the beaten finalists were Liam Griffin, Mairead Cusack, Gerry Grace and Hugh McGoldrick.

Ennis CBS squash club also held its Christmas blitz last week and this was a great success. The competition was won by Tony Fenton, Pat Talty, Michael Lydon, J. J. Tobin, Liam Dwane, Marcella Griffin, P. O'Callaghan, and M. Keogh. The runners up were M. Conlon, S. Flanagan, T. McMahon, C. Woods, J. Hehir, G. Downey, E. Moroney, F. Dwane. The event was sponsored by Dunnes Stores and afterwards there was an enjoyable social at Knoxs.

Dec 1994

■ *Squash*

Leagues In Full Swing

The squash season is enjoying its busiest spell to date with a number of county leagues in progress together with many club competitions. The mens division 4 and 5 leagues are in full swing while the division 2 competition got underway this week.

These will continue right up to Easter when it is expected the Clare championships will take place.

Plans are now being drawn up for the various club championships which will be run off at the end of this month and early in April.

Ennis C.B.S. recently held its annual handicap competition. The final turned out to be an all East Clare affair with J. J. Tobin defeating Leo Doyle in a lively decider.

March 1995

Clare Squash Rackets Association

Clare Squash Association?

Because of the huge increase in interest in squash a meeting will take place on Monday night next, May 24 at Brogan's O'Connell Street, Ennis to discuss the idea of forming a Clare squash Association. When the new season opens in Sept., there will be nine active clubs in the County and in recent months many have expressed the view that a Clare Association should be set up.

Each club has been notified about the meeting and its expected that all will be represented.

The annual general meeting of the One Mile Inn Club attracted a good attendance on Monday night when the following officers were elected, Chairman, S. Hayes, Club Capt., T. Malone, Sec., F. Nugent, Treasurer, E. Kelly, Members, Michael O'Connell, Ridie O'Flaherty, Jan Davis, Michael Carmody, Kevin McDonnell, Rosemary Guthrie and Gerry Bredin.

There was a most entertaining blitz at St. Flannan's College last week when Seamus Hanrahan's team comprising of Ann Carpenter, Mickey O'Sullivan, Pat Lncy, Gerry Cillison and S. Hayes won the Coca Cola trophies. In the final the opposition was provided by Con Woods, Pat McInerney, Liam Ballinger, Josie O'Shea, Arthur Forde And Dorothy Lynch.

The Ballygireen squash society had a very successful season and all competitions are now at the final stages. In the championship final Joe Kelly meets Owen Flanagan with Gary Carew and John McLoughlin. Flan Howard beat Ger O'Brien in the plate final and the beaten semi-finalists were Liam Roche and Liam O'Dwyer. The team league was won by Paddy O'Reilly, Hugh Barry and Willie Dilger.

May 1982

Clare Squash Association Formed

At a meeting attended by representatives of the various squash clubs in Clare, held in Broghans, Ennis last week, the Clare squash Racquets Association was formed. A full programme of competitions has been drawn up for the season and the leagues will commence during the first week of October.

Officers elected at last week's meeting were chairman, Tony Lillis, secretary, Betty McMahon, Treasurer, Jim O'Dowd. Fixtures sec., Margaret Flanagan, (ladies), and Denis Maurer, (gents). PRO, Seamus Hayes.

There will be four leagues for men and three for ladies

and all clubs have been notified of the proposals. Monday next, September 20 is the closing date for affiliations for the various competitions and all clubs are asked to have their entries in by Monday next.

At Monday's meeting fixtures will be made and clubs will be forwarded with copies of same to enable each club plan their own programmes of events.

The first competition of the year at the One Mile Inn club will be played on Monday next with a blitz tournament for club members. It is expected that there will be a big entry for this the opening competition of the new season.

Sept 1982

SQUASH:

C.S.R.A. prepare for season

The Clare Squash Racquets Association held their annual general meeting at Brogan's, O'Connell Street, Ennis last week when there was a very big attendance. The Association has just completed a very successful initial year and delegates praised the committee members for their hard work during the year.

Officers elected were, Chairman, Tony Lillis; Secretary, Betty McMahon; Treasurer, Jim O'Dowd. Committee: Kyrán Hurley, Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer, Margaret Flannagan, Caroline McDonnell, Dermot O'Hanlon, John McEntee and Joe Pender. Following the passing of a motion from Shannon Diamond, the committee will produce a calendar of events for the season before September 1.

Margaret Lacheiner won the Clare ladies championship for the seventh successive occasion when she scored a 3-1 win over Betty McMahon in the 'replayed' decider at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night last. The game produced some excellent play but in the end the more experienced Ennis player came out on top.

The finals of the Auburn Lodge championships took place on Tuesday night and the big attendance enjoyed the standard in all five finals. In the mens division 1 decider, Seamus Hayes got some measure of compensation for his defeat in the Clare final when he beat Denis Maurer on a 3/1 scoreline in an entertaining match. Carmel Enright won the ladies division 1 from Carmel Verling while the mens division 11 title went to Aidan Feore who beat Frank Keane.

The competitions were sponsored by Guinness and Mr. Eamonn Horkan was in attendance to present the prizes to the winners and runners-up.

The final competition of the season at the One Mile Inn took place on Monday night when Leadmore Ice Cream were the sponsors. After an enjoyable night's squash the members of the winning team were Gerry Bredin, Aidan Feore, Kieran Browne, Pat Lynch, Ursula O'Connell and Colette Kelly.

Mr. Frank McInerney, Sales Manager, represented the sponsors.

The final blitz tournament of the year at St. Flannan's was won by Michael Neylon, Seamus Hanrahan, John Finn, Dan O'Connor, Mary Noonan and Brid Leydon. The competition was sponsored by the West County Inn.

The Newmarket on Fergus club championship finals will be played on this Friday, May 13 when the finalists are expected to be Con Woods v Dermot O'Hanlon and Betty McMahon against either Mary O'Connor or Lil Moyles. In the boys under 16 Paul Cusack caused a big surprise by beating the number 2 seed Mike Hogan and he will meet Mike Fawl in the final.

The girls under 16 was cancelled due to lack of interest.

Competition Concludes

THE Cyril Walsh Cup competition concluded at Ennis golf club last week when Joe McMahon and Sean O'Connell beat Tom Glynn and Fintan Kelly in a final which produced some excellent golf. It took a great birdie by O'Connell on the 18th to win the title.

The competition which is run in memory of the late Cyril Walsh who is a former trustee, President and captain of the club, attracted a very big entry.

The Knox Cup got under way this week and there are some very interesting pairings in the preliminary and first rounds. This year a Knox Plate has been inaugurated for losers in the preliminary and first rounds and this will give extra competition to the participants.

Last week the club's Jimmy Bruer team bowed out of the Munster championship when they lost 2/3 to Nenagh at

Shannon. After three matches Ennis were two to one up but their final two pairings of Michael Vaughan and Garry Stack; Tom Glynn and Dickie Pyne were both beaten on the 19th. Also on the losing side were V. Gardiner and S. Brennan while the Ennis winners were M. Hayes and P. Considine, T. Mee and N. Gilligan.

Ennis will meet Limerick in the first round of the mixed foursomes championship at Shannon on Saturday week and the Ennis club have a great record in this competition, having won three Munster pennants.

The Paddy Conn trophy will be played for on this Saturday and Sunday at the Ennis club.

Three members of the Ennis club, Fr. P. Malone, John Madden and Peter Considine have reached the last 16 of the Spring matchplay at Lahinch.

May 1983

Clare To Host Munster Squash Championships

The huge upsurge in both the numbers playing and in the facilities available for quash in Clare has been recognised by the Munster squash branch who have asked Ennis to host this season's Munster close championships. These will take place over the first week-end of Feb. (3 to 5) and last week the Clare squash, committee appointed a sub committee to handle arrangements for this major event.

Its expected that upwards on 300 will take part in the various divisions for both ladies and men and not only will the Clare group be responsible for running the tournament, they will be expected to make arrangements for accommodation and to book a number of clubs for the event.

All the leading players in the Province will be taking part and local squash fans are eagerly looking forward to the visit of Irish number 2 Ritchie Power, who was the Irish number one for a number of years until last season when Willie Hosey of Carlow took over.

Full details are expected to be announced in mid January.

There was a huge turnout for the One Mile Inn's tenth anniversary blitz on Tuesday night of this week. Committee members and winners of the amjor titles in the early years were amongst those who were invited to the part in the centenary blitz from which there was valuable sponsorship mfrom Pat McCarthy Shoes, of Ennis. The competition was followed by a social evening during which tributes were paid to all who had worked on the various committees in the club over the past decade.

Meanwhile the Harp handicap tournament has reached the quarter final stage and the quarter final games will be played on this

Friday night. The holders Margaret Lacheiner and Gerry Bredin are still in contention.

The Clare mens division 3 league got under way on Tuesday night and will continue until the end of January. There are two divisions comprising a total of seven teams and the top two from each will qualify for the semi-finals.

In the Clare mens division 2 league the Ennis CBS, A look set to take the title as they are clear leaders with two rounds remaining. LThere is a good battle for the runners-up spot and at this point the odds favour the Ennis CBS, B Team.

Meanwhile the Clare senior men's individual league is being drawn up and this will commence in early January. There will be two divisions.

Clubs are reminded that entries for the ladies division 3 must be sent to Caroline McDonnell as soon as possible as this competition will ge getting under way early in the New Year.

Squash Draw This Week-End

The draw for the Clarenbridge Crystal sponsored Munster close championships will be made this week-end and copies of the draw should be in all clubs by Monday. The draw was to have been made earlier this week but due to a number of reasons, not least of which was the weather conditions, it was put back until this Friday. The competition will take place on Friday, Saturday and Sunday week and games will be played at the Auburn Lodge, Ennis CBS, St. Flannan's College One Mile Inn, Clarecastle and De Beers.

The ladies division 3 got under way last week when the a Augburn Lodge side scored a great win over a fancied Ennis CBS outfit.

The way is now clear for the mens division 3 final and this will be played at the Auburn Lodge on Tuesday night next. In opposition will be Ennis CBS, the favourites and Newmarket on Fergus. In this week's semi-finals the CBS, easily beat the Auburn 5-0 while Newmarket beat the One Mile Inn on a 3-2 scoreline.

In the senior individual league Kyrán Hurley and Seamus Hayes maintained their winning run with victories on both Friday and Monday nights. Hurley accounted for Gerry Bredin and John McEntee on 3-0 scorelines while Hayes recorded similar victories over Tony Lynch and Jack Keane. Lynch suffered his third successive defeat on Monday when he lost 0-3 to Denis Maurer.

Jan 1984

Top Squash Players For Ennis This Week-End

It's true to say that over the last three to four years squash has grown enormously in popularity in Clare and has led to the provision of many fine courts around the County. As a result of this growth a Co. association was formed in Sept. of 1982 to promote competition at all levels between the clubs. This has been done successfully over the past year and a half and such has been the success of the Clare Association that the Munster body has honoured Clare by asking the committee to host the prestigious Munster close championships this week-end.

After many hours of planning the Clare Committee has finalised all arrangements for the tournament which has attracted the leading players in the province. The matches will be played in seven courts in five clubs and followers should see many top class games throughout the week-end.

The tournament will get under way at 6.30 on this Friday evening and all courts

selected will have matches right up to midnight. Competition resumes at 9.30 a.m. on Saturday and continues right through until 8 p.m. on Saturday night after which the official buffet social will take place at the West Co. Inn and tickets can be had from club or co. officials. Competition will resume at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday when only three courts will be in action (2 in Clarecastle and 1 at the

Auburn Lodge) and will continue until 4.30 approx.

All fans are looking forward to seeing such as Ritchie Power, the current Irish number 2 and the top Irish players for many years, in action. Power is the number 1 seed in the premier event with John Barrett (Irish No. 5) as the number 2 seed. Also in this grade will be such players as Jack Laffan, Val Flanagan and Tony Mullaney who have been amongst the top in the Country for some years.

The ladies A competition has also attracted many of the leading players in the Country with such as Ann Downey (no. 1 see) Phyllis O'Farrell (no. 2) Margaret Lucas, Barbara Murray and Very Shawxix taking part.

Local interest will centre in the B and C grades in both ladies and men. In the men's B division Clare's Seamus Haes and Denis Maurer, will carry the County's hopes.

CLUB NEWS

Recently the Auburn Lodge Club held a most successful blitz which was sponsored by Francie O'Halloran frozen foods and the winning team was captained by club treasurer Damien Byrne. In a club snooker competition Willie Donnellan emerged as winner while the club's table

tennis competitions were concluded this week. A blitz sponsored by Danny Moran will be staged on Feb. 9. Recently a group of club members paid a very enjoyable return visit to Dublin and they are now preparing for the visit of a Tullamore team in March. Weekly coaching sessions continue under the guidance of Danny Liddy, Denis Maurer and Kyran Hurley.

The Old Ground Hotel sponsored team league at St. Flannans concluded last Friday when the team comprising of Con Woods, Gerry Collison, John Flann, P. Coughlan, F. Browne and N. O'Connor emerged as winners. The prizes were presented at an enjoyable function at the Old Ground afterwards.

Hurling Selectors Name panel

BY SEAMUS HAYES

The Clare hurling selectors have announced a 26 strong panel for the remainder of the league campaign, the Centenary Cup and the Munster Championship. The selection features the return of Seamus Durack, Martin Meehan, John Callinan and Enda O'Connor, neither of

Making his first appearance on the panel is Kilkenny man Michael Maher who will this year be seen in the Eire Og colours. Maher was outstanding for the Clare teachers when they won the All Ireland senior inter firm title in 1982 and last year he was full back on the Kilkenny

year and is deserving of his place on the panel. Many will be disappointed with the omission of Eire Og Pete Barry from the panel. The Ennis man was a member of the side in the early league games and showed much form. He was very impressive against Kilkenny in the Oireachtas but disappointed against Waterford in the league tie. He has the potential

Feb 1984

Clare success at Munster championships

The Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Close squash championships staged in Ennis for the first time, proved an outstanding success at the week-end. The competitions got under way on Friday night at five centres—Auburn Lodge, Ennis C.B.S., One Mile Inn, St. Flannans and Clarecastle—and concluded on Sunday when all of the finals were staged.

The outstanding game was certainly the mens A final in which John Barrett of the Orchard club in Cork caused a big surprise when beating the number 1 seed, Ritchie Power, on a 3/2 scoreline. Both Barrett and Power qualified for the final without dropping a set and when Power went into a 2/0 lead in Sunday's final it looked as if he was on the way to another

major title. But Barrett struck back in tremendous style to take the honours. In a most enjoyable ladies final Ann Downey of Kilkenny beat Phyllis O'Farrell of New Ross.

There was a fair amount of local success with the highlights being the victories of Margaret Lacheiner and Tony Lynch in the ladies B and mens C championships. Both competitions were all Clare finals with Mrs. Lacheiner beating Betty McMahon on a 3/1 scoreline.

he paid a special tribute to Clarenbridge Crystal for its sponsorship of the competition.

Mr. Tony Lillis, Chairman of the C.S.R.A. thanked the management of all the clubs involved for the use of their facilities for the week-end and he paid a special tribute to the stewards, referees and markers who officiated at the venues in question. He also thanked the organising committee of Kyran Hurley, Seamus Hayes and Denis Maurer for running the tournament so successfully.

The prizes were then presented by Ms. Gay Matthews of Clarenbridge Crystal while Dr. P. O'Toole presented the perpetual trophy for the veterans championship.

O'Neill (Cork) beat S. Flynn (Cork); Ladies A Plate, Vera Shaw (winner); Ladies A Classic Plate, Margaret Lucas (winner); Ladies B Plate, J. Ryan (Limerick) beat J. O'Connor (Limerick); Ladies C Plate, B. Ryan (Waterford) beat M. Carey (Ennis C.B.S.).

The senior individual league continues on this Thursday night with games being played at the One Mile Inn and the final round of the league will be played on Monday night at the Auburn Lodge. Kyran Hurley and Seamus Hayes are the only players with full points to date and they meet in the last round on Monday when Hurley will be the hot favourite to take the title. The other games on Thursday and Monday night will be interesting with players fighting to finish high up the ladder.

Hurling board

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CLARE LEAGUES

On the local scene the mens

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and mens C championships. Both competitions were all Clare finals with Mrs. Lacheiner beating Betty McMahon on a 3/1 scoreline in one of the best games ever between these top two in Clare ladies squash. Tony Lynch was in top form throughout the week-end and was a very convincing winner of the C championship when beating John McEntee of Shannon Diamond in the final. McEntee caused a big upset in the first round when he ousted Gerry Bredin. In the mens C plate competition there was another all local final when Tony Lillis beat his fellow Ennis C.B.S. player Gary Neary. It was a particularly busy week-end for Lillis who had to play three games on Saturday and two more on Sunday morning. Mary Carey of Ennis C.B.S. was the runner up in the ladies C plate in which Ann O'Dowd was a beaten semi-finalist. Ann O'Hanlon of Newmarket-on-Fergus was the runner up in the ladies C championship in which Jan Davis and Fiona Nugent of the One Mile Inn finished third and fourth respectively.

In the mens B championship both Denis Maurer and Seamus Hayes recorded good victories on Friday night before being defeated on Saturday morning. It is interesting to note that both John Ryan and Eugene Walker who knocked out Hayes and Maurer, went on to meet in the final while Anthony Cleary and Jim Quinlan who lost to the Ennis players on Friday night met in the Plate final.

The competition was run off very smoothly which is a tribute to the C.S.R.A. sub committee under tournament director Kyrán Hurley. The official function on Saturday night was held at the West County Inn and this really proved to be a huge success.

At the presentation of prizes on Sunday evening at the Auburn Lodge, Mr. Tim O'Sullivan of the Munster squash racquets Association, paid tribute to the C.S.R.A. for organising the event and

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Mens A: Final - J. Barrett, Cork beat R. Power, Waterford 3/2; Play off for third and 4th places, T. Mullane, Cork beat V. Flannagan of Waterford, 3/1; Mens B championship, J. Ryan, Waterford beat E. Walker (do); Third and 4th prizes, J. Donoghue, Waterford and B. Joyce, Cork; Mens C championship final, T. Lynch, Ennis C.B.S. beat J. McEntee (Sh. Diamond) 3/1; Veterans, S. Smith (Cork) beat S. Cummins (Cork) 3/0; Ladies A: A. Downey (Kilkenny) beat P. O'Farrell (New Ross); Play-Off for third and fourth places, B. Murray (Limerick) beat M. Sutton (Cork).

Ladies B Final: Margaret Lacheiner (One Mile Inn) beat Betty McMahon (Newmarket-on-Fergus) 3/1; Ladies C final, K. Bolger (New Ross) beat A. O'Hanlon (Newmarket-on-Fergus); Play-off for third and fourth places, J. Davis (One Mile Inn) beat F. Nugent (One Mile Inn).

Mens B Plate: A. Cleary beat J. Quinlan, Cork; Mens C Plate, T. Lillis (Ennis C.B.S.) beat G. Neary (Ennis C.B.S.); Veterans Plate, D.

CLARE LEAGUES

On the local scene the mens division three competition concluded Tuesday night when Ennis collected another victory beating Newmarket the final at the Auburn Lodge. Newmarket winners were Pat Coughlan and Dermot O'Hanlon while the other members of the team were D. J. Meehan, Betty McMahon and Dominic McMahon. Members of the winning team were Paddy O'Sullivan, Michael Singleton, Michael Conlon, Jackie Hynes, and Pat McInerney.

The ladies division 2 individual league concluded recently with the CBS taking first and second places. Sylvia Carroll with full points was the winner from Marcella Griffin whose only defeat was a 2/3 result against Sylvia. Teresa Corbett of the One Mile Inn was in third place.

The ladies division VI (for players who have not previous played league squash) will commence on Feb. 15 the closing date for entries is Feb. 8. The Mens division VI commences on Tuesday next.



● Prizewinners in the ladies competitions at the Munster Clarenbridge, Crystal and Mr. Tim

Squash Officials Elected

The annual general meeting of the Clare squash rackets assoc., was held on Monday night last at the One Mile Inn when there was a very good attendance. The outgoing officers all presented detailed reports of the years activities and all were satisfied that the state of squash in Clare was very healthy.

The officers elected for the coming season are as follows: Chairman Seamus Hayes, sec., Marie Lynch, treas., Fiona Nugent. Committee: Dermot O'Hanlon, Betty McMahon, Carmel Enright, Ann O'Dowd, Jack Keane, Gearoid O'Sullivan, John McEntee and Gary Neary.

Meanwhile the Ennis CBS team finished third in the national schools championships finals in Dublin last week. Ulster with Jeffrey Hearst, the Irish international, won the title with Leinster in second place. The Ennis CBS team of Seamus English, Gary Logue and Gary Casey beat Connacht 3-0, lost to Leinster 1-2, and lost to Ulster 0-3.

The Auburn Lodge club finals were decided on Thursday night last and resulted as follows. Ladies plate - M. Lynch beat B. Ni Bhric; ladies champ., M. Lacheiner beat A. O'Dowd; Mens. div. 2 P. O'Shea beat C. Murphy. Mens div. 1 S. Hayes beat D. Liddy.

The visit of the visiting Dublin team to the Auburn Lodge proved most entertaining at the week-end with many great games being played before the home club emerged victorious.

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Squash Champs

After the successful staging of the Munster Clare Championships in Ennis last year, the Clare squash association has been asked to stage the prestigious Munster Open Championships in Mid Jan. This competition annually attracts the top players in the Country and Clare squash fans can look forward to some outstanding squash.

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Leading players for Ennis

Arrangements for the prestigious Munster open squash championships which commence in Ennis on Friday week are at an advanced stage. Entries close this week and the draw will be made at the week-end and will be announced on Monday. It's expected that most, if not all, the members of the Irish teams which were in action in Belfast last week-end, will be taking part.

Clare squash fans are looking forward to games of an extremely high standard. Last year the many leading players who took part in the Munster close championships in Ennis were loud in their praise of the facilities in Ennis and all expressed a wish to return for this year's competition.

The one doubt hanging over the tournament at the moment concerns the prevailing weather conditions. Should the present bad spell of frost and the resultant icy roads continue then the entry could be very much effected and this would be a major

disappointment.

Further details of the tournament will be announced next week.

On the local scene, Clare competition will resume next week following the Christmas break. The CSRA inter club blitz will take place on this Saturday night at De Beers with the host club organising and running the event on behalf of the County Association. It's expected that about eight teams will take part and the tournament should prove most entertaining.

Clubs are reminded that entries for the upcoming leagues, details of which are on the official fixture list, should be forwarded to the respective league secretaries immediately.

NEWMARKET

The Newmarket-on-Fergus Winter league resumed last week when Betty McMahon's team defeated Kevin Gree side by 14 pts. to 8. There were some very interesting games particularly those in which Lewy Halpin beat Pat O'Halloran 3/2; John Power beat a superb Bridget Kenneally 3/2 and Michael Torpey beat Pauline Kilmartin 3/2. The league continues on next Monday when Betty McMahon's team meets D. J. Meehan's side.

There will be an important meeting of the Clare squash association at Brogan's on Monday night at 8.30 p.m.



Dec 1984



IRISH STARS FOR CRYSTAL TOURNAMENT

THE 1985 squash season in Clare will get off to a dream start with the staging of the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open championships in Ennis this weekend. Players of the calibre of John Barrett, David Gotto, George Okerehiri, Brendan Miller, Marjorie Burke, Rosaleen Quinn to mention but some, will all be taking part and followers of the game in Clare can look forward to games of an exceptionally high standard.

Over the past month in particular, much work has gone into planning and organising for this competition and all is now in readiness. Just short of one hundred players will be taking part in the various grades with games being played at the Auburn Lodge, Ennis C.B.S., Clarecastle and One Mile Inn clubs.

In all, forty-seven games are listed to be played on Friday night, while throughout Saturday a further seventy-four games will be played. The finals will be on Sunday with fifteen games to be decided. Details of the games will be posted in all clubs from early Friday.

In the mens premier section Cork's John Barrett, who was extremely unlucky to lose out to Irish number one Willie Hosey on Saturday last, is the number one seed for the weekend's tournament.

isolation of Betty McMahon and her committee that the competition, which attracted seven teams, was completed in record time.

The winners were the One Mile Inn team of Seamus Hayes, Joe Griffey, Ger Browne, Jan Davis and Teresa Corbett, while the runners up were De Beers with Eugene Strettan, John Dyer, Seanie McMahon, Betty McMahon and Teresa Hogan.

C.B.S. MEETING

A very important meeting of all sports club members at Ennis C.B.S. will take place in the school hall on Monday night next, January 2) at 8.30 p.m. It is important that all members make every effort to attend this meeting.

NEWMARKET

On Monday next, Kevin Greene and Diarmuid Harratty will have their teams in action as the race continues for the valuable trophies sponsored by Paul Higgins of the Weavers Inn.

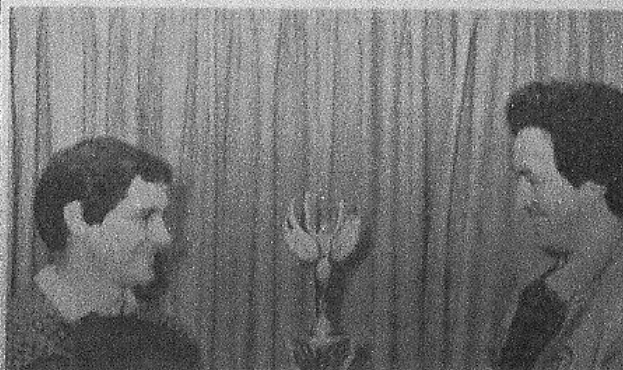
entry. The mens confined league is to go ahead after it had looked for a time that it too would have to be cancelled.

INTER-FIRM

The inter-firm competition deferred from December will go ahead on Friday and Saturday week in Shannon. Teams will consist of three men (one beginner) and two women and firms interested in taking part, should immediately get in touch with Clare Secretary, Marie Lynch or with Betty McMahon in Shannon.

CLARE LEAGUES

The Clare leagues will resume next week following the Christmas break with the mens and ladies division III, while section 2 of the individual league will also be getting under way shortly. The ladies confined league has been cancelled due to the fact that there was only one



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who was extremely unlucky to lose out to Irish number one Willie Hosey on Saturday last, is the number one seed for the weekend's tournament, with his fellow Irish team member David Gotto, seeded at number 2. Ghanian George Okerchiri, who plays out of the Purley club in London, could well cause surprises in the competition and he was impressive when playing in Dungarvan last weekend.

In the mens B section, Clare's Seamus Hayes and Tony Lynch will be in action and this section includes such high ranking players as Paul Grant of Waterford, Andy Cleary of Limerick, winner of the U/19 open in Dublin last week, John Kielty of Sligo and Johnnie O'Donoghue of Waterford.

Number one seed in the ladies A, Marjorie Burke, certainly faces a busy schedule at the weekend as she has also entered for the mens C section and here she is also the number one seed. Seamus English of Ennis C.B.S. is the only Clare player in this section.

Eight Clare players are included in the mens D in which John McEntee and Jack Keane will be expected to do well.

Nine of the seventeen taking part in the ladies B are from Clare and the county's challenge here will be led by Betty McMahon.

Competition commences at 6 p.m. on Friday, 9.20 a.m. on Saturday with a break from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 10 a.m. on Sunday.

INTER-CLUB BLITZ

The Clare inter-club blitz organised and run by the De Beers Club on Saturday last in Shannon proved a great success. Such was the organ-

to attend this meeting.

NEWMARKET

In the Newmarket club league there was a great contest on Monday night between the teams captained by D. J. Meehan and Betty McMahon. With one game outstanding, Meehan's team are leading by 9 points to 7. The game of the night was the match between the captains which Meehan won on a 9/7 scoreline in the final game to take the honours after they had been on court for over an hour.

DISAPPOINT STACK'S O

THERE has been widespread following the non-selection of Stack, on the All-Stars hurling week. Stack was nominated for which went to Cork's Johnnie O

Crowley was outstanding for Cork in the All-Ireland final and obviously this display got major consideration. Over the year, however, Stack was surely the best centre half back in the game.

Displays in the concluding stages of the Provincial and All-Ireland champions certainly deserve serious consideration but surely the performance of players in all competitions through the season should carry the most weight.

While general opinion favoured Seamus McHugh or Mick Spillane for the left corner back spot, which McHugh fills, Noel Roche is believed to have been very much in the reckoning.

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Success for Clare players in Munster champs.

Despite the fact that the ladies 'A' competition had to be cancelled due to the bad road conditions, the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships proved an outstanding success at Ennis last week-end.

There was a very high standard of play throughout the week-end and Clare players figured prominently amongst the prize winners. From an organisation point of view the Clare squash association did itself proud and many tributes were paid to the committee by visiting players.

Ennis is certainly proving to be a great squash centre for Irish number two John Barrett of the Orchard club in Cork. Last year he won his first major title when defeating Ritchie Power in the Munster Close final at Ennis. On Sunday last he captured his first Provincial 'Open' title when he convincingly beat Belfast's Dave Gotto in the decider at the Auburn Lodge club on Sunday. Third place went to Ghaman George Okerchiri who defeated John Young in the play-off.

The capacity attendance at the semi-finals on Saturday and the finals on Sunday were treated to some outstanding games with the players in all sections showing great skills. Barrett has shown tremendous improvement in the past twelve months and is hotly tipped to take over from Willie Hovey as the number one player in Ireland.

Clare's success was in the C and D grades. Seamus English produced his best form since last year's Clare championship and the Ennis C.B.S. leaving certificate student was an impressive winner of the C championship. Clare players dominated the D grade with John McEntee winning from Jack Keane in the championship. In the plate section Sean Heaslip beat Declan Coothe.

In the ladies B grade Mary Carey of Ennis was the runner up in the Plate section.

Ladies Final

On the home front the ladies senior league was decided on Tuesday night of last week when Caroline McDonnell won her first major title by beating Ann O'Dowd in the final at the One Mile. Both players had finished level and a play-off was needed to decide the competition. Miss McDonnell won on a 3/0 scoreline.

Newmarket

The Weavers Inn sponsored Newmarket club league is nearing the final stages and the way should be clear for the final after next week. On Monday night of

this week D. J. Meehan's team beat Diarmuid Hanratty's side by 10 points to 8 points when the match of the night was the meeting of Paddy Keegan and Fr. Willie McCormack which the former won by three games to two.

Betty McMahon's team now have 36 points with all games completed while D. J. Meehan's side had 29 points. On Monday next Kevin Greene's team plays Diarmuid Hanratty's and after this the way should be clear for the final.

Clare Leagues

The Clare mens and ladies division three leagues, the mens confined and the mens and ladies individual (section 2 and 3) get under way this week and will be run off over the next two weeks. Full details are available from the respective league secretaries, Dermot O'Hanlon and Carmel Enright.

Inter-Firm

The inaugural Clare inter-firm competition will take place on this Friday and Saturday at the De Beers Club in Shannon. Twelve teams will take part and it promises to be most enjoyable. Full details are available from Marie Lynch or Betty McMahon.

• SQUASH:

CLARE COMMITTEE APPOINTED

There was a good attendance at the annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Rackets Association held at the Auburn Lodge Hotel on Thursday night last.

The meeting was attended by Munster squash secretary, Michael Barry, who outlined the system of affiliation for clubs to the I.S.R.A. and appealed to the clubs to pay promptly at the beginning of the season.

In the near future there is to be a meeting between C.S.R.A. officials and representatives of the various clubs in the County with a view to planning a calendar of events for the season.

There was a stern warning to clubs or individuals found to change fixtures without the consent of the organising committee. In future all games must be played on the appointed times except in exceptional circumstances and these will be decided by the committee.

The following were appointed for the coming season: President, Seamus Hayes; Secretary, Marie Lynch; Treasurer, Fiona Nugent. Committee: John McEntee, Betty McMahon,

Denis Maurer, Finbarr McMahon, Jack Keane and Carmel Enright and this committee was given power to co-opt other members.

ENNIS C.B.S. WIN

Ennis C.B.S. retained the Clare mens division III title when they pipped the One Mile Inn in a tremendous final at the Auburn Lodge on Monday night. The match took over four hours to decide and in the end the C.B.S. just got there in a final which really could have gone either way.

The members of the winning panel were Johnnie Flynn, Mickey Meere, Liam McNamara, Michael Hanrahan (captain), Pat McInerney, Tom Holly and Jim Crosse while the runners up were Seamus Howard, Joe Griffin, Michael Griffin, Ger Browne (captain), Tony Chapman, Aidan Feore and Maurice Murphy.

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CLARE SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION

HANDBOOK

1985 - 1986



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

SUCH has been the growth of squash in Clare that the Clare Squash Rackets Association saw the need for the production of a handbook containing important information such as details of leagues, lists of officers, rules, etc. I hope that this, our first such production, will meet with the support of squash members throughout the county.

Due to the number of leagues which the C.S.R.A. organise, there is heavy pressure on courts and this year we are insisting on correct and punctual timekeeping. Some rule changes have been made in relation to league fixtures and I appeal to all members and club captains to take note of these. Details of the relevant rules are included in this booklet.

I would appeal to all clubs to make greater efforts to promote and organise a junior section in their clubs. A couple of our clubs are doing this and it's proving an enormous success as did the C.S.R.A.'s inaugural junior championships last Easter. This is of critical importance to the development and fostering of the game in Clare.

Finding people prepared to take positions on the various club committees is proving a bit of a problem. I would strongly urge all squash members to get involved with their clubs and with the C.S.R.A. There is always room for people who are prepared to help out at committee level. The availability of more people for committee work will lead to the club or Association having more time to organise other events.

Finally, on behalf of the C.S.R.A. committee, of which I have the honour of being President, I wish all players and clubs an enjoyable and successful season.

SEAMUS HAYES

Where is the Consistency

At the Clare G.A.A. convention at Cois na hAbhna recently there was strong support from prominent officials in the county for the playing of the 1986 senior hurling final in Carron. The chairman in his address and the secretary in his report both stated clearly that Clare G.A.A. 'owed it' to Carron to play the final at Gleann Ciosog. When the motion was being discussed both officials as well as a few other officers urged the delegates to vote in favour of the proposal. There was nothing whatsoever wrong with that and its only right that officers should give their views.

At the adjourned convention at the West County Inn last week Clarecastle put forward a motion calling for the appointment of a county disciplinary committee to replace the present system of hurling and football disciplinary bodies. Neither the chairman of the board Tadhg Murphy or the secretary Des Crowe took a stand for or against this proposal. This was surprising in view of the fact that the secretary strongly called for the adoption of such a system in his report when he expressed disappointment that such a proposal was defeated last year while the chairman, in his address said that some form of change was needed from the present system.

Munster Open Plans Squashed

Over the past three years there has been a tremendous growth in the interest in squash in Clare. Excellent facilities have been provided at eleven centres throughout the county and this week a new club was opened in Ennistymon and should prove very popular in

the North Clare area.

Two years ago Clare hosted its first major tournament when the Munster Close championship was run. It was a tremendous success and led to the Munster Association asking the Clare board to host the Munster Open last year. This was an even greater success and it was no surprise when Clare were again asked to stage this competition this year.

Plans were at an advanced stage when the Munster body changed its mind and called off the tournament at great inconvenience to the local committee who had secured a sponsor as well as having made other plans.

The problem concerns affiliations and the position is that each club is required to pay £100 per court to the Munster Association. This money should be paid before the competitive season gets under way but in recent years the Munster body hasn't looked for the money until November and December. By this time Clare were half way through their programme of leagues. Munster contend that three clubs in Clare haven't paid full affiliations. Two of these clubs have put forward reasons - valid as far as they are concerned - as to how the present position came about. Its worth noting that the reasons put forward have been accepted for the past three years and the Munster Association considered these clubs to be properly in order.

Last week the Clare officials were notified that they could not host the Munster open because of these difficulties. Surely the Munster Association should have acted on this at the beginning of the season. Calling off the competition now when plans were so far advanced certainly isn't fair to the Clare officials who have worked very hard for the past three years to spread the game in the county.

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secretary, allowing Doora-Barefield to choose from the Corrovarrin area and minutes of this agreement have been produced at recent meetings.

Its imperative that there is a speedy conclusion to the affair as the under age players in the area are 'Grounded' at present and this could result in some of them being lost to the GAA.

A Deserved Honour

Clare's outstanding senior hurling captain Tommy Keane has been chosen to travel to the U.S. as a replacement with the Bank of Ireland All-Stars in May. The official announcement will be made in the next couple of weeks when a full list of the replacements will be announced.

Few can argue but that the Kilmaley man deserves this honour. He has been one of the most consistent defenders in the game over the past couple of years and he is eagerly looking forward to leading Clare in the forthcoming Munster senior championship.

Squash Official replies

In the February 8 issue of the Clare Champion this column reported on the decision of the Munster squash rackets assoc., to cancel the prestigious Munster Open which was scheduled for Ennis at the end of February. On Tuesday of this week, some two months later, Munster sec., Ml. Barry sent a letter to this office taking issue 'with some of the facts' in the article.

"Your correspondent contends that the request for affiliation fees was only made in December/January of the season but, in fact, the official notice was sent to each club in letters in July, September and November and it was put to each club in no uncertain manner that they would have to meet their full commitment this year and that the county assoc. would be made responsible for this. At any stage during the season had there been an ensurance that the county assoc. would expel the default-

ing clubs then there was never any problem about holding the Munster open in Ennis but it was this refusal of the Clare Association to make their own clubs toe the line which, ultimately, led Munster officials to pull the plug.

Incidentally all clubs subsequently brought their affiliations up to date by the middle of February but at that stage it was too late to re-organise the open and Ennis clubs, players, and indeed, businesses in general lost out on what should have been a very fine week-end", states Mr. Barry.

In the February 8 article it was stated that 'in recent years the Munster Assoc. didn't look for affiliation fees until November-December'. Indeed at a number of Munster meetings officials of that body have readily agreed that this has been the position. This is due to lack of personnel at Munster level with most of the work left to a few hard working officials and particularly Mr. Barry.

That the Munster assoc., wrote to the clubs as stated by Mr. Barry was never disputed. The fact is, however, that Munster put pressure on the Clare Association in the second half of the season to resolve the problem when they weren't getting the desired response from the clubs. At this time the Clare assoc., had made a number of plans for the staging of this year's tournament which was only three weeks away when Munster, according to Mr. Barry, 'pulled the plug'.

While some Clare officials did point out to Mr. Barry that they would NOT be in favour of removing clubs from their leagues at such an advanced stage, a meeting of the Clare Assoc. voted IN FAVOUR of such action and it was as a result of this that the matter was resolved within a week.

Its still a widely held view in Clare squash circles that the matter could have been resolved AND the Munster open could have been held in Ennis as arraigned. This tournament, one of the major squash competitions on the Irish calender, was not re-fixed and has not been held at any other venue.

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'Holiday' Finals at One Mile Inn

The finals of the holiday handicap competition at the One Mile Inn will take place on this Thursday night. With such valuable prizes on offer it's not surprising that the competition has aroused tremendous interest in both ladies and mens sections.

At the time of writing Bridie O'Flaherty had won through to the ladies final but her opponent wasn't known but Margaret Lacheiner was favourite to qualify. This game will be at 8.30 and will be followed by the mens decider between Ger Browne and Seamus Hayes.

De Beers retained the Clare inter-firm title when they beat Air Traffic control in the final at the Shannon club on Sat. night last. Members of the winning team were P. O'Grady, G. Hudson, T. O'Connell, C. McDonnell and T. Hehir while the runners up comprised of C. Costello, D. O'Hanlon, P. Russell, C. Enright and M. Marrinan.

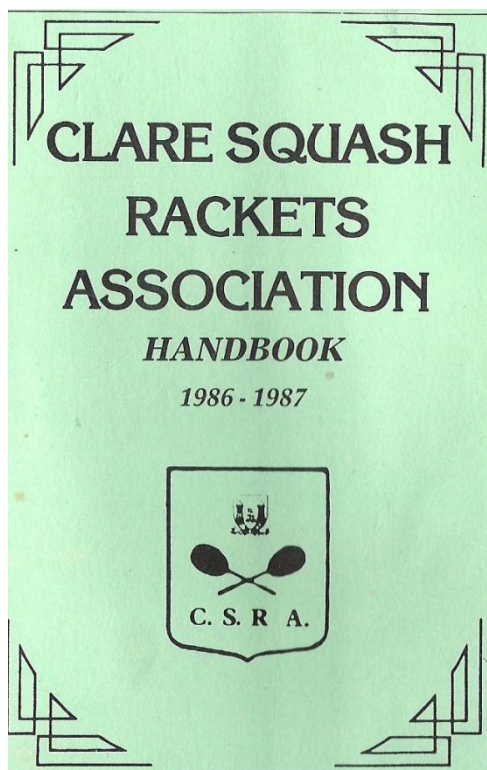
The Ennis CBS club champs. are now in full swing and the

quarter finals are down for decision this week. The finals are scheduled for Friday, May 3 when the club will hold their annual function at which the presentation of prizes will take place.

The Auburn Lodge club champs. are nearing the semi-final stage and there was a surprise in the ladies section when fav. Carmel Enright was beaten in a great match which went the full distance by Mairead Bergin. The finals will be held at the end of April.

The One Mile Inn club champs. will get under way next week.

There was a disappointing attendance at the AGM of Clare squash held last week at the Auburn Lodge. The following committee were elected for the coming season - Pres., Seamus Hayes. Sec. Maura Hanrahan, treas. F. Nugent, Committee D. Maurer, B. McMahon, J. Keane, C. Enright, F. McMahon C. McDonnell and J. Lusk.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

IT gives me great pleasure to introduce to you the Clare Squash Association's second annual handbook containing important information such as details of competitions run by the association, names and addresses of squash officials in the county, etc. I hope that this production will meet with support from squash members throughout the county.

The past season was a successful one with quite a number of competitions successfully promoted. Throughout the season the C.S.R.A. insisted on punctuality at all times and this policy will again be vigorously pursued this season. Fixtures **MUST** be played on the appointed dates and club officials and team captains are asked to take note of the competition rules.

Last year I appealed to all clubs to promote a junior section in their clubs. Some did this but there are many who did not and I again appeal to all to have as a priority in their clubs the promotion of junior squash. There are now a number of qualified coaches in the county who will advise clubs in this regard. Promotion of squash at junior level is of critical importance to the development and fostering of the game in the county. Remember thousands of pounds have been spent in providing the excellent facilities which are available throughout the county and all club management committees will surely want to ensure the future of their clubs.

Again I must appeal to all those playing the game of squash to get involved with their clubs at committee level. Admittedly there are many people who cannot afford the time to work at committee level but if more people get involved then the amount of time we will all have to spend at meetings, etc. will be considerably less.

I take this opportunity to thank all clubs for their co-operation with the C.S.R.A. during the past season and I wish all players and clubs an enjoyable season.

SEAMUS HAYES

Squash Stars for Ennis

IRISH number one squash player Robert Forde will lead a top class entry for the Munster Open squash championships which will take place in Ennis in two weeks time. This is a compulsory tournament—one of five in the season—for the Irish players and the presence of these stars is a wonderful boost for the game in Clare.

On the Clare front competition has been really keen in recent times even if there is annoyance in some areas over the teams named by some clubs for the mens Division III competition which commenced two weeks ago. Teams comprise of five players and two named substitutes and clubs are obliged by rule to name these panels in order of merit. It's alleged that a couple of clubs have not named their sides in order of merit and this has been brought to the notice of the governing body, the C.S.R.A. who are understood to be examining the complaints at present. In the event of such allegations been proven its important, for the future of competition in Clare, that firm action be taken as quickly as possible.

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number 1), Willie Hosey (Irish number 2), Noel Ryan (Irish number 4), David Gotto, Ireland's most capped player and Melbourne's Roger Flynn all taking part.

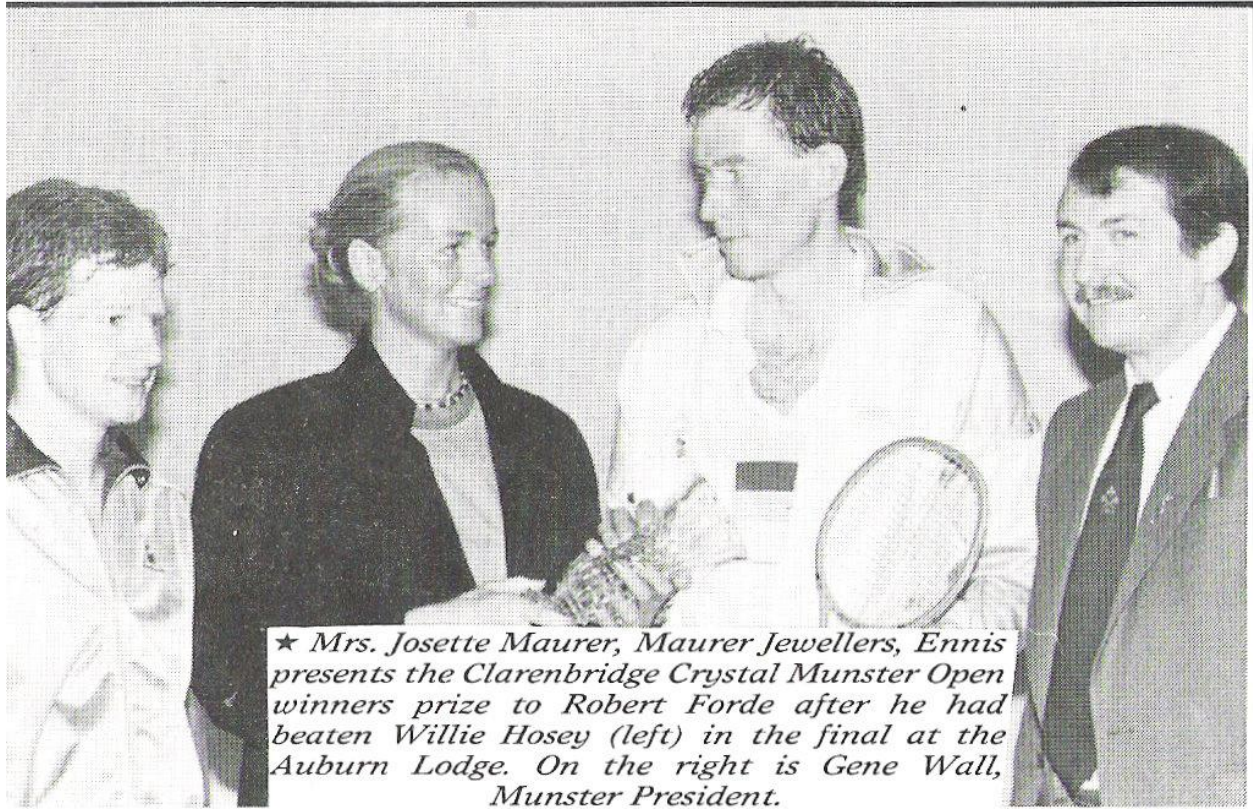
In the ladies division 3 Ennis C.B.S. lead at the half way stage with 53 points from St. Flannan's on 43 with One Mile Inn third on 11.

In the confined leagues Ennistymon are going very well in both the mens and ladies sections and remain favourites to win the titles.

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Lodge 20 and a total of eight courts
will be held at Auburn Lodge (2);
Lodge 15, 16, 18, 21, 51. Flanagan's
court will be the first, games for under
21 will start at 6 p.m. and continue
until 12 a.m. morning. Competition re-
sumes at 12 a.m. Sunday morning and
continues throughout the day.



● Pictured announcing details for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open Senior Championships at Ennis last weekend were (from left): Denis Maurer, Bob O'Donoghue, Club Manager Clarenbridge Crystal; Fiona Nugent, Clare Treasurer and Jack Wall, Auburn Lodge.



★ Mrs. Josette Maurer, Maurer Jewellers, Ennis presents the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open winners prize to Robert Forde after he had beaten Willie Hosey (left) in the final at the Auburn Lodge. On the right is Gene Wall, Munster President.

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MUNSTER OPEN PROVIDES EXCELLENT SQUASH

The excellent squash facilities which are now available in Clare played a major part in the outstanding success of the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open championships which were decided at Ennis last week-end. A total of one hundred and thirty players played over two hundred matches throughout the week-end. The semi-finals at the Auburn Lodge on Saturday and the finals at the same venue on Sunday attracted 'Full houses'. In fact a number of people were disappointed on Sunday and failed to gain admission to the finals.

The standard of play in all grades was extremely high and the fact that such as Robert Forde, Willie Hosey, Roger Flynn, Noel Ryan, David Gotto and Peadar Kavanagh participated ensured a big following for the mens A games. The highlight of Saturday mornings quarter finals was the match between David Gotto and Noel Ryan. The ever popular Gotto produced some excellent play but it wasn't enough to stop the excellent Ryan from winning on a 3-2 scoreline.

In the semi-finals on Saturday evening Ryan started very well against number one seed Forde and took the first game. However the English based player fought back to win 3-1 and secure a place in the final. In the second semi-final Willie Hosey proved too strong for Melbourne's Roger Flynn and won on a 3-1 scoreline. In Sunday afternoons final Hosey got off to a great start winning the first game but then Forde showed just why he is the Irish number one by fighting back for a 3-1 victory.

In the play-off for third and fourth places Roger Flynn

losing to Miriam Thornton of Galway in the final. The One Mile Inn's Ann O'Dowd won the ladies C plate when she beat Lonnie Costelloe of Limerick in the decider. Clarecastles Pat Doran was the runner up in the mens D plate losing to Larry Byrne.

The ladies B champ, final saw sisters Finnola and Eadoin McNamara from the Carragh in opposition with victory going to Finnola.

Overall it was a most successful week-end and the Clare association certainly de-

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IN A 3-1 VICTORY.

In the play-off for third and fourth places Roger Flynn beat Noel Ryan. Marjorie Burke was a comprehensive winner of the ladies A title beating Ann Downey on a 3-0 score in the final. Burke was in tremendous form throughout the week-end and it was in the mens B grade that she really did well.

After winning her first round on Friday night she took on and defeated local representative Seamus Hayes on a 3-1 scoreline on Saturday morning.

She followed this up with a 3-2 win over Castlebar's Pat Halligan in the quarter final. In the semi-final she decisively beat Seamus English on a 3-0 score before losing in a superb final to Dungarvan's Pat Phelan. Indeed she should have won this game as she served for the match at 8-1 in the fourth game. She eventually was beaten 9-7 in the fifth in what was her eighth match of the week-end.

Michael Conlon of Ennis CBS was the runner up in the mens C grade losing in straight games in the final to Peter Hayes of Limerick. Joe Griffin was the runner up in the mens D losing a five set match to Teddy Reynolds of Nenagh. Earlier on Sunday morning Griffin had to come from two games down to win the semi-final against Paddy O'Donoghue of Limerick.

In the ladies B plate Carmel Enright from the Auburn Lodge club was the runner up

successful week-end and the Clare association certainly deserves to be commended on the manner in which the tournament was organised.

On the local front the mens and ladies div. 3 and confined leagues are at an advanced stage. In the mens div. 3 the semi-final pairings will be known after this Friday's matches. Certain of qualifying as winners of their sections are Ennis CBS and Clarecastle who are the holders. Kilkee look set to be runners up to Ennis CBS following their big win over the One Mile Inn last week and this would mean that the West Clare side would meet Clarecastle in one of the semi-finals. In the other section there is a tremendous battle between Lissycasey and Shannon Diamond for the runners up spot and all depends on the outcome of their games on this Friday against Clarecastle and Auburn Lodge respectively. Shannon Diamond are favoured to take that final spot and so meet the CBS in the semi-final. The semi-finals will be on Wednesday night next with the final on the following Tuesday.

The ladies div. 3 is also proving to be a great competition with Ennis CBS just ahead of St. Flannans. These two sides will meet in the final game of the competition next week.

Arrangements are now being made for the Clare championships which will be played at the end of March and clubs will be notified of the details in the coming weeks.

NEW CLARE SQUASH COMMITTEE APPOINTED

THE annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Association was held at the Auburn Lodge Hotel on Friday night last. While the attendance was a little disappointing, it was a successful meeting.

Dermot O'Hanlon, a member of the first C.S.R.A. committee five years ago, is the new President. He succeeds Seamus Hayes who did not seek re-election after three years in office. The new Treasurer is Carmel Enright who takes over from Fiona Nugent who is now working in Cork. Maura Hanrahan continues as Secretary.

The other members of the committee are Caroline McDonnell, Jim Lusk, Finbarr McMahon, Mike Conlon, Jack Keane, Ger Browne and Seamus Hayes. Plans are now

been formulated for the coming season and a meeting of the committee will take place on May 13 to deal with gradings and to plan the league programme for next season.

Meanwhile the One Mile Inn competitive season will come to a close on this Thursday night when the club championship finals will take place. The games will be followed by a social evening and buffet and tickets are available from the committee.

The Auburn Lodge finals will take place on Wednesday night next.

The Newmarket club finals took place last week and resulted in victory for Dermot O'Hanlon who had a 3-2 win over Joe Pender in the final. In the plate final Brendan O'Brien beat Fr. W. Cummins 3-0.

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CLARE SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION

Handbook & Diary

1987-1988



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

ON BEHALF of the Committee of the Clare Squash Rackets Association, it gives me great pleasure to introduce you to the new look Clare Squash Rackets Association's handbook 1987-'88. In addition to all the information heretofore found in this booklet, we have incorporated a handy diary for your convenience.

Last year was an extraordinarily good and enjoyable year for squash in the County both from a local point of view and Provincially. Indeed we have again been honoured with the Munster Open Championships which are scheduled for the week-end of February 14 - 16, 1988.

There was, however, one black spot on last year's performance and that was in the realm of court bookings for league fixtures. Let it be said here that on *all occasions when courts are booked in the name of the C.S.R.A. and for the purposes of C.S.R.A. leagues, matches will be played on the appointed night* and to that end should a member of a team be unable to play on a scheduled night a *substitute must be introduced*.

Having said that I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those—players, clubs, committees and helpers—who helped make last season such a success and I ask you all for continued support and understanding during this season. Of course I also say a special thanks to our sponsors.

The main thrust of my address has to be two pronged. In the first instance more has to be done to encourage and promote *Junior* squash in the County. We in the C.S.R.A. have a number of qualified coaches who are ready, willing and able to assist any affiliated club in the area of coaching. All clubs have to do is to ask for a coach. We make a special request to *all* clubs to promote squash at junior level and we will give any assistance possible. It is not sufficient to leave it to the C.B.S. club to produce junior players for the County. Competition needs to be generated.

In the second instance I believe it is a shame that players after

a number of years enjoyment from playing the game, drift away from squash. I appeal to clubs to encourage these players to involve themselves in other club activities such as coaching juniors or at administrative level. The C.S.R.A. plan to organise competition for over '40's, sponsorship and time permitting.

Finally I would like to thank all players, clubs and club owners for their patience, understanding and co-operation in the past and I wish all an enjoyable and successful season.

DERMOT V. O'HANLON

Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open Championships

THE HIGHLIGHT of last season was, without doubt, the hosting of the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open Championships. The championships were staged in February using five clubs in the Ennis area with the finals at the magnificent Auburn Lodge complex which was the headquarters for the tournament. While the entry for the ladies A section was somewhat disappointing, the mens A event was a major success with the majority of the Irish panel in action.

Indeed so successful was the tournament that the Munster Association unanimously agreed to ask Clare to host this year's event. With Clarenbridge Crystal again agreeing to sponsor the event, the Clare Association accepted the challenge again. Without the support and help of Clarenbridge Crystal, it would not be possible for us to host this major event which is a compulsory tournament for members of the Irish panels. We also get tremendous support from local business firms and, of course, from the committees of the Clare squash clubs.

It's agreed in squash circles throughout the Country that facilities in Clare are amongst the best in the Country. The C.S.R.A. committee is confident that all squash members in the County will support this season's event and so ensure that it will again be a huge success.

COMMITTEE CHANGES

SQUASH MEMBERS will note from the C.S.R.A. list of officers that there are some changes from last season.

Fiona Nugent, an excellent treasurer and committee member has taken up a new appointment, on promotion, with the Ulster Bank in Cork. Naturally we, in Clare squash, are disappointed to see her go but we sincerely congratulate her on her new appointment and wish her every success. No doubt she will continue to take a keen interest in Clare squash and we look forward to many visits from Fiona during the season. Fiona, we will certainly need your help on the occasions of some of the major promotions such as the Clare finals and the Munster Open Championships.

Denis Maurer and Betty McMahon, two excellent members of the C.S.R.A. committee since its inception, decided to take a break from committee work this season. We know that they will continue to work for the promotion of Clare squash and that they will be ready and willing to help us out should we call on them. We, on behalf of all squash members in the County, thank them for their excellent work in the past.

We welcome onto the C.S.R.A., Mike Conlon, Ger Browne and Dermot O'Hanlon. Dermot, a member of the first C.S.R.A. committee, is the President this year. All three are keenly involved in the promotion of the game.

Munster 'Open' Plans in Full Swing

Plans for the staging of the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships in Ennis are now in full swing. The championships will be hosted by the Clare Association on February 12, 13 and 14 when the tournament headquarters will be the Auburn Lodge club.

The championships were an outstanding success last year and the organisers are confident that this years event will be equally successful. As this is a compulsory

tournament for the members of the Irish panels, squash fans can look forward to seeing the top male and female players in the country in action over the week-end.

There will be four grades of competition for the men plus a veterans section (numbers premitting) while in the ladies section there will be three grades. Last years the total engry was in excess of one hundred and this helped to make it a most successful and enjoyable occasion.

Ladies Final Decided

On the home front the division 2 and 4 leagues will commence next week and grat competition is expected.

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Champions Will Defend Titles in Ennis

Robert Forde, the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open champion will defend his title in Ennis in two weeks time. This is a great boost for the organising committee who have also received confirmation that Marjorie Burke will defend the ladies title. Entries for the event close this week-end and its expected that upwards on 150 will play in the various grades throughout the week-end of Feb. 12, 13, and 14.

The draw will be made next week and the Clare clubs will immediately be notified. A great week-ends squash is expected and full houses are expected at the major venues and particularly at the Auburn Lodge for the semi-finals and finals.

Meanwhile the Clare leagues are in full swing and

the ladies div. 2 is proving to be a tremendous competition. St. Flannans have been installed as favourites following victories over Ennis CBS and Auburn Lodge. The CBS pipped the One Mile Inn on Monday night but these three are still very much in contention after just two rounds of the competition in which the Auburn and Ennistymon are also taking part.

In the mens div. 4 after two rounds Ennistymon and Clarecastle are fancied to win their respective sections while Kildysart are expected to be very much in contention. In the ladies div. 4 the Auburn Lodge have recorded two good victories to date and must have a good chance of success.

The mens div. 2 is down to five teams following the withdrawal of the Shannon side.

Jan 1988

Record entry for Clarenbridge 'Open' at Ennis

WITH just one week to go to the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships at Ennis, Clare followers of the sport are in for a great weekend's entertainment. The overall entry is up from last year.

At the time of writing, one hundred and forty had entered for this prestigious event which has nine grades and which will provide some three hundred games from Friday evening until the tournament concludes on Sunday afternoon.

Robert Forde, an impressive winner of the mens A grade last year is coming to Ennis from Cheshire to defend his title. He is sure to meet with

strong opposition from the talented Noel Ryan from Dublin, an extremely popular competitor in last year's highly successful event; Willie Hosey and a host of other leading players. New Zealander, Evan Shooley, who is attached to the Christy's club in Blarney, will be competing in Ennis for the first time. The A grade will be confined to sixteen players and will be played on a 'Swiss system' with all players having

four games over the weekend.

There is a very strong entry for the mens B in which Clare's Seamus English, Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer, Mike Conlon and Seamus Howard will be participating. Clare will also be strongly represented in the mens C, D and veterans grades.

The entry for the ladies A is somewhat disappointing but Marjorie Burke will be defending the title won in convincing style twelve months ago. Also taking part will be last year's beaten finalist, Ann Downey, the current Munster captain and also very well-known for her exploits with the Kilkenny senior camogie side, the current All-Ireland champions. There will be strong Clare representation in the B, C and D grades. Inciden-

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the B, C and D grades. Incidentally, the ladies D section is being introduced for the first time this year and judging from the entry it should prove most attractive.

Competition will get under way on Friday evening at 6 p.m. and with up to ten courts being used at Ennis C.B.S., Clarecastle, St. Flannan's, One mile Inn and the Auburn Lodge, which will be the tournament headquarters, spectators should have a wide choice of games. Saturday's programme will get under way at 9 a.m. and games will continue throughout the day at all venues with the semi-finals taking place that evening.

The tournament will continue on Sunday morning at Ennis C.B.S., Clarecastle and the Auburn Lodge with the A finals on Sunday afternoon at the Auburn for which tickets can again be had from the committee. The presentation of prizes will take place immediately after the mens A final.

The tournament dinner will take place at the Auburn Lodge on Saturday night and tickets for this can also be had from the organisers. The full draw for all grades will be available this weekend and will be posted on the club notice boards early next week.

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TOP SQUASH PLAYERS CHASE MUNSTER TITLES

A RECORD entry has been received for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open squash championships, which will take place in Ennis this weekend. The success of last year's event has, no doubt, led to the increased entry for next weekend and Clare squash enthusiasts can certainly look forward to a feast of all that is good in squash over the weekend.

The fact that the top eight seeds in the mens B grade are all inter-Provincial players gives an indication of the high standard which can be expected at all venues during the weekend. Thirty-two players will take part in the mens grade, while both the mens C and D divisions have attracted entries of thirty players. There will be a veterans section as well as four ladies grades.

Clare will have strong representation in all grades with the exception of A and hopes to be high in the Clare association that they will capture some prizes.

Included in a top-class mens grade are Robert Forde, older Richard Flynn, the Australian who plays for Connaught; Noel Ryan, John McKay, Peadar Kavanagh, John Young, Michael O'Donoghue and Belfast's David

the offing in the coming weeks. In the mens division 2, the Auburn Lodge's title hopes suffered a setback when they lost to both Ennis C.B.S. and the One Mile Inn last week. The C.B.S. and the One Mile meet this week in the final game of the first round.

In the ladies division 2, St. Flannan's continue as leaders with Ennis C.B.S. and the One Mile Inn in hot pursuit.

The mens division four competition is nearing the semi-final stage. Ennistymon and Clarecastle are certain of a place in the last four following their wins in their respective sections. Kildysart and the Auburn Lodge are battling it out for the runners-up spot to Ennistymon, while in the other section, Ennis C.B.S., Shannon Diamond and Lissycasey are still in contention for the second spot. The semi-finals are scheduled for Thursday next.

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otto, always a popular visitor to Ennis. It's a very strong entry and with the competition being played on a Swiss system (each player will have four games) some great competition is expected.

While there was some disappointment with the failure of a number of the Munster players to enter for the ladies A grade, the presence of Mary Byrne, making her first visit to Ennis for a squash tournament, and the holder Marjorie Burke, should ensure keen interest. They are expected to meet in the final and this should be a thriller.

Games will be played at Ennis C.B.S., One Mile Inn, Clarecastle, St. Flannan's and the Auburn Lodge, which will be the tournament headquarters. Games will commence at all venues at 6 p.m. on Friday and will continue until midnight. Competition will resume at 9 a.m. on Saturday and again at 9 a.m. on Sunday. The finals will be on Sunday afternoon with the ladies final timed for 2 p.m., followed by the mens A final at 3 p.m. Details of all the game times and venues are available on the club notice boards.

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In the ladies division four, Kilkee and the Auburn Lodge are unbeaten to date and their meeting this week should be a very close contest.

Entry forms for the Clare championships will be forwarded to the clubs in the next week. The championships will be run in mid-March.

Draughts Champions

The Clare open draughts championships concluded last week and resulted in a win for Sean O'Driscoll from Broadford in the senior section with Pat Hogan from Tulla winning the intermediate title.

Tom Bryson, Shannon, was the runner up to O'Driscoll in the senior competition with Seamus Notal from Ennis in third place.

In the inter section Tony McDonagh from Ennis was the runner up with Joe O'Loughlin, Ennis and Pat Madden, Tul-

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MUNSTER C'SHIPS A GREAT SUCCESS

THE Clarinbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships which were staged at Ennis over the weekend proved to be an outstanding success and resulted in many tributes being paid to the organising Clare squash association. Upwards on three hundred games were played over the weekend at five clubs, involving ten courts and all visitors were loud in their praise of the manner in which the tournament was organised.

Clare representatives did quite well, winning a number of prizes in the competition which started on Friday evening and concluded after a hectic schedule of games on Sunday evening.

Once again the A grades thrilled the spectators at all venues and particularly the packed balcony at the Auburn Lodge complex on Sunday afternoon. The ladies A final was a tremendous contest in which Mary Byrne, defeated the holder Marjorie Burke in a game that went the full distance. In the mens A grade Robert Forde retained the title he won for the first time last year when he overcame John McKay on a 3/1 scoreline. In the semi-final, McKay scored a convincing win over the number two seed, Roger Flynn. Forde beat David Gotto on the same scoreline in the other semi-final with Gotto going on to finish in third place by beating Flynn.

The mens B produced a very high standard and the final was a thrilling affair in which Waterford clubmates Kevin Power and Andrew Vereker were in opposition. Power won on a 3/2 scoreline and afterwards both were named on the Munster team for the forthcoming inter-Provincial championships which will be held in Cork in March.

Both Seamus English and Denis Maurer received walkovers in the first round on Friday. They were in opposi-

tion on Saturday morning and English emerged victorious but later that day went out of the competition when he lost to A. Murphy of Waterford.

Mike Conlon had a first round win over Enda Moran from Mayo before losing to Frank Quinn of Galway. Seamus Hayes overcame George Hewitt from Belfast in the opening round and then went out to Galway's Jim Corley, while Seamus Howard went out in the first round to Limerick's Kevin Costello.

The mens C plate was an all-Clare affair in the final with Tomas English beating Sean Gleeson. Dermot McDonnell reached the final of the mens D championship where he lost to Galway's Tom Thornton, while in the D plate final Mickey Meere lost to Michael Moylan of Cork. The veterans championship was won by Eric Hanrahan who had a 3/2 win over Mickey Meere who had a very busy tournament getting to two finals.

The ladies B plate was won by Caroline McDonnell who beat Jacqueline Kearney from Cork. In the C championship, Mairead Bergin was the winner beating Jan Davis, while the C plate was won by Bridie O'Flaherty who beat Cork's Miriam Murphy. Ann Marie Russell won the ladies D title beating Catherine Lane, while the D plate was won by Evelyn Lyons, who beat Mary Murphy.

The presentation of prizes was made immediately after the mens A final by Bob D'Silva, Sales Manager, Clarinbridge Crystal.

Eileen Boland, Tralee, a competitor in the ladies A grade, was the winner of the new graphite racquet sponsored by Josie O'Shea Sports, Ennis.

SEMI-FINALS

On the home front the way is now clear for the mens division 4 semi-finals and these will take place on this Thursday night. Ennistymon will take on Shannon Diamond at Clarecastle, while Clarecastle will oppose the Auburn Lodge, who overcame Kildysart last week for the final spot, at the One Mile Inn. The final will be on Thursday week.

In the mens Division 2, the holders, One Mile Inn, hold a slight lead at the halfway stage following their win over Ennis C.B.S. last week.

St. Flannan's College continue to lead the ladies Div. 2 league while Kilkee and the Auburn Lodge are very much in contention for the Div. 4 title.

Entry forms for the annual Maurer Jewellers Clare Championships will be circulated to all clubs in the county this weekend. The competition will get underway on March 14 and the finals will be on March 25.

The annual Harp Handicap tournament got underway at the One Mile Inn club this week and again there was a big entry. The One Mile Inn club travel to Bantry on Friday week for a weekend outing and competitions have been arranged in squash, golf, pitch and putt and snooker to mention but some. It promises to be a most enjoyable occasion.

More Finals Decided

There was a fine attendance at the finals of the Harp sponsored Auburn Lodge squash club champs. on Thurs., night last. The ladies A final produced a great battle between Carmel Enright and Mairead Bergin with Miss Enright winning on a 3-2 scoreline. The mens A decider was won by Seamus Hayes who had a 3/1 win over Jack Keane. The mens B title was captured by Mick Meagher who beat Don Barrett in the decider. Other prize winners at the finals were J. Pender, P. O'Shea, T. Reynolds, F. Reddan, E. Holly, G. Hogan. Afterwards there was a very enjoyable social and the prizes were presented by Ml. McLoughlin of the sponsoring firm.

The Ennis CBS club champs. will conclude with the finals on this Thurs. and Fri. nights. The presentation of prizes will take place at teh clubs annual buffet disco which will be held at the West Co. Inn on this Sat. night and tickets can be had from any of the committee members.

There was a good attendance at the AGM of the Clare squash assoc. last week. There was some lively debate on a

number of motions and much discussion took place on the format of competition for next season. Two of the outgoing committee, Seamus Hayes and M. Conlon did not seek re-election. The committee for the coming season is: President - D. O'Hanlon, sec., M. Hanrahan, treas. C. Enright. Members - G. Browne, J. Lusk, C. McDonnell, J. Keane, F. McMahon, J. Casey, T. McMahon and M. Bergin.

The St. Flannans squash club champ finals will be decided on this Friday night. At the time of writing the semi-final pairings were - ladies M. Carey v D. Shalvey; F. Browne v E. Lyons; Men - M. Sullivan v J. Culligan; M. Molloy v J. Coughlan. The plate finals will also be played on Friday and the semi-final pairings are - ladies - K. McInerney v K. Kelly; M. Crowley v M. Culligan. Mens - F. Flynn v T. Cronin or V. Lambert; B. Keane v C. Ryan or J. Madden.

The presentaion of prizes will take place at a function in the West Co. Inn after the finals.

April 1988

A Word From The President

ON behalf of the Committee of the Clare squash rackets Association, let me introduce to you the 1988/'89 Association handbook and diary. You will note that this year we have included the Clare constitution and the rules for league squash in Clare.

The highlight of last season was again the staging of the Munster open championships, sponsored by Clarenbridge Crystal, in Clare. Let me say at the outset that unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond my control, I had no hand, act, say or part in the organisation and running of this most successful competition. All praise and thanks must to to the other members of the 1987/'88 Committee and to all who helped so willingly. We were again asked to host the 1989 championships but due to the Auburn Lodge Hotel deciding to close court I and the viewing gallery, we have been unable to accept this offer.

I wish to congratulate both Caroline McDonnell and Seamus Hayes on winning their respective ladies and mens Clare championships and to compliment all on the standard of squash in both competitions.

In the area of courts, court bookings and court availability, I must thank all concerned and, in particular, the court owners and club committees who unquestionably released their courts to our services, sometimes at very short notice.

The C.B.S. club's gain must be considered our loss as Michael Conlon, our Vice-President last season, has stepped

down after only one year on the Committee to concentrate on activities with his club. We also lost long-serving committee member Seamus Hayes, who did not seek re-election, but thankfully, he has and will continue to make himself available for consultation.

We welcome three new members to the Committee and we are confident that Mairead Bergin, Jim Casey and Tony McMahon will have a happy and fruitful year on committee.

Finally, let me wish everybody a happy and successful squash season and I look forward to meeting you all at squash venues throughout the County during the season.

DERMOT V. O'HANLON,
President C.S.R.A.



★ Pictured after the 1988 Munster open squash championship finals at the One Mile Inn, were (l. to r.), John McKay (runner-up), Mary Byrne, (winner), Bob D'Silva, Clarinbridge Crystal, sponsors, and Robert Forde who retained his title.

ONE MILE INN FINALS A GREAT SUCCESS

ACTIVITIES at the One Mile Inn squash club concluded for the season on Tuesday night when the club championship finals were staged. There was some great competition particularly in the A finals. Holders Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles in high standard finals.

There was a capacity attendance for the deciders and the ladies final certainly gave the viewers plenty to cheer about. Mrs. Lacheiner was opposed by recently crowned Clare champion, Rose Hynes and they provided a tremendous contest. In the end the experience of Mrs. Lacheiner proved decisive and she recorded a 3/1 victory.

In the mens final Darren Kelly looked set for his first title when he raced into a 2-0 lead. Kelly played tremendous squash. When he went into a 5-1 lead in the third it seemed to be only a matter of time until he completed the proceedings. Hayes fought back to 5 before Kelly went to 8 and served for the match. In fact he served for the match on

Other prize winners in the Michael O'Sullivan sponsored competition were: Mens B, Eric Harrahan beat Tony Peniston; Ladies B, Patricia Leahy beat Maura Brooks; Mens C, John Casey beat Bobby Stack; Ladies C, Elaine Noel beat Una Behr; Mens A plate, Jack Keane beat Tony Lillis; Mens B plate, John Coughlan beat Paddy Lane; Mens C late, Cathal O'Connor beat John Brooke; Ladies B plate, Mary Crowley beat Margaret Conlon; Ladies C plate, Bernie O'German beat Kay Gill.

The presentation of prizes took place at a function at Patricks after the finals.

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served for the match. In fact he served for the match on four occasions but failed to get the vital score and Hayes kept the game alive when winning 10-9. The holder quickly won the fourth and then went on to take the fifth and the title for the sixth year in succession.

The mens E title was won by Frankie Coughlan who had a 3-2 win over Gerry Casey while Catherine Feore won the ladies division E crown when beating Patricia Duncan. Michael Griffin won the mens A plate when he defeated Aidan Feore and Maureen Bergin won the ladies A plate when defeating Jan Davis.

The presentation of prizes took place at a very enjoyable function afterwards when Donal Moloney of Seep Lp, the sponsors, presided.

When the finals of the Lann Boys National School squash club championships were decided last Thursday night, Thomas English gained revenge for his recent Clare championship defeat by Norman Hayes. The time English was a comprehensive winner. The ladies title was won by Patricia Moloney who beat the club secretary, Norma Murphy.

CLARE A.G.M.

There was a disappointing attendance at the annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Association at the West County Inn on Friday night last. The meeting failed to elect a secretary to succeed Maura Hanrahan who has filled the position for the past three years. Many tributes were paid to Maura for her excellent work as secretary. The following were elected: President, Dermot O'Hanlon; Treasurer, Carmel Faught; Committee, Jack Keane, Eamon Kelly, Ger Browne, Maureen Bergin, Tom Casey, Michael O'Connell, Catherine Lane and Tony McMahon. The new committee will appoint a secretary and report back to a general meeting in the next couple of months when next year's gradings will be announced.

The finals of the Lann C.B.S. championships will take place on this Friday and another good night's squash is expected.

The annual general meeting of the Clare Men's Club took place on this Thursday at 9 pm.

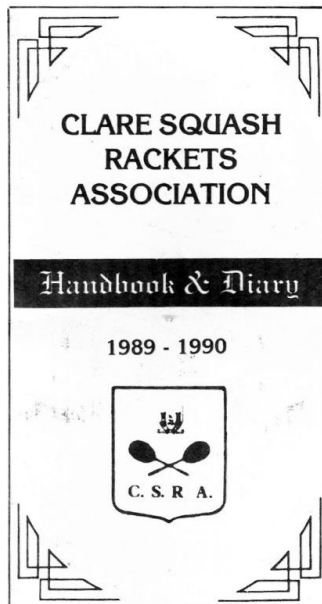
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NEW SECRETARY

THE new secretary of the Clare Squash Rackets Association is Ann Fennell, a member of the Clarecastle club. Ann takes over from Maura Hanrahan, who has filled the position for the past three years. Maura did not seek re-election at the recent annual meeting.

The newly appointed committee held its first meeting last week when proposals for a new system of grading were put forward. These will now be put to club representatives at a special meeting of the Clare association to be held next week and if accepted here, a grading committee will then be asked to work out the details for the coming season.

May 1989



President's Address

ONCE again it falls to me on behalf of the C.S.R.A. to introduce you to the 1989/90 year book and diary. You will note the changes in the league structures, but more about that later.

Last year was another very successful one for the C.S.R.A., thanks to the hard work of all the committee members. While we did not host the Munster open we did have teams from Limerick, Nenagh, Charleville participating in our leagues. This season we will be running the Munster open again.

Congratulations to Seamus Hayes on retaining the Clare championship title. A new name goes on the ladies trophy, so congratulations to Rose Hynes.

Again I turn my attention to the clubs and club committees and I thank them most sincerely for all their help throughout the year. This co-operation makes life for us on the C.S.R.A. committee more comfortable.

We say goodbye to some members of the 1988/'89 committee and I thank Maura Hanrahan, Caroline McDonnell, Jim Lusk and Finbarr McMahon for their dedication and hard work. I welcome aboard Anne Fennell, our new secretary; Kate Lane, Michael O'Connell and Eamon Kelly.

While on the subject of people coming and going from the committee of the C.S.R.A., I take this opportunity to warn all clubs that come what may, a new President/Chairman and Treasurer will be required at the end of this season.

I have been on the committee since its formation and Carmel has served for the past six years and we both feel that it is time for a change.

Finally, let me wish everybody a happy and successful squash season and I look forward to meeting most, if not all, of you at squash venues throughout the region during the season.

Dermot V. O'Hanlon,
President

SQUASH

MUNSTER OPEN RETURNS

THE fact that the squash season has resumed means that winter is not far away. The mixed team league which features the division one players got under way on last night (Wednesday) while the division 2 leagues for men and ladies will be underway in October.

It promises to be a very busy year on the squash front with a record seventeen clubs set to affiliate to the Clare Association. The Munster open championship returns to Clare and Ennis after a one year lapse. This was an outstanding success when hosted by Clare in the season before last and next February's event should be equally successful. A special committee has been appointed by the Clare Association to run the competition.

The Clare Association's handbook and diary will be available through the clubs from this week-end. This booklet contains details of all the leagues for the season together with the league rules etc.

Plans are advanced for the staging of the inaugural Clarecastle open on the week-end of October 20-22. The club's ladder competition will commence in early October when the first blitz of the season will also be staged.

The annual general meeting of the St. Flannas squash

club will take place at the West County Inn on Wednesday night next, September 27 at 8 p.m. All members are asked to attend.



Clare GAA Irish Officer, Padraig O'Brien
tation to Paul

Sept 1989

SQUASH:

DIV. I LEAGUES GET UNDER WAY

The Clare Div. I team leagues (men and ladies) will get underway on Wednesday night next and details of the fixtures will be available in all clubs this weekend.

The mens and ladies Div. 3 and 5 will also commence next week and very big entries have been received for these events.

Meanwhile the Div. I individual leagues are in full

swing again after the Christmas break and these will conclude in February.

A sub committee of the CSRA consisting of Ger Browne, Maura Hanrahan and Seamus Hayes is presently drawing up plans for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open championships which will take place in Ennis and Clarecastle on the weekend of Feb. 23 to 25.

There will be A, B, C and D grades for both men and women and a veterans section. Entry forms will be with the clubs in the next couple of weeks and a record entry is expected for the tournament.

Jan 1990

TOP PLAYERS FOR MUNSTER 'OPEN'

DETAILS of the forthcoming Munster open Squash championships, which are being sponsored for the ninth year in succession by Clarenbridge Crystal, were announced at a press reception at the Auburn Lodge Hotel on Friday evening last.

The championships will take place on the week-end of February 23, 24 and 25 and all of the top Irish players are expected to take part.

Friday's press reception was attended by David Whyte, Munster and Irish treasurer, and Margaret Curran the Irish development officer while representatives of Clare squash were also present. The sponsors were represented by Joan Moore, marketing manager and Bob D'Silva, sales manager.

both Carmel Enright and Caroline McDonnell were beaten by Nenagh's Patricia O'Connor.

Meanwhile the Clare leagues continue and some exciting games took place in the past week. In the mens division 1 competition, Ennis C.B.S. stretched their lead at the top with a good win over Nenagh. It will be a surprise if the Ennis side, holders of the title, fail to retain the crown.

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U. Silva, sales manager.

Clare players did very well at the Caring sponsored Limerick open staged at the Catholic Institute Club at the week-end. Seamus English won the mens 'B' section beating Sligo's John Kieley in the final. Earlier English had beaten Clarecastle's Fergus O'Loughlin in the semi-final. In the mens C championship Michael Daffy from the C.B.S. club was the winner beating Tom Kelloher from the host club in the final. Mick Hennessy from the Clarecastle club won the mens D section beating D. Cosack in the final.

Mairead Bergin reached the ladies B final where she lost to Mary O'Byrne from the host club. Tomas English was in the mens B plate final where he lost to Limerick's Michael Moore. In the semi-final English had accounted for his clubmate Mike Conlon. In the ladies B championship

In the ladies division 1 event the One Mile Inn are the comfortable leaders and they are fancied to retain the crown.

In the mens division 3 league, Ennis C.B.S. remain as favourites as they are the clear leaders of their division. Kilkee lead the other section in which there is a tremendous battle between the One Mile Inn and Clarecastle for second place. Two teams qualify from each section for the semi-finals.

In division 5 Shannon Diamond and Ennistymon are the front runners in the ladies section.

The the Irish 'open' under 12 championship in Dublin at the week-end Clarecastle's Alan Moore was beaten in the semi-final by B. Cunningham who later failed in the final.

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Announcing details of the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships to be held in Ennis were, from left: Bob D'Silva, sales manager Clarenbridge Crystal, Maura Hanrahan, organising committee secretary, Dermot O'Hanlon, president Clare squash and Joan Moore, marketing manager, Clarenbridge Crystal. Details of the championships were announced at a press reception at the Auburn Lodge on Friday last.

The Clarecastle boy will be just one of a strong Clare contingent which will participate in the Munster junior close championships this week-end in Waterford. The biggest representation will be

from the Ennis C.B.S. club who will have the following taking part: M. Barry (u-12), D. Lynch (u-14), D. Devitt, M. Arkett, M. Brooks, D. Frawley, G. Barry, A. Cahill (u-16),

S. Gibbons and M. Carmody (u-19). The One Mile Inn club will be well represented in the junior ladies section. Jack Keane is the junior squash co-ordinator in Clare.

Feb 1990

Open Squash

Some three hundred squash games will be played in Ennis/Clarecastle this week-end when the Clare Association hosts the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open Champs. The championships commence on this Thursday night with first round games in the ladies D and mens veteran sections.

The competition will be in full swing from 6 p.m. on Friday when matches will be played at nine courts in five clubs. The tournament headquarters will be Clarecastle while games will also be staged at Ennis C.B.S., One Mile Inn, Ennis Boys N.S., and St. Flannan's College.

The tournament has attracted a particularly big entry in the mens events and the leading players include Ireland's number one Willie Hosey, Irish captain, John McKay, Ireland's most capped player, David Gotto, Derek Ryan, Maurice Collins, John Young, Brian Lawlor and the Munster close champion Billy Murphy from Cork.

Ireland's number three Brona Conway is the top seed in the ladies event following the enforced withdrawal of Marjorie Croke due to illness.

The inclusion of London based Brona Conway in this week-end's tournament has been made possible through the assistance of the Ennis 750 Committee. Highly rated Irish junior Louise Finnegan is the number two seed in the event.

Kilrush Advance

Kilrush 24 pts.
Scariff 12

Kilrush scored a comprehensive win over Scariff in a quarter final game of the Lakelands Cup played in Scariff on Sunday last. The visitors were slow to settle down but captain, Brian Johnson put them on the winning way with a try converted by Matt Fennell. Before the interval Matt Fennell kicked two more penalties to put the west Clare side 12 pts. to nil ahead at the interval.

Just five minutes into the second half winger, George Brew, gave Kilrush a good restart. Though Scariff came back to score two tries, both converted, within minutes, the visitors were not finished yet and prop M. Kelly scored their third try. George Brew rounded off a good win for Kilrush when he scored his second try before full time.

In another all Clare clash Kilrush are home to Ennis on Sunday next in a Webb cup game, kick off 3 p.m.

Feb 1990

Clare Successes in Munster Championships

The fact that the Munster Squash Association has already asked the Clare body to again host the Munster Open Championships in 1991 is an indication of the success of the Clarenbridge Crystal sponsored event at Ennis and Clarecastle last week-end. Competitors, spectators and officials were all thrilled with the tournament which produced many excellent games and a memorable mens A final. And to add to the enjoyment there were a number of local successes

The visiting players and officials were loud in their praise of the facilities provided by the Clare clubs and particularly by Clarecastle where the finals were staged on Sunday. The presentation of prizes took place in the Clarecastle complex and Joan Moore, marketing manager of Clarenbridge was in attendance to make the presentations.

Number one seeds Willie Hosey and Brona Conway

were the winners with Hosey having to produce his best form to defeat John McKay in a thriller. The Clare winners were - Ladies B. Caroline McDonnell, Ennis, C.B.S, beat Rose Hynes, One Mile Inn, on a 3 - 2 scoreline in the final. Ladies C. Bridie O'Flaherty had a 3-2 win over her club-mate Ann O'Dowd in the final. Ladies D Clarecastles Ann M. Russell beat Lorraine Gannon from St. Flannans. Mens D Mickey Sullivan from Ennis

CBS defeated Kildysarts Joe Keane. Veterans Eric Hanrahan from Ennis CBS beat Killees John Stapleton.

In the plate competitions the following Clare players were amongst the prize winners. Ladies B: B. McMahon, Ennis CBS runner up; Ladies C, M. Flanagan, Ennis CBS runner up; Ladies D: P. Moloney, One Mile Inn, beat Maura Hanrahan, Clarecastle. Mens B S. Hayes, One Mile Inn, beat T. English, Ennis CBS. Mens C. M. Daffy, Ennis CBS, runner up. Mens D P. Lorrigan, Kildysart, runner up. Vets. M. Griffin, One Mile Inn, beat F. Power, Clarecastle.

On the Clare front the ladies div. 3 league concluded last week and resulted in vic-

tory for Killee with Clarecastle finishing in second place.

The mens and ladies leagues are due to conclude the next two weeks and the Shannon Diamond club are leading both events.

The ladies div. 1 individual league concluded last week and resulted in a victory for Caroline McDonnell. The deciding match was on Thursday night last and here Caroline pipped Rose Hynes on a scoreline with the final game finishing at 10-9.

With the season now drawing to a close, players are turning their attention to the Maurer Jewellers Clare Champs. which get underway at the end of March. Entry forms will be in all clubs this week-end and entries, which should be given to John Browne, must be in by March 10.

March 1990

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Shannon Diamond's 7-a-side

The Shannon Diamond GAA club will host its annual seven a side Gaelic football comp., at their recreation club in Shannon on this Saturday. Sixteen teams will take part including Tuam Stars, Galway, Padraig Pearces, Roscommon, Caltra, Galway, Moyvane, Kerry, Cloughaun, Limerick, and many Clare senior sides.

Kilmurry Ibridkane will be defending the title won last year and some great football is expected when the tournament kicks off at 12 noon. The winners on Saturday evening will receive valuable crystal prizes.

March 1990

● SQUASH

CLARE SIDE IS BEATEN

THE curtain came down on the squash season at the week-end when the Clare team bowed out of the Munster championship. At the De La Salle complex in Waterford they lost to both Cork and Waterford who later contested the final with Cork winning narrowly.

At the One Mile Inn finals on Thursday last holders Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles, beating Rose Hynes and Joe Griffin. Frankie Coughlan and Gail Cahill were the Division 2 winners from Finbarr McMahon and Patricia Moloney. The plate winners were Michael Carmody, senior and junior and Marie Clancy who beat Michael Brooks, Michael Griffin and Grainne Ryan. The prizes were presented by Donal Moloney of Seven-Up and Michael Howard of the One Mile Inn.

At the Ennis C.B.S. finals on Thursday night Tomas English and Caroline McDonnell retained the Division 1 crowns. English beat Mike Conlon on a 3-1 scoreline in a

great game while Caroline defeated Teresa Hehir. Afterwards there was a very enjoyable end of season function at the West County Inn.

Other winners at the Ennis CBS finals were Ladies div. 2 C. Duggan beat I. Hallinan, Div. 1 plate, M. Flanagan beat M. Griffin. Div. 2 plate - M. McNamara beat P. Hanrahan. Mens div. 2 M. Arkett beat A. Heagney, div. 1 plate, D. Coote beat D. Moloney, div. 2 plate - S. Gibbons beat S. Duggan.

The clubs handicap was won by D. Devitt who beat D. Coote while K. Lane won the ladies title beating M. Flanagan.

At a meeting of the C.S.R.A. last week the following officers were elected: President, Ger Browne; Secretary, Anne Fennell; Treasurer, John O'Shaughnessy; P.R.O., Jim Casey. The committee members are now drawing up plans for the 1990-91 season and clubs will be notified of the details in the next couple of weeks.

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March 1991

Squash:

Juniors Dominate

THE annual Clare underage championships dominated on the Clare squash scene in the past week with the competitions being staged on Good Friday at Ennis C.B.S., Clarecastle and the Ennis boys National clubs.

The championships have been dominated by the C.B.S. club for the past number of years and while they again figured amongst the prizewinners its noticeable that the Clarecastle and Ennis Boys National School clubs also won titles.

Favourite Declan Devitt won the U/19 title, beating his C.B.S. clubmate Michael Brooks in the final. At U/16 level, Eamonn Enright from Clarecastle won the U/16 title from Pat Hayes,

also from Clarecastle. Last year's beaten finalist, Darren Lynch, won the U/14 title from Seamus Enright of the Boys N.S. Holder Alan Meere was a surprise absentee, withdrawing from the competition the previous day. The U/12 title was won by John Casey of the Boys N.S. who beat Gary Power from Clarecastle in the final.

There were two grades for girls and here there was further success for the O'Loughlin

family from Clarecastle with Clare winning the U/12 crown and Tara taking the honours at U/16 level. The beaten finalists were Terry Power and Debbie Roche, both Clarecastle.

There was a disappointing attendance at the Annual General Meeting of the Clare Squash Association at the West County Inn last week when Gerard Browne [President], Anne Fennell [Secretary], John O'Shaughnessy [Treasurer] and Kate Lane [Junior Co-ordinator] were all re-elected for the coming season. Mairead Bergin will also be on the Committee which will meet shortly to elect league secretaries and to appoint a club development officer whose duty it will be to promote the game in the clubs in the county.

Mixed Luck for Clare Teams

East Clare 4-15
Limerick City 1-1

East Clare had an easy win over Limerick City in the first round of the Munster under 16 hurling champ. at Broadford on Saturday. They will now meet Avondhu of Cork and this game is scheduled for Saturday week at Kilmallock at 2.30 p.m.

East Clare were always in control against Limerick City. The visitors did press hard in the opening half when playing with the aid of the breeze and it must be said that they were unlucky not to score

title race at Kilmallock when they were beaten by Cork City. The losers conceded two early goals and at the break trailed on a score of 0-1 to 2-3 having played with the aid of the breeze. Clare showed a marked improvement after the break and were unlucky not to score a couple of goals. The pitch cut up quite badly in the second period.

The absence of injured Richard Woods was a blow to the Clare side. They had good performances from Ray Carley, M. Guerin, D. Hoey, A. Bohannon, S. Mahon, O. Clancy, N. Tuohy, E. Taaffe and E. Flynn.

The final competition of the season, an inter club knock out team event, will conclude on this Friday night. Five teams, Ennistymon, Clarecastle, Ennis CBS, One Mile Inn and Shannon Diamond, entered for the competition and the final will be presented with the De Beers cup and prizes. Each team will consist of seven players, four men and three women, and the various divisions are represented.

On the club front both the Clarecastle and Shannon Diamond clubs are busy with club championships at present and these will conclude over the next two weeks.

April 1991

C.S.R.A. - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Clare Squash Racquets Association is now in existence for ten years and the past season was not as successful as usual. Due to a lack of interest the following leagues did not take place this year: Mens Division 1, Ladies Division 1, Mixed Team Division 1, Ladies Division 5, Interclub Blitz, Interclub Knockout and the Individual leagues.

The following competitions were organised during the season:

- 7 Leagues
- Clare Championships
- Junior Championships

I would like to thank Ger Browne (Mens League Secretary) and Mairead Bergin (Ladies League Secretary) who were responsible for the various leagues.

The results of the competitions are as follows:

LADIES

WINNER

RUNNER-UP

Division 2	St. Flannans	-
Division 3	Catholic Institute	-
Division 4	Clarecastle	Ennistymon

MEN

WINNER

RUNNER-UP

Division 2	Catholic Institute	C.B.S.
Division 3	C.B.S.	Catholic Institute
Division 4	Clarecastle	Nenagh
Division 5	Catholic Institute	Ennistymon

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Runner-Up</u>
Mixed U-12:	J. Casey	C. O'Loughlin
Boys U-14:	A. Meere	S. Enright
U-16:	D. O'Halloran	E. Enright
U-19:	D. Devitt	D. Malone

CLARE CHAMPIONSHIPS

	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Runner-Up</u>
LADIES A:	R. Hynes	C. McDonnell
LADIES B:	G. Cahill	B. Griffin
LADIES C:	M. O'Connor	M.A. Sheehan
PLATE A:	M. Flanagan	J. Murphy
PLATE B:	P. Moroney	L. Costelloe
PLATE C:	M. Guinnane	B. Meaney
MENS A:	R. Fitzgerald	D. Devitt
MENS B:	T. Fenton	J. Hynes
MENS C:	L. Frawley	J. Keane
PLATE A:	P. Doran	M. Daffy
PLATE B:	T. Lillis	J.J. Tobin
PLATE C:	G. Casey	M. Clancy

I would like to thank our sponsors namely Maurer Jewellers, DeBeers, Rorer Ireland Ltd., O'Sullivan & Hansbury Garage and Philip O'Reilly for their sponsorship during the past season and look forward to their support in the future.

I wish to thank the clubs for their co-operation and also the members of the C.S.R.A. committee who did a great job during the year.

Ann Fennell's Report April 1992

► **SQUASH:**

Annual meeting of Clare Squash

THE annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Association will take place on Thursday next, April 29 at 8 p.m.

Nominations and motions should be with the secretary Jan Davis by this Thursday, April 20. An appeal has been made to all squash players to attend this meeting.

April 1993

Clare Squash EGM

The Executive of Clare Squash has called an extraordinary general meeting for Wednesday next, January 19 at the West County Hotel at 8.30 p.m. Entries for various competitions have been well down this season and the CSRA committee members feel that there is a need for club representatives to get together and discuss the situation.

Jan 1994

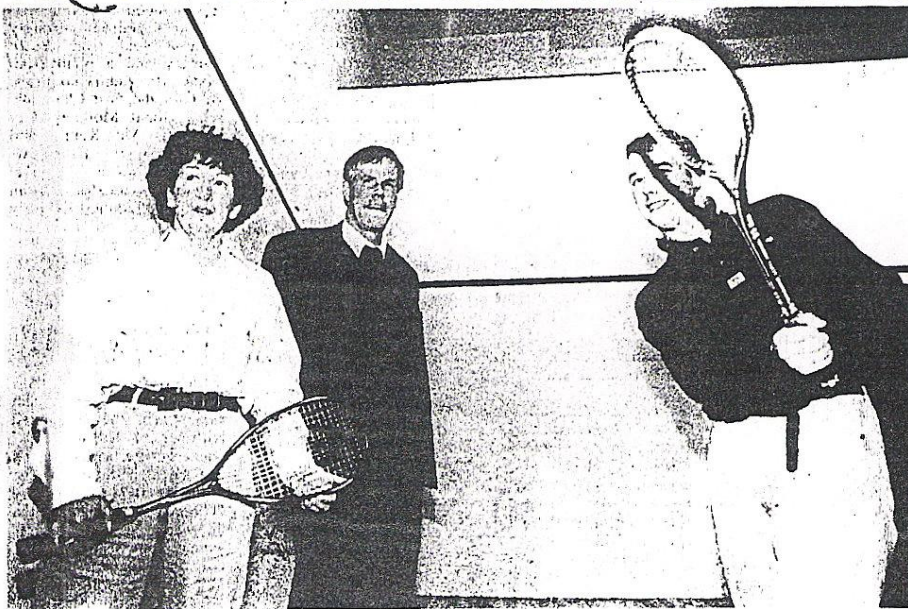
Clare Squash

There will be a meeting of the Clare Squash Association on Wednesday next, Oct. 5, at the West County Inn at 8.30 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to draw up a schedule of fixtures for the season and all clubs are asked to ensure that they have at least one representative in attendance.

Sept 1994

CLARE SQUASH COMES OF AGE

By Seamus Hayes



Pictured at the Clare squash 21st anniversary function were from left: Rose Hynes, Denis Maurer and Fergus O'Loughlin.

Photograph by Eamonn Ward



Clare's first squash champions, Margaret Lacheiner and Paul Costelloe pictured at the 21st anniversary function in Kildysart on Friday night. Also in the picture are Willie Griffin, chairman Kildysart squash club and Mike Conlon, Clare Squash Association.

The twenty first annual Clare Squash championships, sponsored by the Sherwood Inn, Ennis concluded at Kildysart on Saturday night and there were many words of praise for the host club for their organisation of this year's event. Over sixty people took part in the competition which produced some exciting play throughout the past two weeks.

The highlight of this year's programme was the function on Friday night last to honour the winners of the mens and ladies A titles since the competition commenced back in 1977. Special presentations, sponsored by Clare Oil Ltd., were made to each of the fifteen people (ten men and five ladies) who have won the championship in the twenty one years the competition has been running.

Kildysart chairman Willie Griffin paid tribute to all and thanked them for attending the function. Ennis man Seamus English, a three in a row winner in the mid eighties, was unable to attend due to his involvement in the inter Banks squash championships in Belfast at the week-end. Mike Conlon congratulated all involved on behalf of Clare squash and he expressed the wish that all present would help promote the game in their clubs.

There was a special cheer for Margaret Lacheiner, unbeaten in the championship for ten years. She won the first ten ladies titles before retiring from competition. The other winners of the ladies titles were Rose Hynes, Caroline Mc Donnell, Loretto O'Loughlin and Theresa Deasy.

Kilkee's Paul Costelloe was the first winner of the mens crown and the other title holders over the years were Denis Maurer (2) Tony Lillis (2) Seamus Hayes (3), Seamus English (3) Kyrin Hurley (1) Fergus O'Loughlin (5) Robert Fitzgerald (1) Tony Lynch (1) and Alan Meere (1).

retained the Clare mens title when he had a surprisingly easy win over Fergus O'Loughlin in a disappointing final on Saturday night. O'Loughlin who has played little squash this season, had a fortunate win over Mike Conlon in the semi-final on Thursday night. This was a game Conlon should have won as he served for the game four times to win 3-1. O'Loughlin battled back to tie the game at 2-2 and he went on to score a narrow win in the fifth. While Meere had a 3-0 win in his semi-final, he was made fight all the way by Declan Devitt and the game was much closer than the scoreline suggests.

Rose Hynes won her fifth ladies title when she accounted for Lorraine Gannon in the decider. The beaten semi-finalists were Bernie Griffin and Loretto O'Loughlin, the holder. She had some compensation for losing the title when she won the plate final.

Michael Daffy won the mens B title when he beat Jimmy O'Dea from the host club in a very entertaining contest.

The results in detail are:
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Disappointing Final

Clarecastle's Alan Meere

April 1997

By Seamus Hayes

The twenty first annual Clare Squash championships, sponsored by the Sherwood Inn, Ennis concluded at Kildysart on Saturday night and there were many words of praise for the host club for their organisation of this year's event. Over sixty people took part in the competition which produced some exciting play throughout the past two weeks.

The highlight of this year's programme was the function on Friday night last to honour the winners of the mens and ladies A titles since the competition commenced back in 1977. Special presentations, sponsored by Clare Oil Ltd., were made to each of the fifteen people (ten men and five ladies) who have won the championship in the twenty one years the competition has been running.

Kildysart chairman Willie Griffin paid tribute to all and thanked them for attending the function. Ennis man Seamus English, a three in a row winner in the mid eight-

retained the Clare mens title when he had a surprisingly easy win over Fergus O'Loughlin in a disappointing final on Saturday night. O'Loughlin who has played little squash this season, had a fortunate win over Mike Conlon in the semi-final on Thursday night. This was a game Conlon should have won as he served for the game four times to win 3-1. O'Loughlin battled back to tie the game at 2-2 and he went on to score a narrow win in the fifth. While Meere had a 3-0 win in his semi-final, he was made fight all the way by Declan Devitt and the game was much closer than the scoreline suggests.

Rose Hynes won her fifth ladies title when she accounted for Lorraine Gannon in the decider. The beaten semi-finalists were Bernie Griffin and Loretto O'Loughlin, the holder. She had some compensation for losing the title when she won the plate final.

Michael Daffy won the mens B title when he beat Jimmy O'Dea from the host club in a very entertaining contest.

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ies, was unable to attend due to his involvement in the inter Banks squash championships in Belfast at the week-end.

Mike Conlon congratulated all involved on behalf of Clare squash and he expressed the wish that all present would help promote the game in their clubs.

There was a special cheer for Margaret Lacheiner, unbeaten in the championship for ten years. She won the first ten ladies titles before retiring from competition. The other winners of the ladies titles were Rose Hynes, Caroline Mc Donnell, Loretto O'Loughlin and Theresa Deasy.

Kilkee's Paul Costelloe was the first winner of the mens crown and the other title holders over the years were Denis Maurer (2) Tony Lillis (2) Seamus Hayes (3), Seamus English (3) Kyrán Hurley (1) Fergus O'Loughlin (5) Robert Fitzgerald (1) Tony Lynch (1) and Alan Meere (1).

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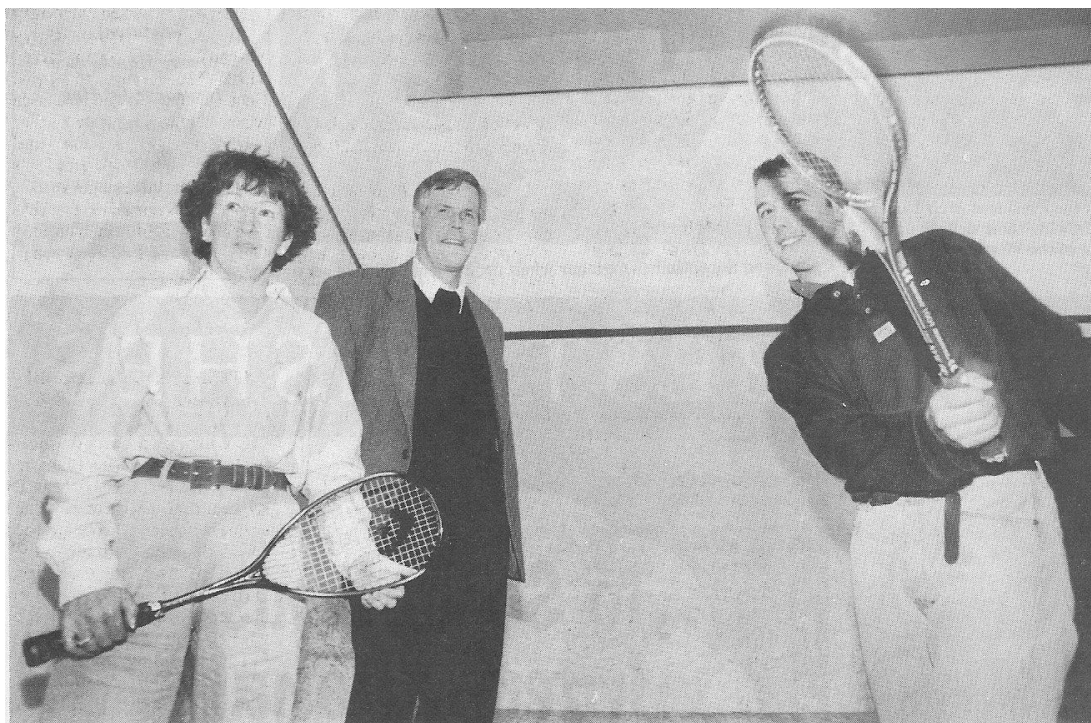
Clarecastle's Alan Meere

The results in detail are:
Mens A Champ - Alan Meere (Clarecastle) beat Fergus O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) 3-0;
A Plate: Mike Conlon (Ennis C.B.S.) beat Declan Devitt (Newmarket) 3-1; Mens B champ- Mike Daffy (Ennis C.B.S.) beat Jimmy O'Dea (Kildysart) 3-1; B Plate: Larry Donnellan (S.D.C.) beat J. J. Tobin (Ennis C.B.S.); Mens C champ.: Jim Tubridy (S.D.C.) beat Ger O'Gorman (Kildysart); C Plate: John O'Shaughnessy (Ennis C.B.S.) beat Gerry Casey (Kildysart); Mens D champ: Ger Nolan (S.D.C.) beat Gerard O'Donnell (Kildysart); D Plate: Sean Casey (Kildysart) beat Mike Dowling (Molex); Ladies A champ.: Rose Hynes (Shannon) beat Lorraine Gannon (Ennis C.B.S.); A Plate: Loretto O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) beat Bernie Griffin (Ennis C.B.S.); Ladies B champ.: Noreen Buckley (Molex) beat Mairead Cleary (Kildysart); B Plate: Christina Watson (Kildysart) beat Veronica McSweeney (Kildysart).

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Clare's first squash champions, Margaret Lacheiner and Paul Costelloe pictured at the 21st anniversary function in Kildysart on Friday night. Also in the picture are Willie Griffin, chairman Kildysart squash club and Mike Conlon, Clare Squash Association.



Pictured at the Clare squash 21st anniversary function were from left: Rose Hynes, Denis Maurer and Fergus O'Loughlin.

Clarecastle Squash Club

SQUASH

All Set for Clare Championship Finals

The top four seeds in both the ladies and mens Clare championships safely qualified for the semi-finals. These matches were being played last night, Wednesday with the finals down for decision on this Thursday at the Auburn Lodge commencing at 7 p.m.

Soccer Fixtures

SATURDAY 12-3-83

Youths League

At Fairgreen: Turnpike Row. v St. Patricks, 3 p.m. M. Cusack.
At Newmarket: Newmarket Cel v Shannon Town 3 p.m., N. Bennett.
One Mile Inn: Hermitage v Newtown, 3 p.m. T. Whelan.
Our Ladys: Lifford v Kilmaley, 3 p.m. S. Reidy.

SUNDAY 13 Mar.

FAI Junior Cup

At Waterford: Waterford v St. Michaels, Ennis 2.45 p.m. Extra time if necessary.

Premier League

Our Ladys: Lifford A v Newmarket Cel. A 3 p.m. M. White
Corrib Drive: Shannon Town A v De Beers, 11.30 a.m. G. Kennedy.
Ballycasey: Newtown A v Kilrush Rang. A 3 p.m. A. Egan.
O'Briensbridge: Bridge Cel. v Hermitage A 11.30 a.m. S. Reidy.

In the mens championship both Denis Maurer and Seamus Hayes had comfortable quarter final victories over Paul Costello and Jack Keane respectively. However Tony Lillis and Gerry Bredin had to pull out all the stops before beating Derry Moloney and Tony Lynch respectively. Lillis won the first but lost the next two against Moloney. However he staged a great comeback and in fact easily won the fifth. Bredin went two games up on Lynch and looked set for an easy victory but Lynch came back to level the game at 2-2. Bredins greater experience helped him to take the final set. The semi-final pairings were Bredin v Hayes and Maurer v Lillis.

The top four ladies comfortably came through to the semi-finals and here the pairings are: Margaret Lacheiner v Bridie O'Flaherty and

Mary Carey v Betty McMahon. Mrs. Lacheiner, the holder and Miss McMahon are expected to come through to to-nights final.

The way is clear for the Plate competition finals with the semi-finals having been played on Tuesday. Joe Pender of Ennis C.B.S. beat Pat Coughlan of Newmarket to qualify for the mens final against John McEntee of De Beers who beat his clubmate Pat O'Grady in a great five set contest. The ladies final will be between Marcella Griffin of Ennis CBS and Caroline McDonnell of De Beers who beat Sylvia Carroll of De Beers and Mary Hennessy of the One Mile Inn respectively.

After the finals on this Thursday there will be a disco and presentation of prizes in the Auburn Lodge and tickets for the function are available from committee members.

The De Beers inter club blitz on Saturday last proved to be a great success with the host club's A team taking the honours beating the One Mile Inn A side in the final. The members of the winning team were Pat O'Grady, Eugene Strotton, Dan Culhane

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Strettan, Dan Culhane, Tony O'Connell, Caroline McDonnell and Geraldine Fahy while the runners up were Seamus Hayes, Jim O'Dowd, Donal Hassett, Joe Griffen, Marg. Lacheiner, Theresa Corbett. The trophies were presented by Jim Rocks of Dressco of Ennis and Shannon.

The ladies senior individual league concluded recently and the prizes were presented on Saturday night. The trophies were sponsored by Tab (Coca Cola) and the winners were 1 Margaret Lacheiner, 2 Betty McManon, 3 Mary Carey, Most improved player - Margaret Flannagan.

Last week some exhibition games were played to mark the completion of work on the magnificent Clarecastle complex which includes two squash courts. There were some great matches for the big attendance and the results were Betty McMahon beat Margaret Lacheiner 3/1, Bridie O'Flaherty beat Jan Davis 3/1, Seamus Hayes beat Gerry Bredin 3/1, Denis Maurer beat Tony Lillis 3/1, and John McEntee beat Tony Lynch 3/2.

The Ennis CBS championships will get under way next week and again there are various divisions for both ladies and men. The One Mile Inn championship will commence within the next couple of weeks and the clubs annual dance will be on Friday Apr. 22 at the West County Inn. There will be a blitz at the One Mile Inn on Monday Mar. 21 and the entry sheet will be on the notice board this week-end.

The February blitz at the CBS was won by Tony Lynch and his team of John Collins, Bobby Stack, Sean Dlay, Margaret Flannagan and C. Kelly.

March 1983

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Jan 1984

● SQUASH:



HOLDERS RETAIN TITLES

BY SEAMUS HAYES

The squash season is now drawing to a close and the remaining club championships will be decided in the coming week. The One Mile Inn finals were held on Thursday night last when the holders of the Div. I crowns, Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles.

Mrs. Lacheiner defeated Caroline McDonnell in a repeat of the Clare final while Hayes accounted for the pre-match favourite Tony Lynch on a 3/1 scoreline. In the Div. II decider Joe Griffin defeated Jim O'Dowd. The Div. II plate was won by Tony Chapman who beat Kieran Browne while the ladies plate was won by Teresa Corbett who beat the club secretary Rosemary Guthrie.

At a most enjoyable function afterwards the prizes were presented by the sponsor, Michael Howard who paid tribute to all involved and especially to the hard working committee.

The prizes for the club's recent handicap competition were presented by Donal Moloney of Seven-Up, sponsors of the event.

SHANNON

The Shannon Diamond Club will hold its end of season function on this Thursday night at their clubrooms. The club championships were completed this week and prizes for all competitions will be presented.

NEWMARKET

The finals of the Newmarket-on-Fergus club championship will take place on Wednesday next, May 22 and so far all of the top seeds have justified their rankings.

CLARE LEAGUES

The Clare mens individual section B competition was

completed during the week when Eric Hanrahan emerged as winner following a fine 3/0 win over his Ennis CBS clubmate Declan Coote. Meanwhile the ladies individual section C is now at the halfway stage and will be finished by the end of the month.

CLARECASTLE

The finals of the Clarecastle club championships took place last week and were followed by a very enjoyable social evening at which the sponsor Michael Slattery of Castle Freight made the presentations. John McEntee won the mens division I beating Mike Conlon 3/0. The mens Div. II was the match of the night with Niall Donnellan just pipping Liam Daly on a 2/1 scoreline. In Div. III Gerry White beat Flan Hehir 3/1.

In the ladies final (Div. I) Teresa Corbett beat Lorena O'Loughlin 3/0 while in Div. II B. Leyden beat E. White 3/1.

May 1985

First Title for Clarecastle

Clarecastle captured their first Clare squash league title when they won the mens div. 3 league on Monday night. In a very entertaining final they defeated the holders Ennis CBS who were chasing a three-in-a-row in this event. The final was played at the Auburn Lodge and the prizes were presented to both teams afterwards.

C.B.S. started well when Pat McInerney recorded a 3-1 win over Ronan Collins. Gerard O'Loughlin levelled the match when he defeated the Ennis side's 1985 captain Ml. Hanrahan. The match between the number 3s was a cliff hanger with Clarecastles Tony Chapman recording a 3-1 win over Dermot Delaney. CBS Eoin McMahon levelled the match again when he had a 3-0 win over Don Barrett. In the final game Clarecastles captain Pat Doran had a 3-1 win over Christy Woods to give the title to Clarecastle for the first time.

The only league to be decided now is the ladies confined and this will conclude at the end of March.

The monthly meeting of the Clare association will take place on this Thursday night when the draws for the Clare championship will be made. At the time of writing there was a disappointing entry but the numbers were expected to

increase before closing time. The competition will commence on Tuesday Mar. 18 and will conclude one week later, Tuesday, Mar. 25 when the associations annual buffet social will take place. The presentation of prizes will be performed at the function and tickets can be had from any of the committee members.

This Thursday's meeting will also finalise arrangements for the inter-firm competition which was postponed earlier in the season. Arrangements will also be made for the junior championships.

The final of the 7-Up sponsored Spring team league at the One Mile Inn takes place on Monday night next. The competition has been running for the past eight weeks and has proved very exciting.

Monday is also the closing date for entries for the clubs 'holiday' competition. This event proved very popular last season and with a valuable prize for both the winner of the ladies and gents events it should provide excellent entertainment. It will be a handicap comp. and a very big entry is expected.

Good Start to C

Clare opened the 1986 Munster handball champs. campaign at O'Callaghans Mills on Wednesday last with easy victories by Ollie McNamara, novice, and Dan Kirby, masters, over weak Tipperary opposition.

At Tralee on Saturday evening the CBSs Paul Conway had a 21-6 21-8 win over Kerrys M. O'Halloran in the junior singles. John Kennedy of Ennis CBS was surprisingly beaten in the novice singles by Kerrys B. Sweeney in straight games.

Highlight of the Tralee programme was the superb mas-

ters singles display by Tuamgraney's Jimmy Walsh against the reigning champ. Billy Kearns of Kerry. Walsh was somewhat unlucky to lose the first on a 21-13 scoreline. Scores were level on seven occasions to 16-16 in the second before Kearns went 18-16 ahead. Walsh refused to

EAR TO THE GROUND

MAKING NOISE

March 1986

SQUASH:

Div. 3 Title for Shannon

Shannon Diamond squash club captured the Clare div. 3 mens squash final on Tuesday night when they beat the holders Clarecastle in an entertaining decider at the Auburn Lodge club. Clarecastle entered the final as slight favourites having already beaten the Shannon side on a 3-2 scoreline in both of their meetings earlier in the league.

Shannon got off to a great start when sub. Martin Moore, playing at number five, beat Paddy Keegan in a great game that went the full distance. John Lynch and Seanie McMahon won the next two games to secure victory for the Shannon outfit. Other members of their panel were J. Twomey, T. Culbert, J. Hehir and team captain, Betty McMahon. Clarecastles panel consisted of T. Ferriter, M. Keane, D. Barrett, S. Flanagan, M. Wally, P. Keegan and captain Jim Lusk.

The mens confined league final will take place on this Friday night when Ennistymon take on Clarecastle at the Auburn Lodge. Ennistymon, favourites for the title, beat Kildysart on a 4-1 scoreline last Friday in the semi-final at the One Mile Inn while, on the same night, at St. Flannans Clarecastle had a 5-0 win over Lissycasey.

The ladies confined is now

nearing completion and it will be a major surprise if Ennistymon fail to capture the title. Ennistymon are doing extremely well in this event as their B side are very much in the running for second place.

A number of Clare players travelled to Galway last week-end for the Connacht open where they had a lot of success. Sean Gleeson from Shannon won his section. Ennis CBS' Mike Conlon reached the plate semi-final while Pat Doran, Clarecastle had a good run in the D champ. In the ladies A plate Caroline McDonnell of Ennis CBS was beaten in the final while Teresa Hehir of the One Mile Inn was beaten in the ladies B plate final.

The One Mile Inn club had a most enjoyable and successful outing to the Gleneagle squash club in Killarney last week-end. In addition to playing the Orchard squash club from Cork, there were enjoyable golf, snooker and pitch and putt competitions.

● SQUASH:

First title for Ennistymon

Ennistymon, in their first year in Clare competition, won the men's 'confined' league title when they beat Clarecastle at the Auburn Lodge on Friday night last. This match was much closer than many expected and, its true to say, that Clarecastle could well have taken the honours. At the end Ennistymon were ahead on a 3/2 scoreline but a very young Clarecastle outfit had given them a rare fright. A lot more is likely to be heard of this Clarecastle side in the coming seasons.

Members of the winning team were Johnnie Reynolds, Johnnie O'Loughlin, Tom O'Donoghue, Frankie McNamara, Tony O'Loughlin, James Barry and Paddy Coughlan. The Clarecastle team comprised of Gerry Casey, Anthony Daly, Fergus O'Loughlin, Pat Sheehan, Gerry Breen, Tadhg Ferriter and Christy Sheridan.

Two rounds remain in the ladies confined league which will conclude on Wednesday next. At this stage Ennistymon A are in the lead and will win the title while the club's B team look set to collect the runners-up prizes.

The annual handicap competitions at the Auburn Lodge club will conclude on this Thursday night when the finals will take place. The ladies final will be at 8 p.m. followed by the men's decider at 8.45.

Clare Champs.

The closing date for entries for the annual Clare championships is this Friday (first post). This year there will be three grades for men and two for ladies and a huge entry is expected. The draw will be made on Friday and clubs are reminded that late entries will not be entertained.

Inter-firm GAA Officers

The annual convention of the Clare inter-firm GAA board was held on Tuesday night of this week at which the following officers were elected. Chairman, Mike Clune, Co. Council, Vice-Chairman, M. J. Malone, Telecom, Sec. Registrar, Michael Mulcahy, Molex, Treasurer, Denis O'Dea, SPS, Fixtures sec., Anthony Burke, Chemfab, Munster Council delegate, M. Mulcahy and D. O'Dea.

The next meeting of the board will be on March 25 at 8.30 at the West County Inn and all registrations must be in at this meeting.

SQUASH:

ENNISTYMON AND CLARECASTLE IN FINAL

ENNISTYMON and Clarecastle will meet in the final of the Clare men's division 4 squash league on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge club commencing at 7.30 p.m. A number of the players from both sides were in opposition in the 'confined' final last year when Ennistymon scored a narrow win. Both sides have been impressive on their way to the final and it should be a close contest.

In the ladies division four league the Auburn Lodge team hold a comfortable lead with four rounds remaining. Kilkee are in second place with Ennistymon third. Kilkee could well move up the line and the final game in the league will be between the Auburn Lodge and Kilkee.

In the mens division 2 league the One Mile Inn are the leaders with three matches remaining. Ennis C.B.S. are in second place followed closely by the Auburn Lodge. The league will conclude on March 9.

The ladies division 2 is proving to be an extremely close affair. Going into Monday night's matches St. Flannan's held a narrow lead over the C.B.S. with the Auburn Lodge having moved up to third posi-

16 B title while Sean Gibbons won the under 16 B plate.

In the under 16 A grade Alan Butler was unlucky to lose his first game but he then went on to win his remaining three games and finish in ninth position. Darren Kelly had a similar situation in the under 19 when he was unlucky to lose his first game but went on to win the next three matches.

Overall it was a most successful week end for the Clare competitors providing further proof of the high standard of junior squash in Clare where junior co-ordinator Jack Keane is doing great work.

CLARE CHAMPS.

Entry forms for the Maurer Jewellers Clare championships were sent out to all

Byrne, recent winner of the Clarinbridge Crystal Munster open title at Ennis, will conduct a coaching session at the One Mile Inn club. Tickets are limited and can be had from club chairman, Ger Browne.

CONNACHT OPEN

The Club Orange Connacht Open championships will be staged at Galway (Galwegians squash club and Galway L.T.C.) on Friday, Saturday and Sunday week. All of the top ranked players will be taking part while a big number of Clare players will be entering the lower grades. The draw for the tournament, entries for which must be in on this Friday, will be made on Monday next.

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night's matches St. Flannan's held a narrow lead over the C.B.S. with the Auburn Lodge having moved up to third position. St. Flannan's were unbeaten going into Monday's game while the C.B.S. suffered their only defeat when going down to St. Flannan's. Well St. Flannan's maintained their winning run on Monday with a 3/2 win over the CBS and they are now favourites to win the title.

JUNIORS

Fifteen juniors travelled to Cork at the week-end for the Munster junior 'close' championships. In the under 14 grade Matthew Arkett was the runner up giving some fine displays on the way to the final when he lost to the Irish number 4. In the same grade Gearoid Howard, who lost to Arkett in the semi-final, finished in third place winning the play off.

Brian Healy won the under

CLARE CHAMPS.

Entry forms for the Maurer Jewellers Clare championships were sent out to all clubs this week and these have to be returned to the Clare secretary, Maura Hanrahan, by Wednesday next, March 2. The championships start on March 14 and will conclude on Thursday, March 24 and not on Friday, March 25 as printed on the entry forms.

HANDICAPS

Ennis clubs, Ennis C.B.S., Auburn Lodge and One Mile Inn are presently running their handicap competitions. These tournaments always prove attractive and result in big entries. In the One Mile Inn the Harp final is scheduled for Thursday next, March 3.

COACHING

On Wednesday next, March 2, Irish international, May

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SQUASH LEAGUES RESUME

When the squash programme for the season resumes next week after the Christmas break, the Clare Division 3, 4 and confined leagues for both men and ladies will get under way. It is also proposed to stage a division 1 mens team league with teams comprising of either five or three. The Clare inter-club blitz competition will also be staged in the

coming weeks and again there should be a big entry of teams for the event.

In the mens division 2 league four teams remain in contention for the title. Clarecastle hold a narrow lead from Catholic Institute and Nenagh who are neck and neck in second place just ahead of the holder Ennis CBS. Its still anybody's guess

as to who will win this but Clarecastle must be the favourites at this point.

In the New Year also thoughts will turn to the Clare championships which will get under way near the end of March and which will be run off over a week. Players in the various divisions will be using the leagues in the coming weeks as part of the build-up for the championships.

Dec 1988

● SQUASH

ANOTHER TITLE FOR CLARECASTLE

THE Clarecastle Squash Club is certainly having its most successful season ever. Last week the club won yet another title when the mens Division 3 title was captured. The members of the squad which captured the New Ireland Assurance prizes were Fergie O'Loughlin, Dick Fitzgerald, Jim Lusk, Pat Rutherford, Gerry Casey, Don Barrett and Frank Power.

In the Bank of Ireland ladies Division 1 team league the One Mile Inn need just nine points from their remaining fixture to secure the title. And it will be a surprise if they fail to do this. Nenagh look set to capture the runners-up spot.

In the mens competition Ennis C.B.S. continue to lead and with three rounds remaining it will be a big surprise if they fail to capture the title. A number of teams remain in contention for the runners-up spot.

The draw for the Maurer Jewellers Clare Championship was due to be made this week and it's understood that all details will be posted on club notice boards early next week. The competition gets under

way on Monday week and will conclude on Friday, April 14. As usual there will be a number of sections for both men and women.

At the One Mile Inn the annual Harp handicap tournament is nearing the semi-final stage. In the mens competition the holder Seamus Howard was beaten last week by Darren Kelly, fancied by many to win the title this year. In the ladies competition, all of the fancied players are still in contention. The finals are scheduled for Thursday week, March 30.

Entries are now been accepted for the inaugural Ennis Boys National school club championship in which there will be a number of grades. The draw will be made this week-end and competition will get underway next week.

The Ennis CBS club handicap finals will take place on Monday night next. In the mens final Michael Conlon will play Tomas English. Conlon defeated Michael Neylon while English proved too strong for Michael Hanrahan in the semi-finals. The ladies final will be between Caroline

McDonnell and Kathleen Pyne who defeated Mary Murphy and Teresa Hehir respectively in the semi-finals.

The CBS club champs. will take place during the first week in May and this year, for the first time, a Swiss system will be in operation thus guaranteeing players four games.

JUNIOR CHAMPS

The annual Clare junior champs will take place on this Friday with three venues being used. Clarecastle will host the girls u. 16 and the boys u. 19, Ennis CBS will host the boys u. 12 and u. 16 while the Ennis boys N.S. will be the venue for the boys u. 14.

The first round pairings are: Boys u. 12 - E. Brennan v. J. Burke, 10 a.m.; winner v. A. Meere, 11 a.m.; G. Shanahan v. D. Hogan, 10 a.m.; winner v. N. McCullough, 11.45 a.m.; J. Driscoll v. E. Brennan, 10 a.m.; winner v. D. Murphy 11.45 a.m.; N. Howard v. M. Fitzpatrick, 10.35 a.m.; winner v. J. Keyes, 12 noon; M. Barry v. D. Hogan, 10.35 a.m.; B. Malone v. R. Concannon, 11.10 a.m.; P.

Murphy v. P. Franks, 11.10 a.m.; R. McInerney v. D. Murphy, 10.35 a.m.; winner v. D. Lynch, 12.15 p.m.

Boys u. 14: A. Garrihy v. V. Strand, 10 a.m.; winner v. N. Morgan, 11.35 a.m.; F. Flynn v. G. Byrnes, 10 a.m.; E. Enright v. E. Cullinan, 10.15; p. McCullough v. P. Meere, 10.15; D. O'Connell v. J. Dolan, 10.30; R. O'Connell v. E. Liddy, 10.30; winner v. V. Leyden, 12.15; A. Cahill v. P. J. Hogan, 10.50; B. Maurer v. B. Kearney, 10.50; A. Merry v. P. Guilfoyle, 11.05; K. Burke v. J. Curtin, 11.05; D. McLoughlin v. D. Nolan, 11.20; J. Leahy v. T. Dorris, 11.20; S. Mulvey v. A. Barry, 11.35; winner v. D. Frawley, 12.55.

Boys U. 16: J. Farrelly v. M. Carmody, 10.15; winner v. D. Ryan; J. Healy v. D. Cahill, 10.15; D. Murrehy v. G. Howard, 10.15; M. Arkett v. D. Cleary, 10.50; J. Garvey v. G. Barry, 10.50; G. Sheridan v. N. Purcell, 10.50; winner v. D. Devitt, 11.45.

Boys U. 19: D. McNamara v. K. Kelly, 10 a.m.; winner v. D. Kelly, 11 a.m.; B. Healy, v. C. Sheridan, 10.20; N. Hogan v. R. O'Brien, 10 a.m.; winner v. A. Butler, 11 a.m.; R. Fitzgerald v. A. Casey, 10.20; winner v. F. O'Loughlin, 11.20 a.m.

Girls u. 16: E. Moloney v. D. Vaughan, 10.35 a.m.; winner v. L. Howard, 12 noon; F. Malone v. C. Moloney, 10.35; M. Rynne v. F. Moloney, 11.20.



March 1989



April 1989

SQUASH:

CLARECASTLE AND ONE MILE INN SCORE DOUBLES

DOUBLES for the Clarecastle and One Mile Inn clubs were the order of the day when the 1989 Clare Squash Championships were completed at the Clarecastle complex on Friday night last.

It was a family affair for the O'Loughlins from Clarecastle with Fergus and Loretto winning the division 2 titles. The Maurer Jeweller A championships both went to the One Mile Inn with Rose Hayes and Seamus Hayes the victors.

Mick Quaine Continues To Promote the G.A.A.

ONE of Clare's best known hurlers, Mick Quaine, continues to be actively involved in the game in his adopted County of Galway. Throughout the past fifty years he has been to the fore as player, administrator, trainer and referee.

He played for Clare in the late '30s and early '40s with his brothers P. J. and Dan and when his playing days ended he took

Overall the championships were a great success and there was some fine squash last week as the competitions concluded. Rose Hynes who joined The One Mile Inn and Clare squash when she came to work in Shannon this year, justified her number one ranking in the ladies competition. A member of the Connacht side she went through the competition without dropping a game. Incidentally she is a native of Clare hailing from New Quay. In the finals he defeated her clubmate Carmel Enright on a 3/0 scoreline. Carmel showed great form in the semi-final when recording a 3/2 victory over the holder Caroline McDonnell who was chasing a third title in successive years.

In the men's A championship Seamus Hayes retained the crown when he had a 3/1 win over Tomas English in a repeat of last year's final. The holder won the first two

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games before English took the third. Hayes quickly raced into a 7-0 lead in the fourth and while English made a great fight back to five, Hayes had done enough to win his third crown. In the semi-final he beat Mick Conlon on a 3/1 scoreline while English accounted for Tomas English on a similar scoreline.

A couple of weeks ago Fergus O'Loughlin caused a surprise when he defeated the holder, Darren Kelly in the under 19 Clare championship final. He has been in excellent form since then and went through the division 2 championship without dropping a game. In the semi-final he defeated his Clarecastle clubmate, Pat Doran. This result marked Doran's first defeat in competition in Clare this season. Meanwhile number one seed, Jackie Hynes won his way through to the final but he really had to pull out all the stops in the semi-final when he battled back from being two games down to beat Tony Fenton on a 3-2 scoreline. O'Loughlin was always in control in the final.

A short time earlier his sister, Loretto, had won the ladies B title when she beat number 2 seed, Mary Murphy from Ennis C.B.S. in the final. In the semi-final she ousted the number one seed Jean Murphy.

The division 3 mens title also went to Clarecastle with Dick Fitzgerald recording a 3-2 win over Michael Daffy from Ennis C.B.S.

The plate finals (for first round losers) were decided on Thursday night and here the C.B.S. club won the mens titles. In division one Eoin McMahon beat Joe Griffin (O.M.L.), Derry Moroney won the division 2 crown at the expense of his clubmate Eric

Hanrahan while Pat Talty won division 3 when he beat the one mile inn's Ambrose Heagney. The ladies A was an all One Mile Inn affair with Mairead Bergin beating Ann O'Dowd. The McNamara sisters from Ennistymon met in the Ladies B final and Helen emerged as the winner over Teresa.

The presentation of prizes took place at a function at Powers in Clarecastle on Friday when C.S.R.A. President, Dermot O'Hanlon presided.

The various club championships will dominate over the next two weeks after which the season will end. The Clarecastle finals take place on this Thursday night and there should be a capacity attendance. It's been a most successful year for the club and some great finals are expected.

On Tuesday night next the One Mile Inn finals will be staged and another great night's squash is expected. There will be a social evening afterwards at which the presentation of prizes will take place.

The finals of the inaugural Ennis Boys National School championships will take place on Thursday night next and will be followed by a social evening and the presentation of the Michael O'Sullivan sponsored prizes.

A.G.M. OF CLARE SQUASH

The annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Rackets Association will take place at the West Country Inn on Friday week, April 28. Motions and nominations must be with the secretary, Maura Hanrahan by Tuesday next.

CLARE SQUASH PREPARES FOR NEW SEASON

THE annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Association will take place on this Friday night at the West County Inn at 9 p.m. The meeting will review a successful season and plan for the coming year.

The grading of players is expected to figure prominently on the agenda as there is dis-satisfaction in many areas with the present system.

The election of the new committee will take place and some changes are expected. Outgoing secretary Maura Hanrahan has announced that she will not be seeking re-election. She has played a major part in the rise of Clare squash in recent times.

The Clarecastle club finals were held on Thursday night last and brought to an end the club's most successful season; Fergus O'Loughlin followed up his Clare success when winning the club title at the expense of Pat O'Loughlin. In the mens B James Healy beat Jimmy Kelly while Frankie Moloney won the C crown at the expense of Kevin Moynihan. Ann Fennell won the ladies B when beating Maureen O'Halloran. Robert Fitzgerald and Maura Hanrahan won the A plates with victories over Gerard O'Loughlin and Gertrude Hogan.

The presentation of prizes took place at a function in Powers in Clarecastle.

The Kilkee squash club finals were decided on Friday night last. The ladies final was a repeat of last year with Catherine O'Connor defending her title against Marian Haugh. This time Marian came

out on top winning on a 3/2 scoreline. Paul Costelloe made it four in a row when beating Kieran Marrinan on a 3/1 scoreline in the mens final.

The prizes were presented by golf club captain Maurice Mangan at a function in the clubhouse after the finals.

The finals of the championships at the Ennis Boys National School will take place on this Thursday night commencing at 7.30 p.m. Some excellent finals are expected. The presentation of prizes will take place at a social function at Patricks, Market Street, at 10 p.m.



Ennis CBS recently won the presentation of prizes were (l. to r.) team captain, Gerry O'Brien, Conlon, Martin O'Sullivan, B.

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SQUASH:

An open tournament in honour of the Clarecastle 800 celebrations will be promoted by the local squash club this week-end. The competition will commence on this Thursday evening and will continue on Friday, Saturday, all day, with the event concluding on Sunday. Sponsored by Carling it has attracted a big entry with players from all Clare clubs and from Limerick taking part. There will be five grades - 3 for men and 2 for ladies - with plate competitions in each grade.

The organising committee are confident that there will be a very high standard of play in all grades. There will be a function on Saturday night at Powers while the pre-

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Limerick.

Details of the game and the new lighting system were revealed at a press reception in Limerick on Monday night when it was announced that the Limerick body is the first junior based football organisation in the Republic of Ireland to provide floodlights at their grounds.

Big Entry for Clarecastle Open

sentation of prizes will take place immediately after the finals on Sunday.

Meanwhile the Clare leagues continue and the

senior mixed competition will conclude on Wednesday night next. Unless there is a major upset then the one Mile Inn will regain the title after a

one year lapse. They are beaten to date and at the of writing had to play CBS and Nenagh.

The Munster junior champs, were held last end in Cork and in the 12 Clarecastle's Alan finished in third place.

SQUASH TOURNAMENT



Mr. John Danagher, Carling Area Representative presents a cheque for sponsorship of the Clarecastle Squash Open to Mairead Bergin. Chairperson with secretary, Fergus O'Leary looking on.

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SQUASH TOURNAMENT



Prizewinners at the Clarecastle Squash Open last week-end were (l. to r.) Barry Hession, Mens A; Teresa McNamara, Ladies B; Pat Doran, Mens B; Rose Hynes, Ladies A; Robert Fitzgerald, Mens C.

High Standard at Clarecastle Open

The inaugural Clarecastle open, sponsored by Carling, proved to be a tremendous success last week-end. The competition produced a very high standard of squash with some tremendous games over the week-end.

Barry Hession from the Limerick lawn tennis club won the mens premier grade beating his clubmate Billy Ryan in the final while the ladies title went to Rose Hynes of the One Mile Inn who overcame her clubmate

Carmel Enright.

Results: Mens A: B. Hession beat B. Ryan, Limerick, B P. Doran, Clarecastle beat D. Allen, Cath. Inst. C R. Fitzgerald, Clarecastle beat M. O'Brien, do.

Ladies A R. Hynes, beat C. Enright, B T. McNamara, Ennistymon beat J. Murphy, Shannon Diamond.

Mens A plate: M. Conlon, Ennis beat S. Gleeson, Sh. D., B plate D. Fitzgerald, Clarecastle beat G. Browne,

O.M.I. C. palte B O'Brien, S.D., beat F. Power, C.C. Ladies A plate T. Hehir Ennis beat J. Davis O.M.I. B plate M. Lennon, C.C. beat Gertrude Hogan do.

Meanwhile the senior mixed league concluded this week with the One Mile Inn regaining the title after a lapse of a year. The members of the winning panel were S. Hayes, D. Kelly, M. Lacheiner, R. Hynes, C. Enright, M. Bergin and B. O'Flaherty.

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SQUASH:

BIG ENTRIES FOR DIV. V LEAGUES

When the squash season resumed after the Christmas break in Clare, the organisation of the mens and ladies Div. V events will be a priority.

These get underway on January 11 (ladies) and January 12 (men) and there is likely to be a big entry in each event.

The Div. I individual leagues will resume after the holiday break and continue until the end of February.

Meanwhile preparations for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open are now in full swing and entry forms will be in the clubs by mid January.

The Christmas Blitz at Clarecastle proved most successful last week and ended with Mick Hennessy's team scoring a one point win over Declan Devitt's side. The winning team consisted of Mick Hennessy, Christopher Sheridan, Dermot O'Mahoney, Mairead Bergin and Maureen O'Halloran. In the runners-up team were Declan Devitt, Robert Fitzgerald, Tony Mannion, Niall Fahy and L. Costelloe.

The first round of the ladder is scheduled to be completed by December 31 and players are reminded that outstanding games must be played by this date.

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CHAMPIONS CROWNED AFTER LIVELY FINALS

THERE was a capacity attendance for the Clare Squash Championship finals which were decided at Clarecastle at the week-end. Ladies champion, Rose Hynes retained her title with a 3-1 win over Caroline McDonnell. There is a new men's champion in under 19 player Fergus O'Loughlin who beat the holder, Seamus Hayes in the decider.

In the ladies competition, Caroline McDonnell entered the final as favourite having scored two wins over Rose Hynes in recent times. On this occasion Miss Hynes grabbed the initiative early in the match and recorded a deserved win.

Last year's Div. II winner Fergus O'Loughlin displayed the progress he has made when scoring a 3-1 victory. Hayes, chasing three in a row, won the first but O'Loughlin quickly levelled. Little separated them in the third but O'Loughlin finished stronger to take the lead and this put him on the road to his first title. In the semi-final he had a 3-1 win

clude on Thursday night next, April 19 when the finals should attract a big attendance.

On Thursday, April 26 the One Mile Inn club finals will be decided.

Meanwhile the Ennis CBS championship will get under way next week and will be run off over the next two weeks.

JUNIOR

The Clare junior championships will take place on this Friday with fifty participating in the four sections (U. 12, u. 14, u. 16 and u. 19). The under 16 and under 19 will be decided in Clarecastle with the under 12 and under 14 in Ennis CBS which is the venue for all finals.

Competition will commence at 9 a.m. and the first round details are: U. 12 - At Ennis CBS, 9.30 - A. Meere v D. O'Connell, 9.45, J. Morris v B. McEntee, S. McEntee v K. Frawley, 10 a.m. R. Greene v M. Barry.

U. 14 - At Ennis CBS 9 a.m., S.

Mulvey v D. Hogan, G. Hassett, v J. Burke, G. Shanahan v M. Fitzpatrick, 9.15 B. O'Connell v P. Sharma, A. Keogh v R. McInerney, E. Liddy v J. Carolan, 9.30 J. Williams v B. Murphy, S. McGuane v J. Quinn. The following will play their first round games at 10 a.m.: D. Lynch, K. Lermohan, J. O'Driscoll, K. O'Reily, E. Enright, D. Gallagher, D. Murphy, F. Flynn.

U. 16 at Clarecastle - 10 a.m. B. Nestor v A. Cahill, K. Burke v F. Griffin, 10.15 A. Garridy v G. Barry, D. O'Mahony v G. Heward. The following have byes and will play at 10.30: D. Devitt, D. Frawley and M. Arkett.

U. 19 at Clarecastle - 10.45: S. Gibbons v M. Brooks, 11 a.m., F. O'Loughlin v M. Carmedy, R. Fitzgerald v Gibbons or Brooks.

ENNISTYMON

The Ennistymon club championships sponsored by Lisacannon Stone Ltd. are being played this week and next. A big entry has been received.

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semi-final he had a 3-1 win over Tomás English while Hayes beat Mick Conlon by the same margin.

Clarecastle's Robert Fitzgerald won the mens Div. II title when he beat Declan Devitt in the final. Both have been prominent at under age level and should do very well in the coming years. Marie McGuire from Kilkee won the Ladies Div. II title when she beat Lorraine Gannon from St. Flannan's.

The Mens Div. III title was won by Dermot Delaney who beat Michael Neylon in the final. The Ladies Div. III title was won by Mary O'Looney of Ennistymon who beat her clubmate Marie Finn.

The Plate finals resulted as follows:

Mens A: Sean Gleeson beat Joe Griffin. Ladies A: Teresa Hehir beat Ann O'Dowd. Mens B: Joe Pender beat Pat Talty. Ladies B: Patricia Moloney beat Marie Lynch. Mens C: T beat J. J. Fahy. Ladies C: Mary Sadlier beat Mary Browne. The prizes were presented by Denis Maurer at a function in Powers in Clarecastle.

A ten man Clare team will take part in the Munster inter county championship in Waterford (De La Salle) on Saturday, April 28 and a special 16 man tournament on a swiss system draw is taking place this week-end as part of the preparation for the tournament.

The Clarecastle club championships will con-

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SQUASH SEASON

THE Clarecastle Squash Club championships concluded on Friday night last and were followed by a Social Evening in Powers where the prizes were presented by Club Chairperson, Mairead Bergin.

The results are as follows, Mens A, 1, Seamus Hayes, 2, Jack Keane. Plate, 1, Mickey Meere, 2, Robert Fitzgerald. B. Champ., 1, Martin Walley, 2, Stephen Flanagan. Plate, 1, Larry Donnellan, 2, Gerry Casey. Ladies A Champ., 1,

Rosie Hynes, 2, Mairead Bergin. A Plate, Finalists are Jan Davis and Margaret Flanagan. Ladies B Champ., 1, Maura Hanrahan, 2, Gertrude Hogan, B. Plate, 1, Maureen O'Halloran, 2, Marie Lennon.

On this Thursday night the One Mile Inn finals will take place and will be followed by a Social Evening and the presentation of prizes. The Ennis CBS finals will also be played on this Thursday and club members will later attend a Social Evening at the West County Inn.

Kilnamona 10k. Open Road Race

Kilnamona 10k. Open Road Race in aid of Kilnamona Development Fund will take place on Sunday 6th at 2 p.m. sharp. This race is being promoted by a former Marian athlete, Colman McDonagh. This race is open to BLE and NACA athletes. The main sponsors are Golden Vale and Dawn Dairies. Changing facilities are at the school and refreshments will be available after the race. There will be plaques for all finishers.

FIXTURES

May 1—Part I Track & Field League at Fairgreen open to NACA and BLE at 7.30.

May 6—Kilnamona 10k. Open Road Race at 2 p.m.

May 16—Part II Track & Field League at Fairgreen at 7.30 p.m.

May 21—Clare BLE Track & Field championships at Fairgreen at 7 p.m. sharp.

A Clare team will travel to Waterford on this Saturday for the Munster inter county championship. The team will consist of ten players and at the time of writing the panel had been narrowed down to thirteen. They are Seamus English, Fergus O'Loughlin, Seamus Hayes, Tomas English, Mike Conlon, Sean Gleeson, Jack Keane, Robert Fitzgerald, Pat Doran, Mike Daffy, Declan Devitt, Joe Griffin, Jackie Hynes.

Clare will play Cork in the semi-final on Saturday at 10.30 at the De La Salle club in Waterford. Waterford and Limerick will meet in the other semi final. The final will be at 3.30 when the beaten semi-finalists will meet in the third and fourth place play-off.

April 1990

SQUASH:

League Prizes Presented

In their second year in the Clare squash leagues the Vale Club from Charleville have scored a double. Last week they won the mens div. 3 title while this week they added the ladies div. 2 crown.

Prizes for the five leagues completed so far were presented at a pleasant function at Kearney's in Lifford last evening, Wednesday.

All of the winners prizes went outside the county with the Limerick Lawn Tennis club capturing both div. 1 crowns and Catholic Institute winning the mens div. 2 title.

Ennis CBS were the runners up in the three mens leagues while the One Mile Inn cap-

tured the runners up honours in the ladies div. 2.

Arrangements are now being finalised for the mens and ladies div. 4 and 5 leagues which will get underway in January. Entries for the div. 4 events must be with the Clare sec., Ann Fennell by this week-end.

On the local front the Ennis CBS club held a very successful Christmas blitz last week. It resulted in victory for the team which included J. Downey, K. McDonnell, M. Hanrahan, K. Pyne, S. Carroll and H. O'Loughlin. The beaten finalists were M. Daffy, E. Hanrahan, H. Crowe, J. Kelly, G. Downey and F. Heagney.

The Clarecastle club also held a successful blitz last week when Marie Lennon's team were victors over Mairead Bergins side. The club ladder competition is now entering the third round and this will get under way at the beginning of January. Meanwhile entries are now being taken for the annual handicap compt.

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■ **Squash:**

Ennis C.B.S. Take The Honours

THE annual Clare Inter-Club Blitz competition took place at the Shannon Diamond Club on Saturday night last when five teams participated.

The members of the winning team were Seamus English, Declan Devitt, Pat Talty, Caroline McDonnell and Gabriele Downey. Clarecastle's team included fergus O'Loughlin, Mick Hennessy, Martin Wallh, Mairead Bergin and Loretto O'Loughlin. Then other competition teams were Ennis Boys' National, Ennis C.B.S. 'B' and the host club Shannon Diamond. A most enjoyable reception followed for the teams at which C.S.R.A. President, Gerard Browne, presented the prizes.

Meanwhile the leagues continue and the third rounds of the mens and ladies division 4 competitions were played this week

as the mens and ladies division five competitions commenced. There has been an excellent response to these leagues which is most encouraging for those charged with the promotion of the game in Clare.

A ladies individual league gets underway this week and it has attracted an entry of twenty-four. Games will be played on Thursday nights and it will conclude at the beginning of March with prizes for the top eight players.

In the Clarecastle club ladder, just a week remains for games to be completed, while the club's annual handicap tournament will get underway in the next week.

Jan 1991

SQUASH:

Div. 4 Semi Finals on Monday

The semi-finals of the mens div. 4 team leagues will take place on Monday night next. At a meeting of Clare squash association last week the semi-final draws were made and resulted as follows: Kildysart v Catholic Institute; Ballina v Shannon Diamond. These games will be at Ennis CBS and the One Mile Inn. The final will be on Monday week at Clarecastle.

Clarecastle are the ladies division 4 champions. They scored maximum points against Ennistymon B on Tuesday night to win the title. Ennistymon A are the runners up. They had a 4-1 win over Ballina on Tuesday night.

Both the mens and ladies Div. 5 leagues are at the half way stage. In the ladies competition Shannon Diamond are the leaders and are now favourites to win the title. In the mens grade, Ennis CBS top their section following

their 4 - 1 win over Clarecastle last week. In the other section its still wide open as to who will make it through to the semi-finals.

Meanwhile the Clarecastle handicap competition is in full swing and the way should be clear for the semi-finals this week-end. Entries for that club's championships are now being taken and this will get underway next week.

The Ennis CBS club held a very successful blitz on Friday last sponsored by Woodys. The winners were Mike Daffy, Christy Woods, Caroline McDonnell, Kate Lane, Ml. Byrt, Carmel Dugan and Helen O'Loughlin. The beaten finalists were Pat Talty, Kevin McDonnell, John O'Shaughnessy, Kathleen Pyne, Kevin O'Dea, Margaret Flanagan, Patsy Hanrahan.

With just two weeks to go to the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open champs. which will be based in Clarecastle, entry forms have been distributed to all clubs and the organisers are confident of a huge response.

Feb 1991



Feb 1991

Squash:

Steward Is Top Seed In Munster Open

INTERNATIONAL players, Graeme Steward, Derek Ryan, Jeffrey Hearst, Maurice Collins, John McKay, David Gatto, Marjorie Croke and Brona Conway are just some of the leading squash players who will be in Clarecastle this weekend for the Clarendridge Crystal Munster open squash championships which will run throughout the weekend concluding on Sunday with the finals.

This is Clarendridge Crystal's tenth successive year of involvement with the championships and to mark this anniversary there will be some special presentations during the weekend. In all, there are nine grades and games will be played in Ennis and Shannon, as well as Clarecastle, which is the main centre for the competition.

Some first round games involving local players will be

played on this Tuesday night with the competition swinging into top gear on Friday evening at 6 p.m. at all venues. A feast of squash is guaranteed throughout the weekend and bumper attendances are expected at the different venues. Full details of the competition will be available at the various clubs.

Meanwhile, entry forms for the annual Clare squash championships have been distributed

to the clubs and these must be returned by this Sunday to Ger Browne, the C.S.R.I. President who is also the tournament director for the Munster open. There will be a number of grades for men and women and the championships start on March 11 and conclude on March 22 with the finals at Clarecastle.

The mens division four team league concluded on Monday night when Catholic Institute from Limerick took on Shannon Diamond, winners of division 5 last year. After a very exciting tussle, Catholic Institute emerged victorious on a 3/2 scoreline at Clarecastle.

The semi-finals of the mens division 5 will be played on Monday night next and at the time of writing the pairings weren't known as the final round of games were to be played last night [Wednesday]. Clarecastle and Ennis C.B.S. looked certain of qualifying from one section while Shannon Diamond were leading the way in the other

Bergin and Seamus Hayes were victorious over Bernie Griffin and Gerard O'Loughlin in straight sets. The Clarecastle club championships got underway earlier this week and the semi-finals will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday next with the final on Friday next, March 6.

Meanwhile at the Munster junior close in Waterford, Alan Meere was the runner-up in the Boys U14 section. In the final he was beaten by Barry Potts from the Catholic Institute Club in Limerick. Deenan Devitt took part in the U19 section. Clarecastle schoolboy, Meere, travels to Galway this weekend for a training session with the Irish U14 squad.

There was better news for Shannon Diamond on Tuesday night when they captured the ladies fifth div title following a thrilling final round tie with the One Mile Inn. Entering this final game of the league the Shannon girls were 7 pts. clear of the Ennis club. With the no. ones to play the One Mile Inn were 3-1 up and the teams were level overall. In the final match of the evening, Carmel Kelly beat Helen Gallery to bring the title to Shannon for the second year in succession.

The Clarecastle ladder comp., concluded recently and prize winners were Fintan O'Donoghue, overall; Richard Quigley, Patricia Moroney and Bridie O'Flaherty.



Announcing details of the Clarendridge Crystal Munster Open Squash Championships which take place in Clare this weekend were (l. to r.) Ger Browne, President of Clare Squash, Joan Moore, Marketing Manager and Bob O'Shea, Sales Manager of Clarendridge Crystal.

Kilmihil NACA Club Result of Draw

- 1st Prize: Martina Downes, Shyan, Kilmihil.
 - 2nd Prize: Michael O'Halloran, Glenmore, Kilmihil.
 - 3rd Prize: Michael Darby, Lacken, Kilmihil.
 - 4th Prize: Kieran Harvey, Querrin, Kilmihil.
 - 5th Prize: Michael McInerney, Shyan, Kilmihil.
- The Chairman and Committee wish to thank all those who supported this draw.

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Winners at the Clarecastle Squash Championships last week were (left to right): Martin O'Brien (Mens B), Patricia Moroney (Ladies B), Fergus O'Loughlin (Mens A), Loretta O'Loughlin (Ladies A) and Fr. Willie Teehan (Mens C).

Clare Championships In Full Swing

AS the Clare squash season draws to a close there is huge interest in the annual Maurer Jewellers County Championships which commenced on Monday last and which are now at the semi-final stage in most grades.

There are A, B and C grades for men and women and some great tussles are expected before the destination of the prizes become known on Friday next, March 22, when the championships conclude at Clarecastle.

Fergus O'Loughlin and Rose Hayes start as favourites to retain their titles in the A grades but Mike Conlon, Caroline McDonnell, Seamus Hayes and Robert Fitzgerald will be amongst those hoping to bring about their downfall.

Meanwhile, the Clarecastle club championships concluded on Friday last when there was a fine double for the O'Loughlin's with Fergus and Loretta winning the A grades. Loretta had a 3/1 win over Margaret Flanagan, while Fergus won a five setter against Seamus Hayes.

Other prize winners at the finals were: Ladies B: Patricia Moroney beat Marie Lennon; Plate: Liz Costello beat Tara O'Loughlin; Mens B: Martin O'Brien beat Larry Donnellan; Ladies C: Fr. W. Teehan beat P. Hayes; Plate: Richard Quigley beat P. J. Sullivan.

The prizes for the club ladder and club handicap were also presented. The prizes for all the competitions were sponsored by Syntex, Cheers, and Josie O'Shea Sports.

The final of the mens division 5 league took place on Monday night at Clarecastle between the host club and Shannon Diamond. The game was originally scheduled for last week but due to the unavailability of a number of the Shannon side because of flu it was transferred to Monday.

Clarecastle emerged as winners on the night and their final lineup was Liam Franey, Tony Boyle, Declan Frawley, Fr. Willie Teehan and Laurence O'Donovan. Shannon Diamond's final lineup was Gary Lagan, Ray Duane, Kieran Stapleton, Vincent Nolan and Martin Leamy.

■ Badminton:



March 1991

Div. IV Double for Clarecastle

THE Clare squash season is now in full swing with leagues nearing conclusion and with just a short time to the annual Maurer Jewellers Clare championships. The past week has been a particularly good one for Clarecastle as the club won both the ladies and mens Div. IV titles.

The ladies finished with 100 points from their six game programme to win the title from Ennistymon. Kildysart and Shaanon Diamond also took part. The members of the winning Clarecastle panel were Kay O'Connell, Tara O'Loughlin, Mary Ann Sheehan, Grainne Ryan, Mary Sadlier, Mary Browne, and Mary Deasy. Runners-up Ennistymon had Teresa McNamara, Mary Marrinan, Deirdre O'Brien, Mary Finn, Mary Nagle, Nora O'Loughlin and Sheila Keane in their line-up.

In the mens Div. IV final played at Clarecastle on Monday night of this week the host club defeated Nenagh in the decider. Member of the winning squad were Liam Frawley, Gerry Casey, Michael Mulhall, Declan Frawley, Pat Sheehan, Aidan Feore, Michael Griffin, Christ Rainsford.



Entries for the Clare championship close on Sunday

week, March 22 and should be sent to Ger Browne, the CSRA President. The championships will begin on Monday, March 30.

The junior inter provincial championships were held in Galway last week-end when Munster won the under 19 title. A member of the six strong Munster squad was Newmarket-on-Fergus teenager, Declan Devitt, a Leaving Cert student at Ennis CBS. Munster were comprehensive winners of the title and Declan played his part when winning comfortably in his match against Connacht.

Munster were runners-up in the under 14 competition and Alan Meere from Clarecastle was a member of their side.

The Clarecastle club championship will commence this coming week and a big entry has been received.



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March 1992

Clare champs. at semi- final stage

THE semi-final stage of the annual Maurer Jeweller Clare squash championships has been reached and these will be played on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week with the finals scheduled for Friday next.

All games will be at Clarecastle and will be followed by the presentation of prizes for all C.S.R.A. competitions at a function at the West County Inn.

Meanwhile the Clarecastle club championships were staged on Friday night last and the details are as follows:

Ladies - B Plate, K. O'Connell beat M. Browne; B Champ, A. M. Russell bt. T. O'Loughlin; A Plate, M. Flanagan bt. J. Davis; A Champ, R. Hynes bt. C. McDonnell.

Men: C Plate, D. Dormer bt. D. O'Halloran; C Champ., M. Casey bt. R. Linton; B Plate, P. Sheehan bt. A. Feore. A Plate, D. Moloney bt. M. O'Brien; A Champ., R. Fitzgerald bt. L. Frawley. In the club's handicap competition which concluded recently Loretto and Fergus O'Loughlin beat Mary Browne and Liam Frawley in the finals. Pat Sheehan won the ladder competition with 33 points from E. Costello, K. O'Connell and M. Flanagan who each had 32 points.

The prizes were presented in the clubrooms after Saturday's finals by club officials Maria Lennon and Liz Costello.

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FITZGERALD IS CLARE CHAMPION

A NEW NAME has been put on the Clare mens (A) squash championship roll of honour following the success of Robert Fitzgerald in last Friday's final. The Clarecastle twenty year old defeated Declan Devitt in a final that went the full distance.

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Seventeen year old Devitt, who hails from Newmarket and who is a senior cert student at Ennis C.B.S., started well and won the first game. When he raced into a 6-0 lead in the second it looked to be all over for Fitzgerald. The local lad, encouraged by the big home support then stepped up the pace and took the second to level. He went on to win the third but Devitt was in complete control in the fourth to level matters again. In the early stages of the fifth it was anybody's game but Fitzgerald again stepped up the pace and emerged as champion.

In the ladies final Rose Hynes reversed last year's result when she overcame Caroline McDonnell on a 3-0 scoreline. After being in the concluding stages on a number of occasions Tony Fenton won the mens Division 2 title when he overcame his Ennis C.B.S. clubmate Jackie Hynes in the B final. Gail Cahill won the ladies B title beating her St. Flannan's clubmate Bernie Griffin on a 3-2 score. The mens C decider was a real cracker with Liam Frawley from the host club beating Joe Keane, Kildysart on a 10-8 score in the fifth to win the crown. Ennistymon's Marie O'Connor won the ladies C title beating Mary Ann Sheehan from Clarecastle in the final.

The plate finals resulted as follows— Mens A: Pat Doran beat Mike Daffy; Mens B: Tony Lillis beat J. J. Tobin; Mens C: Gerry Casey beat Michael Clancy; Ladies A: Margaret Flanagan beat Jean Murphy; Ladies B: Patricia Moroney beat Liz Costello; Ladies C: Mairead Guinnane beat Bernie Meaney.

The annual junior championships will take place on this Friday at Clarecastle commencing at 10 a.m. for the under 12s with the under 14s at 10.30 a.m., the under 16s at 11 a.m. and the under 19s at 11.30 a.m.

The annual general meeting of Clare squash will take place on Thursday next April 23 in the West County Inn at 9 p.m.

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SQUASH:

O'LOUGHLINS COMPLETE A TREBLE

FERGUS O'LOUGHLIN made Clare squash history on Friday last when he became the first player to win the Clare men's 'A' title for a fourth time.

In retaining the title he beat fellow Clarecastle man Robert Fitzgerald at Clarecastle. Earlier his sister Loretto won the ladies title when she beat Margaret Flanagan. A couple of weeks ago a younger sister Clare won the County girls championship, making it a great treble for the Clarecastle family.

There was a 'full house' for Friday's finals and there was some very good play. Kildysart's Joe Keane went one better this year. Twelve months ago he was beaten in the mens 'B' final but on Friday he made amends with a 3/1 win. Christina McMahon completed the 'B' double for the Kildysart club when she was victorious in the ladies final over Maura Han-

nis C.B.S.), bt. J. O'Shaughnessy (do). Ladies 'A', G. Cahill (St. Flannans) bt. L. Cannon (do); Ladies 'B', M. Cleary (Kildysart) bt. B. Meaney (do).

The prizes were presented at a social evening in May Kearneys.

The full results are: Mens 'A', P. O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) bt. R. Fitzgerald (do), 3/0; Mens 'B', Joe Keane (Kildysart) bt. T. Fenton (Ennis C.B.S.); Mens 'C', L. Donnellan (Ennis C.B.S.) bt. M. Sullivan (do), 3/1. Ladies 'A', L. O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) bt. M. Flanagan (Ennis National), 3/0; Ladies 'B', C. McMahon (Kildysart) bt. M. Hanrahan (St. Flannans), 3/0. Plate Finals: Mens 'A', M. Daffy (Ennis C.B.S.) bt. P. Doran (do); Mens 'B', J. Hynes (Ennis C.B.S.) bt. Jack Keane (do); Mens 'C', C. Woods (En-

In the mens 'A' semi-finals there was a cracker of a contest between Fergus O'Loughlin and Alan Meere. O'Loughlin eventually won on a 3/1 scoreline which was also the score by which Robert Fitzgerald beat Mick Conlon in the other semi-final.

Defending ladies 'A' holder Rose Hynes agreed to take part in the mens 'C' section this year and here she did extremely well getting to the semi-final where she failed narrowly to eventual winner, Larry Donnellan.

A FAMILY TREBLE



▲ The O'Loughlins from Clarecastle scored a treble when the Clare Squash Championships were decided last week. Claire (centre) won the girls championship while Fergus and Loretto won the senior titles. Only Fergus had previously won the

May 1994

Cooraclare Squash Club

Clare squash leagues in full swing

The Clare squash season is now in full swing with the mens and ladies Div. II leagues under way.

In the men's competition last week-end there was no luck for Ennis CBS the holders, when both of their teams lost. Their A side was surprisingly beaten by the One Mile Inn while their B team went under to the Newmarket-De Beers combination.

In the ladies Div. II Ennis CBS had a narrow win over the Auburn Lodge in the first round and will meet the One Mile Inn this week-end.

Activity is now in full swing in all clubs with blitz competitions taking place this week in the One Mile Inn and Auburn Lodge clubs and in the CBS club next week.

In the Summer handicap competition at the Auburn Lodge, Jack Keane emerged as the winner from Jim O'Dowd who beat Damien Byrne in a play off for second place.

The Newmarket club will hold its annual general

meeting on Thursday next, October 5 at 8.30 p.m. and all members are urged to attend. Last season was somewhat disappointing for the club and an all out effort is being made to get the club into top gear in the coming weeks. =

NEW CLUB

Another new squash club will be opened next week when the court attached to the Cooraclare GAA club will be opened to members. In an effort to promote the game some exhibition games involving the leading players in mens and ladies competitions in Clare will take place at the club on Tuesday night next, Oct. 2 at 8 p.m. and all interested in the area are invited to attend. Details of how to become a member of the club can be had from Gerry Kelly in Cooraclare.

The CSRA committee's next meeting will take place on Monday night at Brogan's, O'Connell Street at 9 p.m.

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SQUASH:

Excellent fare at senior league finals

The senior individual league finals played at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night last provided some very entertaining squash. There were four games on the programme and all were keenly contested throughout.

The opening match featured Ann O'Dowd and Teresa Corbett in the play-off for third and fourth places in the Ladies competition. The One Mile Inn clubmates showed good form before Miss Corbett emerged victorious on a 3-1 scoreline. In the mens play-off Jack Keane proved too strong for Mike Conlon and emerged a good winner also on a 3-1 scoreline.

Caroline McDunnell and Fiona Nugent were the finalists in the ladies competition and there was some excellent play before Miss McDunnell captured the title on a 3-1 scoreline. She won the first game on a 9-6 score but Miss Nugent hit back to level matters when she won the second game on a 10-9 scoreline. The third was very keenly contested before Miss McDunnell won at 9-7 and she then went on to take the fourth game on a similar scoreline to capture the title.

Dennis Maurer started the mens final against Seamus Hayes, the holder, in great

The men's final was a repeat of last year's decider with the holder, Seamus Hayes, chasing a fourth successive win in

Avlan Peere and Darren Kelly.

A coaching course will commence in the club in January and those interested in participating should give their names to Eamonn Kelly or Ger Browne.

Lissycasey captured their first ever Clare squash title when they were victorious in

had played a major part in Lissycasey being in the final. Lissycasey's Gerard O'Sullivan then levelled matters when he had a 161 win over Frank Murnane. The winners looked set to take the lead when Eithart McMahon went into a 2-0 lead against Sean De Cloere but the Kilkee player fought back in great style to



Pictured after a recent squash tournament final at Ennistymon were Back: Vinny Leigh, James Barry, Kate Lane, Joe Gallery (sponsor), Dick Woods, Tom Nestor. Front: Murt McMahon, Joe Chambers, Trish McNamara, Michael Healy, and John Keane.

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Hayes, the holder, in great style and he deservedly took the first game on a 9-7 scoreline. Hayes levelled when winning the second on a score of 9-5. The third was a real ding-dong affair and could really have gone any way. Hayes went into the lead when winning 9-7 and he went on to retain the title when returning a similar score for the fourth game.

The presentation of prizes took place immediately after the finals which attracted a very good attendance. Prizes were also presented to the Ennis C.B.S. ladies division 4 team who were runners-up to St. Flannans.

HARP FINALS

The fourteenth annual Harp handicap competition, the longest running competition in Clare squash, concluded at the One Mile Inn on Wednesday night of last week.

In the ladies section Margaret Lacheiner captured yet another crown when she beat Teresa Corbett by two games to nil. This was a good contest in which Mrs. Lacheiner's experience proved decisive.

the competition against Seamus Howard. Howard has shown great form in the current season and he looked set to win his first crown when he won the first game on a 15-5 scoreline. Hayes came much more into the game in the second and levelled the match when he won on a 15-3 scoreline. In the deciding game they were level at 4 each and it was score for score until they were 7 each. Then the holder made the vital break and went on to win on a 15-9 scoreline.

Afterwards the club's annual Christmas party was held and as in former years this was an outstanding success. The presentation of the Harp trophies took place while the winners and runners-up in the club's Autumn league received their trophies from the sponsor, Pat Keogh. The club's mens division 2 team which recently won the Clare title also received their trophies during the evening. The members of this panel were Joe Griffin (captain), Donal Bassett, Jim O'Dowd, Ger Browne, Con Woods,

the div. 4 final at Clarecastle on Friday night. In the final they beat Kilkee on a 3-2 scoreline in a game which produced a very high standard of SQUASH.

The semi-finals were played on the Wednesday night of last week when Lissycasey and Kilkee defeated Shannon Diamond A and Auburn Lodge.

Kilkee, holders of the title, got off to a good start when Noel Thornton scored a good 11 win over Michael Clancy whose display in the semi-final

win on a 3-2 scoreline and so put his side back in front. The lead was shortlived, however, as Lissycasey's Frank Coughlan turned in a superb display to beat Joe Larkin 3-0 and level the match for the second time.

And so it was all on the last game between Seamus Kelly of Lissycasey and Peter James of Kilkee and here Kelly hit top form to win 10 and so ensure a first Clare squash title for Lissycasey.

Kilmaley Parish Magazine

The sixth annual Kilmaley parish magazine, produced by the parish G.A.A. club is on sale this week. Edited by hard working club official Patsy Doohan and printed by the Clare Champion Ltd., the publication is the biggest to date. Comprising fifty two pages it has articles and photographs on all activities in the parish as well as many items from the

past.

There is a special section dealing with the parish hurling and camogie teams in *Feile na nGael* with many pictures of the club members who visited the area.

The book is available in local shops or from any official of the G.A.A. club and certainly is something which all parishioners should have.

Dec 1986

Ennis CBS win Div. 3 Title

Ennis CBS captured the Clare ladies div. 3 squash league title on Monday night last. The CBS side were seven points ahead of their nearest rivals St. Flannans going into Monday nights last round and they held on by just 2 points, to take the crown from the Flannans side who finished in runners-up spot.

The members of the winning team were Isobel Stokes, Francis Davitt, Ann Marie Canny, capt., Mary Murphy, Marie Hogan, Maureen O'Callaghan and Aine Reidy.

St. Flannans team comprised of Bernie Tobin, capt., Francis Browne, Deirdre Shelvev, Evelyn Lyons, Teresa Lillis, Mary Gleeson, Angela McMahon.

After last Friday's final round of games in the mens division 3 league the way was cleared for the semi-finals which produced the following pairings: Ennis CBS v Shannon Diamond and Clarecastle v Kilkee. The final will take place on Tuesday night next at the Auburn Lodge commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The semi-finals of the mens 'confined' league will take place on this Friday night. Ennistymon take on Kildysart at the One Mile Inn while Clarecastle will meet Lissycasey at St. Flannans with both matches starting at 7.30 p.m. The final will be on Friday week at a venue to be decided this week-end.

Ennistymon continue to

lead the ladies confined league and it will be a major surprise if they fail to capture the honours for the first time. Arrangements for the Clare championships will be announced this week-end and its expected that the competition will commence on March 23 and conclude ten days later.

This week-end a number of Clare players will be travelling to Galway for the Connacht open champs. Meanwhile the One Mile Inn club travel to the Gleneagle club in Killarney for what promises to be an enjoyable week-end. There will be a squash game against a Kerry side as well as golf.

Feb 1987

● SQUASH:

First title for Ennistymon

Ennistymon, in their first year in Clare competition, won the men's 'confined' league title when they beat Clarecastle at the Auburn Lodge on Friday night last. This match was much closer than many expected and, its true to say, that Clarecastle could well have taken the honours. At the end Ennistymon were ahead on a 3/2 scoreline but a very young Clarecastle outfit had given them a rare fright. A lot more is likely to be heard of this Clarecastle side in the coming seasons.

Members of the winning team were Johnnie Reynolds, Johnnie O'Loughlin, Tom O'Donoghue, Frankie McNamara, Tony O'Loughlin, James Barry and Paddy Coughlan. The Clarecastle team comprised of Gerry Casey, Anthony Daly, Fergus O'Loughlin, Pat Sheehan, Gerry Breen, Tadhg Ferriter and Christy Sheridan.

Two rounds remain in the ladies confined league which will conclude on Wednesday next. At this stage Ennistymon A are in the lead and will win the title while the club's B team look set to collect the runners-up prizes.

The annual handicap competitions at the Auburn Lodge club will conclude on this Thursday night when the finals will take place. The ladies final will be at 8 p.m. followed by the men's decider at 8.45.

Clare Champs.

The closing date for entries for the annual Clare championships is this Friday (first post). This year there will be three grades for men and two for ladies and a huge entry is expected. The draw will be made on Friday and clubs are reminded that late entries will not be entertained.

Inter-firm GAA Officers

The annual convention of the Clare inter-firm GAA board was held on Tuesday night of this week at which the following officers were elected. Chairman, Mike Clune, Co. Council, Vice-Chairman, M. J. Malone, Telecom, Sec. Registrar, Michael Mulcahy, Molex, Treasurer, Denis O'Dea, SPS, Fixtures sec., Anthony Burke, Chemfab, Munster Council delegate, M. Mulcahy and D. O'Dea.

The next meeting of the board will be on March 25 at 8.30 at the West County Inn and all registrations must be in at this meeting.

ANOTHER TITLE FOR ENNISTYMON

ENNISTYMON won their second Clare squash title of the season when they captured the ladies confined league title this week. The Ennistymon club really dominated this competition as, in addition to their A side winning the crown, their B team captured the runners-up prizes. The prizes were presented at the Auburn Lodge Club on Wednesday of this week.

The annual handicap tournament at the Auburn Lodge concluded on Thursday of last week when there were two very entertaining finals. In the ladies decider, Carmel Enright (—20) beat Mairead Bergin (—16) on a 2/1 scoreline. Miss Bergin won the first game but Miss Enright battled back to win the next two and so take the title.

In the mens final, Seamus Hayes made it three in a row when he beat Denis Maurer but he had to battle all the way for victory. Maurer took the first game but Hayes came

back to win the second narrowly and then go on to take the third and the title. Hayes played off —20, while Maurer was off —15.

Afterwards the prizes, sponsored by O'Reilly/Aerlod of Shannon, were presented by Club Chairman, Pat O'Shea.

The draw for the annual Clare championship was made at the weekend and is now on display in all clubs in the Ennis area where the games will be played. The championships attracted a total entry of seventy-five for the five sections (3 for men and 2 for

ladies). The competitions get under way on Monday next and will continue until April 10, when the finals will take place at the Auburn Lodge. The plate finals will be at the same venue on Thursday, April 9.

For the first time since the championships were inaugurated — this is the eleventh year — Margaret Lacheiner will not be competing. Having won the title for the past ten years, Mrs. Lacheiner, who has been a tremendous champion, decided not to take part this time. While all followers will be disappointed that she will not be in the event, there is sure to be keen interest in the race for the title.

The defending mens champion, Seamus English, has, surprisingly, not entered for this year's event. The fancied players here are Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer and Tony Lynch, with many tipping Lynch, who has been keeping a very low profile all season, to take his first Clare title.

March 1987

Championships in Full Swing

The Clare championships in which there are a total of five grades for men and women, got under way on Monday night last and continue until Friday, April 10 when the finals will be staged at the excellent Auburn Lodge complex.

The quarter finals in the ladies A grade will be played on this Thursday night at the Clarecastle complex while on Friday night the mens quarter finals will be decided at the Auburn Lodge. The plate competitions get under way this week-end also and all those

taking part in the champs. should check the draw sheets for details. Fixtures have been made for all grades right through to the finals.

Friday, April 17 is the date for the annual junior champs. which this year will be sponsored by Keevagh Furniture Ltd., whose prop. is Sean Colleran. There will be competitions for boys and girls u. 12, 14, 16 and 19 and all competitors must be under age on May 1 of this year (1987). Entries should be given to junior coordinator for the county Jack

Keane before April 10.

The prizes for the ladies confined league were presented to the Ennistymon teams at the Auburn Lodge on Wednesday night of last week. The members of the winning panel were Catherine Lane, Marian Keane, Teresa McNamara, Geraldine Healy, Ann Leydon, Mary Walsh and Felicity Chambers. The Ennistymon B panel consisted of Marie Concannon, Deirdre O'Brien, Patricia McNamara, Marie Louton, Geraldine Greene and Geraldine Reynolds.

March 1987

SQUASH:

FAVOURITES WIN

There were no surprises when the finals of the Ennis C.B.S. squash championships were staged on Friday night last. In the mens final between Seamus English and Tony Lynch, English justified favouritism when winning on a 3-1 scoreline while in the ladies decider Caroline McDonnell completed a memorable season when she beat Kathleen Lenihan on a 3-0 scoreline. The mens division 2 title was won by Eric Hanrahan when he had a 3-0 win over Ken O'Farrell.

The Ennistymon club completed their first ever club championships on Friday last and here again the favourites won the main events. Johnnie Reynolds, winner of the inaugural Clare C championship earlier this year, had a 3-1 win over Jim Crosse in a moist enjoyable contest. In the ladies decider Catherine Lane scored a 3-0 win over Teresa McNamara.

May 1987

Big Entry For One Mile Inn 'Open' • SQUASH

THE inaugural One Mile Inn open tournament sponsored by Budweiser, will take place on the Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The club's new glass-back court will be in operation for the tournament, which has five sections and which has attracted a total of sixty entries from Clare and Limerick.

First-round games will get under way at 6 p.m. on Friday evening and continue on both courts until near midnight. Competition will resume on Saturday morning and continue throughout the day with the semi-finals of the A grade on that evening at 7.30 p.m. There will be a buffet function after these games at 8.30 and a social evening will follow. All finals will take place on Sunday afternoon.

Details of the tournament can be had from the Committee or from the tournament director, Ger Browne.

ENNISTYMON'S TITLE

In only their second year in competition

Ennistymon who, like their ladies side, have shown tremendous improvement in the past year. Only one member of the Ennistymon side is graded division three — the others are division 4 players — and the experience gained should prove vital in next year's division 3 league and in the division 4 competition after Christmas. Next Monday night's final will be at the Auburn Lodge at 7.30 p.m.

In the senior individual leagues, the semi-finals should be known at the end of next week. In the ladies competition Carmel Enright and Ann O'Dowd set to qualify from one section while the other section is between Lil Moyle and

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ENNISTYMON'S TITLE

In only their second year in competition, Ennistymon captured the Clare ladies Div. 3 league title on Friday last when they completed their programme with a good win over Ennis C.B.S. The North Clare girls were unbeaten going into this game and they held an eleven-point lead. On the night they proved superior to the Ennis girls and deservedly captured the honours.

The Ennistymon panel consisted of Kate Lane, Teresa McNamara, Ann Leyden, Geraldine Healy, Marie Concanon, Deirdre O'Brien and Geraldine Green. Members of the Ennis C.B.S. panel were Mary Murphy, Bridget Kenneally, Francis Devitt, Marie Dilleen, Margaret Conlon, Aine Reidy and M. O'Callaghan. After last Friday's game, League Secretary, Caroline McDonnell, presented the prizes to the members of the winning panel.

The mens division 3 final will be played on Monday night next and will be a battle between the 'old firm', Ennis C.B.S. and One Mile Inn. Both victorious in their semi-finals on Monday night when the final match did not have to be played in either contest. One Mile Inn overcame Kilkee while the C.B.S. defeated En-

Ann O'Dowd set to go from one section to the other section while Mairead Bergin, Lil Mahon and Kathleen Lenihan.

In the mens competition Seamus Hayes is safe through to the semi-final of the second qualifying round from this section resting between Eoin McMahon, doing very well in his first season in division one and Seamus Conlon will qualify from section two. Tomas English is very much in the running but has withdrawn due to an ankle injury. The semi-finals are due to be played on Monday week with the finals on the following Thursday.

The November blitz at the Ennis CBS club on Thursday of last week produced some very good squall. The winners of the O'Sullivan and Hansbury prizes were Jackie Hynes, J. J. Fahy, Michael Griffin, Marie Coote and Bridget Kenneally. The runners-up were Eric Hanrahan, Gerry Collins (what a surprise), Kathleen Lenihan, Biddy Fitzpatrick and L. Kenny.

The November blitz at the Auburn Lodge on Tuesday of last week attracted a big entry for the valuable prizes sponsored by Michael Leyden auctioneer. E. O'Shea's team which comprised Michael Mullins, Ann Mahon, Russell, Austin Hobbs and Patrick Culligan emerged as the winners.

NOVICE TITLES FOR ENNISTYMON AND KILKEE

THE Clare 'confined' leagues (novice) concluded at the week-end with Kilkee and Ennistymon taking the honours. Kilkee, who had led throughout secured the ladies crown when they travelled to the Auburn Lodge and beat the home side on a 3-2 scoreline. it was a great victory for the Kilkee girls who were coached by Paul Costelloe and after the game they were presented with their prizes by Clare squash secretary Maura Hanrahan. The members of the victorious Kilkee outfit were Catherine O'Connor, Caroline Bermingham, Josephine Thornton, Imelda Murray and Marian Haugh.

The mens final took place on Monday night between Ennistymon and Kildysart. The final round of games in the league section concluded on Thursday night last and there were some surprises. Shannon Diamond looked odds on to reach the final going into their last game but they were well beaten by Kildysart and this was enough to put the Kildysart side into the final.

In the other section it was much closer but Ennis C.B.S. were fancied to qualify. However Ennistymon were deserving winners on the night and qualified for the decider. There was some good squash in Monday's final before Ennistymon emerged as winners. The North Clare club were the holders of this title and Monday's victory was all the more

praiseworthy in view of the fact that they had to field a new team this year.

Members of the winning panel were Mark Burke, John Flaherty, Colm Hammond, Enda Byrt, Michael Concannon, Liam O'Mara and Noel Lane. The runners-up panel comprised of Noel Cusack, John Guinnane, Kieran O'Donnell, Tommy Ayers, Donal Kelly, Sean Casey and Donal Moloney.

The prizes were presented by the president of Clare Squash, Dermot O'Hanlon.

Entries for the Division 2 and 4 Leagues (ladies and men) must be with the respective league secretaries by January 5 which is also the closing date for entries for the annual inter-club blitz. Details

of all of these have been sent to all club secretaries.

The Fosters Autumn League at the One Mile Inn concluded on Thursday night last and after a great battle the team comprising of Seamus Howard, Michael Griffin, Paddy commane, Kieran Browne, Lil Moyles and Marian Barry emerged as winners with just one point to spare. The runners-up were Joe Griffin, Aidan Feore, Gerard O'Gorman, Gerry Casey, Teresa Hehir and Collette Kelly.

The prizes will be presented at the club's annual Christmas party which takes place on this Thursday night. It will be preceded by the annual Christmas blitz which is also sponsored by Fosters.

The Banner Cars sponsored Christmas blitz at the Ennis

C.B.S. club was a great success last week-end. The winners were Dermot and Kevin McDonnell, Pat Stafford, Sylvie Carroll and Francis Devitt. The runners-up were Jackie Hynes, John Coughlan, Caroline McDonnell, Marie Hogan and Antoinette Kennedy. The prizes were presented at the club's annual Christmas Social which took place on Friday night and which was a huge success.

The Auburn Lodge will hold their Christmas function on this Thursday night after their annual Christmas blitz which has attracted a big entry. The prizes will be presented at the function when the highlight of the evening should be the presentation of the prizes for the ladder competition which has been running since the beginning of October. The competition concludes this week and at the time of writing six players were in contention for the main prize.

**Kilfenora Football Club
A.G.M.
Sunday, December 20th
At Community Centre,
Kilfenora
Commencing 3 p.m.**

Dec 1987

SQUASH:

ENNISTYMON AND CLARECASTLE IN FINAL

ENNISTYMON and Clarecastle will meet in the final of the Clare men's division 4 squash league on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge club commencing at 7.30 p.m. A number of the players from both sides were in opposition in the 'confined' final last year when Ennistymon scored a narrow win. Both sides have been impressive on their way to the final and it should be a close contest.

In the ladies division four league the Auburn Lodge team hold a comfortable lead with four rounds remaining. Kilkee are in second place with Ennistymon third. Kilkee could well move up the line and the final game in the league will be between the Auburn Lodge and Kilkee.

In the mens division 2 league the One Mile Inn are the leaders with three matches remaining. Ennis C.B.S. are in second place followed closely by the Auburn Lodge. The league will conclude on March 9.

The ladies division 2 is proving to be an extremely close affair. Going into Monday night's matches St. Flannan's held a narrow lead over the C.B.S. with the Auburn Lodge having moved up to third posi-

16 B title while Sean Gibbons won the under 16 B plate.

In the under 16 A grade Alan Butler was unlucky to lose his first game but he then went on to win his remaining three games and finish in ninth position. Darren Kelly had a similar situation in the under 19 when he was unlucky to lose his first game but went on to win the next three matches.

Overall it was a most successful week end for the Clare competitors providing further proof of the high standard of junior squash in Clare where junior co-ordinator Jack Keane is doing great work.

CLARE CHAMPS.

Entry forms for the Maurer Jewellers Clare championships were sent out to all

Byrne, recent winner of the Clarinbridge Crystal Munster open title at Ennis, will conduct a coaching session at the One Mile Inn club. Tickets are limited and can be had from club chairman, Ger Browne.

CONNACHT OPEN

The Club Orange Connacht Open championships will be staged at Galway (Galwegians squash club and Galway L.T.C.) on Friday, Saturday and Sunday week. All of the top ranked players will be taking part while a big number of Clare players will be entering the lower grades. The draw for the tournament, entries for which must be in on this Friday, will be made on Monday next.

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night's matches St. Flannan's held a narrow lead over the C.B.S. with the Auburn Lodge having moved up to third position. St. Flannan's were unbeaten going into Monday's game while the C.B.S. suffered their only defeat when going down to St. Flannan's. Well St. Flannan's maintained their winning run on Monday with a 3/2 win over the CBS and they are now favourites to win the title.

JUNIORS

Fifteen juniors travelled to Cork at the week-end for the Munster junior 'close' championships. In the under 14 grade Matthew Arlett was the runner up giving some fine displays on the way to the final when he lost to the Irish number 4. In the same grade Gearoid Howard, who lost to Arlett in the semi-final, finished in third place winning the play off.

Brian Healy won the under

CLARE CHAMPS.

Entry forms for the Maurer Jewellers Clare championships were sent out to all clubs this week and these have to be returned to the Clare secretary, Maura Hanrahan, by Wednesday next, March 2. The championships start on March 14 and will conclude on Thursday, March 24 and not on Friday, March 25 as printed on the entry forms.

HANDICAPS

Ennis clubs, Ennis C.B.S., Auburn Lodge and One Mile Inn are presently running their handicap competitions. These tournaments always prove attractive and result in big entries. In the One Mile Inn the Harp final is scheduled for Thursday next, March 3.

COACHING

On Wednesday next, March 2, Irish international, May

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★ Pictured after a squash tournament final at Ennistymon last season, were: Back row (l. to r.), Vinny Leigh, James Barry, Kate Lane, Joe Gallery (sponsor), Dick Woods, Tom Nestor. Front row (l. to r.), Murt McMahon, Joe Chambers, Trish McNamara, Michael Healy and John Keane.



★ Finalists in the recent Kerry Co-Op. Squash tournament at Ennistymon were (back) John Reidy, Michael McGuane, Deirdre O'Brien, Michael Kelleher and Gus Carroll. Front: Noel Lane, Enda Byrt, Mary O'Looney, Adrian Russell and Brendan Doherty.

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Finalists in a Kerry Co-op tournament at Ennistymon last season. Back (from left): John Reidy, Michael McGuane, Deirdre O'Brien, Michael Kelleher and Gus Carroll. Front: Noel Lane, Enda Byrt, Mary O'Looney, Adrian Russell and Brendan Doherty.



ENNISTYMON - Clare Div. 5 squash champs., Back l. to r.: Marie O'Connor, Nora O'Loughlin, Tony O'Loughlin, coach, and Mary O'Looney. Front: Margaret Ryan, Denise Reynolds, Mary Morrissey.

April 1990

SQUASH:

Ennistymon Move to The Top

Ennistymon A moved to the top of the ladies div. 4 league when they had a great 4-1 win over Clarecastle in Clarecastle last week. The Ennistymon girls are now just one point clear of Clarecastle with two games each remaining and its anybody's guess as to who will win. Ennistymon B are just a few points behind in third place.

In the mens div. 4 league the semi-finalists will be known this week-end when a draw will be made to decide the pairings on Monday week. It looks as this stage that the qualifiers will be Kildysart, Shannon Diamond, Catholic Institute and Ballina.

In the ladies div. 5 league Shannon Diamond and the One Mile Inn will meet in a top of the table clash on this Thursday.

The mens div. 5 will reach the halfway stage are favourites to reach the semi-finals. In the other section its very close with Shannon Diamond holding a narrow lead on Lissycasey. Ennistymon and Kildysart are also very much in contention and any two of htis four can qualify.

The ladies individual league is in full swing and will

continue for the next six weeks.

At the Limerick open last week-end Declan Devitt from Newmarket and a member of the Ennis CBS club, won the division C competition. Fergus O'Loughlin had success in the mens B plate.

In far away Belfast Alan Meere, also playing out of the Ennis CBS club, took part in the Irish open unde 14 section. He won his opening game on Friday but lost out in the quarter finals on Saturday. There was compensation for the Clarecastle boy when he was named on the Irish panel and he will take part in a couple of squad sessions in Galway in the coming weeks.

Meere, Devitt and a number of other juniors will travel to Waterford this week-end for the Munster junior open championships and hopes are high of further success.

Arrangements are now at an advanced stage for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open champs. which are being hosted by the Clare Association on March 1, 2 and 3 when the finals will be staged at the Clarecastle complex. Entry forms have been distributed to all clubs this week and another huge entry is expected.

SQUASH:

Clare Champs. Begin

The annual Clare squash championships will commence on Monday night next and continue for two weeks until the finals on Friday, April 10. An entry of just under 60 has been received for the competition which will have three grades for men and ladies. The draws were made earlier this week and are now posted in the various clubs.

Holders Fergus O'Loughlin and Caroline McDonnell will defend their titles in the A grade. Rose Hynes will be determined to regain the ladies crown after losing in last year's decider. Games between these girls generally produce close contests and if, as expected, they qualify for this year's final another cracking game is expected.

O'Loughlin is chasing his third title in succession and his toughest opposition is expected to come from Mike Conlon, Robert Fitzgerald and Munster u. 19 panelist Declan Devitt.

Meanwhile the div. 5 mens league concluded last week with Catholic Institute taking the honours at the expense of Ennistymon. Members of the winning squad were P. Foley, T. Giltenane, R. Bolger, G. Griffin and P. Dooney. The Ennisytmon panel consisted of J. Crosse, E. Byrt, M. Collins, L. O'Mara, C. McCaw and J. Flaherty.

March 1992

ENNISTYMON SQUASH BLITZ

After an absence of three years, a very successful squash blitz was held under the Sport for All programme at the Ennistymon community centre last week. Four teams participated with John Reynolds team beating Enda Byrts team in the final.

Trophies were presented at a reception afterwards and it is hoped to start the coming season with the blitz in October. John Reynolds team included V. Leigh, B. Garrihy and P. Hayes while E. Byrts team were M. McGuane, M. Nagle and J. Leigh. John Reynolds had a semi-final victory over John Flaherty while Enda Byrts team overcame Mark Burke's side.

June 1994

Kildysart Squash Club



Nov 1984

Another win for St. Flannans

At the half way stage in the Mens Div. 3 league St. Flannans lead in section 1 and now look set for a semi-final spot. The Auburn Lodge are in second spot but are closely followed by Lissycasey and Shannon Diamond and anyone of these three to gain the second qualifying spot here.

In section 2 Kilkee, with four of the team which won div. 4

before Christmas, are unbeaten at the half way mark and Clarecastle and Ennis CBS are battling it out for the second qualifying position.

In the ladies div. 3 Shannon Diamond are the leaders and are now fancied to win the title. Indeed, to date, its been the most successful year ever for the shannon Diamond club and the committee coaching programme over the past two years is now paying dividends.

Newcomers Kildysart are now the hot favourites for the

'confined' league title. They have full points after three games and the game between Lissycasey and Shannon Diamond A should decide who will play Kildysart side in the final.

The ladies confined is still at an early stage and little separates any of the teams involved.

The monthly meeting of the Clare assoc. on this Thursday night will make arrangements for the forthcoming Clare Championships.

Feb 1986

Kildysart set for First Title

The final of the mens confined (novice) league will take place on this Saturday night at Clarecastle when Kildysart and Shannon Diamond A will be in opposition. In their first ever competition in Clare squash, Kildysart have been most impressive to date and are unbeaten in the competition. Shannon Diamonds only defeat was at the hands of Kildysart and they will be hoping to reverse this result on Saturday night. It should be an exciting final but it will be a surprise if the Kildysart men fail to capture their first title.

The mens div. 3 league is certainly proving to be a nail biting affair. With just one round remaining in the league section all teams are still in contention for places in the semi-final. St. Flannans, the only unbeaten team in the comp., are certain of a place in the last four but any three of the remaining six teams can join them.

There is a tremendous battle going on for the runners up spot to St. Flannans in their section. Auburn Lodge are in

second position at the moment with just one point to spare over Lissycasey with Shannon Diamond just a couple of points behind. On Monday night The Auburn outfit travel to Shannon while St. Flannans host Lissycasey. In the other section Clarecastle are fancied to make it to the last four with Ennis CBS and Kilkee battling it out for the other position.

Shannon Diamond look set to add to what has been a great season for them by winning the ladies div. 3 title. To date they are unbeaten in the competition and it will be a surprise if they fail to win the title.

The ladies confined league is now at the half way stage with the Auburn Lodge and St. Flannans doing very well.

Entry forms for the Clare Championship which is again sponsored by Maurer Jewellers are now available in all clubs and the closing date for entries is Wed., Mar. 5. As announced there will be a B competition for both men and ladies this year with plate events in all grades.

Clare championship draw

The squash season in Clare is now at its busiest in relation to competition with just three weeks to go to the Clare championships. Wednesday next is the closing date for receipt of entries for this competition which, for the first time this year, included a B section for both ladies and men. There will be a plate section in all four events so a huge entry is expected. The draw will take place next Thursday so all players are reminded to get their entries in in good time.

Two more leagues concluded last week with Shannon Diamond and Kildysart capturing the honours. Shannon Diamond went through the Div. III ladies competition unbeaten to capture the honours. The members of the winning panel were Geraldine Fahy, Mary O'Loughlin, Teresa Hogan, Margaret Mullany, Mary Culligan, Catherine Burke and Miriam O'Grady.

The mens confined league was decided at Clarecastle on Saturday night last when favourites Kildysart defeated Shannon Diamond. The Kildysart panel consisted of Jimmy O'Dea, Pat Power, George Casey, Tony McMahon, Joseph Keane, Michael Clancy, and Willie Griffin. The Shannon Diamond panel was Mick Logan, Mark O'Sullivan, John Culligan, Pakie Power, Brendan O'Brien, John Flanagan and Oliver Darcy.

The mens Div. II is at the knock-out stages and the semi-finals will be played on this Thursday night. St. Flannan's, the only unbeaten team in the competition will meet Ennis CBS at the Auburn Lodge while Clarecastle will take on the Auburn Lodge at Lissycasey. The final will be played on Monday night next and the venue will be

decided on after the semi-finals.

Four rounds remain in the ladies confined league and the main contenders are Auburn Lodge A, Ennis CBS and St. Flannans A. This competition is proving most popular with those involved and there has been a high standard of play to date.

The mens individual league concluded at the week-end with Seamus Hayes emerging as the winner. This competition has been running since October with promotion and relegation operating between the different divisions. The ladies concluded recently with Margaret Lacheiner going through the competition without defeat to take the title from Betty McMahon.

This week the Auburn Lodge team of Tony Lynch, Denis Maurer, Tony Lillis and Seamus Hayes travel to Cork to play Castlelyons in the first round of the Munster team championship. Victory for the Ennis side would give them a quarter final meeting with either Gleneagle, Killarney or Highfield, Cork, and again the Clare side will be away, it involved.

Draughts league

After the third round of the Clare Open Draughts competition, the points position is as follows, S. Cronin, Limerick 12 points; M. O'Shaughnessy, Limerick, 9 pts.; T. Bryson, Shannon 8 pts.; S. Nolan, Ennis, J. Donnellan, Kilkishen and J. Cunningham, Limerick, 7 pts. each.

FINALS NEXT WEEK

Club championships are nearing conclusion in all clubs at present and in fact some clubs have completed their competitions for the season.

The Ennis CBS championships are in full swing at present and will conclude on Saturday week. The finals will be followed by the club's annual social and presentation of prizes and tickets are available from any of the committee.

In the Mens A championship

New Solicitor Welcomed

Mr. Paul Lynch, Solr., who recently commenced his own practice in Ennis was

Seamus English plays Jackie Hynes while Tony Lynch meets Seamus Hayes in the semi-finals while in the ladies competition Caroline McDonnell remains the favourite to win the title.

The Auburn Lodge championship finals will take place on Thursday next, May 1 and here the mens final will see Seamus Hayes play either Tony Lynch or Denis Maurer. The ladies final will be between Fiona Nugent and Caroline McDonnell.

The One Mile Inn finals will be decided on Tuesday night next, and these championships are being run off each night this week. The holiday handicap finals were decided on Thursday night last when Margaret Lacheiner had a convincing win over Bridie O'Flaherty while Ger Browne took the mens title at the expense of Seamus Hayes.

The St. Flannans College finals were decided on Friday last and there was a surprise in the mens section when Michael Neylon had a comprehensive win over Mickey O'Sullivan. In the Kildysart finals which were also played last week Michael O'Connell won the mens title beating Jimmy O'Dea in the final.

April 1986

SQUASH :

Season ends on high note

THERE was some excellent squash during the past week as a number of clubs concluded their competitions for the season with their championship finals.

At the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night last the club staged five finals which were jointly sponsored by Harp and McMahan's of Ennis. Sue O'Sullivan, Aidan Feore, Michael Mullins, Caroline McDonnell and Seamus Hayes were the winners and the finals were followed by a most enjoyable social at which the presentation of prizes took place.

The full results are: Mens Div. I — Seamus Hayes beat Tony Lynch 3/1; Ladies Div. I: Caroline McDonnell beat Fiona Nugent 3/1; Mens Div. II: Aidan Feore beat John O'Shaughnessy; Ladies Div. II: Sue O'Sullivan beat Germaine Noonan; Mens Div. I Plate: Michael Mullins beat Mick Hennessy.

The Ennis C.B.S. club staged their finals on Saturday and here again there were some excellent games. The mens division 1 final was deferred due to an injury to Seamus Hayes, who was to play Seamus English. It is expected that the game will be played next week.

Caroline McDonnell completed a great week by winning the Div. I title at the expense of Kathleen Lenihan. Dermot McDonnell made it a

great occasion for the McDonnell family when he won the Mens Div. II final, beating Ger Browne on a 3/2 scoreline after a great game.

The results are: Mens Div. I Plate: Jack Keane beat Gary Neary; Div. II Champ.: Dermot McDonnell beat Ger Browne; Div. II Plate: John Costin beat Mickey O'Sullivan; Div. III Champ.: Jimmy Kelly beat Tony Kelly; Div. III Plate: Paddy Flannery beat J. J. Fahy; Ladies - Div. I: Caroline McDonnell beat Kathleen Lenihan; Div. I Plate: Marcela Griffin beat Noreen Murphy; Div. II Champ.: Celia O'Reilly beat Isobel Stokes; Div. II Plate: Mary Murphy beat Aine Reidy.

Kildysart Squash Club completed a tremendously successful season with the finals of their club championships recently. Over forty took part in these competitions. Michael O'Connell took the Mens Div. I title for the second time when he beat Jimmy O'Dea with Pat Lorrigan third and Pat Power fourth.

Div. II was won by K. O'Donnell, who beat D. Moloney in the final, with S. Cleary third and T. Griffin in fourth place.

In the ladies final Eileen

O'Neill won her second successive title when beating Valerie Corry with C. O'Donoghue third and L. O'Donoghue in fourth position. Again this year the prizes were sponsored by Michael O'Connell, Cahercon.

The Newmarket club championship will conclude on this Friday night and a great game is expected between Joe Pender and Dermot O'Hanlon. In the semi-finals, Pender accounted for Stephen Flanagan, while O'Hanlon proved too strong for Con Woods. Friday's final will be at 8.30 p.m.

The One Mile Inn club finals on Tuesday night were also highly successful. The mens division I final between Gerry Bredin and the holder Seamus Hayes will be played next week. The results of the other finals are: Mens Div. II: Seamus Howard beat Ken O'Farrell; Div. II Plate: Michael Carmody beat Tom Malone; Ladies Plate: Teresa Hehir beat Bernie Griffin; Ladies Champ.: Margaret Lacheiner beat Ann O'Dowd.

During the social function which followed, a special presentation was made by Club Chairman, Jim O'Dowd to Margaret Lacheiner in recognition of her achievement in winning the Clare Ladies Championship for the tenth consecutive year.

The Annual General Meeting of the club will be held on Tuesday night next at 9 p.m. and not on Monday as was previously announced.

□ **SQUASH:**

Division 2 honours for Ennis C.B.S.

THE mens division 2 league concluded last week and as in recent years it proved to be a tremendous competition with the result in doubt right up to the final game. Going into the last game of the series the One Mile Inn held a slender lead of five points over Ennis C.B.S. The sides met last Wednesday at the C.B.S. club when the home side got off to a great start winning at numbers 5 (Dermot McDonnell beat Mick Meere 3/2) and 4 (Kevin McDonnell beat Con Woods (3/0).

The holders, One Mile Inn, were now in the position of having to win the remaining three games if they were to capture the title. In the next game Ger Browne of the One Mile Inn had a 3/1 win over Eric Hanrahan. In the next game the One mile Inn's Donal Hassett looked to be on the way to an easy win when he opened a 2-0 lead over Jackie Hynes. The C.B.S. player fought back to level and looked set for victory when he opened an early lead in the final game. Hassett recovered however to win 3/2 and so leave everything depending on the match between the number ones, Derry Moloney (C.B.S.) and Darren Kelly. Here the vastly experienced

moloney proved too strong and in winning 3/0 reversed the result of their previous meeting and ensured the title for the C.B.S. Afterwards Clare Squash President, Dermot O'Hanlon presented the prizes to the winners and runners-up.

The ladies division 2 concluded on Friday last with St. Flannans capturing the honours. They led from the start and this victory was a just reward for their commitment throughout. The runners up were Ennis C.B.S. and the presentation of prizes will take place in conjunction with the Clare championship finals at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday of next week.

The Clare championships

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★ By Seamus Hayes

which attracted a total entry of ninety-two got under way on Monday of this week and by the week-end the way will be clear for the semi-finals of all grades. This will take place on Monday and Tuesday nights with the finals on Wednesday and Thursday of next week at the Auburn Lodge.

HARP FINALS

The Harp handicap competition at the One Mile Inn club, the longest running competition in Clare squash apart from the Clare championship, concluded on Tuesday night last. Margaret Lacheiner won her eleventh title when she pipped Ann O'Duud in a tremendous final. This match went the distance and in the end Mrs. Lacheiner's experience proved decisive.

Seamus Howard was awarded the men's title when Michael Carmody was unable to play due to a leg injury sustained in the last minute of his semi-final win over the holder, Seamus Hayes.

KILDYSART FINALS

The Kildysart club, the newest club in Clare squash, held its club championships in recent weeks. They attracted a record entry of 112 and when the finals were staged three nights last week there was some tremendous competition. Jimmy O'Dea won the mens A title defeating the holder Jimmy Casey in the decider. In the semi-final Casey ousted Tony McMahon in what many say was the game of the championship. Sisters Mary and Patricia McMahon met in the ladies B final with Mary winning. In the boys under 16 Enda Casey beat his brother Paul while in the under 16 plate Declan Garry beat his brother, Sean.

The results are: Mens A, J. O'Dea beat J. Casey 3/1; Plate, J. Keane beat G. Casey 3/1; Mens B, K. O'Donnell beat D. Kelly 3/1; Plate, Hugh McGoldrick beat S. Cleary 3/2; Mens C, M. Keant bt. M. Casey 3/0; Plate, P. O'Grady bt. P. Garry 3/1; Ladies A, H. Cusack beat M. Quinlivan 3/1; Ladies B, M. McMahon bt. P. Mahon 3/0; Boys U-19, T. Griffin bt. J. McGoldrick 3/0; Plate, B.

Ringrose bt D. Casey 3/0; Boys U-16, E. Casey bt P. Casey 3/0; Plate, D. Garry bt S. Garry 3/0; Boys U-14, P. Garry bt A. Casey 3/0; Boys U-12, J. Murtagh bt N. O'Grady 3/2; Girls U-12, C. Guinnane bt B. Casey 3/2.

The presentation of prizes took place at a social evening on Friday at McCarthy's lounge in Kildysart.

The ladies division 4 league concludes this week and the title rests between the Auburn Lodge and Kilkee with the

Ennis club fancied to win.

Ennis C.B.S. player, Seamus English, a bank official in Galway, was a member of the Connacht team which played in the Inter-Provincial championships at Cork last week-end.



St. Flannan's Squash Club, winners of the Clare league division 2 title pictured with their coach John Culligan. Back row (left to right): Lorraine Gannon, Deirdre Shahey, Frances Browne. Seated: Evelyn Lyons, John Culligan and Mary Culligan.

DETERMINED SCARIFF BACK IN FINAL

Scariff Community College 0-10
Col. An Spiorad Naomh 1-5

SCARIFF Community College caused a major shock when they defeated Col. An Spiorad Naomh, Bishopstown in the Munster Colleges senior hurling B (Corn Phadraig) semi-final at Croom last week. The East Clare boys displayed tremendous commitment and determination to deservingly qualify for the decider for the second year in succession and for their fourth time in seven years.

pressure but the Scariff defence and particularly the back trio of Michael Rochford, Kevin McNamara and Liam Wiley held firm for a place Sunday's decider.

★ Scariff: P. McInerney (Scariff), M. Rochford (Feakle), K. McNamara (O.C. Mills), Wiley (Bodyke), T. Anglin (Feakle), P. Minogue (Scariff), A. O'Rourke (do), P. Shanahan (Ogonnelloe) capt. and C. Hanahan (Killanena); S. Riordan (Bodyke), P. O'Neill (do), Doyle (Whitgate), F. Quinn (Scariff), M. McMahon (Scariff), S. Lowry (do).

Subs: T. McNamara (Ogonnelloe) for Ryan; M. O'Brien (Bodyke) for McMahon; D. Winters (Broadford), M. Connolly (O.C. Mills), E. Kelly (Whitgate), J. Long (Scariff), M. Collins (Scariff).

■ Squash:

Kildysart's Title

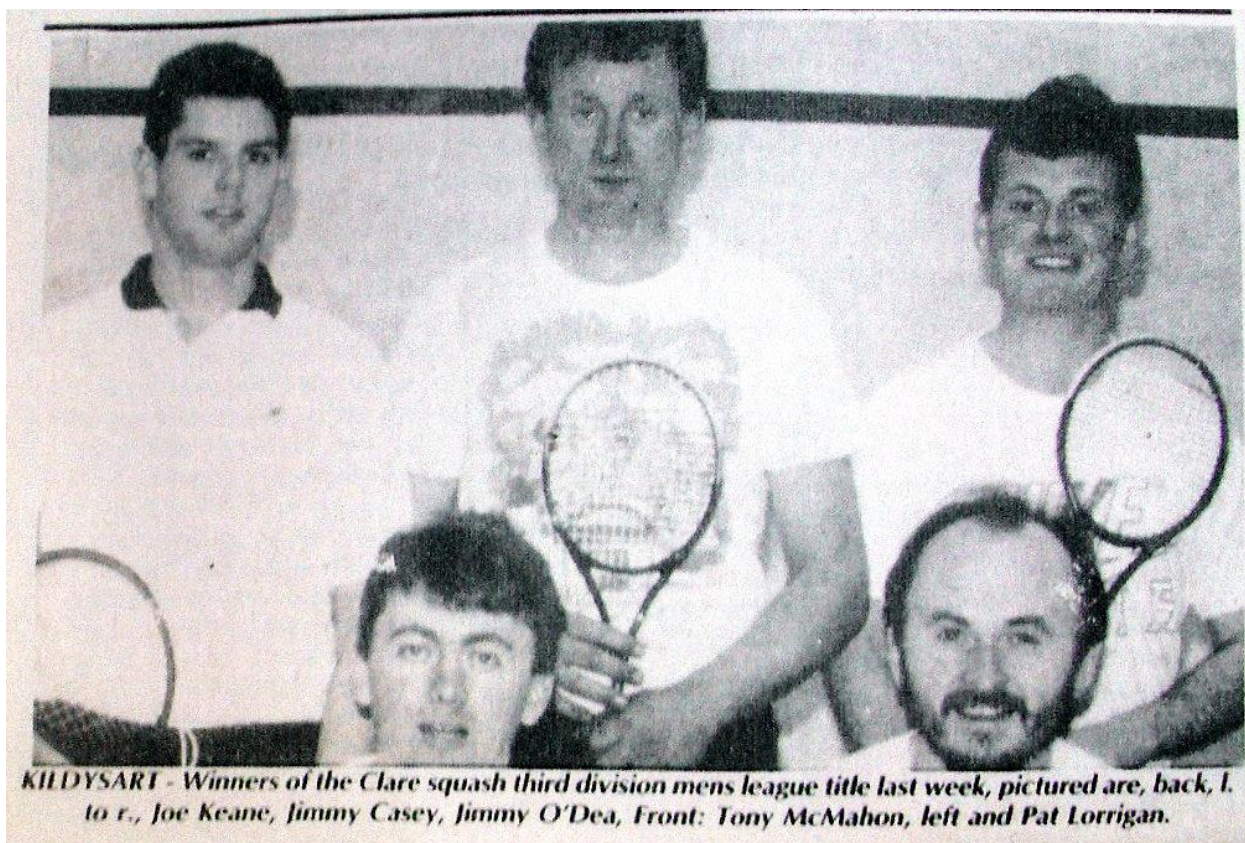
KILDYSART won the Clare Mens Div. 3 squash title for the first time when they defeated Ennis C.B.S. in the final game of the league on Thursday night last.

Kildysart entered this game at their club trailing the C.B.S. team by just one point and aware that victory on the night would give them the title for the first time.

In front of the big home support they won the game decisively being successful in all five matches. Indeed, so convincing was their victory that it now appears as if Ennis C.B.S. will not even be in the runners-up position.

The members of the winning team were Jimmy O'Dea, Jope Keane, Tony McMahon, Jimmy Casey, Pat Lorrigan and substitute Donal Moloney and they were trained by Michael O'Connell.

Jan 1993



Jan 1993

Title for Ennis CBS

THE Clare Squash Championships are set to commence on Monday, March 22 and entries close on this Friday.

The draw will be available early next week with details of venues and times for all games. The championship finals will be on Friday, April 2.

Meanwhile the inter team knock-out title was won by Ennis CBS on Thursday night last. The team comprised of

Mick Conlon, Mick Hennessy, Dermot Delaney, Caroline McDonnell, and Maria Lennon.

In the final they beat Shannon Diamond whose team included Sean Gleeson, Pat O'Grady, Mark O'Sullivan, Jean Murphy and Mary Culligan.

The beaten semi-finaists were Ennis CBS 'B' and Clarecastle.

In the Ladies Div, 5 team league Kildysart are still unbeaten and remain favourites to win from Shannon Diamond.

March 1993

KILDYSART'S TITLE

Kildysart won the Clare ladies division 4 squash title on Tuesday night last. Earlier this season they won the mens div. 3 crown. The members of the winning team are Christina McMahon, Bernie Meaney, Mairead Cleary, Marie Clancy, Helena Sheehan and Susan Casey.

March 1993

← Squash:

CLARE FINALS ON THIS FRIDAY

THE Clare squash championships conclude on this Friday night when the finals will be played at Clarecastle.

The competitions have been attracting good crowds for the past two weeks and all is in readiness for a great night's competition while being followed by a social and presentation of prizes at Woodys when the presentation of trophies for the various leagues run by the C.S.R.A. will also take place.

A total of sixty people entered the competition which had three divisions for men and ladies. Mike Conlon, one of the seeded players in the Mens 'A' was forced to withdraw because of a leg injury picked up just a few days before the competition commenced.

Third seed in the Ladies 'A',

Loretto O'Loughlin was surprisingly eliminated by Bernie Griffin in the opening round. The winner staged a great comeback to deservingly advance to the last four. The final, as expected, will be between Rose Hynes, the holder and Caroline McDonnell and this has been the final pairing for the past number of years.

In the mens 'A' championship, Fergus O'Loughlin who was beaten in the semi-final last year when chasing a third successive crown, is back in the final following his win over Sean Gleeson in a well contested semi-final on Tuesday. In the final he will meet Declan Devitt, who beat him last year Devitt

beat the holder Robert Fitzgerald in Tuesday's semi-final, reversing last year's final result.

The six championship finals will be played on this Friday commencing at 7 p.m. while all six plate finals will be decided on this Thursday night.

Entries are now being accepted for the Clarecastle club championships which get under way next Monday and which will conclude on Saturday, April 17.

KILDYSART

Kildysart's club championships concluded last week and were, without doubt, the most successful in the club's history. Fifty members took part and the highlight of the final night was the Ladies 'A' decider in which Mairead Cleary beat Christina McMahon in a five-seater. The other results are: Mens 'A': J. Keane bt J. O'Dea; Mens 'A' Plate: P. Murtagh bt J. Guinnane; Ladies 'A' Plate: H. Sheehan bt S. Cleary; Mens 'B': S. Casey bt M. O'Neill; Mens 'B' Plate: G. O'Shea bt M. Keane; Ladies 'B': T. Sheehan bt S. McInerney; Ladies 'B' Plate: T. Finn bt S. Cleary.

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Kildysart, winners of the Clare Division 4 Ladies Squash League. Pictured from left are Helena Sheehan, Susan Casey, Christina McMahon, Marie Clancy, Mairead Cleary and Bernie Meaney.

April 1993

SQUASH:

SQUASH A.G.M.

A big attendance is expected at the annual general meeting of Clare squash on this Thursday night at the West County Inn at 8 p.m. when a successful year will be reviewed and plans drawn up for '93-'94. The season just ended started off quietly but concluded on a high note with some great league finals and a successful Clare championship. All clubs are urged to send delegates to this meeting.

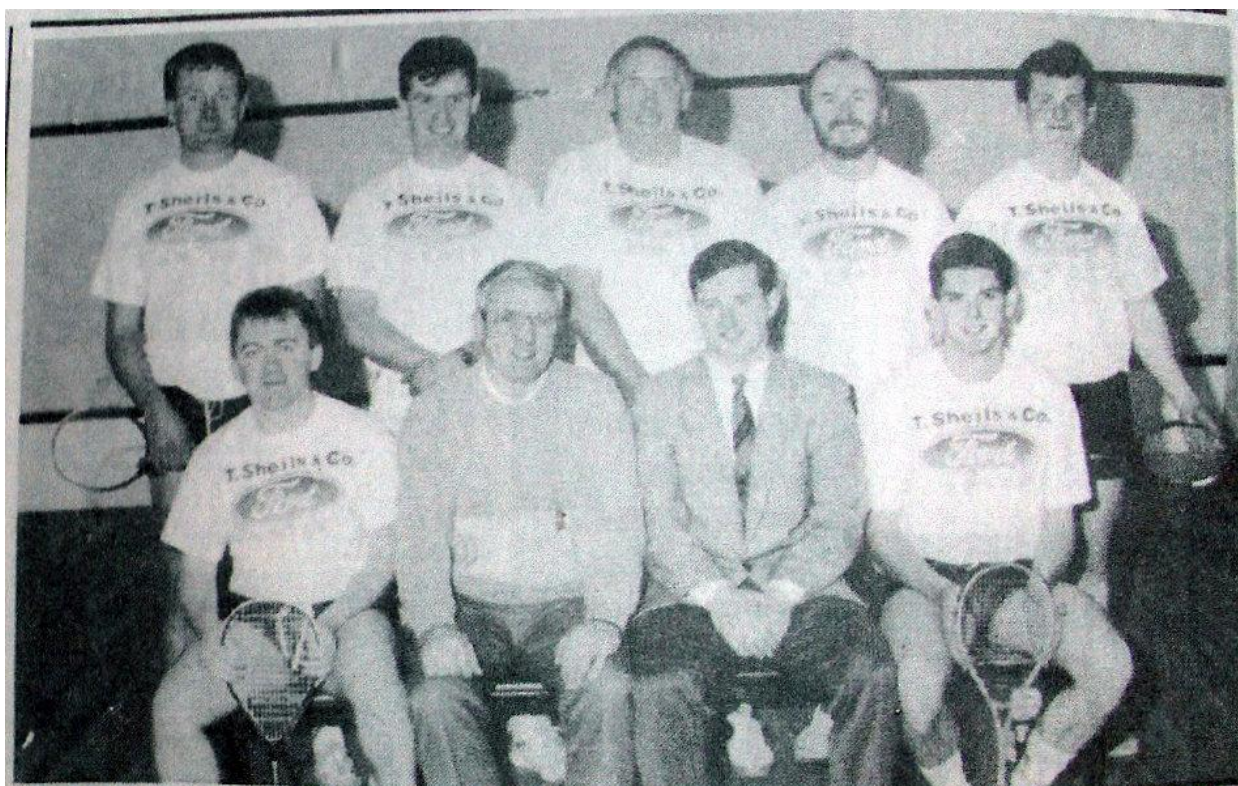
Meanwhile the Ennis C.B.S. championships concluded last week and resulted as follows: Mens A, Mike Conlon beat Tony Fenton; A Plate, Jackie Hynes beat Dermot Delaney; Mens B00, Larry Donnellan beat Stephen Flanagan; B Plate, John O'Shaughnessy beat Michael Lydon; Mens C00, John Hehir beat Liam McNamara; C Plate 0, John Flaherty beat Frank Woods.

In the club handicap final Jackie Hynes overcame Martin O'Brien.

The Kildysart handicap final took place last week when Joe Keane defeated Michael Clancy in a great final. In the ladies final Bernie Meaney defeated Marie Clancy.

The club's team league also concluded and the winners were F. Coughlan, G. O'Garman, J. Murtagh, B. Meaney and G. Moroney. The runners-up were Pat Lorrigan, S. Casey, C. Ringrose, Marie Clancy and Sue McInerney.

April 1993



Teams representing Kildysart Squash Club in the various Clare leagues will be sponsored by T. Sheils and Co. this year. Aidan Moloney of T. Sheils and Co. is pictured with club official Willie Griffin and members of the Division 2 panel. Back (from left): Jimmy Caey, Donal Moloney, Seamus Hayes, Pat Lorrigan, Jimmy O'Dea. Front; Tony McMahon, Willie Griffin, Aidan Moloney, Joe Keane.

Dec 1993

■ SQUASH:

WINNING START FOR KILDYSART

THE mens division 2 Clare squash league got underway recently and newly promoted Kildysart made a winning debut when they travelled to Ennis C.B.S. and won on a 3-2 scoreline.

Last week's game between Kildysart and Catholic Institute was cancelled due to a power failure. The Limerick side had travelled and two games had just commenced. They will play during the first week in January.

Meanwhile Kildysart's Christmas Blitz was a great success last week with eight

teams participating. Joe Keane's team won the prizes but only after Joe had to play off against Donal Moloney after the teams had ended on level terms.

In the final of the club mens top eight league Keane was also the winner scoring a comfortable win over S. Hayes in the final. Meanwhile the club ladder is in full swing and must be concluded by January 1.

The Ennis C.B.S. Club's Christmas Blitz was held last week and the winners were M. Conlon, T. Fenton, J. O'Shaughnessy, J. Flaherty and D. Downey. In the final they accounted for J. Keane, J. Hynes, C. Woods, H. Crowe and J. Collins. The presentation of prizes took place at Howleys and was followed by a social evening. The club ladder competition is in full swing.

Dec 1993

SQUASH:

BIG ENTRY FOR KILDYSART OPEN

The Kildysart open squash tournament, organised to mark the club's tenth anniversary will commence on Monday next and continue throughout the week until Sunday, Jan. 30 when the finals will take place. Sponsored by the Sherwood Inn Restaurant, the tournament will have three grades for both men and women and some top class fare is expected throughout the week.

The mens A grade will include Irish u. 19 internationals Barry Hession and Pat O'Donoghue. Both are from Limerick but Hession who is

based in Dublin and plays out of the Fitzwilliam club. Clare champion Fergus O'Loughlin who won the Nenagh open before Christmas is another who will be expected to do well in what should be a tremendous competition.

There will also be top class entries in the B and C sections the early rounds of which will take place early next week. Under the chairmanship of Willie Griffin, the organising committee has worked hard to ensure that this will be a top attraction for all squash players. Together with Serhwood Inn prop., Michael Clancy who is a native of Kildysart, they have combined to ensure a very high standard

of prizes for all sections.

Meanwhile the Clare mens div. 2 league continued last week when Ennis CBS recovered from a first round defeat against Kildysart to beat the West Clare side in the return fixture. They went on to beat Catholic Institute and must stand a good chance of winning the title. Much will depend on the outcome of the game between Kildysart and Catholic Institute which takes place this week.

Michael Clancy, Sherwood Inn, right, is pictured handing over the winners prize to chairman Willie Griffin while Tony McMahon, tournament director, left, displays the runners up prize.



Jan 1994

SQUASH:

KILDYSART OPEN PROVING A GREAT SUCCESS

The inaugural Kildysart open squash tournament which got underway last week-end is proving to be an

outstanding success. In the mens grades the quarter final stage has been reached and these games will be played on this Thursday and Friday nights. The ladies competitions are at the semi-final stage and all semi-finals are scheduled for this Saturday with competition commencing at noon and continuing until 9 p.m. approximately.

Sunday's finals commence at 11 a.m. and the last match, the mens A decider, will get underway at 3 p.m. The presentation of prizes will follow.

In the mens A quarter finals on this Friday, Barry Hession will play Pat Doran, Mike

Conlon takes on Robert Fitzgerald, Fergus O'Loughlin will play Billy Ryan and Declan Devitt will be up against Pat O'Donoghue. The mens B quarter finals will also be played on this Friday and there should also be some lively games here.

Meanwhile the mens division 2 team league is nearing completion and the result hinges on the final match in which Catholic Institute travel to play Kildysart. Victory will give the title to the Limerick club while success for Kildysart will, most likely, bring the title to Ennis C.B.S.



Pictured after the finals of the Kildysart Open Squash Tournament last week-end were Back (from left): Larry Donnellan (Div. 3 runner-up), Pat Lorrigan (Div. 3 winner), Michael Daffy (Div. 2 runner-up), Alan Meere (Div. 2 winner). Seated: Pat O'Donoghue (Div. 1 runner-up), Willie Griffin (Club Chairman), Carmel Clancy, representing Sherwood Inn (sponsors) and Barry Hession (Div. 1 winner).

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Pictured at the presentation of prizes following the Kildysart Open Squash Tournament were, back row [left to right]: Christina McMahon, Mairead Cuscak, Tracey Finn, Helena Sheehan. Front: Margaret Flanagan, Willie Griffin, Club Chairman, Carmel Clancy representing the Sherwood Inn and Loretto O'Loughlin.

Feb 1994

SQUASH:

High Standard at Kildysart Open

The decision of the Kildysart squash club to celebrate their tenth anniversary with a major open tournament proved to be a very wise one. The tournament concluded on Sunday after a week of top class competition in all grades and the packed gallery on Sunday was treated to a tremendous afternoon's entertainment.

Carmel Clancy on behalf of the main sponsors, The Sherwood Inn, presented the prizes on Sunday evening and all were unanimous that the event had been an outstanding success. Club chairman, Willie Griffin paid a well deserved tribute to all at the presentation function hosted by John and Ann Cahill at which Limerick's Pat O'Donoghue spoke on behalf of the players and he too complimented all involved.

In a thrilling mens A final Barry Hession, a Limerick native playing out of the Fitzwilliam club in Dublin, was a worthy winner when he beat Pat O'Donoghue. Hession won in straight sets but there was little in it as both produced squash of a very high standard.

The mens B final was a real cracker and resulted in victory for Alan Meere over Michael Daffy in a game that went the full distance. Meere, a member of the Munster under 16 team looked to be heading for defeat when he trailed 5-8 in the fourth game and 1-2 in games. However he fought his way back to win the title.

The ladies A final also went the full distance and resulted in victory for Clarecastle's Loretto O'Loughlin over Margaret Flanagan of Ennis National School.

The full results are as follows:

Mens A: Barry Hession, Fitzwilliam beat P. O'Donoghue, L.L.T.C. Mens B: A. Meere, Clarecastle, beat M. Daffy, Ennis C.B.S. Mens C: P.

Lorrigan, Kildysart beat L. Donnellan, Shannon.

Ladies A: L. O'Loughlin, Clarecastle beat M. Flanagan, Ennis N.S. Ladies B: M. Cusack Kildysart beat C. McMahon, Kildysart. Ladies C: H. Sheehan, Kildysart beat T. Finn, Kildysart.

Plate Finals - Mens A: M. Conlon, Ennis CBS, beat D. Devitt, do.. Mens B: J. O'Dea, Kildysart beat T. Fenton, Ennis CBS. Mens C: N. Cusack, Kildysart, beat P. Looney, Ennis CBS. Ladies A: J. Davis, Clarecastle beat T. McNamara, Ennistymon. Ladies B: M. Cleary Kildysart beat H. Gallery, Clarecastle. Ladies C: S. Cleary Kildysart beat S. McInerney, do.

This week-end the annual Carling Limerick open takes place at the Catholic Institute club and there is a huge entry from Clare. The competition which features Irish open winner Derek Ryan will conclude on Sunday.

Meanwhile on the local front the various county leagues continue and shortly plans will be drawn up for the annual Clare championships.

Feb 1994

SQUASH:

Two Titles for Ennis C.B.S.

The Clare division 2 squash league concluded on Friday night last and as a result of Kildysart's win over Catholic Institute the league winners are Ennis C.B.S. The Limerick side came to Kildysart needing nine points out of a possible twenty to be sure of victory. They met a Kildy-

sart outfit determined to avenge the narrow defeat suffered in Limerick some weeks ago and that they did.

In the deciding match Kildysart's Joe Kent beat Denis Barron in a thrilling five set match. Keane went two up but Barron hit back to level. In the final game the local player was in great form and his win gave victory to the Clare side. Earlier Jimmy O'Dea and Seamus Hayes had scored 3-0 wins while Tony McMahon and Pat Lorrigan lost on similar sorelines.

It was a good week for the C.B.S. club as they also captured the division 3 title. In

their final game against Catholic Institute they needed just two points to secure the crown.

Victory ensured a double for Martin O'Brien as he also played on the successful division 2 team.

Meanwhile the mens division 4 and 5 leagues are taking place and there are big entries in both sections.

The ladies division 4 league is also in full swing and last week Kildysart had a good win over Ennistymon.

In the C.B.S. club the annual handicap competition is now taking place while in Kildysart the final round of the ladder is being played and all games must be decided by the end of this month.



Feb 1994

● Squash:

Kildysart club champ'ships

THE Kildysart club championships commenced this week and will continue during the week with the finals planned for Friday next.

A huge entry has been received for the competition which has a number of sections

The CBS handicap final concluded last week and it was a case of third time lucky for Martin O'Brien. Appearing in his third final in four years, Martin won his first title when he pipped Tony Fenton in the decider. On his way to the title he beat Dermot Delaney (semi-final) and Michael Daffy in the previous round.

The annual Clare championships will commence in early April and the CSRA committee are expected to announce details later this week.

March 1994

■ Squash:

High Standard At Kildysart Finals

THERE was a very high standard of play at the Kildysart squash finals on Friday last.

Most finals went the full distance and the packed gallery certainly witness top class action throughout the evening. The presentation of prizes took place at Ann and John Cahills bar at a social evening after the finals.

The results are as follows: Ladies A: Mairead Cusack beat Christina McMahon; ladies A plate: Mairead Cleary beat Bernie Meaney; Ladies B: Marie Clancy beat Treasa Sheehan; B plate: Sheila Cleary beat Sue McInerney.

Mens A: S. Hayes beat J. Keane; A plate: G. O'Gorman beat F. Coughlan; Mens B: G. Grace beat S. Cleary; B plate:

B. McMahon beat J. Watson.

The club's teams league continues this week while the annual club handicap gets under this weekend.

On This Thursday and Friday the annual Clare underage championships will take place and, as reported last week, there is a big entry in all grades.

Entries are now being accepted for the annual Maurer Jewellers county championships. Entries close on this Thursday and the championships commence on Monday week April 11 with the finals set for Friday, April 22.

April 1994

SQUASH:

KILDYSART'S SUCCESSFUL SEASON

The most successful season in the ten year history of Kildysart squash club came to a close on Friday night last when the club handicap finals were decided as well as the team league. In the ladies handicap final Bernie Meaney won the title for a fourth year in succession when she defeated Christina McMahon. The plate final was won by Tracey Finn who overcame Mairead Cusack.

In the mens handicap final Seamus Hayes pipped Joe Keane in a match which went the full distance. J. Casey won the plate final when he overcame J. Watson.

The winners of the team league sponsored by Mr. O'Sullivan Carpets were S. Cleary, B. McMahon, S. Cleary and S. Hayes. The runners up were T. Finn, M. Cusack, P. Murtagh and T. McMahon.

At the presentation of prizes at John and Ann Cahills Shannon bar the player of the year award was presented to Ger O'Gorman while the clubman of the year went to Gerry Grace. A special presentation was made to Tony McMahon for his work for the club in running the various competitions during the season.

May 1994

Squash:

BIG ENTRY FOR S.D.C. OPEN

Over eighty entries have been received for the Shannon Diamond squash club's open tournament which will take place early in the New Year finishing on Saturday, January 14. There will be a total of six grades, four for men and two for ladies and some excellent competition is expected given the entry.

The competition which didn't take place last year was a great success in previous years. Limerick's Barry Hes-sion, a member of the Irish under 19 panel in recent years, will be the top seed in the mens A which will feature Clare players Fergus O'Loughlin and Alan Meere.

Meanwhile Kildysart squash club held its Christmas blitz competition last Thursday when there were eight teams taking part. All games were very close throughout the evening with only two points separating the teams in the final. The winners were Grainne Sheehan, Michael O'Neill, Sean Casey and Seamus Hayes and the beaten finalists were Liam Griffin, Mairead Cusack, Gerry Grace and Hugh McGoldrick.

Ennis CBS squash club also held its Christmas blitz last week and this was a great success. The competition was won by Tony Fenton, Pat Talty, Michael Lydon, J. J. Tobin, Liam Dwane, Marcella Griffin, P. O'Callaghan, and M. Keogh. The runners up were M. Conlon, S. Flanagan, T. McMahon, C. Woods, J. Hehir, G. Downey, E. Moroney, F. Dwane. The event was sponsored by Dunnes Stores and afterwards there was an enjoyable social at Knoxs.

Dec 1994

SQUASH:

HIGH STANDARD AT KILDYSART FINALS

There was a great night's entertainment when the Sherwood Inn sponsored Kildysart club squash champs. were staged on Friday last. In all six finals took place and there was a high standard of play throughout.

Jimmy O'Dea regained the mens A title with a 3-1 win over another former winner Jimmy Casey. Mairead Cusack won the ladies title when beating Christina

McMahon. The other results are as follows - Mens A plate Pat Sheehan beat Gerry Casey; ladies A plate: Marie Clancy beat Bernie Meaney. Mens B champ. Colm Gavin beat Seamus Cleary; Mens B plate: James Watson beat Brian O'Sullivan.

At a reception in Cahills bar afterwards club chairman Willie Griffin paid tribute to all for taking part in the competition. Michael Clancy presented the prizes while there was a special presentation from the club for Clare squash secretary Jan Davis for her work for Clare squash.

On this Friday night it will be the turn of Ennis CBS to stage their finals and another lively night's entertainment is expected.

Meanwhile arrangements are nearing completion for the Clare championships which will get under way next week and conclude before the end of the month.

April 1995

► SQUASH:

KILDYSART CELEBRATE GREAT SEASON

THE most succesful season to date in the history of Kildysart squash club came to a conclusion on Friday night last.

At a function in Cahills bar, presentations were made to the members of the division 2 and 4 teams which captured the Clare league titles in the season just ended. This is the first time that the club won both titles and all involved with the teams are eagerly looking forward to next season.

Earlier in the evening the annual handicap competitions concluded. Jimmy O'Dea was again in the winners position when he defeated Michael O'Neill in the final. Frankie Coughlan won the plate title beating Vero-

nica McSweeney while Mairead Cleary beat Sue McInerney in the plate final.

In the ladder competition Jimmy Casey was the winner from Mairead Cusack with Tony McMahon third and Noel Cusack in fourth place. The player of the year award went to Hugh McGoldrick while the most improved awards went to Veronica McSweeney and Pat Sheehan. The club person of the year award was presented to Tony and Christina McMahon in recognition of their great work for the club.

Special presentations were made to Willie Griffin for his work as chairman and to Michael O'Connell for his role in the coaching of the victorious club teams.

JUVENILE CHAMPS.

Meanwhile the recent Clare junior championships were a very big success and the results are as follows:

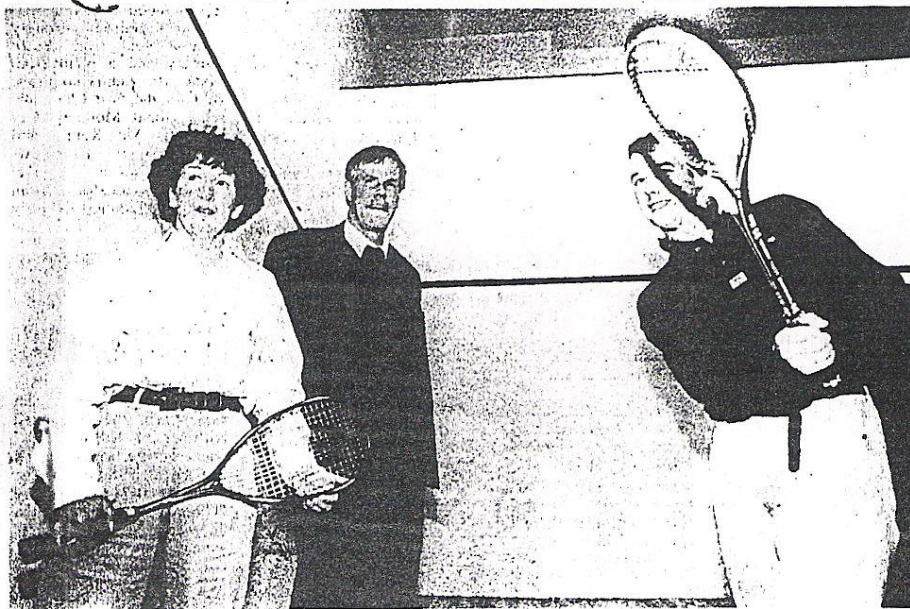
Girls: U-12, 1, Sharon O'Loughlin; 2, Paula McCarthy. U-14, Zelma Power; 2, Elizabeth Flynn. U-16, 1, Clare O'Loughlin; 2, Anita Flynn.

Boys: U-10, 1, David Flanagan, Ennis National; 2, Gerard Molloy (do). Plate, 1, Kevin O'Farrell (do); 2, Brian Hehir (do). Under 12, 1, Derek Flanagan (do); 2, David Woods (do). Plate, 1, Paul O'Farrell (do); 2, John Guinnane (Kildysart). U-14, 1, Stephen Malone (Clarecastle); 2, Liam Griffin (Kildysart). Plate, 1, Flan Guinnane (Kildysart); 2, Ray Flannery (Ennis National). U-16, 1, Pat Quinn (Clarecastle); 2, John Casey (do). Plate, 1, Conor Plunkett (do); 2, Gary Power (do).

May 1995

CLARE SQUASH COMES OF AGE

By Seamus Hayes



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Photograph by Eamonn Ward



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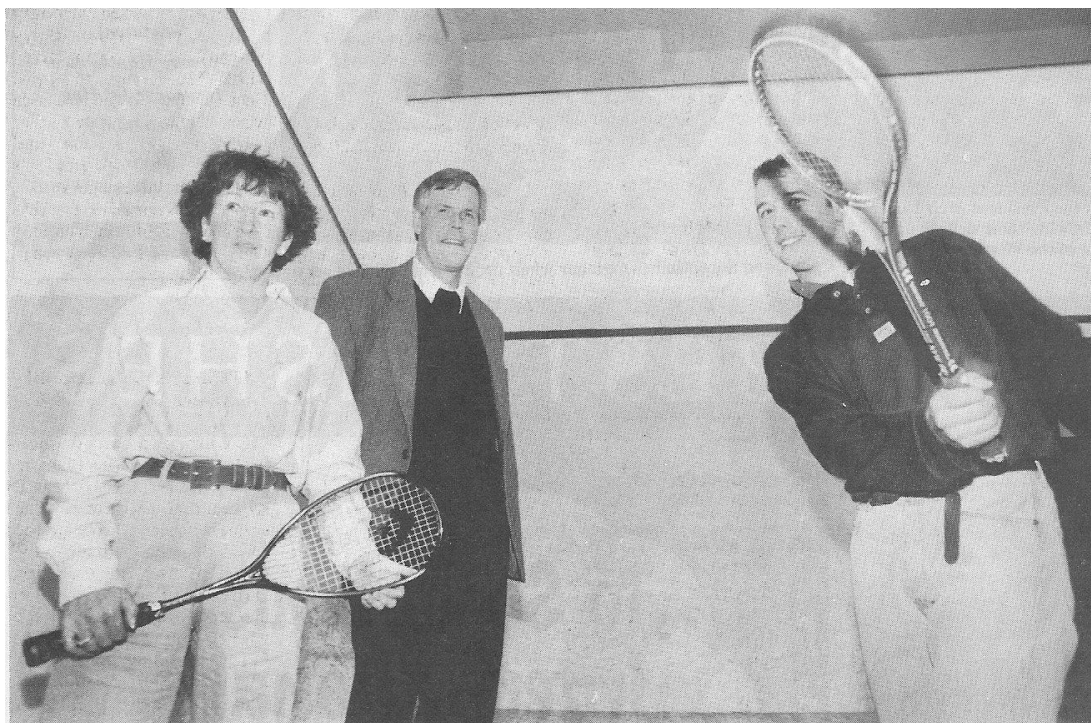
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Club Belies Decline in Squash

Despite the best efforts of enthusiasts, squash suffered a dramatic decline in popularity during the nineties.

Those involved the game estimate that the sport gained momentum in Cluse from the mid nineties when a number of clubs folded as members simply lost interest.

One of the few exceptions was Kildysart Squash Club who did their utmost to keep the racket game alive in the county by beating this trend.

The success of the club at all levels can be traced to a voluntary committee who failed to spend £40,000

building courts in 1983 after the construction of the community hall.

Cluse County Council and the national lottery provided financial assistance at the time and the committee also had to work extremely hard making up the shortfall with fund raising events.

The club were fortunate to have committed themselves to this major financial undertaking considering it could cost at least twice this

amount a decade or so later.

Local pharmacist and current club secretary, Brendan McMahon and well known club coach, Michael O'Connell were some of the driving forces who laid the groundwork for countless others who have benefited a great deal from the facilities which include a fully equipped gym.

In fact, finite is the best word to describe Michael, who has coached various

club teams to win county and North Munster titles. But the Cahercon native never forgets his own club and he coaches the seniors while Brendan hones the skills of the juniors.

Despite fluctuations in the interest of the game in the county during the nineties, the club's membership has remained at an average of about 50.

The club is self financing and members pay for everything. Annual membership is £40 per adult, £50 per couple and £5 for students which is extremely reasonable considering it also includes the use of the gym. The club tries its best to upgrade facilities whenever this is needed.

Primary students are free and are also supervised while they use the facilities. Lessons are also provided free for children during the summer in an effort to attract new blood and to replace

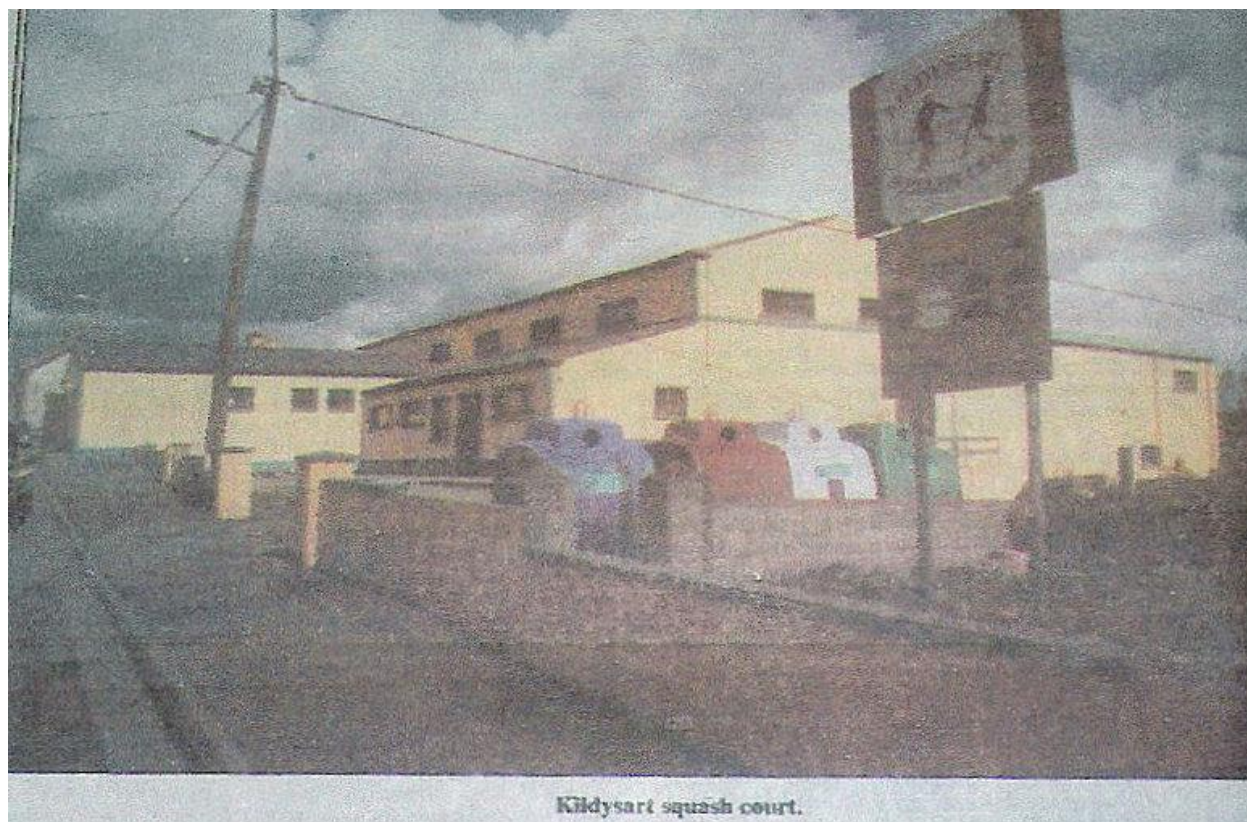
members who retired, emigrated or moved elsewhere.

Four years ago achieved its most recent success. Seamus Hayes capt defeated Catholac the North Munster Two decider.

Every year the club run a few competitions the club champion will be staged bound to generate interest given that very competitive it.

When it comes to serious competition members travel to where the standard at the present time.

The current club is Jimmy Casey and previous champion Tommy O'Dea, Jo Seamus Hayes and O'Connell.

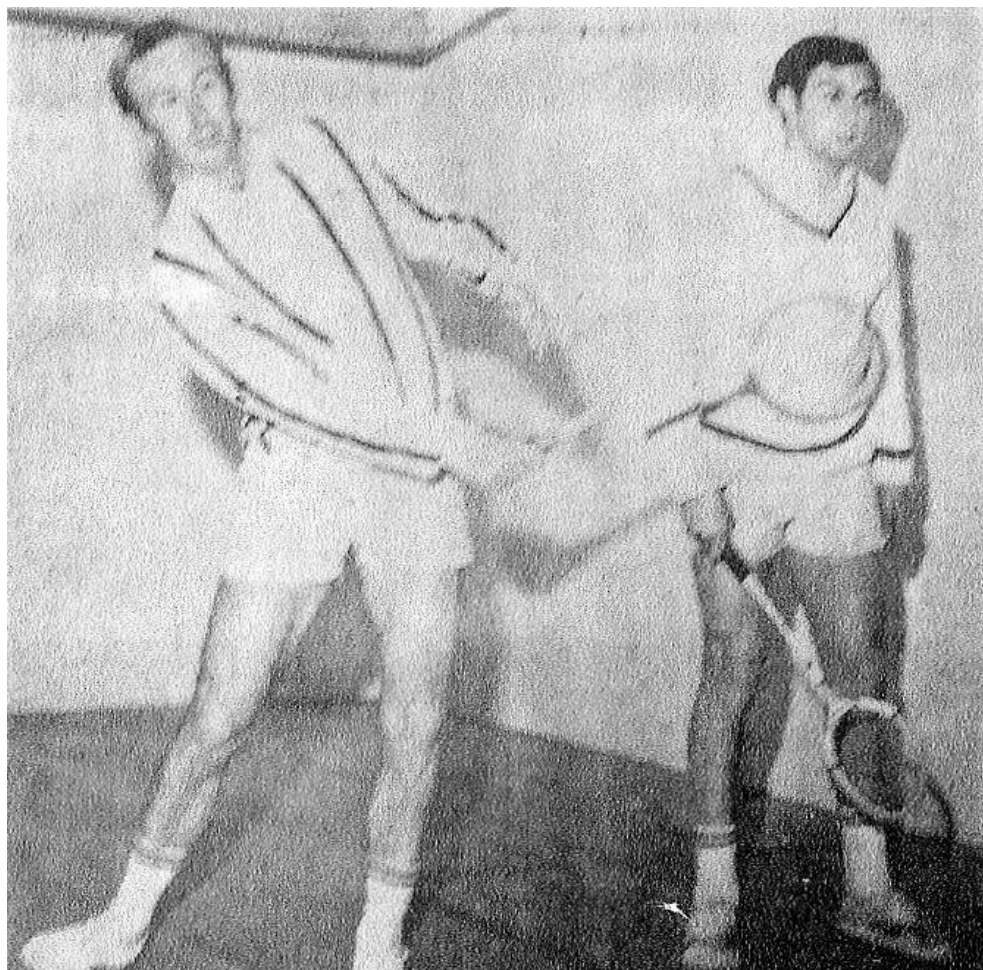


Kildysart squash court.

April 2000

Kilkee Squash Club

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Kilkee Jan 1972 opening of the first squash court in Clare

Opening of Clare's first squash court

THE occasion of the opening of the Thomond Hotel Squash Court at Kilkee was made memorable by the spectacular display of Michael Hickey, regarded as peerless at this sport in Ireland, in defeating Inter-

national star, Peter Leadbetter.

In a splendid battle on Clare's first squash court, Hickey finally asserted his supremacy in four fiercely-contested sets.

Afterwards these two stalwarts lectured and illustrated the features of this enthralling pastime, which is expected to attract hundreds of adherents in the coming months.

A very large gathering was present for the occasion, at which the blessing of the new court was performed by Rev. P. Culligan, C.C., Kilkee. The honour of winning the opening game went to the evergreen golf and badminton star, Greg Young, Kilrush, who showed his adaptability when he beat P. Nolan, Kilkee.

In a marathon seven sets Thom Kett (Kilkee) scored over another all-rounder, Peter Glynn.

In an all-Kilkee match, local footballer, Paul Costello served notice that he will be to the fore in this new sport when he gained a deserved victory over versatile C. Di Lucia.

The ladies too were represented and an entertaining match, featuring Mrs. Williams and Miss Jacinta Nolan, was won by the former.

Two international players, Michl. Hickey and Peter Leadbetter pictured at the opening of the new squash court at Kilkee.

SOCCKER FIXTURES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

At Newmarket—FAI Junior Cup, Clare area final: Newmarket Celtic v St. Michael's, 2.30. C. O'Neill.

Thierney League Cup

At Sixmilebridge—Lifford v Bridge Utd., 2.30 P. Woods.

At Shannon—Shannon Town v Hermitage, 2.30 C. Kelly.

At Our Lady's Grounds—Interstretch Utd. v Gardisette, 2.30 M. O'Neill.

Shannon League Cup

At Newport—Newport Rvs. v Corofin Albion, 2.30. A. Green.

At Coonagh—Coonagh Utd. v Kilmaloe Utd., 2.30. C. Hogan.

At Kilrush—Kilrush Town v Cratloe Rovers, 2.30. B. O'Neill.

At Angers—Menrad Utd. v Bridge Celtic, 2.30. M. Ball.

Youth League

At Newmarket—Newmarket Celtic v St. Michael's, 11.30. S. Hughes.

At One Mile—Hermitage v Shannon Town, 2.30. N. Kelly.

PAUL COSTELLO WINS FIRST CLARE SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIP

MARGT. LACHEINER TAKES LADIES TITLE

The first ever Clare squash championships concluded on Monday night last when the finals were played before a good attendance at the One Mile Inn. In all the finals the standard was very high and the honours were fairly evenly distributed.

The highlight of the evening was the man's singles final in which Paul Costello of the Kilkee club started as favourite against Colm McLoughlin of the One Mile Inn Club. Costello was a deserving winner but in fairness the One Mile Inn player must be considered a little unlucky not to have done better.

After a rather even start Costello went on to take the first set by 9 aces to three. The trend of the second game was much the same with the Kilkee man again winning by 9 aces to 2. However the third set was a real thriller with McLoughlin putting everything he had into the game. With Costello leading by eight aces to two it looked to be all over but McLoughlin had other ideas and played his best squash of the night to bring the game to eight all. However Costello was not to be denied and took the set by ten aces to tight to win the first Clare championship final.

The ladies final was an all One Mile Inn affair with Margaret Lacheiner playing Mary Hennessy for the honours. Again we had some great squash, particularly in the first game which was very even before Mrs. Lacheiner took the set by nine points to seven. Despite some great play by Mary Hennessy, the winner was deserving of the title and took the next

two sets on the score of 9/5 and 9/3.

There was also competition for the beaten semi-finalists and in the men's section Tony Lillis opposed Dickie Pyne representing the Golf Club. This game also produced some great squash with Lillis the captain of the host club, winning the tie by three sets to one. Lillis took the first set by nine aces to four but Pyne quickly levelled when he took the next set by nine aces to six. Lillis went on to win the next two sets by 9/4 and 9/5 for a good victory.

In the ladies runners-up finals it was an all De Beers affair with Betty McMahon meeting Mary Harney. The former was the winner of this tie by three sets to one and the scores were as follows 10/8, 10/8, 7/9 and 9/3.

Afterwards the winners and runners-up were presented with their trophies and a very pleasant function followed with music supplied by Chris Ball. The referees for the evening were Denis Maurer and Paddy Kelly of the host club.

Pictured at the Clare Championship Squash finals at the One Mile Inn, on Monday night were (seated): Paul Costello, Kilkee, Men's winner and Margaret Lacheiner, ladies winner. Standing: Tony Lillis winner of runners-up competition; Betty McMahon (runners-up winner); Colm McLoughlin (beaten finalist); Mary Hennessy (beaten finalist); Mary Harney (beaten runners-up final) and Dickie Pyne (beaten runners-up final).

March 1977



First Clare Championship March 1977

Successful Start to Squash Season

The Clare squash season opened last week-end with the staging of the first ever inter-club championship at Clarecastle. Seven teams entered for the event from which Auburn Lodge 'A' and Ennis CBS 'A' qualified for the final on Saturday evening.

After a thrilling final the Auburn team took the title with an impressive win over a fancied CBS outfit. Mick Hennessy ensured success for the Lodge when he beat Pa Lynch by 3-2 after the CBS number one Tony Lynch was surprisingly beaten by Jack Keane.

The mens and ladies division 2 team leagues get under way this week-end and details of the draws are with the clubs involved.

A magnificent new squash court, attached to the recently opened Kilkee golf clubhouse, was officially opened on Friday night last by club President, Mr. Michael McMahon.

To mark the official opening there was an exhibition game between local star Paul Costello and Seamus Hayes. Costello emerged as the winner of this five setter when he took the last game on a 10-9 scoreline.

This is certainly a superb court and must rate as one of the best in the region. It should prove a tremendous boost to the game in the seaside resort.

Another new court will be opened in the coming weeks when the Cooraclare club will open their court which is

attached to the local GAA club. Membership is presently being accepted by Gerard Kelly.

Meanwhile all club committees are busy preparing for the new season and blitz competitions and internal league are being organised. Coaching is available from the CSRA.

Sea Angling Competition

The Lisdoonvarna - Fanore sea angling club recently ran a very successful competition to raise money for the Royal National lifeboat institution. The first competition was a shore event at Balckhead on Sunday week last when Michael Foudy, of Ruan was the winner of the RNLI cup and silver spoon. Second was Joe Clarke of Galway with Tom Minogue of Gort in third spot. Nigel Moloney of Clarecastle was the best juvenile.

The second competition was a boat competition from Liscannor and this took place on Sunday last. The winners were Martin Cleary, Nigel and Tom Moloney (all Clarecastle.), Terence Mulligan, Limerick and Joe Mulroy, Galway.

The sponsors were Ennis businessmen, P. J. Keane and Paul Flynn.

Sept 1984

● SQUASH:

Exciting fare at Harp final

The annual Harp Handicap competitions at the One Mile Inn on Wednesday, December 18 and once again it proved a most enjoyable occasion. This was the 13th annual competition and both finals proved enjoyable for the big attendance.

The ladies decider was the opening game on the programme and here Ann O'Dowd was successful winning the crown for the first time. In the final she beat Teresa Corbett in two very closely contested games.

The mens decider went the full distance with the holder Seamus Hayes just coming out on top against Seamus Howard. In winning the title Hayes became the first player to win three in a row in the event.

The holder took the first game but Howard fought back to level the match and looked set for his first success in the competition when he held an 18 ace lead but Hayes fought back to win narrowly. At a very enjoyable function after the finals the prizes were presented by Mr. John O'Flynn of Guinness Group Sales.

The prizes for the Autumn league were also presented by Tommy Clancy on behalf of the Sherwood Inn, sponsors of the event. Winners of the competition which concluded recently were Ger Browne, Jan Davis, Joe Hickey, Bernie Griffin and Seamus Howard while the runners up were Joe Griffin, Margaret Lacheiner, Marian Hanley, Darren Kelly and Mary Hennessy.

Title for Kilkee

The Clare mens division IV league concluded on Wed-

nesday and Mary Davenport.

Auburn League

The Auburn Lodge autumn league concluded recently with Tony Lynch's team coming out on top against Mickey Meere's side. The Auburn club also ran a very successful Christmas blitz which was followed by a most enjoyable and successful disco.

'Opel' League

The special senior league run at the Lissycasey club and sponsored by Martin Coughlan of Coughlan's Garage concluded on Thursday, December 19 when Tony

Lillis and Caroline McDonnell emerged victorious over Seamus Hayes and Con Enright. In the ladies final Miss McDonnell built a comprehensive lead but Hayes was unable to get back when playing Lillis.

Afterwards the prizes were presented by Martin Coughlan who congratulated winners and runners-up and tribute to all who took part. He expressed the hope that the competition would be beneficial to the Lissycasey club. The presentation of prizes was followed by a most enjoyable function.

Clubs are reminded that Monday next January 6th is the closing date for entries in both the mens and ladies division III team leagues while Thursday, January 8th is the last date for receiving entries for the mens and ladies 'confined' leagues.

● N.A.C.A.:

13th for Keane

Willie Keane of St. Johns captured his 13th Clare senior N.A.C.A. cross country championship on Sunday week last when he emerged victorious over a tough course at Barefield. His clubmate Rita Malone captured the honours in the ladies event.

Despite the bad weather in the week prior to the event the 7½ mile course was in good condition. St. Mary's Marty Reidy was first to the front after Lott O'Halloran had got the race under way

ended with 74 points and St. Mary's sixth score member P. Donnelly finished ahead of his St. Imy's counterpart, the title went to Mary's.

Rita Malone was a runner-up in the ladies event.

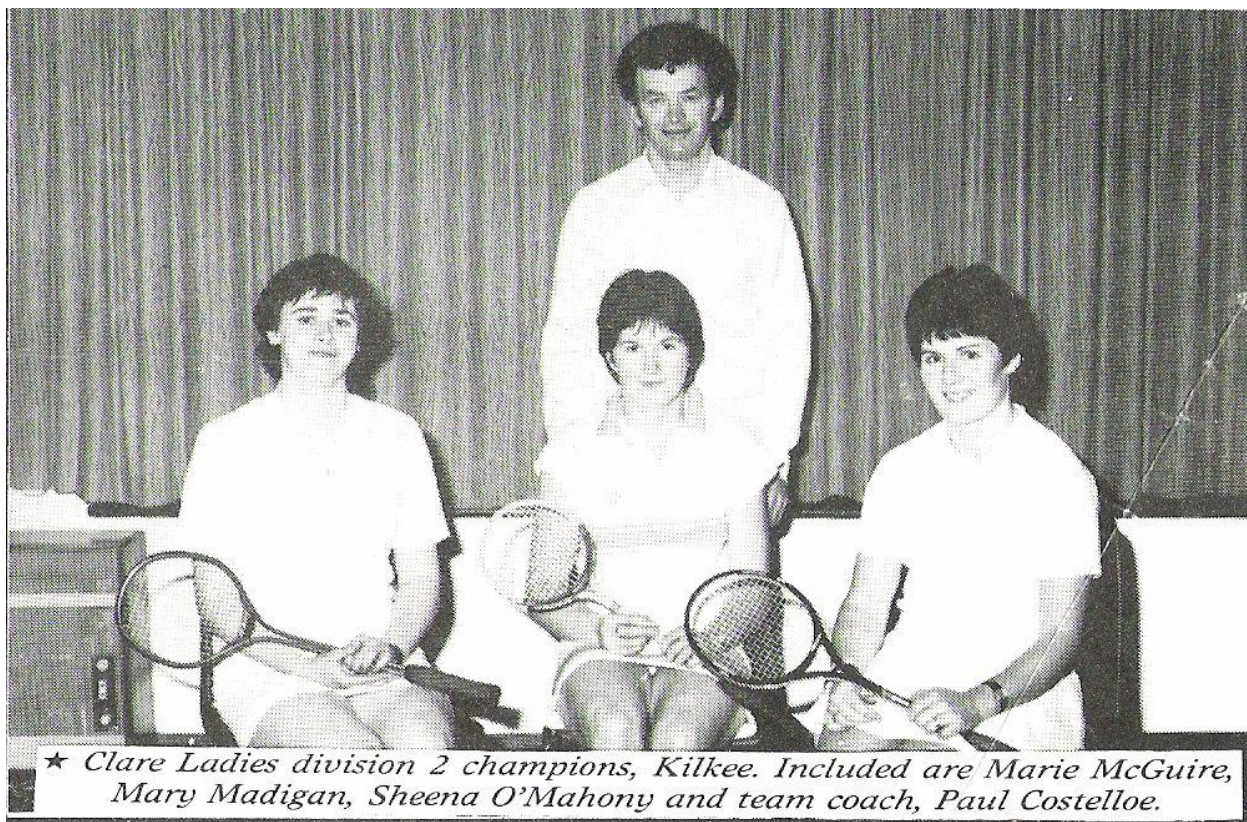
Title for Kilkee

The Clare mens division IV league concluded on Wednesday, December 18 when Kilkee defeated Newmarket-on-Fergus at St. Flannan's College. It was a very closely contested game with little separating any of the players.

Afterwards both teams received their prizes at the One Mile Inn. Members of the Kilkee side were John Stapleton, Kieran Marrinan, Jimmy Fitzpatrick, Noel Thornton, Liam Tuck, Peter James while Newmarket's panel included Stephen O'Flannagan, Kevin Greene, Paddy Keegan, Brian McNamara, John Ryan, Tony Mannion and Mike Hogan.

At the same function the prizes for the Clare ladies division II league were presented. The runners up were Kilkee who included Mary Madigan, Marian O'Rourke and Marie Maguire while the winners were Ennis C.B.S. and they comprised Ann O'Loughlin, Sylvia Carroll

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Div. 2 Title for Kilkee

Kilkee captured the Clare ladies div. 2 title when they completed their programme on Wed. night last. The West Clare side went through the league without defeat to finish with 107 points to win the title from Shannon Diamond who finished with 73 points

The members of the winning team were Sheena Mahony, Marie McGuire and the team captain Mary Madigan. The team was coached by Paul Costelloe who is doing tremendous work promoting the game in Kilkee.

The Shannon Diamond panel comprised of Teresa Hogan, Geraldine O'Brien, Mary O'Loughlin and Mary Culligan.

The ladies div. 4 league will conclude this week and St. Flannans are favourites to win the title. In their final game they meet Ennis CBS who are in second place at present just a few points behind.

The semi-finals of the Clare ladies individual league take place on this Thursday and in action will be Caroline McDonnell, Ann O'Dowd, Fiona Nugent and Teresa Corbett. The final will be played on Thursday week at the Auburn Lodge with the mens final.

The men's competition final

graph unit fund for the general hospital in Ennis. The winners were J. Flynn, M. Clancy, E. Kelly, F. Nugent, and G. Canill with D. Kelly, F. Coughlan, G. Sadler, C. Enright and A. Foudy as runners up. The compt. for first round losers was won by G. Browne, J. Hickey, M. Hehir, M. Flanagan and C. Kelly.

Shannon Diamond A and Kilkee are safely through to the semi-finals of the mens div. 4 league. Lissycasey are firmed to qualify this week with the Auburn Lodge favourites for the fourth position but Kildysart and Ennistymon could still come through. The semi-finals will be played on Wednesday next with the finals on Friday.

Admirals Ship

Claremont Admirals 67

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Claremont Admirals bounced back from the dis Killarney a week earlier to turn in a superb display against Marian of Dublin at Ennistymon community centre on Saturday. This was a tremendous performance by the Clare side for the remaining league games. The performance was particularly impressive as Admirals had to play without L. Murphy for the last 15 minutes of the second half.

Murphy had contributed 14 points in the first half but the

highly effective all round. Murphy collected two fouls in

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The men's competition finalists should be known this week-end. Section one rests between Seamus Hayes and Jack Keane who have full points to date and who meet to decide who qualifies for the final. Three players - Denis Maurer, Mike Conlon and Tony Lillis are in contention in section two and at the time of writing each had lost one game.

All clubs are now preparing for their Christmas blitz competitions which take place during the coming week. Shannon Diamond will have their get together on Tuesday night while the Auburn Lodge will celebrate on Thursday. On Friday it will be the turn of Ennis CBS to hold their Christmas function.

The One Mile Inn's annual Christmas party will be on Wed. after the finals of the Harp handicap competition. This competition is in full swing this week and there should be some great games between now and Wednesday.

The Autumn league at the One Mile Inn concluded last week with the team comprising of J. Giffin, T. Malone, M. Hehir, E. Kelly, T. Corbett, and M. Latt winning from S. Howard, D. Kelly, G. Hickey, J. O'Leary, B. O'Flaherty and A. Killeen.

There was a very successful blitz at the One Mile Inn last week in aid of the Mammal

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SQUASH:

Excellent fare at senior league finals

The senior individual league finals played at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night last provided some very entertaining squash. There were four games on the programme and all were keenly contested throughout.

The opening match featured Ann O'Dead and Teresa Corbett in the play-off for third and fourth places in the Ladies competition. The One Mile Inn clubmates showed good form before Miss Corbett emerged victorious on a 3-1 scoreline. In the mens play-off Jack Keane proved too strong for Mike Conlon and emerged a good winner also on a 3-1 scoreline.

Caroline McDonnell and Fiona Nugent were the finalists in the ladies competition and there was some excellent play before Miss McDonnell captured the title on a 3-1 scoreline. She won the first game on a 9-6 score but Miss Nugent hit back to level matters when she won the second game on a 10-9 scoreline. The third was very keenly contested before Miss McDonnell won at 9-7 and she then went on to take the fourth game on a similar scoreline to capture the title.

Denis Maurer started the mens final against Seamus Hayes, the holder, in great

The men's final was a repeat of last year's decider with the holder, Seamus Hayes, chasing a fourth successive win in

Aidan Feore and Darren Kelle.

A coaching course will commence in the club in January and those interested in participating should give their names to Eamonn Kelly or Ger Browne.

Lissycasey captured their first ever Clare squash title when they were victorious in

had played a major part in Lissycasey being in the final. Lissycasey's Gerard O'Sullivan then levelled matters when he had a 16 win over Frank Murnane. The winners looked set to take the lead when Finbarr McMahon went into a 2-0 lead against Sean De Cleere but the Killee player fought back in great style to



Pictured after a recent squash tournament final at Ennistymon were Back: Vinny Leigh, James Barry, Kate Lane, Joe Gallery (sponsor), Dick Woods, Tom Nestor. Front: Murt McMahon, Joe Chambers, Trish McNamara, Michael Healy, and John Keane.

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Hayes, the holder, in great style and he deservedly took the first game on a 9-7 scoreline. Hayes levelled when winning the second on a score of 9-5. The third was a real ding-dong affair and could really have gone any way. Hayes went into the lead when winning 9-7 and he went on to retain the title when returning a similar score for the fourth game.

The presentation of prizes took place immediately after the finals which attracted a very good attendance. Prizes were also presented to the Ennis C.B.S. ladies division 4 team who were runners-up to St. Flannans.

HARP FINALS

The fourteenth annual Harp handicap competition, the longest running competition in Clare squash, concluded at the One Mile Inn on Wednesday night of last week.

In the ladies section Margaret Lacheiner captured yet another crown when she beat Teresa Corbett by two games to nil. This was a good contest in which Mrs. Lacheiner's experience proved decisive.

the competition against Seamus Howard. Howard has shown great form in the current season and he looked set to win his first crown when he won the first game on a 15-5 scoreline. Hayes came much more into the game in the second and levelled the match when he won on a 15-3 scoreline. In the deciding game they were level at 4 each and it was score for score until they were 7 each. Then the holder made the vital break and went on to win on a 15-9 scoreline.

Afterwards the club's annual Christmas party was held and as in former years this was an outstanding success. The presentation of the Harp trophies took place while the winners and runners-up in the club's Autumn league received their trophies from the sponsor, Pat Keogh. The club's mens division 2 team which recently won the Clare title also received their trophies during the evening. The members of this panel were Joe Griffin (captain), Donal Bassett, Jim O'Dowd, Ger Browne, Con Woods,

the div. 4 final at Clarecastle on Friday night. In the final they beat Kilkee on a 3-2 scoreline in a game which produced a very high standard of SQUASH.

The semi-finals were played on the Wednesday night of last week when Lissycasey and Kilkee defeated Shannon Diamond A and Auburn Lodge.

Kilkee, holders of the title, got off to a good start when Noel Thornton scored a good 11 win over Michael Clancy whose display in the semi-final

win on a 3-2 scoreline and so put his side back in front. The lead was shortlived, however, as Lissycasey's Frank Coughlan turned in a superb display to beat Joe Larkin 3-0 and level the match for the second time.

And so it was all on the last game between Seamus Kelly of Lissycasey and Peter James of Kilkee and here Kelly hit top form to win 10 and so ensure a first Clare squash title for Lissycasey.

Kilmaley Parish Magazine

The sixth annual Kilmaley parish magazine, produced by the parish G.A.A. club is on sale this week. Edited by hard working club official Patsy Doohan and printed by the Clare Champion Ltd., the publication is the biggest to date. Comprising fifty two pages it has articles and photographs on all activities in the parish as well as many items from the

past. There is a special section dealing with the parish hurling and camogie teams in *Feile na nGael* with many pictures of the club members who visited the area.

The book is available in local shops or from any official of the G.A.A. club and certainly is something which all parishioners should have.

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NOVICE TITLES FOR ENNISTYMON AND KILKEE

THE Clare 'confined' leagues (novice) concluded at the week-end with Kilkee and Ennistymon taking the honours. Kilkee, who had led throughout secured the ladies crown when they travelled to the Auburn Lodge and beat the home side on a 3-2 scoreline. it was a great victory for the Kilkee girls who were coached by Paul Costelloe and after the game they were presented with their prizes by Clare squash secretary Maura Hanrahan. The members of the victorious Kilkee outfit were Catherine O'Connor, Caroline Bermingham, Josephine Thornton, Imelda Murray and Marian Haugh.

The mens final took place on Monday night between Ennistymon and Kildysart. The final round of games in the league section concluded on Thursday night last and there were some surprises. Shannon Diamond looked odds on to reach the final going into their last game but they were well beaten by Kildysart and this was enough to put the Kildysart side into the final.

In the other section it was much closer but Ennis C.B.S. were fancied to qualify. However Ennistymon were deserving winners on the night and qualified for the decider. There was some good squash in Monday's final before Ennistymon emerged as winners. The North Clare club were the holders of this title and Monday's victory was all the more

praiseworthy in view of the fact that they had to field a new team this year.

Members of the winning panel were Mark Burke, John Flaherty, Colm Hammond, Enda Byrt, Michael Concannon, Liam O'Mara and Noel Lane. The runners-up panel comprised of Noel Cusack, John Guinnane, Kieran O'Donnell, Tommy Ayers, Donal Kelly, Sean Casey and Donal Moloney.

The prizes were presented by the president of Clare Squash, Dermot O'Hanlon.

Entries for the Division 2 and 4 Leagues (ladies and men) must be with the respective league secretaries by January 5 which is also the closing date for entries for the annual inter-club blitz. Details

of all of these have been sent to all club secretaries.

The Fosters Autumn League at the One Mile Inn concluded on Thursday night last and after a great battle the team comprising of Seamus Howard, Michael Griffin, Paddy commane, Kieran Browne, Lil Moyles and Marian Barry emerged as winners with just one point to spare. The runners-up were Joe Griffin, Aidan Feore, Gerard O'Gorman, Gerry Casey, Teresa Hehir and Collette Kelly.

The prizes will be presented at the club's annual Christmas party which takes place on this Thursday night. It will be preceded by the annual Christmas blitz which is also sponsored by Fosters.

The Banner Cars sponsored Christmas blitz at the Ennis

C.B.S. club was a great success last week-end. The winners were Dermot and Kevin McDonnell, Pat Stafford, Sylvie Carroll and Francis Devitt. The runners-up were Jackie Hynes, John Coughlan, Caroline McDonnell, Marie Hogan and Antoinette Kennedy. The prizes were presented at the club's annual Christmas Social which took place on Friday night and which was a huge success.

The Auburn Lodge will hold their Christmas function on this Thursday night after their annual Christmas blitz which has attracted a big entry. The prizes will be presented at the function when the highlight of the evening should be the presentation of the prizes for the ladder competition which has been running since the beginning of October. The competition concludes this week and at the time of writing six players were in contention for the main prize.

**Kilfenora Football Club
A.G.M.
Sunday, December 20th
At Community Centre,
Kilfenora
Commencing 3 p.m.**

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CLUB FINALS

The One Mile Inn club championship finals will be staged on this Friday night and some lively contests are expected as the club's very successful season draws to a close. Five finals will be decided and the games will be followed by the club's annual social and presentation of prizes.

The Auburn Lodge championships are in full swing and the finals will be on Thursday night next, April 21.

The CBS championships are also underway at the moment and they will conclude on the week of April 27/28 and 29 when their annual social and presentation of prizes will take place.

The Kilkee championship finals were held last week and here Catherine O'Connor won the ladies crown with a 3/2 win over Marian Haugh. The men's title was won by Paul Costelloe who had a 3/0 win over Sean de Clair.

The Newmarket-on-Fergus club championships also concluded recently when Dermot O'Hanlon won the title for the fourth year in succession beating Joe Pender in the decider. John Culligan won the Div. II title beating Paddy Keegan while the division 2 plate was won by Kevin Greene who beat Noel Casey on a 3/2 scoreline.

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The Auburn Lodge club won their first title for some time when capturing the ladies division 4 crown recently from Kilkee. Members of the successful Auburn panel were Patricia Moroney, Gertrude Hogan, Maureen O'Halloran, Sharon Dilger, Annette Mulqueen, Carmel Kelly and Antoinette Ryan.

The Kilkee panel comprised of Catherine O'Connor, Caroline Bermingham, Imelda Murray, Marian Haugh and Fionnuala Murnane.

A full attendance is expected at the AGM of Clare squash which will take place at the Auburn Lodge Hotel on this Thursday night at 9 p.m. All squash club members are welcome to attend the meeting but, for the purposes of voting, clubs are confined to three representatives. The meeting will elect a committee to run affairs for the coming season and make plans for the various competitions.

There was a very successful blitz competition at the One Mile Inn last week when the team comprising of J. Griffin, P. Sheehan, E. Kelly, and M. Barry emerged victorious over G. Browne, G. Breen, R. O'Reilly and B. Griffin.

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★ *Kilkee Ladies, winners of the Clare (confined) title last season. Pictured with team coach, Paul Costelloe, are Josephine Thornton, Imelda Murray, Marian Haugh, Catherine O'Connor and Caroline Bermingham.*

CLARE SQUASH PREPARES FOR NEW SEASON

THE annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Association will take place on this Friday night at the West County Inn at 9 p.m. The meeting will review a successful season and plan for the coming year.

The grading of players is expected to figure prominently on the agenda as there is dis-satisfaction in many areas with the present system.

The election of the new committee will take place and some changes are expected. Outgoing secretary Maura Hanrahan has announced that she will not be seeking re-election. She has played a major part in the rise of Clare squash in recent times.

The Clarecastle club finals were held on Thursday night last and brought to an end the club's most successful season; Fergus O'Loughlin followed up his Clare success when winning the club title at the expense of Pat O'Loughlin. In the mens B James Healy beat Jimmy Kelly while Frankie Moloney won the C crown at the expense of Kevin Moynihan. Ann Fennell won the ladies B when beating Maureen O'Halloran. Robert Fitzgerald and Maura Hanrahan won the A plates with victories over Gerard O'Loughlin and Gertrude Hogan.

The presentation of prizes took place at a function in Powers in Clarecastle.

The Kilkee squash club finals were decided on Friday night last. The ladies final was a repeat of last year with Catherine O'Connor defending her title against Marian Haugh. This time Marian came

out on top winning on a 3/2 scoreline. Paul Costelloe made it four in a row when beating Kieran Marrinan on a 3/1 scoreline in the mens final.

The prizes were presented by golf club captain Maurice Mangan at a function in the clubhouse after the finals.

The finals of the championships at the Ennis Boys National School will take place on this Thursday night commencing at 7.30 p.m. Some excellent finals are expected. The presentation of prizes will take place at a social function at Patricks, Market Street, at 10 p.m.



Ennis CBS recently won the presentation of prizes were (l. to r.) team captain, Gerry O'Brien, Conlon, Martin O'Sullivan, B.

Ennis C.B.S. Retain Div. 1 Title

The mens div. 1 three person team league concluded this week with Ennis C.B.S. comfortably retaining the title they won for the first time last year. The English brothers, Seamus and Tomas and team captain Mike Conlon, were well ahead of their nearest rivals at the final whistle. Nenagh were the runners up in this competition.

The ladies div. 1 team event concludes this week and the title rests between the holders, One Mile Inn and the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club. Going into the final game when the sides meet at the Limerick club's venue, just a point separates the teams.

The presentation of prizes for the div. 1 mixed team league which was won by the One Mile Inn from Nenagh, and for the div. 1 individual competitions took place at the Shannon Diamond Club on Tuesday night of this week.

The draw for the annual Maurer jewellers Clare champs. will be made this week-end. The competitions will get underway on Monday week, March 26 and will conclude on Friday, April 6.

Meanwhile the various clubs are holding their championships over the next couple of weeks as the squash season draws to a close.

ALL-IRELAND CHAMPAIONS - Gary Duggan, Ennis, right, with his partner, Alan Kirby, Waterford, after they had won the all-Ireland doubles badminton u. 12, title in Sligo last week.



KILKEE—Winners of the Clare Ladies Division 3 squash title. Back (left to right): Marie McGuire, Paul Costelloe (coach), Marian O'Rourke. Front (left to right): Aoife Haugh, Imelda Murray and Fionnuala Mumana.

March 1990

● SQUASH

CLARE FINALS ON THIS FRIDAY

THE Clare squash championships will conclude on this Friday night at Clarecastle and some excellent games are expected. In all there are six grades, three each for men and women, and the semi-finals were due to be played last night, Wednesday.

In the ladies A section it points to a meeting of number one seed Caroline McDonnell from Ennis C.B.S. and the holder Rose Hynes from the One Mile Inn club. They met twice in finals in recent weeks and the C.B.S. lady won narrowly on both occasions. It promises to be a cliffhanger.

In the mens A grade the holder Seamus Hayes takes on Mike Conlon while Tomas English, last year's beaten finalist, will play Fergus O'Loughlin, winner of the Division 2 title last year. Little separates the four and a great final is in prospect.

The plate finals will take place on this Thursday night. Clarecastle will be the venue for all finals and the presentation of all prizes will be on Friday night at Powers in Clarecastle.

The Clarecastle cham-

pionships will resume on Tuesday night next with quarter final games. These will conclude on Thursday April 19 with all finals.

On Wednesday night next there will be a special fundraising blitz at the One Mile Inn club and all members are asked to take part. The club championships get under way next week and the finals will be on Thursday April 26.

The annual general meeting of Clare squash will take place on Monday night next April 9 at the West County Inn at 9 p.m. All Clare clubs are asked to send delegates to this meeting which will elect a committee for the coming season. The closing date for nominations and motions was Wednesday of this week and it's expected that there will be some lively motions for debate.

The Kilkee Squash Club championships concluded last week-end when Paul Costelloe won the men's title for the sixth year in succession beating Sean De Cleir in the final. Marie McGuire won the ladies title when she beat Marian O'Rourke.

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Lissycasey Squash Club

SQUASH IN LISSYCASEY

● Persons interested in participating in a proposed squash club in Lissycasey area are requested to attend a meeting at Lissycasey Hall on Wednesday night next, October 1 at 9 p.m. sharp.

If unable to attend please contact Ennis 22978 between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. before next Tuesday.

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SQUASH :

GREAT BATTLE FOR DIV. II TITLE

THE senior mixed team league (Div. I) concluded on Wednesday last with the One Mile Inn emerging as winners. After a great battle for second place, Ennis C.B.S. "A" just got there ahead of the Auburn Lodge team.

There is a great battle for the ladies Div. II title with three rounds remaining. Kilkee and Ennis C.B.S. 'A' are level on points with the Auburn Lodge just seven points behind.

The mens Div. IV team league got under way on Monday night and this will continue until December 18. In all, nine teams are taking part in three divisions.

Meanwhile, the senior individual leagues are continuing and will be running until February.

On the club scene the annual Auburn league at the One Mile Inn, sponsored by the Sherwood Inn, is now under way as is the Autumn league at the Auburn Lodge.

A very enjoyable team competition concluded at Ennis C.B.S. on Thursday last with Seamus English's team emerging as winners against Mike Collins' side. The winners were S. English, J. Costin, M. Simpson, B. McCullough, C. McDonnell, B. Murphy, V. O'Sullivan, while the runners-up were M.

Conlon, L. McNamara, M. Hanrahan, O. O'Loughlin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. M. Canny and M. Kennedy. The competition was sponsored by Josie O'Shea Sports, and after the final Josie presented the prizes.

The club's winter team league will commence shortly.

A new Clare senior league, sponsored by Coughlan's Garage, Lissycasey, Main Opel Dealers, will be run at Lissycasey over the coming weeks. The competition will be for six teams of two (man and woman) with the top two meeting in the final. There will be four rounds in the competition, details of which will be announced next week.

There was a great turnout on Friday last for the first competition of the season at St. Flannan's club. In a very close event, Kevin Mulcahy's team narrowly beat Mickey Sullivan's side in the final. The competition was sponsored by Banner Motors Ltd. and the prizes were presented at a function in the West County Inn.

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Ennis to take Title

Ennis C.B.S. look set to retain the ladies div. 2 title having scored some fine wins over the past couple of rounds. They are now leading with just one round to remain and it will be a major surprise if they fail to beat Clarecastle on Monday night. This will leave the Auburn Lodge and Kilkee fighting it out for second place and these teams meet at Kilkee on Monday night.

In the mens div. 4, Newmarket, Auburn Lodge and Kilkee look set for the semi-final as they lead in their sections at the half way stage. Any one of a number of teams could pick up the fourth semi-final spot and the picture will be much clearer next week.

The Coughlans Garage sponsored senior special league to be run at Lisycasey will get under way next week. This will involve the leading men and ladies in the county and details will be finalised by this week-end.

The competition will be run off before Christmas.

The Clare inter-firm competition, organised for the first time last year when it proved an outstanding success, is set to be played on the week-end of Dec. 13-15, with Shannon Diamond again the venue. Firms wishing to take part are asked to get in touch with Betty McMahon as soon as possible but not later than Thursday next, Dec. 5.

Kildysart Squash

KILDYSART Squash Club is in its second year and this Christmas will be entering teams in Clare competition for the first time. As part of their ongoing coaching programme a number of exhibition games featuring leading male and female players in the county will take place on this Thursday night at the club. There will be three games and the programme will commence at 7.45 and all members are asked to attend.

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● SQUASH

THE Clare Ladies Division II League concluded on Monday night last with Ennis C.B.S. emerging as winners while Kilkee took second place with a narrow win over Auburn Lodge in a great match at Kilkee.

The men's Division IV will reach the semi-final stage when the league section concludes on Monday night next. The semi-finals will be on Monday week (December 16) with the final on Wednesday, December 18 at a venue to be decided.

The presentation of prizes will take place immediately after the final and on this night the ladies Division II prizes will also be presented.

The Coughlan's Garage, Main Opel Dealers), sponsored Clare Senior League at Lissycasey commenced on Wednesday of this week and continues on this Friday. There are five teams of two competing in what should be a most entertaining event.

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DIV. IV SEMI-FINALS ON MONDAY

THE semi-finals of the Div. IV mens league will be played on this Monday night with the final scheduled to take place on Wednesday. In Monday night's semi-finals, Newmarket will meet Lissycasey at the Auburn Lodge, while Kilkee will take on the Auburn Lodge at Lissycasey. There should be two close semi-finals with Newmarket and the Auburn Lodge and Newmarket the slight favourites to qualify for the final.

The Coughlan's Garage senior league at Lissycasey is proving a great success and the opening two rounds last week produced some great contests. The competition is continuing on this Friday and again on next Tuesday, after which the way will be clear for the final, which will be on Thursday of next week.

The Clare inter-firm competition has been deferred to the end of January and a new date for the competition will be announced next week. Meanwhile, entries are now being sought for the Clare mens and ladies Div. III competitions, which commence in January, as well as for the annual inter-club blitz, which will be on January 11 at the Shannon Diamond Club.

The Annual Harp Handicap competition at the One Mile Inn club is at the quarter-final stage and these will be concluded by this Friday with the semi-finals to be played by Monday. The final will be on Wednesday next when the club's Annual Christmas Party will also take place.

The Auburn Lodge club will stage their December blitz on this Sunday

The semi-finals of the club's Autumn League will be played on this Thursday night.

Funds for G.A.A.

Well-known Clare GAA stars, Alan Cunningham, hurling, and Clare Jones, camogie, will lead a sponsored solo run from Shannon to Galway on Friday week, Dec. 20. Both are from Shannon and this year they have been appointed as captains of the U.C.G. senior hurling and senior camogie teams respectively.

Friday weeks sponsored run is being organised to raise funds for both teams preparations for the annual inter varsity competitions which take place in February. This year the hurling competition will be in Dublin while the camogie event will be in Coleraine.

The Shannon stars will have the assistance of well known Clare players as they run through Clare and they will have some Galway hurlers with them in Galway when the run concludes on Saturday, Dec. 21.

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'Opel' final at Lissycasey

The final of the Coughlans Garage (Main Opel Dealers) special senior league will take place at Lissycasey on this Thursday night commencing at 8 p.m. The league has been running for the past three weeks with five teams of two participating.

The competition came about as a result of the efforts of the Lissycasey Squash Committee and Martin Coughlan, proprietor of Coughlans Garage who agreed to sponsor the event. The final round of the league section was played on Tuesday night and the way is now clear for the decider in which Tony Lillis and Caroline McDonnell will meet Seamus Hayes and Carmel Enright.

It should be a very close contest and with the total aces deciding the issue, it's anybody's guess as to who will win.

In the Clare mens division IV league Kilkee and Newmarket won the semi-finals on Monday night to qualify for a final showdown. The final was played last night, Wednesday, but the result was not known at the time of going to press.

Kilkee scored a comprehensive 5-0 win over the Auburn Lodge at Lissycasey on Monday while Newmarket had a 4-1 win over Lissycasey in a marathon game at the Auburn Lodge.

The annual Harp hand trap competitions at the One Mile Inn have once again caused tremendous excitement at the club. The semi-finals were played at the weekend and the big surprise was the defeat of ladies champion Margaret Lachner by Teresa Corbett. Margaret was giving 20 aces to her opponent Teresa's opponent in the final will be Ann O'Dowd who defeated Teresa Corbett in the other semi-final.

Seamus Howard qualified for the mens final for the first time when he pipped Tom Malone in the semi-final on Monday night. On the same night the holder Seamus Hayes, chasing his third successive title, defeated Michael O'Connell.

The ladies and mens division III will start on January 14 and January 19 respectively and all clubs have been notified that entries must be with the league secretaries by January 6 at the latest.

The mens and ladies confined leagues will commence on January 17 and entries must be in by January 9.

The U.S.B.A.'s inter club blitz will take place on January 11 at the Shannon Diamond club and entries for this competition must be with Betty McMahon at De Beers by January 6.

The Autumn league final at the Auburn Lodge will bring Tony Lynch and Michael Meere into opposition on this Thursday.

The Ennis C.B.S. club's autumn league concluded last week with Sylvia Carroll's team emerging as winners over Marie Hogan's side. The prizes were presented by Jackie Hynes at a very enjoyable function after the final. The members of the winning team were: M. Carroll, D. Delaney, B. McCollough, S. Carroll, B. Kennedy, F. Derritt while the runners-up were: D. McDonnell, J. Ryan, F. Flannery, M. Hogan, F. Heagney, M. Kennedy.

CLARE YOUTH WEEK-END SPORTS

There was a huge entry in the athletics competition held in conjunction with Clare Youth Week-end and the results are as follows:

Minor girls: 1. T. Murphy, Tulla, 2. M. McInerney, do.

Minor boys: 1. G. Quailly, Tulla, 2. M. Hynes, Ennistymon, 3. D. McInerney, Tulla, Teams, 1. Ennistymon A, 2. Ennistymon B, 3. Ennis V.S.

Junior girls: 1. E. Brady, Ennis V.S., 2. M. Frawley, Ennis V.S., 3. A. Kelly, Tulla, Teams, 1. Ennis V.S.

Junior boys: 1. A. Quailly, Tulla, 2. G. Toomey, Ennis V.S., 3. M. O'Sullivan, St. Flannans, Teams, 1. Ennis V.S. A, 2. Ennistymon, 3. Ennis V.S.

Senior girls: 1. P. Byrne, Ennis V.S., 2. S. Hogan, Tulla, 3. D. Daly, Ennis V.S., Teams, 1. Ennis V.S., 2. Ennistymon Convent, 3. Lisdoonvarna.

Senior boys: 1. F. Hynes, St. Flannans, 2. D. Crowley, do, 3. O. McDonagh, do, Teams, 1. St. Flannans, 2. Ennis V.S., 3. Camogie, Shannon.

Hurling: Shannon. Badminton: Girls, U-14, Doubles, M. Cosgrove and M. O'Connell, U-16, Doubles, S. Hillery and D. Jordan, U-18, Singles, M. Cosgrove.

Boys U-14, Doubles, J. Monney and C. Hough, U-16 Doubles, M. Daffey and M. Casey, U-16, Singles, M. Daffey.

• SOCCER ROUND-UP:

Newmarket just get there

Newmarket 'A' 3; Newtown 'A' 2

(AFTER EXTRA TIME)

Newmarket Celtic 'A' had to fight to the end before defeating Newtown 'A' by the old goal in five in the premier shield final at Clonlough on Sunday.

Newtown had the best of the first half exchanges and took the lead with a Sean Lindsay goal before the break. They continued to dominate after the resump-

tion when they missed from the penalty spot.

Near the end Newmarket were awarded a penalty but Gerry Flannigan made a great save. However John

the game to extra time.

In the first period of extra time Newmarket scored twice, one coming from former St. Michael player Jarlath O'Halloran who had come on as a substitute. Newtown fought back and Lindsay had his second from a penalty but it was too late and Newmarket held on for a rather fortunate victory.

Bridge Celtic 3
Leathmoyne Rangers 3

● SQUASH:

Exciting fare at Harp final

The annual Harp Handicap competitions at the One Mile Inn on Wednesday, December 18 and once again it proved a most enjoyable occasion. This was the 13th annual competition and both finals proved enjoyable for the big attendance.

The ladies decider was the opening game on the programme and here Ann O'Dowd was successful winning the crown for the first time. In the final she beat Teresa Corbett in two very closely contested games.

The mens decider went the full distance with the holder Seamus Hayes just coming out on top against Seamus Howard. In winning the title Hayes became the first player to win three in a row in the event.

The holder took the first game but Howard fought back to level the match and looked set for his first success in the competition when he held an 18 ace lead but Hayes fought back to win narrowly. At a very enjoyable function after the finals the prizes were presented by Mr. John O'Flynn of Guinness Group Sales.

The prizes for the Autumn league were also presented by Tommy Clancy on behalf of the Sherwood Inn, sponsors of the event. Winners of the competition which concluded recently were Ger Browne, Jan Davis, Joe Hickey, Bernie Griffin and Seamus Howard while the runners up were Joe Griffin, Margaret Lacheiner, Marian Hanley, Darren Kelly and Mary Hennessy.

Title for Kilkee

The Clare mens division IV league concluded on Wed-

nesday and Mary Davenport.

Auburn League

The Auburn Lodge autumn league concluded recently with Tony Lynch's team coming out on top against Mickey Meere's side. The Auburn club also ran a very successful Christmas blitz which was followed by a most enjoyable and successful disco.

'Opel' League

The special senior league run at the Lissycasey club and sponsored by Martin Coughlan of Coughlan's Garage concluded on Thursday, December 19 when Tony

Lillis and Caroline McDonnell emerged victorious over Seamus Hayes and Con Enright. In the ladies final Miss McDonnell built a comprehensive lead but Hayes was unable to get back when playing Lillis.

Afterwards the prizes were presented by Martin Coughlan who congratulated winners and runners-up and tribute to all who took part. He expressed the hope that the competition would be beneficial to the Lissycasey club. The presentation of prizes was followed by a most enjoyable function.

Clubs are reminded that Monday next January 6th is the closing date for entries in both the mens and ladies division III team leagues while Thursday, January 9th is the last date for receiving entries for the mens and ladies 'confined' leagues.

● N.A.C.A.:

13th for Keane

Willie Keane of St. Johns captured his 13th Clare senior N.A.C.A. cross country championship on Sunday week last when he emerged victorious over a tough course at Barefield. His clubmate Rita Malone captured the honours in the ladies event.

Despite the bad weather in the week prior to the event the 7½ mile course was in good condition. St. Mary's Marty Reidy was first to the front after Lott O'Halloran had got the race under way

ended with 74 points and St. Mary's sixth score member P. Donnelly finished ahead of his St. Imy's counterpart, the title went to Mary's.

Rita Malone was a runner-up in the ladies event.

Title for Kilkee

The Clare mens division IV league concluded on Wednesday, December 18 when Kilkee defeated Newmarket-on-Fergus at St. Flannan's College. It was a very closely contested game with little separating any of the players.

Afterwards both teams received their prizes at the One Mile Inn. Members of the Kilkee side were John Stapleton, Kieran Marrinan, Jimmy Fitzpatrick, Noel Thornton, Liam Tuck, Peter James while Newmarket's panel included Stephen O'Flannagan, Kevin Greene, Paddy Keegan, Brian McNamara, John Ryan, Tony Mannion and Mike Hogan.

At the same function the prizes for the Clare ladies division II league were presented. The runners up were Kilkee who included Mary Madigan, Marian O'Rourke and Marie Maguire while the winners were Ennis C.B.S. and they comprised Ann O'Loughlin, Sylvia Carroll

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Coughlans Garage, Main Opel Dealers, Lissycasey, recently sponsored a senior squash league at Lissycasey. Pictured at the presentation of prizes were l. to r. Caroline McDonnell, Martin Coughlan, Carmel Enright, Tony Iillis and Gearoid O'Sullivan of the Lissycasey club.

Jan 1986

SQUASH:

Excellent fare at senior league finals

The senior individual league finals played at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night last provided some very entertaining squash. There were four games on the programme and all were keenly contested throughout.

The opening match featured Ann O'Dead and Teresa Corbett in the play-off for third and fourth places in the Ladies competition. The One Mile Inn clubmates showed good form before Miss Corbett emerged victorious on a 3-1 scoreline. In the mens play-off Jack Keane proved too strong for Mike Conlon and emerged a good winner also on a 3-1 scoreline.

Caroline McDonnell and Fiona Nugent were the finalists in the ladies competition and there was some excellent play before Miss McDonnell captured the title on a 3-1 scoreline. She won the first game on a 9-6 score but Miss Nugent hit back to level matters when she won the second game on a 10-9 scoreline. The third was very keenly contested before Miss McDonnell won at 9-7 and she then went on to take the fourth game on a similar scoreline to capture the title.

Denis Maurer started the mens final against Seamus Hayes, the holder, in great

The men's final was a repeat of last year's decider with the holder, Seamus Hayes, chasing a fourth successive win in

Aidan Peere and Darren Kelle.

A coaching course will commence in the club in January and those interested in participating should give their names to Eamonn Kelly or Ger Browne.

Lissycasey captured their first ever Clare squash title when they were victorious in

had played a major part in Lissycasey being in the final. Lissycasey's Gerard O'Sullivan then levelled matters when he had a 16 win over Frank Murnane. The winners looked set to take the lead when Finbarr McMahon went into a 2-0 lead against Sean De Cleere but the Killee player fought back in great style to



Pictured after a recent squash tournament final at Ennistymon were Back: Vinny Leigh, James Barry, Kate Lane, Joe Gallery (sponsor), Dick Woods, Tom Nestor. Front: Murt McMahon, Joe Chambers, Trish McNamara, Michael Healy, and John Keane.

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Hayes, the holder, in great style and he deservedly took the first game on a 9-7 scoreline. Hayes levelled when winning the second on a score of 9-5. The third was a real ding-dong affair and could really have gone any way. Hayes went into the lead when winning 9-7 and he went on to retain the title when returning a similar score for the fourth game.

The presentation of prizes took place immediately after the finals which attracted a very good attendance. Prizes were also presented to the Ennis C.B.S. ladies division 4 team who were runners-up to St. Flannans.

HARP FINALS

The fourteenth annual Harp handicap competition, the longest running competition in Clare squash, concluded at the One Mile Inn on Wednesday night of last week.

In the ladies section Margaret Lacheiner captured yet another crown when she beat Teresa Corbett by two games to nil. This was a good contest in which Mrs. Lacheiner's experience proved decisive.

the competition against Seamus Howard. Howard has shown great form in the current season and he looked set to win his first crown when he won the first game on a 15-5 scoreline. Hayes came much more into the game in the second and levelled the match when he won on a 15-3 scoreline. In the deciding game they were level at 4 each and it was score for score until they were 7 each. Then the holder made the vital break and went on to win on a 15-9 scoreline.

Afterwards the club's annual Christmas party was held and as in former years this was an outstanding success. The presentation of the Harp trophies took place while the winners and runners-up in the club's Autumn league received their trophies from the sponsor, Pat Keogh. The club's mens division 2 team which recently won the Clare title also received their trophies during the evening. The members of this panel were Joe Griffin (captain), Donal Bassett, Jim O'Dowd, Ger Browne, Con Woods,

the div. 4 final at Clarecastle on Friday night. In the final they beat Kilkee on a 3-2 scoreline in a game which produced a very high standard of SQUASH.

The semi-finals were played on the Wednesday night of last week when Lissycasey and Kilkee defeated Shannon Diamond A and Auburn Lodge.

Kilkee, holders of the title, got off to a good start when Noel Thornton scored a good 11 win over Michael Clancy whose display in the semi-final

win on a 3-2 scoreline and so put his side back in front. The lead was shortlived, however, as Lissycasey's Frank Coughlan turned in a superb display to beat Joe Larkin 3-0 and level the match for the second time.

And so it was all on the last game between Seamus Kelly of Lissycasey and Peter James of Kilkee and here Kelly hit top form to win 10 and so ensure a first Clare squash title for Lissycasey.

Kilmaley Parish Magazine

The sixth annual Kilmaley parish magazine, produced by the parish G.A.A. club is on sale this week. Edited by hard working club official Patsy Doohan and printed by the Clare Champion Ltd., the publication is the biggest to date. Comprising fifty two pages it has articles and photographs on all activities in the parish as well as many items from the

past. There is a special section dealing with the parish hurling and camogie teams in *Feile na nGael* with many pictures of the club members who visited the area.

The book is available in local shops or from any official of the G.A.A. club and certainly is something which all parishioners should have.

Dec 1986

SQUASH:

Winning Start for Ballina

The mens div. 4 team league which has attracted ten entries, got underway on Monday night when there were wins for Ballina, Shannon Diamond and Ennis CBS. Ballina had a thrilling win over Lissycasey at Lissycasey with Jack Brennan winning the decisive game by the nar-

rowest of margins in the fifth.

The league will continue on Mondays over the next seven weeks and there should be a great battle for the title.

A meeting of the CSRA on this Thursday night will finalise arrangements for the remaining leagues for the season and will also decide on the dates for the annual Clare champs. which will be held in mid March.

Arrangements are now being made for the Munster open championship which the Clare Association has again been asked to host. This event was a tremendous success last year.

Jan 1991

Newmarket on Fergus Squash Club

The first competition of the year at the One Mile Inn was successfully staged last week in the newly renovated courts which now includes a gymnasium section which is proving most popular. Funds from the competition sponsored by Dwans were in aid of the Ennis youth centre and the competition proved most enjoyable. Gert Lacheiners team emerged victorious beating Seamus Hayes' side in the final.

The Autumn League sponsored by O'Dowd's Foodstore, Universal Business Systems and Bredin's Harvard Store, gets under way on Monday night next. There are eight teams of seven taking part and the final is fixed for Monday Dec. 7. The teams are evenly matched and there should be some great competition before the finalists are known.

On Saturday next, Oct. 22, the One Mile Inn Club will be sending a strong team to take part in the Catholic Institute Limerick inter club blitz. This competition was inaugurated last year and the One Mile took the honours with their second team finishing as runners up.

Coaching for new female members will be on this Sunday at the One Mile Club commencing at 5 p.m. All interested are asked to come along. Details of coaching for the male members and the more advanced players will be put on the notice board next week.

The new court in Newmarket on Fergus is now open and there is much activity. Competitions are planned in the near future.

The third court at Ennis CBS, will be opening shortly and this should prove a great asset to this fine complex.

Oct 1981

New Squash Season

The new squash season is now in full swing and all clubs are busy organising early season competition. The formation of the Clare squash racquets Association has brought added interest to the sport and at a meeting of the Clare committee at Brogans on Monday night next (9 p.m.) arrangements will be made for the opening competitions of the season.

THE One Mile Inn club have already staged two blitz competitions and next week they will make the draw for the annual Autumn team league which again will be sponsored by O'Dowds Foodstore, Bredins Hardware and Universal Business Systems. The opening competition of the season, sponsored by Collins Jewellers, was won by Seamus Hayes' team. The Oct. Blitz sponsored by W. J. Dwan Ltd. proved most

exciting on Monday last when after a play off Tony Lynch's team had one ace to spare over Jim O'Dowd's side.

The Sept. blitz at the Ennis CBS, was won by Brian Fitzgerald's team and arrangements are now nearing completion for the Oct. competition. On Oct. 22 there will be a blitz at St. Flannans College.

THE FIRST EVER BLITZ AT Newmarket, sponsored by Emerald Isle Service station, proved most enjoyable with the results in doubt right up to the last game. The winning team included John Twoomey, Cyril Cusack, P. J. Cusack, Michael Hogan, GERALDINE Fahy and Gine Shanahaer while the runners-up were Pat Coughlan, Dermot O'Hanlon, Pat O'Leary, Johnny Cusack, Carmel Coughlan and Una Marren.

Oct 1982

Exciting senior Squash league

With just two rounds remaining in the Clare senior squash league, there is a tremendous battle on for first prize between De Beers and the One Mile Inn.

Both sides recorded victories on Tuesday night when the Shannon team picked up full points against the Auburn Lodge with the One Mile Inn dropping just three points to Ennis C.B.S. The leaders will meet in the final game and there should be little, if anything, between them when they meet at Shannon. Last week the One Mile Inn scored a narrow victory and they will be looking for a repeat if they are to win this inaugural competition run by the newly formed Clare squash racquets Association.

On this Thursday night at the magnificent Auburn Lodge complex Clare will take on a very strong Galway selection in a friendly commencing at 7.30 p.m. There will be ten matches with the top ten players from both counties in action and a great

night's squash is expected.

The One Mile Inn club's November blitz, sponsored by Studio Eyewear, will be played on Monday night with eight teams taking part.

Last week there was a very successful blitz at Newmarket sponsored by the Weavers Inn. The winning team comprised of Con Woods, Pat McCaul, Jim Maher, Johnny Cusack, Lil Moyles, Gina Shanagher and Brendan Quinlivan. The runners up were Pat Coughlan, P. J. Cusack, Mike Hogan, Dominic McMahon, Pauline Kilmartin, Mary Marrinan and Paul Cusack. In the unavoidable absence of sponsor, Paul Higgins, the prizes were presented by club chairman, Dermot O'Hanlon.

Nov 1982

● SQUASH :

Harp Finals On This Thursday

The way is now clear for the Annual Harp Handicap Finals and these will be played at the One Mile Inn club on this Thursday night. The ladies game is timed for 7.30 p.m. and here Margaret Lacheiner will meet the holder, Bridie O'Flaherty. Mrs. Lacheiner, Clare champion for the past six years, has won the Harp title on a number of occasions. Last year she was surprisingly eliminated in the early rounds. Bridie O'Flaherty won the title for the first time last year and she will be determined to make it two in a row.

In the order of merit, they are the top two players in the One Mile Inn club, so a great final is expected.

In the mens final, Gerry Bredin, the holder, will meet Seamus Hayes, who has never won the title. Again they are the top two seeds in

the club and there has been little between them in games played this season. This game should go the full distance and should be very close.

The presentations will take place immediately afterwards when the club's annual Christmas party will be staged and all members are invited to attend.

The Komputer World sponsored Winter League at the Newmarket-on-Fergus club continued during the week when Con Woods' team beat Michael Kilmartin's team by 7 points to 6. On Wednesday night, P. J. Cusack's team defeated D. J. Meehan's team by 9 points to 4.

On Sunday evening last the club's Christmas Blitz was held and Pat Coughlan's team were the winners with the last match of the evening deciding the issue.

Dec 1982

High Standard at Harp Finals

The annual Harp handicap finals at the One Mile Inn squash club on Thursday night last provided outstanding fare for the large attendance. In the ladies decider Margaret Lacheiner regained the title after a lapse of a year when she defeated the holder Bridie O'Flaherty in two games. There were some very good passages of play before Mrs. Lacheiner displaying her best form captured the honours.

In the mens final Gerry Bredin became the first player to capture the title in successive years when he won his second title by beating Seamus Hayes. This was a marathon affair lasting over 1 hour and 35 minutes with Bredins greater fitness proving decisive in the end.

There was little between them in the opening game (both were playing off -35) before Hayes won on the score of 15-22. The second game followed the same pattern before Bredin tied the match when winning 15-13. Bredin got off to a marvellous start in the third and quickly went into a five ace lead. At one stage he increased this lead to 15 aces. Hayes fought back but he had left himself too much to do and Bredin was a

deserving winner on the score of 15-11.

Afterwards Mr. Eamonn Horkan, Guinness Group Sales presented the Harp trophies to the winners and runners-up and paid tribute to the organising club for their efficient organisation of the competition.

The clubs Christmas party was also held on Thursday night and this proved to be one of the most successful for many years. There was a very big attendance and many spot prizes were on offer. The money raised from the raffle was donated to the St. Vincent De Paul Society (Ennis branch).

In the opening round of the Clare division II (men) league last week, the One Mile Inn side suffered defeat at the hands of Catholic Institute.

The Komputer World, Ennis sponsored winter league at Newmarket-on-Fergus squash club continued last week with Con Woods and Betty McMahon's teams beating Dermot O'Hanlon and P. J. Cusack's sides. The league is proving most entertaining and their will be some second round games next week and these are expected to provide some exciting clashes.

St. Michaels Win

St. Michaels2
Kilmaley1

St. Michaels advanced to the Clare area final of the Munster junior cup when they beat Kilmaley by the odd goal in three. The winners were unlucky not to take the lead after ten minutes but Jarlath O'Halloran's shot was just over the crossbar.

Kilmaley were first to score when N. Healy put them in front and they held this lead until seven minutes from the end when Brendan Considine equalised. It appeared that the game was heading for extra time but Tony Nugent scored from a free kick to give St. Michaels victory.

Dec 1982

Some Surprise Results In Senior League

In the mens senior individual league (Div. I) there have been some great games in the past week. The big surprise has been the defeat of Gerry Bredin in the opening two rounds by Denis Maurer and Tony Lillis, respectively. Both Lillis and Maurer held the leading spots in Clare squash for a number of years but over the past year they had dropped a few places in the ladder. In recent times they have been returning good results and it would appear that they will be strong contenders in the Clare championship next month.

In the Ladies Div. II, the One Mile Inn side of Bridie O'Flaherty, Jan Davis, Ann O'Down, Mary Hennessy and Fiona Nugent, looked set to win the competition as they have a clear lead with just two rounds remaining.

In the mens novice, Ennis C.B.S. and Catholic Institute are set for the final having won their respective sections. In the mens division II, Catholic Institute are the leaders with the One Mile Inn in second place.

The mens Division III and the ladies novice will be starting in two weeks time and all clubs are expected to affiliate teams.

The January blitz at the One Mile Inn on Monday night attracted a good entry. The competition, sponsored by Brogan's, was won by the team comprising of Donal Hassett, Anthony Chapman, John Casey, Ursula O'Con-

nell and Patricia Broderick. The runners-up were Noel Crowley, Michael Griffin, Kevin Quinn, Bridie O'Flaherty and Norma Ryan.

The winter league, sponsored by Komputer World, Ennis, continues at the Newmarket Club. Con Woods' team beat Pete McCaul's team to gain their place in the final. In group II, P. J. Cusack's and D. J. Meehan's teams had good victories over Pat Coughlan's side, but they failed to gain enough points to prevent Betty McMahon's side from reaching the final. In the final on Monday night, Con Woods, Dominic McMahon, Ger Coughlan, Mike Mulqueeney will play against Betty McMahon, Mickey Fawl, Jim Maher and David Cummins.

Entries are now being accepted for a team league at St. Flannan's College, while there will be a blitz on Tuesday next at the Auburn Lodge.

Jan 1983

Two Clare titles for One Mile Inn

Three Clare leagues were completed in the past week and two of the titles came to the One Mile Inn club with the other going to Catholic Institute in Limerick. In the ladies division II the One Mile Inn were comfortable winners with Limerick Lawn tennis club finishing in second place.

The One Mile Inn had a great victory in the mens division II. Going into the final round Catholic Institute held a one point lead. In the final series of matches Ennis C.B.S. 'A' scored a great 3/2 win over the Limerick side while the One Mile Inn beat Ennis C.B.S. 'B' to take the honours. At an enjoyable function in the One Mile Inn on Tuesday night of this week the prizes were presented to the winners and runners-up in both competitions.

Limerick club Catholic Institute captured the mens novice title on Tuesday night last when they beat Ennis C.B.S. by four matches to one in a most enjoyable final at the Auburn Lodge. Afterwa-

rds Gerry Malone of the Haven Arms, Kilrush, who sponsored the competition presented the prizes to the winners and runners up.

The mens division I, individual league has now reached the half way stage and the joint leaders are Seamus Hayes and Pat O'Grady who have full points from four games. Denis Maurer is in third place with 16 points from four games followed by Tony Lillis (15 pts. from 5 games), John McIntee (13 pts. from 5 games), Jack Keane and Tony Lynch (each with 12 pts. from five games), Gerry Bredin (5 pts. from five games) with Derry Moloney (3 pts. from 4 games) facing relegation to division II.

The January blitz at the C.B.S. was won by Declan Coote's team of Mike Hanrahan, Noel Tierney, Pat McMahon, Ann O'Brien and Celia O'Reilly from Sean Heaslip's side of Maurice Buckley, M. Corbett, Liam O'Dwyer, Mimi Conroy and Evelyn Moloney.

In the Clare ladies division II league the C.B.S. 'A' team finished in fourth position.

The mens division III team got off to a winning start last week when they beat De Beers. The team comprises of Noel Crowley, Pat McInerney, Gary Neary, John Casey and Paddy O'Sullivan.

The weekly coaching sessions under Denis Maurer are being well attended. The club ladder competition is providing great excitement with Terry Hughes rapidly moving up in division I while Paddy O'Sullivan is making steady progress in division II.

In racquetball the club hopes to have a friendly with Tulla this week-end before a team is nominated to travel to Tralee next week.

The final of the Komputer World League took place at

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★ Catholic Institute, winners of the Clare Novice Squash League receiving their trophies from Gerry Malone of the Haven Arms, Kiltrush. Picture shows (l. to r.), John O'Neill, D. Hayes, J. Farrell, Gerry Malone, sponsor; E. Philips, J. O'Dea and C. Morrison

...between Betty McMahon's team and Con Woods' team. At the end of an exciting match, they were still locked together at 6 points each, so it went to a play-off to decide the winners. Here Con Woods' team won by 22 points to 20. The Vice-Chairperson, Mrs. Lil Moyles, thanked all who took part and the sponsors, while Mr. Dan Courtney of Komputer World presented the prizes. The members of the winning team were Con Woods, Dominic McMahon, Ger Coughlan and Michael Mulquaney, while the runners-up were Betty McMahon, Mike Fawl, Jim Maher and David Crimmins.

There was a very successful blitz at the Auburn Lodge last week sponsored by Breda's Boutique. After exciting competition over two nights, Jack Keane's team captured the prizes which were presented by Mrs. Breda Butler.

Hurling Trials

Feb 1983

SQUASH:

C.S.R.A. prepare for season

The Clare Squash Racquets Association held their annual general meeting at Brogan's, O'Connell Street, Ennis last week when there was a very big attendance. The Association has just completed a very successful initial year and delegates praised the committee members for their hard work during the year.

Officers elected were, Chairman, Tony Lillis; Secretary, Betty McMahon; Treasurer, Jim O'Dowd. Committee: Kyran Hurley, Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer, Margaret Flannagan, Caroline McDonnell, Dermot O'Hanlon, John McEntee and Joe Pender. Following the passing of a motion from Shannon Diamond, the committee will produce a calendar of events for the season before September 1.

Margaret Lacheiner won the Clare ladies championship for the seventh successive occasion when she scored a 3-1 win over Berry McMahon in the 'replayed' decider at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night last. The game produced some excellent play but in the end the more experienced Ennis player came out on top.

The finals of the Auburn Lodge championships took place on Tuesday night and the big attendance enjoyed the standard in all five finals. In the mens division 1 decider, Seamus Hayes got some measure of compensation for his defeat in the Clare final when he beat Denis Maurer on a 3/1 scoreline in an entertaining match. Carmel Enright won the ladies division 1 from Carmel Verling while the mens division 11 title went to Aidan Feore who beat Frank Keane.

The competitions were sponsored by Guinness and Mr. Eamonn Horkan was in attendance to present the prizes to the winners and runners-up.

The final competition of the season at the One Mile Inn took place on Monday night when Leadmore Ice Cream were the sponsors. After an enjoyable night's squash the members of the winning team were Gerry Bredin, Aidan Feore, Kieran Browne, Pat Lynch, Ursula O'Connell and Colette Kelly.

Mr. Frank McInerney, Sales Manager, represented the sponsors.

The final blitz tournament of the year at St. Flannan's was won by Michael Neylon, Seamus Hanrahan, John Finn, Dan O'Connor, Mary Noonan and Brid Leydon. The competition was sponsored by the West County Inn.

The Newmarket on Fergus club championship finals will be played on this Friday, May 13 when the finalists are expected to be Con Woods v Dermot O'Hanlon and Betty McMahon against either Mary O'Connor or Lil Moyles. In the boys under 16 Paul Cusack caused a big surprise by beating the number 2 seed Mike Hogan and he will meet Mike Fawl in the final.

The girls under 16 was cancelled due to lack of interest.

Competition Concludes

THE Cyril Walsh Cup competition concluded at Ennis golf club last week when Joe McMahon and Sean O'Connell beat Tom Glynn and Fintan Kelly in a final which produced some excellent golf. It took a great birdie by O'Connell on the 18th to win the title.

The competition which is run in memory of the late Cyril Walsh who is a former trustee, President and captain of the club, attracted a very big entry.

The Knox Cup got under way this week and there are some very interesting pairings in the preliminary and first rounds. This year a Knox Plate has been inaugurated for losers in the preliminary and first rounds and this will give extra competition to the participants.

Last week the club's Jimmy Bruer team bowed out of the Munster championship when they lost 2/3 to Nenagh at

Shannon. After three matches Ennis were two to one up but their final two pairings of Michael Vaughan and Garry Stack; Tom Glynn and Dickie Pyne were both beaten on the 19th. Also on the losing side were V. Gardiner and S. Brennan while the Ennis winners were M. Hayes and P. Considine, T. Mee and N. Gilligan.

Ennis will meet Limerick in the first round of the mixed foursomes championship at Shannon on Saturday week and the Ennis club have a great record in this competition, having won three Munster pennants.

The Paddy Conn trophy will be played for on this Saturday and Sunday at the Ennis club.

Three members of the Ennis club, Fr. P. Malone, John Madden and Peter Considine have reached the last 16 of the Spring matchplay at Lahinch.

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SQUASH

Senior League final on this Thursday

The final round in the mens senior individual (section A) league takes place on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge. Of the ten players involved, just two remain unbeaten and the meeting of Tony Lynch and Seamus Hayes will decide the first and second placings in the competition.

In last week's games Lynch and Hayes defeated Seamus English and Tony Lillis respectively in straight sets to set the scene for the final.

Hayes won the title two years ago and finished runner-up last year to Kyran Hurley. In fairness it must be pointed out that Lynch, has, to date this season, been the most impressive player in Clare squash and he will start as favourite on this Thursday. In recent friendly games between the players Lynch has had the upperhand and looks set to win his first Clare individual title.

In the ladies individual competition Lil Moyles of Newmarket and Ann O'Dowd of the One Mile Inn continue to be the leaders despite the fact that both were beaten last week. At this stage Mrs. Moyles has a one point lead and it appears as if her meeting with Mrs. O'Dowd in the final game on December 20 will decide the issue. Last week Mrs. O'Dowd lost to Mary Carey on a 1/3 scoreline while Mrs. Moyles lost to Jan Davis on a 2/3 scoreline.

The semi-finals of the mens division IV league will take place on Monday next and the semi-final pairings will be confirmed on this Thursday. The final round in the league section were being played

last night, Wednesday and the results were not at hand at the time of going to press. In section I, De Beers are leading from Newmarket and these two look set for the semi-finals. Going into last night's games Lissycasey A led the other section from the Auburn Lodge with Clarecastle in close contention. The semi-finals will start at 7.30 p.m. on Monday at Clarecastle (provided the home club is not involved; if Clarecastle qualify their semi-final will be at the Auburn Lodge) and the final will be on Wednesday next.

Harp Tourney

On the club scene the annual Harp handicap tournament at the One Mile Inn is in full swing and the quarter final stage has been reached. The finals are set for Wednesday night next and there should be a high standard of play in both the ladies and mens sections.

Auburn Lodge

The very active Auburn Lodge club will hold its Christmas blitz on this day evening for turkey competition will be followed by a track suit disco. It should prove exciting during the evening the prizes will be presented.

Newmarket

The Winter League is run by Newmarket. Fergus club continued Monday night when McMahon's team beat Eamuid Hanratty's side by 5 pts. to 5. The game of the night was the meeting Lewy Halpin and Fr. McCormack with Halpin winning narrowly.

Last week D. J. Meenan's team beat Kevin Green's team by 10 points to 3. The league which is sponsored by Paul Higgins of the Wexford Inn, continues until the end of January.

De Beers

The De Beers club will hold their Christmas blitz on this Thursday night and a large entry has been received. Competition has been keen this season and a most enjoyable blitz is expected.

SALE OF WORK

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THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16th

Commencing 12.30 p.m.

Organised by Kilmihl GAA Club. All are welcome

De Beers Win Title

DE BEERS captured the Claremens Div. IV squash league title when they defeated Newmarket in a very entertaining final at Clarecastle on Wednesday night. The Shannon club recorded a 4-1 success to maintain their unbeaten run in the competition which proved most enjoyable.

The results in the final were as follows (De Beers names first): G. Fennell bt K. Greene 3/0; P. Looney lost to D. Hanratty, 1/3; P. Ryan bt P. Pilkington, 3/2; S. McMahon bt P. Keegan, 3/0; M. Moore bt L. Moyles, 3/0.

HARP HANDICAP

The Annual Harp Handicap Tournament concluded at the One Mile Inn last Wednesday when the holders, Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles. Title-laden Mrs. Lacheiner defeated Ann O'Dowd in straight sets while in the mens final Seamus Hayes defeated Maurice Murphy by two games to 1. Murphy caused the surprise of the competition when he defeated Tony Lynch

ENNIS C.B.S.

The Ennis C.B.S. Club's Christmas Blitz was an outstanding success on Wednesday night last when Eugene Ryan's team emerged vic-

torious over Declan Coote's side.

The club's handicap tournament is due to commence in January.

MUNSTER TITLES

The Munster Club Cross Country Championships were held in Bandon in the most trying conditions. St. Senan's A.C. marked the occasion with probably their best and most successful performance to date, taking a stunning four club titles, while being placed in two other competitions.

Results: Girls under 11: St. Senans, 3rd team, Karen Marie Danaher 11, Brid Bermingham 14, Sonja Burke 22, Catherine Minihan 34.

Boys under 11: County Champions, Donal O'Sullivan 5, James O'Brien 6, Kevin Browne 10, John Griffin 13.

Girls under 13: County Champions, Valerie Clancy 1, Clara Comerford 2, Marian Conway 6, Olive Wade 10.

Boys under 13: 3rd team, Martin

Leading players for Ennis

Arrangements for the prestigious Munster open squash championships which commence in Ennis on Friday week are at an advanced stage. Entries close this week and the draw will be made at the week-end and will be announced on Monday. It's expected that most, if not all, the members of the Irish teams which were in action in Belfast last week-end, will be taking part.

Clare squash fans are looking forward to games of an extremely high standard. Last year the many leading players who took part in the Munster close championships in Ennis were loud in their praise of the facilities in Ennis and all expressed a wish to return for this year's competition.

The one doubt hanging over the tournament at the moment concerns the prevailing weather conditions. Should the present bad spell of frost and the resultant icy roads continue then the entry could be very much effected and this would be a major

disappointment.

Further details of the tournament will be announced next week.

On the local scene, Clare competition will resume next week following the Christmas break. The CSRA inter club blitz will take place on this Saturday night at De Beers with the host club organising and running the event on behalf of the County Association. It's expected that about eight teams will take part and the tournament should prove most entertaining.

Clubs are reminded that entries for the upcoming leagues, details of which are on the official fixture list, should be forwarded to the respective league secretaries immediately.

NEWMARKET

The Newmarket-on-Fergus Winter league resumed last week when Betty McMahon's team defeated Kevin Gree side by 14 pts. to 8. There were some very interesting games particularly those in which Lewy Halpin beat Pat O'Halloran 3/2; John Power beat a superb Bridget Kenneally 3/2 and Michael Torpey beat Pauline Kilmartin 3/2. The league continues on next Monday when Betty McMahon's team meets D. J. Meehan's side.

There will be an important meeting of the Clare squash association at Brogans on Monday night at 8.30 p.m.





IRISH STARS FOR CRYSTAL TOURNAMENT

THE 1985 squash season in Clare will get off to a dream start with the staging of the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open championships in Ennis this weekend. Players of the calibre of John Barrett, David Gotto, George Okerehiri, Brendan Miller, Marjorie Burke, Rosaleen Quinn to mention but some, will all be taking part and followers of the game in Clare can look forward to games of an exceptionally high standard.

Over the past month in particular, much work has gone into planning and organising for this competition and all is now in readiness. Just short of one hundred players will be taking part in the various grades with games being played at the Auburn Lodge, Ennis C.B.S., Clarecastle and One Mile Inn clubs.

In all, forty-seven games are listed to be played on Friday night, while throughout Saturday a further seventy-four games will be played. The finals will be on Sunday with fifteen games to be decided. Details of the games will be posted in all clubs from early Friday.

In the mens premier section Cork's John Barrett, who was extremely unlucky to lose out to Irish number one Willie Hosey on Saturday last, is the number one seed for the weekend's tournament.

isolation of Betty McMahon and her committee that the competition, which attracted seven teams, was completed in record time.

The winners were the One Mile Inn team of Seamus Hayes, Joe Griffey, Ger Browne, Jan Davis and Teresa Corbett, while the runners up were De Beers with Eugene Streltan, John Dyer, Seanie McMahon, Betty McMahon and Teresa Hogan.

C.B.S. MEETING

A very important meeting of all sports club members at Ennis C.B.S. will take place in the school hall on Monday night next, January 21 at 8.30 p.m. It is important that all members make every effort to attend this meeting.

NEWMARKET

On Monday next, Kevin Greene and Diarmuid Hanratty will have their teams in action as the race continues for the valuable trophies sponsored by Paul Higgins of the Weavers Inn.

entry. The mens confined league is to go ahead after it had looked for a time that it too would have to be cancelled.

INTER-FIRM

The inter-firm competition deferred from December will go ahead on Friday and Saturday week in Shannon. Teams will consist of three men (one beginner) and two women and firms interested in taking part should immediately get in touch with Clare Secretary, Marie Lynch or with Betty McMahon in Shannon.

CLARE LEAGUES

The Clare leagues will resume next week following the Christmas break with the mens and ladies division III, while section 2 of the individual league will also be getting under way shortly. The ladies confined league has been cancelled due to the fact that there was only one



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who was extremely unlucky to lose out to Irish number one Willie Hosey on Saturday last, is the number one seed for the weekend's tournament, with his fellow Irish team member David Gotto, seeded at number 2. Ghanian George Okerchiri, who plays out of the Purley club in London, could well cause surprises in the competition and he was impressive when playing in Dungarvan last weekend.

In the mens B section, Clare's Seamus Hayes and Tony Lynch will be in action and this section includes such high ranking players as Paul Grant of Waterford, Andy Cleary of Limerick, winner of the U/19 open in Dublin last week, John Kielty of Sligo and Johnnie O'Donoghue of Waterford.

Number one seed in the ladies A, Marjorie Burke, certainly faces a busy schedule at the weekend as she has also entered for the mens C section and here she is also the number one seed. Seamus English of Ennis C.B.S. is the only Clare player in this section.

Eight Clare players are included in the mens D in which John McEntee and Jack Keane will be expected to do well.

Nine of the seventeen taking part in the ladies B are from Clare and the county's challenge here will be led by Betty McMahon.

Competition commences at 6 p.m. on Friday, 9.20 a.m. on Saturday with a break from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 10 a.m. on Sunday.

INTER-CLUB BLITZ

The Clare inter-club blitz organised and run by the De Beers Club on Saturday last in Shannon proved a great success. Such was the organ-

to attend this meeting.

NEWMARKET

In the Newmarket club league there was a great contest on Monday night between the teams captained by D. J. Meehan and Betty McMahon. With one game outstanding, Meehan's team are leading by 9 points to 7. The game of the night was the match between the captains which Meehan won on a 9/7 scoreline in the final game to take the honours after they had been on court for over an hour.

DISAPPOINT STACK'S C

THERE has been widespread disappointment following the non-selection of Stack, on the All-Stars hurling week. Stack was nominated for which went to Cork's Johnnie C.

Crowley was outstanding for Cork in the All-Ireland final and obviously this display got major consideration. Over the year, however, Stack was surely the best centre half back in the game.

Displays in the concluding stages of the Provincial and All-Ireland champions certainly deserve serious consideration but surely the performance of players in all competitions through the season should carry the most weight.

While general opinion favoured Seamus McHugh or Mick Spillane for the left corner back spot, which McHugh fills, Noel Roche is believed to have been very much in the reckoning.

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SQUASH

Success for Clare players in Munster champs.

Despite the fact that the ladies 'A' competition had to be cancelled due to the bad road conditions, the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships proved an outstanding success at Ennis last week-end.

There was a very high standard of play throughout the week-end and Clare players figured prominently amongst the prize winners. From an organisation point of view the Clare squash association did itself proud and many tributes were paid to the committee by visiting players.

Ennis is certainly proving to be a great squash centre for Irish number two John Barrett of the Orchard club in Cork. Last year he won his first major title when defeating Ritchie Power in the Munster Close final at Ennis. On Sunday last he captured his first Provincial 'Open' title when he convincingly beat Belfast's Dave Gotto in the decider at the Auburn Lodge club on Sunday. Third place went to Ghaman George Okerchiri who defeated John Young in the play-off.

The capacity attendance at the semi-finals on Saturday and the finals on Sunday were treated to some outstanding games with the players in all sections showing great skills. Barrett has shown tremendous improvement in the past twelve months and is hotly tipped to take over from Willie Hovey as the number one player in Ireland.

Clare's success was in the C and D grades. Seamus English produced his best form since last year's Clare championship and the Ennis C.B.S. leaving certificate student was an impressive winner of the C championship. Clare players dominated the D grade with John McEntee winning from Jack Keane in the championship. In the plate section Sean Heaslip beat Declan Cooze.

In the ladies B grade Mary Carey of Ennis was the runner up in the Plate section.

Ladies Final

On the home front the ladies senior league was decided on Tuesday night of last week when Caroline McDonnell won her first major title by beating Ann O'Dowd in the final at the One Mile. Both players had finished level and a play-off was needed to decide the competition. Miss McDonnell won on a 3/0 scoreline.

Newmarket

The Weavers Inn sponsored Newmarket club league is nearing the final stages and the way should be clear for the final after next week. On Monday night of

this week D. J. Meehan's team beat Diarmuid Hanratty's side by 10 points to 8 points when the match of the night was the meeting of Paddy Keegan and Fr. Willie McCormack which the former won by three games to two.

Betty McMahon's team now have 36 points with all games completed while D. J. Meehan's side had 29 points. On Monday next Kevin Greene's team plays Diarmuid Hanratty's and after this the way should be clear for the final.

Clare Leagues

The Clare mens and ladies division three leagues, the mens confined and the mens and ladies individual (section 2 and 3) get under way this week and will be run off over the next two weeks. Full details are available from the respective league secretaries, Dermot O'Hanlon and Carmel Enright.

Inter-Firm

The inaugural Clare inter-firm competition will take place on this Friday and Saturday at the De Beers Club in Shannon. Twelve teams will take part and it promises to be most enjoyable. Full details are available from Marie Lynch or Betty McMahon.



Inter-firm title for De Beers

The inaugural inter-firm Clare squash championship concluded at Shannon Diamond club on Saturday night last with De Beers emerging as winners of this highly successful event. Fourteen teams took part in the competition which commenced on Saturday week last. After the quarter finals on Thursday of last week the line up was as follows: De Beers v Boart Hard Metals, and Clare Champion (reporters) v Air Traffic Control.

The highlight of the quarter finals was surely the game between Clare Champion and Ennis C.B.S. with the Champion scoring a great 3/2 verdict. In the semi-final they overcame Air Traffic Control, again on a 3/2 scoreline while De Beers had a 4/1 win over Boart Hard Metals.

The final was a most entertaining contest with De Beers winning on a 3/2 scoreline. The members of the winning team were Pat O'Grady, Tony Madigan, Betty McMahon, Caroline McDonnell and Tommy Hehir while the Clare Champion's line up included Seamus Hayes, Liam McGrath, Margaret

Ennis C.B.S.

The annual handicap tournaments (mens and ladies) at the Ennis C.B.S. club get under way this week and will be run off during the month of February. There has been a big entry for this very popular competition and some great games are expected over the coming weeks. Details of the draw and the dates by which the various rounds must be played, are posted on the notice board in the club.

One Mile Inn

week's exhibition game featuring World number 8, Hidi Jaham and George Okerchun which takes place at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night. It will be preceded by the clash of Connacht number 1, Aidan Kelly from Galway and Munster team member, Michael O'Donoghue of Limerick at 7.45 p.m. There are still a very limited number of tickets available for the games and those interested should contact any of the C.S.R.A. officials immediately.

Clare back

CLARE 5-12

Clare hurlers are back of the National League comprehensive victory over Park, Belfast on Sunday. There is no doubt about the control from an early stage of a place in the quarter

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Champion's line up included Seamus Hayes Hayes, Liam McGrath, Margaret Lacheiner, Carmel Verling and Gerry Collison. At an enjoyable social in the Shannon Diamond club afterwards the prizes were presented to the finalists.

Auburn Lodge

The February blitz at the Auburn Lodge was staged on Monday and Tuesday nights of this week and proved most enjoyable. Competition was extremely keen throughout and a play-off was needed to decide the winners at the end of the night. The winning team comprised of Seamus Hayes, David Tindin, Bill O'Doherty, Cecil McDonagh, Phil Butler and Norman Spooner while the runners up were Pat O'Shea, Mike Mullins, Michael Nelson, Eanna Nugent, Ann Mackham and Mary McMahon. The prizes were sponsored by the Auburn Lodge Hotel.

One Mile Inn

The One Mile Inn's ladder competition, the winner of which will earn a continental holiday, gets under way this week and will run until the end of March. The rules pertaining to the competition are posted on the notice board and it promises to be one of the most exciting competitions in the history of the club.

Newmarket

The final of the Newmarket-on-Fergus team league will take place on Thursday night when the teams captained by D. J. Meehan and Betty McMahon will be in opposition. When they met in the league there was little between them and it's expected that the final will be equally close.

Exhibition game

There has been a huge demand for tickets for next

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■ SQUASH

STARS SET TO THRILL CLARE FANS

THERE will be a capacity attendance at the Ashburn Lodge Squash Club on this Thursday night for the exhibition match featuring World star Hidi Jahan and young Chadian George Okerchiri. Following Jahan's fine showing against Jonah Barringham in an exhibition match at the Irish Open last weekend (the game was featured on TV) there is huge interest in Thursday's game.

Okerchiri was a very popular visitor to Ennis for the recent Munster Open championships and he looked very impressive in some of his games. Thursday's match should certainly be a major attraction for all squash fans in the County.

The first game on Thursday's programme should be a superb contest between Connacht number one Aidan Kelly from Galway and Munster team member Michael O'Donoghue from Limerick. Both players are well known on the squash circuit and they will be determined to do well.

Patrons are reminded to be in the viewing gallery at 7.45 p.m.

the winning members of the victorious side against Pat Pilkington, B. Kelly and Mary Matziman.

Betty McMahon and Louis Halpin lost to D. J. Moohan and Paddy Keegan.

The presentation of prizes will take place at a function on Thursday, March 7, at the Weavers Inn.

ENNIS C.B.S.

The first round of the handicap tournament at the Ennis C.B.S. club has been completed and the big surprise was the defeat of the holder, Tony Lynch by Jack Keane. Lynch was

given 10 aces to Keane who is certainly proving a tough man for Lynch. The second round of the competition must be played by this weekend to clear the way for the quarter-finals.

AUBURN LODGE

The Annual Handicap Tournament at the Auburn Lodge is now ready to start and the first round must be completed by Wednesday next. There has been a large entry for both the men's and ladies sections and some great competition is expected.

ONE MILE INN

Everything is now in readiness for the One Mile Inn ladder competition for which the winner will receive a continental holiday. Details of the rules have been forwarded to the members and the event will continue throughout the next two months.

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CLARE LEAGUE

A number of Clare leagues are now in full swing and as yet there are no clear leaders. In the mens confined league, Kilree have full points after two rounds, while Lissycasey are also unbeaten after their first two games.

The mens 10c. H got under way last week and there were good wins for the Auburn Lodge A and B teams and Ennis C.B.S.

Both the mens and ladies individual (sections B and C) also commenced last week and will continue for the next two months.

NEWMARKET FINAL

In the final of the Newmarket Tournament on Thursday night last, Betty McMahon's team won the Weaver's Inn trophies when beating B.J. Meenan's side in a very close contest. Dominic McMahon, Bridget Keane, ally and Michael Torrey were

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■ SQUASH :

FLYING START FOR AUBURN LODGE

The Auburn Lodge got off to a winning start in their challenge for Munster Junior team squash honours when they scored an easy 4-1 win over Minnies B Dungarvan at the Auburn on Sunday evening last. This victory gives the Ennis side a second round game with either Christy's of Blarney or De la Salle B Waterford and for this game the Ennis team must travel.

The Auburn team comprises Denis Maurer, Jack Keane, Danny Liddy, Seamus Hayes and Tony Lynch.

The Clare senior mixed (3 men and 2 ladies) team league got under way on Tuesday of this week when all four teams were in action at the Shannon Diamond club. The league will be run off during the month of March each player will have six matches. The teams appear to be evenly bal-

anced and there should be a great battle for honours.

CLARE CHAMPS

Monday next March 11 is the last date for entries for the Clare Championships which will be held during the first two weeks of April. All clubs have been notified about this and all entries must reach Clare secretary Marie Lynch by Monday. Late entries will not be accepted.

UNDER AGE LEAGUE

The mens and ladies club championship will commence after St. Patrick's Day and the favourites here are Con Woods, Michael Neylon and Mary Crowley.

The Auburn Lodge handicap tournament is now at the quarter final stage and Tom Holly is fast emerging as a favourite for the title.

Last week he ousted Dermot O'Hanlon and he now takes on Jack Keane. Holder Danny Liddy is still in contention and is determined to retain the title.

NEWMAREKT

The presentation of prizes for the very successful Newmarket team league will take place at a function in the Weavers Inn on this Thursday night. The league was sponsored by Paul Higgins of the Weavers Inn and a big turnout of members is expected. The Newmarket team which captured the runners-up prizes in the Clare mens division IV league will also be presented with their prizes at this function.

A juvenile league for under 10, under 12, under 14 and under 16's will be staged over Easter week-end. The running of the various categories will depend on the

number of entries. A number of clubs have strong junior sections and the CSRA confident of a big entry. Competition is open to juvenile members from clubs and this inaugural event should prove very successful.

ST FLANNANS

The Spring league sponsored by the Old Gran Hotel, was held at St. Flannans, last night, Wednesday, between K. Mulcahy's and F. Glynn's team. There has been a lot of competition at the club to date this season with blitz tournaments sponsored by Tom Hogan Motors, West County Inn and Bann Motors.

The clubs mens division team captain by Mick O'Sullivan are in the running for a place in the play-off stages of the Clare league while the club's team in the confined league, captained by Tommy Coughlan, is currently in second place.

March 1985

● SQUASH:



HOLDERS RETAIN TITLES

BY SEAMUS HAYES

The squash season is now drawing to a close and the remaining club championships will be decided in the coming week. The One Mile Inn finals were held on Thursday night last when the holders of the Div. I crowns, Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles.

Mrs. Lacheiner defeated Caroline McDonnell in a repeat of the Clare final while Hayes accounted for the pre-match favourite Tony Lynch on a 3/1 scoreline. In the Div. II decider Joe Griffin defeated Jim O'Dowd. The Div. II plate was won by Tony Chapman who beat Kieran Browne while the ladies plate was won by Teresa Corbett who beat the club secretary Rosemary Guthrie.

At a most enjoyable function afterwards the prizes were presented by the sponsor, Michael Howard who paid tribute to all involved and especially to the hard working committee.

The prizes for the club's recent handicap competition were presented by Donal Moloney of Seven-Up, sponsors of the event.

SHANNON

The Shannon Diamond Club will hold its end of season function on this Thursday night at their clubrooms. The club championships were completed this week and prizes for all competitions will be presented.

NEWMARKET

The finals of the Newmarket-on-Fergus club championship will take place on Wednesday next, May 22 and so far all of the top seeds have justified their rankings.

CLARE LEAGUES

The Clare mens individual section B competition was

completed during the week when Eric Hanrahan emerged as winner following a fine 3/0 win over his Ennis CBS clubmate Declan Coote. Meanwhile the ladies individual section C is now at the halfway stage and will be finished by the end of the month.

CLARECASTLE

The finals of the Clarecastle club championships took place last week and were followed by a very enjoyable social evening at which the sponsor Michael Slattery of Castle Freight made the presentations. John McEntee won the mens division I beating Mike Conlon 3/0. The mens Div. II was the match of the night with Niall Donnellan just pipping Liam Daly on a 2/1 scoreline. In Div. III Gerry White beat Flan Hehir 3/1.

In the ladies final (Div. I) Teresa Corbett beat Lorena O'Loughlin 3/0 while in Div. II B. Leyden beat E. White 3/1.

May 1985

Squash competitions conclude

ALL competitions in Clare squash will be concluded inside the next two weeks with the various club championships in the final stages at present.

The Auburn Lodge's clubs programme for the year will conclude on this Thursday night with the finals of their Harp Lager club championships. Four finals will be played beginning with the Mens Div. II and followed by the Mens Div. I play; Ladies Div. I and Mens Div. I championships. The ladies final brings Caroline McDonnell and Fiona Nugent into opposition, while the mens decider will be between Seamus Hayes and either Tony Lynch or Denis Maurer. The finals will be followed by a social evening.

The Ennis C.B.S. finals will take place on Saturday night and here again Caroline McDonnell will be the favourite for the ladies title.

Seamus English will start as favourite for the mens title against either Seamus Hayes or Tony Lynch. The club's annual social and presentation of prizes will follow.

On Tuesday next it will be the turn of the One Mile Inn club to stage their finals and here again there should be some great games. The presentation of prizes will take place at a social after the games.

The Newmarket club championships are now in full swing and young U/14 star, Michael Torpey is doing well and is continuing to show good form. Joe Pender and Dermot O'Hanlon are fancied to qualify for the final.

May 1986

SQUASH :

Season ends on high note

THERE was some excellent squash during the past week as a number of clubs concluded their competitions for the season with their championship finals.

At the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night last the club staged five finals which were jointly sponsored by Harp and McMahan's of Ennis. Sue O'Sullivan, Aidan Feore, Michael Mullins, Caroline McDonnell and Seamus Hayes were the winners and the finals were followed by a most enjoyable social at which the presentation of prizes took place.

The full results are: Mens Div. I — Seamus Hayes beat Tony Lynch 3/1; Ladies Div. I: Caroline McDonnell beat Fiona Nugent 3/1; Mens Div. II: Aidan Feore beat John O'Shaughnessy; Ladies Div. II: Sue O'Sullivan beat Germaine Noonan; Mens Div. I Plate: Michael Mullins beat Mick Hennessy.

The Ennis C.B.S. club staged their finals on Saturday and here again there were some excellent games. The mens division 1 final was deferred due to an injury to Seamus Hayes, who was to play Seamus English. It is expected that the game will be played next week.

Caroline McDonnell completed a great week by winning the Div. I title at the expense of Kathleen Lenihan. Dermot McDonnell made it a

great occasion for the McDonnell family when he won the Mens Div. II final, beating Ger Browne on a 3/2 scoreline after a great game.

The results are: Mens Div. I Plate: Jack Keane beat Gary Neary; Div. II Champ.: Dermot McDonnell beat Ger Browne; Div. II Plate: John Costin beat Mickey O'Sullivan; Div. III Champ.: Jimmy Kelly beat Tony Kelly; Div. III Plate: Paddy Flannery beat J. J. Fahy; Ladies - Div. I: Caroline McDonnell beat Kathleen Lenihan; Div. I Plate: Marcela Griffin beat Noreen Murphy; Div. II Champ.: Celia O'Reilly beat Isobel Stokes; Div. II Plate: Mary Murphy beat Aine Reidy.

Kildysart Squash Club completed a tremendously successful season with the finals of their club championships recently. Over forty took part in these competitions. Michael O'Connell took the Mens Div. I title for the second time when he beat Jimmy O'Dea with Pat Lorrigan third and Pat Power fourth.

Div. II was won by K. O'Donnell, who beat D. Moloney in the final, with S. Cleary third and T. Griffin in fourth place.

In the ladies final Eileen

O'Neill won her second successive title when beating Valerie Corry with C. O'Donoghue third and L. O'Donoghue in fourth position. Again this year the prizes were sponsored by Michael O'Connell, Cahercon.

The Newmarket club championship will conclude on this Friday night and a great game is expected between Joe Pender and Dermot O'Hanlon. In the semi-finals, Pender accounted for Stephen Flanagan, while O'Hanlon proved too strong for Con Woods. Friday's final will be at 8.30 p.m.

The One Mile Inn club finals on Tuesday night were also highly successful. The mens division I final between Gerry Bredin and the holder Seamus Hayes will be played next week. The results of the other finals are: Mens Div. II: Seamus Howard beat Ken O'Farrell; Div. II Plate: Michael Carmody beat Tom Malone; Ladies Plate: Teresa Hehir beat Bernie Griffin; Ladies Champ.: Margaret Lacheiner beat Ann O'Dowd.

During the social function which followed, a special presentation was made by Club Chairman, Jim O'Dowd to Margaret Lacheiner in recognition of her achievement in winning the Clare Ladies Championship for the tenth consecutive year.

The Annual General Meeting of the club will be held on Tuesday night next at 9 p.m. and not on Monday as was previously announced.

NEW CLARE SQUASH COMMITTEE APPOINTED

THE annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Association was held at the Auburn Lodge Hotel on Friday night last. While the attendance was a little disappointing, it was a successful meeting.

Dermot O'Hanlon, a member of the first C.S.R.A. committee five years ago, is the new President. He succeeds Seamus Hayes who did not seek re-election after three years in office. The new Treasurer is Carmel Enright who takes over from Fiona Nugent who is now working in Cork. Maura Hanrahan continues as Secretary.

The other members of the committee are Caroline McDonnell, Jim Lusk, Finbarr McMahon, Mike Conlon, Jack Keane, Ger Browne and Seamus Hayes. Plans are now

been formulated for the coming season and a meeting of the committee will take place on May 13 to deal with gradings and to plan the league programme for next season.

Meanwhile the One Mile Inn competitive season will come to a close on this Thursday night when the club championship finals will take place. The games will be followed by a social evening and buffet and tickets are available from the committee.

The Auburn Lodge finals will take place on Wednesday night next.

The Newmarket club finals took place last week and resulted in victory for Dermot O'Hanlon who had a 3-2 win over Joe Pender in the final. In the plate final Brendan O'Brien beat Fr. W. Cummins 3-0.

May 1987

CLUB FINALS

The One Mile Inn club championship finals will be staged on this Friday night and some lively contests are expected as the club's very successful season draws to a close. Five finals will be decided and the games will be followed by the club's annual social and presentation of prizes.

The Auburn Lodge championships are in full swing and the finals will be on Thursday night next, April 21.

The CBS championships are also underway at the moment and they will conclude on the week of April 27/28 and 29 when their annual social and presentation of prizes will take place.

The Kilkee championship finals were held last week and here Catherine O'Connor won the ladies crown with a 3/2 win over Marian Haugh. The men's title was won by Paul Costelloe who had a 3/0 win over Sean de Clair.

The Newmarket-on-Fergus club championships also concluded recently when Dermot O'Hanlon won the title for the fourth year in succession beating Joe Pender in the decider. John Culligan won the Div. II title beating Paddy Keegan while the division 2 plate was won by Kevin Greene who beat Noel Casey on a 3/2 scoreline.

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The Auburn Lodge club won their first title for some time when capturing the ladies division 4 crown recently from Kilkee. Members of the successful Auburn panel were Patricia Moroney, Gertrude Hogan, Maureen O'Halloran, Sharon Dilger, Annette Mulqueen, Carmel Kelly and Antoinette Ryan.

The Kilkee panel comprised of Catherine O'Connor, Caroline Bermingham, Imelda Murray, Marian Haugh and Fionnuala Murnane.

A full attendance is expected at the AGM of Clare squash which will take place at the Auburn Lodge Hotel on this Thursday night at 9 p.m. All squash club members are welcome to attend the meeting but, for the purposes of voting, clubs are confined to three representatives. The meeting will elect a committee to run affairs for the coming season and make plans for the various competitions.

There was a very successful blitz competition at the One Mile Inn last week when the team comprising of J. Griffin, P. Sheehan, E. Kelly, and M. Barry emerged victorious over G. Browne, G. Breen, R. O'Reilly and B. Griffin.

April 1988

SQUASH SEASON ENDS

THE curtain came down on the squash season at the weekend when the finals of both the Newmarket-on-Fergus and Ennis C.B.S. club championships were staged. The division 1 finals at the C.B.S. will be played this week and the pairings are: Tomas English v Jack Keane; Caroline McDonnell v Teresa Hehir.

In the division 1 plate decider Jackie Hynes beat Eric Hanrahan on a 3-2 scoreline while Tom Stack won the division 2 title beating John Coughlan in the final.

Sean Gleeson won the Newmarket on Fergus title when he beat the holder Dermot O'Hanlon on Saturday. O'Hanlon was chasing his fifth title in succession. Brendan O'Brien won the division 2 title when beating Betty McMahon while Brian Cronin captured the division 2 plate when he beat Noel Clancy.

In conjunction with Sport for All Week the various squash clubs in the county will be promoting activities. Specific details are available in each club and amongst the activities will be 'Open Evenings' to promote the game.

The annual general meeting of the Munster Squash Association will be held at Cahir on Thursday night next and all clubs are entitled to send representatives.

May 1989

Shannon Diamond (De Beers) Squash Club

● SQUASH

Clare teams lead way in squash

The Shannon Diamond mens division IV squash team took a major step towards winning their section of the Limerick league when they scored a big win over the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club at Shannon. The Limerick side had led from the start of the competition to the half way stage but they were toppled by the Shannon team to the tune of 20 points to nil.

This now means that the Shannon team have taken the lead and must be favoured to win the title. Still they have a number of tough games ahead and they would not want to take anything for granted.

Clare sides are certainly having a tremendous season in the Limerick area competitions. The Ennis CBS club have already taken the mens Div. II title.

On Saturday last the Catholic Institute club organised an inter-club blitz and six teams took part. Two of these were from the One

Mile Inn club and they were drawn in opposite side of the league competition.

After completing their league programme both clubs qualified for the final and this was certainly a major achievement against some very strong opposition especially the host club's A team which was favoured to win the competition.

The final proved to be most entertaining and in the end the team consisting of Denis Maurer, Jack Keane, Gerry Bredin, John Costin, Margaret Lacheiner and Bridie O'Flaherty just won

from Seamus Hayes, Gert Lacheiner, Jim O'Dowd, Michael O'Connell, Ann Boyd and Ann O'Dowd.

With just two rounds remaining in the Limerick ladies junior section, the One Mile Inn side are still eight points clear at the top from Catholic Institute. This week the Ennis side must travel to Charleville while the Limerick team are at home to Ennis CBS. There is expected to be little change in the positions of the teams after this. And so as predicted the outcome of the competition will hinge on the final match in which the two leading clubs will meet. This game has now been brought forward to next Tuesday night and will be played at the One Mile Inn and a big attendance of the home club members are expected to support the side.

By the early stages of next week the way should be clear for the final of the Autumn League at the One Mile Inn. This competition sponsored by O'Dowds Stores and Universal Business Systems and is one of the most popular in the club calendar. While a number of teams are still in contention the favourites to qualify for the final on Tuesday week are the sides captained by Seamus Hayes and Gerry Bredin.

Another Good Victory for Clare U-16 Hurlers

CLARE 3-10
OFFALY 1-3

CLARE'S under 16 hurlers proved far too strong for Offaly in the second round of the Ducham Oil under

day last with 1-6 to his credit (four points came from frees). Clarecastle's Victor O'Loughlin scored 1-1 while Gearoid Mannion accounted for the third goal. The other scorers were Tommy Guilfoyle (0-2) and Pat Taaffe

Nov 1980

Exciting senior Squash league

With just two rounds remaining in the Clare senior squash league, there is a tremendous battle on for first prize between De Beers and the One Mile Inn.

Both sides recorded victories on Tuesday night when the Shannon team picked up full points against the Auburn Lodge with the One Mile Inn dropping just three points to Ennis C.B.S. The leaders will meet in the final game and there should be little, if anything, between them when they meet at Shannon. Last week the One Mile Inn scored a narrow victory and they will be looking for a repeat if they are to win this inaugural competition run by the newly formed Clare squash racquets Association.

On this Thursday night at the magnificent Auburn Lodge complex Clare will take on a very strong Galway selection in a friendly commencing at 7.30 p.m. There will be ten matches with the top ten players from both counties in action and a great

nights squash is expected.

The One Mile Inn club's November blitz, sponsored by Studio Eyewear, will be played on Monday night with eight teams taking part.

Last week there was a very successful blitz at Newmarket sponsored by the Weavers Inn. The winning team comprised of Con Woods, Pat McCaul, Jim Maher, Johnny Cusack, Lil Moyles, Gina Shanagher and Brendan Quinlivan. The runners up were Pat Coughlan, P. J. Cusack, Mike Hogan, Dominic McMahon, Pauline Kilmartin, Mary Marrinan and Paul Cusack. In the unavoidable absence of sponsor, Paul Higgins, the prizes were presented by club chairman, Dermot O'Hanlon.

Nov 1982

Title Rests Between De Beers and One Mile Inn

The way is now clear for the final round of the Clare senior team league and the outcome hinges on the result of the game between De Beers and the One Mile Inn which takes place at Shannon Diamond on Tuesday next.

When the teams met in the first round the One Mile Inn were the winners and they will need to repeat this victory if they are to take the title. De Beers hold the advantage as they have a five point lead going into Tuesday night's game De Beers have 86 pts. as against 81 for the One Mile Inn and a most intriguing game is expected.

The Clare novice league commences on this Thursday night and there are two divi-

sions of five teams. Teams have been entered from Kilkee, Kilrush, Auburn Lodge, One Mile Inn, St. Flannans College, Ennis CBS, McLysaghts, (2) Newmarket and Catholic Institute of Limerick.

The Autumn League at the One Mile Inn has reached the semi-final stage and these will be played on Monday and Thursday nights of next week with the final on Monday week. Entries are now been taken for the annual Harp handicap tournament which will get under way shortly and the draw will be made on Monday night.

The Nov. blitz at the One Mile Inn, sponsored by Studio Eeyewear, attracted

The November blitz at the One Mile Inn, sponsored by Studio Eeyewear, attracted eight teams on Monday night. After a great competition Gerry Bredin's team emerged as winners over John Costin's side.

Last Thursday night a Clare selection entertained a Galway team at the Auburn Lodge and after a great night's squash the match ended level with four matches each. Winners for the Clare team were Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer, Danny Liddy and Jack Keane, while the unlucky losers were Gerry Bredin, Tony Lillis, Tony Lynch and Con Woods. On Thursday Dec. 2 the Clare side will travel to the Galway Tennis club for a return match.

Nov 1982

Senior League Title for De Beers

De Beers won the Clare senior squash league title when they beat the One Mile Inn side in the final games at De Beers on Tuesday night. Entering the game with a five points lead, the Shannon side were the favourites and they justified this favouritism by scoring a 4-1 success to win this inaugural competition.

The competition was an outstanding success for the newly formed Clare squash racquets association and there was a huge attendance. Afterwards the trophies were presented by Mr. J. McHugh of De Beers who sponsored the competition.

Clare chairman Tony Lillis paid tribute to all the teams

that took part in the competition and congratulated the winners on their success. He paid a warm tribute to De Beers for sponsoring the event and to the host club for the reception which they organised.

The members of the winning team were Kyran Hurley, Eugene Strettan, John McEntee, Pat O'Grady, Derry Moloney, capt., and sub., Den O'Farrell and Dan Culhane. Members of the One Mile Inn side were Seamus Hayes, Tony Lynch, Dan Liddy, Con Woods, Gert Lacheiner, Jim O'Dowd and Tom Malone.

In the ladies div. II league the One Mile Inn are unbeaten after four rounds while in the ladies senior individual competition

Margaret Lacheiner is unbeaten after three rounds.

The autumn league sem-finals at the One Mile Inn will be decided on this Thursday and Friday nights with the final on Monday. Gerry Bredins and Tom Malones teams played a thrilling draw on Tuesday night and the sides must meet again on Friday. On this Thursday Gert Lacheiners team will play Seamus Hayes side. The final on Monday will commence at 6.30 p.m.

The annual Harp handicap tournament, one of the highlights of the year, will get under way this week-end at the One Mile Inn club. The draw was made on Monday night last and the first round must be completed by Wednesday next and the committee will not allow any extensions of time.

Nov 1982



Shannon Diamond, winners of the Clare senior squash league, pictured above (left to right) John McEntee, Eugene Stratten, Tony Killis Chairman of the Clare squash racquets Association, Derry Moloney, team capt., Jim McGee, De Beers, who sponsored the competition, Kyran Hurley, Pat O'Grady and Ken O'Farrell.

All Set for Clare Championship Finals

The top four seeds in both the ladies and mens Clare championships safely qualified for the semi-finals. These matches were being played last night, Wednesday with the finals down for decision on this Thursday at the Auburn Lodge commencing at 7 p.m.

Soccer Fixtures

SATURDAY 12-3-83

Youths League

At Fairgreen: Turnpike Rov. v. St. Patricks, 3 p.m. M. Cusack.
At Newmarket: Newmarket Cel v Shannon Town 3 p.m., N. Bennett.
One Mile Inn: Hermitage v. Newtown, 3 p.m. T. Whelan.
Our Ladys: Lifford v Kilmaley, 3 p.m. S. Reidy.

SUNDAY 13 Mar.

FAI Junior Cup

At Waterford: Waterford v St. Michaels, Ennis 2.45 p.m. Extra time if necessary.

Premier League

Our Ladys: Lifford A v Newmarket Cel. A 3 p.m. M. White
Corrib Drive: Shannon Town A v De Beers, 11.30 a.m. G. Kennedy.
Ballycasey: Newtown A v Kilrush Rang. A 3 p.m. A. Egan.
O'Briensbridge: Bridge Cel. v Hermitage A 11.30 a.m. S. Reidy.

In the mens championship both Denis Maurer and Seamus Hayes had comfortable quarter final victories over Paul Costello and Jack Keane respectively. However Tony Lillis and Gerry Bredin had to pull out all the stops before beating Derry Moloney and Tony Lynch respectively. Lillis won the first but lost the next two against Moloney. However he staged a great comeback and in fact easily won the fifth. Bredin went two games up on Lynch and looked set for an easy victory but Lynch came back to level the game at 2-2. Bredins greater experience helped him to take the final set. The semi-final pairings were Bredin v Hayes and Maurer v Lillis.

The top four ladies comfortably came through to the semi-finals and here the pairings are: Margaret Lacheiner v Bridie O'Flaherty and

Mary Carey v Betty McMahon. Mrs. Lacheiner, the holder and Miss McMahon are expected to come through to to-nights final.

The way is clear for the Plate competition finals with the semi-finals having been played on Tuesday. Joe Pender of Ennis C.B.S. beat Pat Coughlan of Newmarket to qualify for the mens final against John McEntee of De Beers who beat his clubmate Pat O'Grady in a great five set contest. The ladies final will be between Marcella Griffin of Ennis CBS and Caroline McDonnell of De Beers who beat Sylvia Carroll of De Beers and Mary Hennessy of the One Mile Inn respectively.

After the finals on this Thursday there will be a disco and presentation of prizes in the Auburn Lodge and tickets for the function are available from committee members.

The De Beers inter club blitz on Saturday last proved to be a great success with the host club's A team taking the honours beating the One Mile Inn A side in the final. The members of the winning team were Pat O'Grady, Eugene Strotton, Dan Cuhane

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Strettan, Dan Culhane, Tony O'Connell, Caroline McDonnell and Geraldine Fahy while the runners up were Seamus Hayes, Jim O'Dowd, Donal Hassett, Joe Griffen, Marg. Lacheiner, Theresa Corbett. The trophies were presented by Jim Rocks of Dressco of Ennis and Shannon.

The ladies senior individual league concluded recently and the prizes were presented on Saturday night. The trophies were sponsored by Tab (Coca Cola) and the winners were 1 Margaret Lacheiner, 2 Betty McManon, 3 Mary Carey. Most improved player - Margaret Flannagan.

Last week some exhibition games were played to mark the completion of work on the magnificent Clarecastle complex which includes two squash courts. There were some great matches for the big attendance and the results were Betty McMahon beat Margaret Lacheiner 3/1, Bridie O'Flaherty beat Jan Davis 3/1, Seamus Hayes beat Gerry Bredin 3/1, Denis Maurer beat Tony Lillis 3/1, and John McEntee beat Tony Lynch 3/2.

The Ennis CBS championships will get under way next week and again there are various divisions for both ladies and men. The One Mile Inn championship will commence within the next couple of weeks and the clubs annual dance will be on Friday Apr. 22 at the West County Inn. There will be a blitz at the One Mile Inn on Monday Mar. 21 and the entry sheet will be on the notice board this week-end.

The February blitz at the CBS was won by Tony Lynch and his team of John Collins, Bobby Stack, Sean Dlay, Margaret Flannagan and C. Kelly.

March 1983

SQUASH

Senior League final on this Thursday

The final round in the mens senior individual (section A) league takes place on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge. Of the ten players involved, just two remain unbeaten and the meeting of Tony Lynch and Seamus Hayes will decide the first and second placings in the competition.

In last week's games Lynch and Hayes defeated Seamus English and Tony Lillis respectively in straight sets to set the scene for the final.

Hayes won the title two years ago and finished runner-up last year to Kyran Hurley. In fairness it must be pointed out that Lynch, has, to date this season, been the most impressive player in Clare squash and he will start as favourite on this Thursday. In recent friendly games between the players Lynch has had the upperhand and looks set to win his first Clare individual title.

In the ladies individual competition Lil Moyles of Newmarket and Ann O'Dowd of the One Mile Inn continue to be the leaders despite the fact that both were beaten last week. At this stage Mrs. Moyles has a one point lead and it appears as if her meeting with Mrs. O'Dowd in the final game on December 20 will decide the issue. Last week Mrs. O'Dowd lost to Mary Carey on a 1/3 scoreline while Mrs. Moyles lost to Jan Davis on a 2/3 scoreline.

The semi-finals of the mens division IV league will take place on Monday next and the semi-final pairings will be confirmed on this Thursday. The final round in the league section were being played

last night, Wednesday and the results were not at hand at the time of going to press. In section I, De Beers are leading from Newmarket and these two look set for the semi-finals. Going into last night's games Lissycasey A led the other section from the Auburn Lodge with Clarecastle in close contention. The semi-finals will start at 7.30 p.m. on Monday at Clarecastle (provided the home club is not involved; if Clarecastle qualify their semi-final will be at the Auburn Lodge) and the final will be on Wednesday next.

Harp Tourney

On the club scene the annual Harp handicap tournament at the One Mile Inn is in full swing and the quarter final stage has been reached. The finals are set for Wednesday night next and there should be a high standard of play in both the ladies and mens sections.

Auburn Lodge

The very active Auburn Lodge club will hold its Christmas blitz on this day evening for turkey and competition will be followed by a track suit disco. It should prove exciting during the evening the prizes will be presented.

Newmarket

The Winter League is run by Newmarket. Fergus club continued Monday night when McMahon's team beat Eamuid Hanratty's side by 5 pts. to 5. The game of the night was the meeting Lewy Halpin and Fr. McCormack with Halpin winning narrowly.

Last week D. J. Meenan's team beat Kevin Green's team by 10 points to 3. The league which is sponsored by Paul Higgins of the Wexford Inn, continues until the end of January.

De Beers

The De Beers club will hold their Christmas blitz on this Thursday night and a large entry has been received. Competition has been keen this season and a most enjoyable blitz is expected.

SALE OF WORK

ST. MICHAEL'S HALL, KILMIHL

THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16th

Commencing 12.30 p.m.

Organised by Kilmihl GAA Club. All are welcome

SQUASH: League title for Lynch

Tony Lynch of Ennis C.B.S. won his first Clare individual title when he captured the league crown by beating Seamus Hayes at the Auburn Lodge last Thursday. Both players were unbeaten going into this final round game.

Favourite, Lynch, started in tremendous style and looked set for a convincing win when he led by two goals to nil. Memories of last year's

Clare championship final in which he lost a two game lead, must have come flooding back for Lynch when Hayes hit back to level this

most entertaining game at 2-2. However Lynch was not to be denied this time and his superior fitness told in the end as he captured the all important fifth game to take the title.

The ladies individual competition will conclude on this Thursday night and still on contention are Ann O'Dowd, Lil Moyles and Caroline McDonnell. At the time of writing Ann O'Dowd and Caroline McDonnell were the joint leaders. Lil Moyles suffered her first defeat on Thursday night when she lost on a 2/3 scoreline to Ann O'Dowd who is now the favourite to win the crown.

Caroline McDonnell's remaining two games are against Mary Carey and Lil Moyles and these will be vital to all involved in the competition.

The final of the mens division IV league takes place on this Wednesday night at Clarecastle commencing at 7.30 p.m. At the time of writing the results of the semi-finals in which Lissycasey A play Newmarket and De Beers play Auburn, were not known. All four teams would appear to be evenly matched so there should be very little between the teams.

The final of the annual Harp handicap tournament at the One Mile Inn takes place on this Wednesday night also and it will be followed by the club's annual Christmas party.

The De Beers Christmas blitz on Thursday night last proved to be the most successful tournament the club has held for a number of seasons. The winners were John Dyer, Tom Colbert, John Lynch, Teresa Hogan and Mary O'Loughlin while the runners up were Pat O'Grady, Seanie McMahon, Martin Meere, Freddie Markham and Michael Lenihan. Only one point separated the teams and six teams took part.

In the Newmarket-on-Fergus winter league the games fixed for Monday night last were deferred due to the club's involvement in the Clare division IV semi-finals. These games will be fitted in to the match programme in January.

Frank Scully—A Supporter Of All Sports

Interest in ladies gaelic football is growing rapidly in Clare since a County board was set up just a couple of years ago. Its appropriate that one of the first clubs to affiliate in Clare was Ml. Cusacks, representing the parish in which the GAA founder Michael Cusack was born. One of the founder members of the Cusacks club was Frank Scully, a man who devotes most of his free time to voluntary sporting organisations.

The first Clare ladies football championship took place in 1983 and Frank was the team manager of the Ml. Cusacks side which was narrowly beaten in the final by Clonbony who went on to retain the title in the current year. It wasn't surprising that he was chosen as a selector on the Clare ladies football side and he is also a vice chairman of the county board.

He is a loyal member of the Ml. Cusacks GAA club and has worked at various levels for the club over the years.

Frank, who lives in Bell harbour, is also actively involved in the Community games and he was team manager of the Carron/New Quay hockey team which

took secondplace in Ireland in community games in 1983.

"I love to see people involved in sport, regardless of which sport they choose", says Frank who is also an active member of the New Quay civil defence branch. Frank has a particular interest in seeing youth involved in sport so it isn't at all surprising to find that he is a member of the Burren NACA athletic Club.

At the forthcoming Ml. Cusacks ladies football club annual meeting, Frank will be stepping down from his position as team manager. He will however, be seeking re-election to his positions on the ladies football board.

CLARE FOR OPEN DRAW

THE open draw competitions will again be run by the G.A.A. in 1985 and despite reports to the contrary at the weekend, Clare supported a motion to have these competitions.

De Beers Win Title

DE BEERS captured the Claremens Div. IV squash league title when they defeated Newmarket in a very entertaining final at Clarecastle on Wednesday night. The Shannon club recorded a 4-1 success to maintain their unbeaten run in the competition which proved most enjoyable.

The results in the final were as follows (De Beers names first): G. Fennell bt K. Greene 3/0; P. Looney lost to D. Hanratty, 1/3; P. Ryan bt P. Pilkington, 3/2; S. McMahon bt P. Keegan, 3/0; M. Moore bt L. Moyles, 3/0.

HARP HANDICAP

The Annual Harp Handicap Tournament concluded at the One Mile Inn last Wednesday when the holders, Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles. Title-laden Mrs. Lacheiner defeated Ann O'Dowd in straight sets while in the mens final Seamus Hayes defeated Maurice Murphy by two games to 1. Murphy caused the surprise of the competition when he defeated Tony Lynch

ENNIS C.B.S.

The Ennis C.B.S. Club's Christmas Blitz was an outstanding success on Wednesday night last when Eugene Ryan's team emerged vic-

torious over Declan Coote's side.

The club's handicap tournament is due to commence in January.

MUNSTER TITLES

The Munster Club Cross Country Championships were held in Bandon in the most trying conditions. St. Senan's A.C. marked the occasion with probably their best and most successful performance to date, taking a stunning four club titles, while being placed in two other competitions.

Results: Girls under 11: St. Senans, 3rd team, Karen Marie Danaher 11, Brid Bermingham 14, Sonja Burke 22, Catherine Minihan 34.

Boys under 11: County Champions, Donal O'Sullivan 5, James O'Brien 6, Kevin Browne 10, John Griffin 13.

Girls under 13: County Champions, Valerie Clancy 1, Clara Comerford 2, Marian Conway 6, Olive Wade 10.

Boys under 13: 3rd team, Martin



Inter-firm title for De Beers

The inaugural inter-firm Clare squash championship concluded at Shannon Diamond club on Saturday night last with De Beers emerging as winners of this highly successful event. Fourteen teams took part in the competition which commenced on Saturday week last. After the quarter finals on Thursday of last week the line up was as follows: De Beers v Boart Hard Metals, and Clare Champion (reporters) v Air Traffic Control.

The highlight of the quarter finals was surely the game between Clare Champion and Ennis C.B.S. with the Champion scoring a great 3/2 verdict. In the semi-final they overcame Air Traffic Control, again on a 3/2 scoreline while De Beers had a 4/1 win over Boart Hard Metals.

The final was a most entertaining contest with De Beers winning on a 3/2 scoreline. The members of the winning team were Pat O'Grady, Tony Madigan, Betty McMahon, Caroline McDonnell and Tommy Hehir while the Clare Champion's line up included Seamus Hayes, Liam McGrath, Margaret

Ennis C.B.S.

The annual handicap tournaments (mens and ladies) at the Ennis C.B.S. club get under way this week and will be run off during the month of February. There has been a big entry for this very popular competition and some great games are expected over the coming weeks. Details of the draw and the dates by which the various rounds must be played, are posted on the notice board in the club.

One Mile Inn

week's exhibition game featuring World number 8, Hidi Jaham and George Okerchun which takes place at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night. It will be preceded by the clash of Connacht number 1, Aidan Kelly from Galway and Munster team member, Michael O'Donoghue of Limerick at 7.45 p.m. There are still a very limited number of tickets available for the games and those interested should contact any of the C.S.R.A. officials immediately.

Clare back

CLARE 5-12

Clare hurlers are back of the National League comprehensive victory over Park, Belfast on Sunday. There is no doubt about the control from an early stage of a place in the quarter

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Champion's line up included Seamus Hayes Hayes, Liam McGrath, Margaret Lacheiner, Carmel Verling and Gerry Collison. At an enjoyable social in the Shannon Diamond club afterwards the prizes were presented to the finalists.

Auburn Lodge

The February blitz at the Auburn Lodge was staged on Monday and Tuesday nights of this week and proved most enjoyable. Competition was extremely keen throughout and a play-off was needed to decide the winners at the end of the night. The winning team comprised of Seamus Hayes, David Tindin, Bill O'Doherty, Cecil McDonagh, Phil Butler and Norman Spooner while the runners up were Pat O'Shea, Mike Mullins, Michael Nelson, Eanna Nugent, Ann Mackham and Mary McMahon. The prizes were sponsored by the Auburn Lodge Hotel.

One Mile Inn

The One Mile Inn's ladder competition, the winner of which will earn a continental holiday, gets under way this week and will run until the end of March. The rules pertaining to the competition are posted on the notice board and it promises to be one of the most exciting competitions in the history of the club.

Newmarket

The final of the Newmarket-on-Fergus team league will take place on Thursday night when the teams captained by D. J. Meehan and Betty McMahon will be in opposition. When they met in the league there was little between them and it's expected that the final will be equally close.

Exhibition game

There has been a huge demand for tickets for next

Feb 1985

■ SQUASH:

Clare Championships attract big entry

The Clare Squash Championships will commence at Easter and will be run off over the following two weeks with the finals set for Thursday, April 18.

The draw was made this week (too late for publication) and details will be circulated to all clubs over the week-end. It's expected that once again there will be some great battles in this competition.

The mens event is said to be the 'most open' to date with a number of players all in with a very strong chance of success. Beaten finalist last year, Tony Lynch, is fancied by most to take his first title but the defending champion, Seamus English, cannot be overlooked while such as Seamus Hayes and Tony Lillis (both former winners) will also be strong contenders. Gerry Bredin could well be the man to cause the big surprise. He hasn't played in any of the competitions to date due to his involvement in badminton but he has gained a number of good results in recent friendlies and these suggest that he will be in the final shake up.

Meanwhile the inaugural senior mixed team league sponsored by De Beers is proving a very closely contested affair with very little between any of the four teams involved. The league will conclude next week when there will be two rounds on Tuesday and Thursday nights. After Thursday nights games the prizes will be presented at a function in the Shannon Diamond club.

Auburn Lodge

The final of the Auburn Lodge handicap competitions will take place on this Thursday night with the ladies final at 7.30 between Carmel Enright and Anne O'Dowd or Fiona Nugent. This will be followed by the mens final between beaten finalist last year, Jack Keane and Seamus Hayes who pipped the holder, Danny Liddy

in the semi-final.

The Auburn club championships in which there are a number of divisions, got under way this week and full details are on the notice board.

Ennis C.B.S.

The Ennis C.B.S. club championships (three divisions) also got under way this week and the first rounds must be played by this Sunday. The mens A grade here is expected to be the most keenly contested to date.

One Mile Inn

In the One Mile Inn club a handicap competition for both men and ladies is presently under way and proving a big attraction. Meanwhile the continental holiday ladder competition is continuing and with just a couple of weeks to go it's expected that there will be an increase in the number of games being played.

March 1985

CLARE C'SHIPS COMMENCE NEXT WEEK

THE draw for the Clare championships was made at a meeting of the C.S.R.A. last week and details of same are now available in the various club notice boards. The first rounds will be played on Tuesday, April 9 with the second rounds just 24 hours later. The quarter-finals are set for Friday, April 12 with the semi-finals on Tuesday 16th and the final on Thursday, April 18.

The plate competitions for first-round losers gets under way on Thursday, April 11 and the final will be on Thursday, April 18 also.

Absent for the ladies competition this year will be Betty McMahon, beaten in the final last year. Betty has spent much of her free time coaching this season and has done tremendous work for the game in both the Newmarket and De Beers clubs.

LEAGUES CONCLUDE

The Clare senior mixed team league, sponsored by De Beers, concluded on Friday last when the final round of games were played at the Shannon Diamond club. The competition, which was a great success, was won by the team comprising of Seamus English, Denis Maurer, Derry Moloney, Betty McMahon (captain) and Margaret Flannagan. The

runners up were John McEntee, Tony Lillis, Dermot O'Hanlon, Margaret Lacheiner and Fiona Nugent, the team captain. The presentations were made by Mr. Gus Barrett of the De Beers Personnel Department.

The inaugural mens 'confined' league concluded on Monday night and Kilkee, unbeaten in the competition, emerged as clear winners. There was a tremendous battle for second place with St. Flannans just getting in ahead of Newmarket and Lissycasey.

ENNIS C.B.S.

Ennis C.B.S. ladies teams have had a most successful season and their latest success came when their team won the Clare Div. III title. The team comprised of Geraldine Fogarty, Marie

Coote, Maura Hanrahan (Capt.), Celia Reilly and Margaret Heaslip and they finished ahead of the Auburn Lodge team.

Earlier in the season they won the Div. II title, while they were runners-up in Div. IV.

HANDICAP FINAL

The Auburn Lodge's annual handicap tournament concluded on Thursday night last with two very good finals. The ladies game stole the show, with Carmel Enright winning a three-set thriller against the holder, Ann O'Dowd. In the mens final, Jack Keane tasted defeat for the second year in a row when he lost to Seamus Hayes.

Both the Auburn Lodge and Ennis C.B.S. club championships are now at the semi-final stage and the battle for the titles is really hotting up. Clare CHAMPION, Seamus English was sent crashing out of the C.B.S. competition on Saturday last when a bang in form Tony Lillis recorded a 3-0 victory. Number four seed John McEntee bowed out also at the quarter final stage, when he lost to Jack Keane in a five setter.

The inaugural Clare junior competitions will be run off on this Friday, Good Friday, April 5. There will be events for under 12, under 14 and under 16 and an entry of over forty has been received. The games will be played at the Ennis C.B.S. club which supplies most of the players and will get under way at 9 a.m. on this Friday and continue throughout the day.

April 1985

● SQUASH:



HOLDERS RETAIN TITLES

BY SEAMUS HAYES

The squash season is now drawing to a close and the remaining club championships will be decided in the coming week. The One Mile Inn finals were held on Thursday night last when the holders of the Div. I crowns, Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles.

Mrs. Lacheiner defeated Caroline McDonnell in a repeat of the Clare final while Hayes accounted for the pre-match favourite Tony Lynch on a 3/1 scoreline. In the Div. II decider Joe Griffin defeated Jim O'Dowd. The Div. II plate was won by Tony Chapman who beat Kieran Browne while the ladies plate was won by Teresa Corbett who beat the club secretary Rosemary Guthrie.

At a most enjoyable function afterwards the prizes were presented by the sponsor, Michael Howard who paid tribute to all involved and especially to the hard working committee.

The prizes for the club's recent handicap competition were presented by Donal Moloney of Seven-Up, sponsors of the event.

SHANNON

The Shannon Diamond Club will hold its end of season function on this Thursday night at their clubrooms. The club championships were completed this week and prizes for all competitions will be presented.

NEWMARKET

The finals of the Newmarket-on-Fergus club championship will take place on Wednesday next, May 22 and so far all of the top seeds have justified their rankings.

CLARE LEAGUES

The Clare mens individual section B competition was

completed during the week when Eric Hanrahan emerged as winner following a fine 3/0 win over his Ennis CBS clubmate Declan Coote. Meanwhile the ladies individual section C is now at the halfway stage and will be finished by the end of the month.

CLARECASTLE

The finals of the Clarecastle club championships took place last week and were followed by a very enjoyable social evening at which the sponsor Michael Slattery of Castle Freight made the presentations. John McEntee won the mens division I beating Mike Conlon 3/0. The mens Div. II was the match of the night with Niall Donnellan just pipping Liam Daly on a 2/1 scoreline. In Div. III Gerry White beat Flan Hehir 3/1.

In the ladies final (Div. I) Teresa Corbett beat Lorena O'Loughlin 3/0 while in Div. II B. Leyden beat E. White 3/1.

May 1985

League Div. 2 Final on Friday

The Clare Squash Assoc's competitions are in full swing at present and on this Friday night the mens div. 2 event will come to a conclusion. The De Beers-Newmarket amalgamation are leading at present with seven points to spare over the One Mile Inn. The teams meet in the final game on Friday at Shannon Diamond and with the outcome resting on this match its certain to be a cliff hanger.

When the sides met earlier at the One Mile Inn, there was a great nights competition

before De Beers-Newmarket emerged winners on a 3-2 scoreline. And each of the games went to the final set on that occasion. De Beers - Newmarket are slight favourites to lift the title but the One Mile Inn outfit are determined to win on this occasion. It should be a great nights squash.

Indeed its proving a most successful season for the One Mile Inn club. In the senior team, mixed, league they are the leaders at the half way stage from Ennis CBS A with the Auburn Lodge and Ennis CBS B tied in third place. Like the mens div. 2, there is little between

the teams in the senior event and while the One Mile side remain as favourites to capture the crown for the first time, they will have to be at their best throughout the remainder of the competition.

In the ladies div. 2 competition (teams of three) Kilkee are having a very good run and while there is a long way to go yet the West Clare club must be in with a strong chance of winning the title.

The mens div. 4 league will get under way shortly and entries must be with the league sec., Finbarr McMahon by Tuesday next, Oct. 29.

The senior individual mens and ladies leagues are well under way also and will be continuing until the new year.

Oct 1985

Kildysart set for First Title

The final of the mens confined (novice) league will take place on this Saturday night at Clarecastle when Kildysart and Shannon Diamond A will be in opposition. In their first ever competition in Clare squash, Kildysart have been most impressive to date and are unbeaten in the competition. Shannon Diamonds only defeat was at the hands of Kildysart and they will be hoping to reverse this result on Saturday night. It should be an exciting final but it will be a surprise if the Kildysart men fail to capture their first title.

The mens div. 3 league is certainly proving to be a nail biting affair. With just one round remaining in the league section all teams are still in contention for places in the semi-final. St. Flannans, the only unbeaten team in the comp., are certain of a place in the last four but any three of the remaining six teams can join them.

There is a tremendous battle going on for the runners up spot to St. Flannans in their section. Auburn Lodge are in

second position at the moment with just one point to spare over Lissycasey with Shannon Diamond just a couple of points behind. On Monday night The Auburn outfit travel to Shannon while St. Flannans host Lissycasey. In the other section Clarecastle are fancied to make it to the last four with Ennis CBS and Kilkee battling it out for the other position.

Shannon Diamond look set to add to what has been a great season for them by winning the ladies div. 3 title. To date they are unbeaten in the competition and it will be a surprise if they fail to win the title.

The ladies confined league is now at the half way stage with the Auburn Lodge and St. Flannans doing very well.

Entry forms for the Clare Championship which is again sponsored by Maurer Jewellers are now available in all clubs and the closing date for entries is Wed., Mar. 5. As announced there will be a B competition for both men and ladies this year with plate events in all grades.

Feb 1986

Clare championship draw

The squash season in Clare is now at its busiest in relation to competition with just three weeks to go to the Clare championships. Wednesday next is the closing date for receipt of entries for this competition which, for the first time this year, included a B section for both ladies and men. There will be a plate section in all four events so a huge entry is expected. The draw will take place next Thursday so all players are reminded to get their entries in in good time.

Two more leagues concluded last week with Shannon Diamond and Kildysart capturing the honours. Shannon Diamond went through the Div. III ladies competition unbeaten to capture the honours. The members of the winning panel were Geraldine Fahy, Mary O'Loughlin, Teresa Hogan, Margaret Mullany, Mary Culligan, Catherine Burke and Miriam O'Grady.

The mens confined league was decided at Clarecastle on Saturday night last when favourites Kildysart defeated Shannon Diamond. The Kildysart panel consisted of Jimmy O'Dea, Pat Power, George Casey, Tony McMahon, Joseph Keane, Michael Clancy, and Willie Griffin. The Shannon Diamond panel was Mick Logan, Mark O'Sullivan, John Culligan, Pakie Power, Brendan O'Brien, John Flanagan and Oliver Darcy.

The mens Div. II is at the knock-out stages and the semi-finals will be played on this Thursday night. St. Flannan's, the only unbeaten team in the competition will meet Ennis CBS at the Auburn Lodge while Clarecastle will take on the Auburn Lodge at Lissycasey. The final will be played on Monday night next and the venue will be

decided on after the semi-finals.

Four rounds remain in the ladies confined league and the main contenders are Auburn Lodge A, Ennis CBS and St. Flannans A. This competition is proving most popular with those involved and there has been a high standard of play to date.

The mens individual league concluded at the week-end with Seamus Hayes emerging as the winner. This competition has been running since October with promotion and relegation operating between the different divisions. The ladies concluded recently with Margaret Lacheiner going through the competition without defeat to take the title from Betty McMahon.

This week the Auburn Lodge team of Tony Lynch, Denis Maurer, Tony Lillis and Seamus Hayes travel to Cork to play Castlelyons in the first round of the Munster team championship. Victory for the Ennis side would give them a quarter final meeting with either Gleneagle, Killarney or Highfield, Cork, and again the Clare side will be away, it involved.

Draughts league

After the third round of the Clare Open Draughts competition, the points position is as follows, S. Cronin, Limerick 12 points; M. O'Shaughnessy, Limerick, 9 pts.; T. Bryson, Shannon 8 pts.; S. Nolan, Ennis, J. Donnellan, Kilkishen and J. Cunningham, Limerick, 7 pts. each.

'Holiday' Finals at One Mile Inn

The finals of the holiday handicap competition at the One Mile Inn will take place on this Thursday night. With such valuable prizes on offer it's not surprising that the competition has aroused tremendous interest in both ladies and mens sections.

At the time of writing Bridie O'Flaherty had won through to the ladies final but her opponent wasn't known but Margaret Lacheiner was favourite to qualify. This game will be at 8.30 and will be followed by the mens decider between Ger Browne and Seamus Hayes.

De Beers retained the Clare inter-firm title when they beat Air Traffic control in the final at the Shannon club on Sat. night last. Members of the winning team were P. O'Grady, G. Hudson, T. O'Connell, C. McDonnell and T. Hehir while the runners up comprised of C. Costello, D. O'Hanlon, P. Russell, C. Enright and M. Marrinan.

The Ennis CBS club champs. are now in full swing and the

quarter finals are down for decision this week. The finals are scheduled for Friday, May 3 when the club will hold their annual function at which the presentation of prizes will take place.

The Auburn Lodge club champs. are nearing the semi-final stage and there was a surprise in the ladies section when fav. Carmel Enright was beaten in a great match which went the full distance by Mairead Bergin. The finals will be held at the end of April.

The One Mile Inn club champs. will get under way next week.

There was a disappointing attendance at the AGM of Clare squash held last week at the Auburn Lodge. The following committee were elected for the coming season - Pres., Seamus Hayes. Sec. Maura Hanrahan, treas. F. Nugent, Committee D. Maurer, B. McMahon, J. Keane, C. Enright, F. McMahon C. McDonnell and J. Lusk.

April 1986



Winners and runners-up in the many competitions held at the Shannon Diamond Club last season.

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SQUASH:

Div. 3 Title for Shannon

Shannon Diamond squash club captured the Clare div. 3 mens squash final on Tuesday night when they beat the holders Clarecastle in an entertaining decider at the Auburn Lodge club. Clarecastle entered the final as slight favourites having already beaten the Shannon side on a 3-2 scoreline in both of their meetings earlier in the league.

Shannon got off to a great start when sub. Martin Moore, playing at number five, beat Paddy Keegan in a great game that went the full distance. John Lynch and Seanie McMahon won the next two games to secure victory for the Shannon outfit. Other members of their panel were J. Twomey, T. Culbert, J. Hehir and team captain, Betty McMahon. Clarecastles panel consisted of T. Ferriter, M. Keane, D. Barrett, S. Flanagan, M. Wally, P. Keegan and captain Jim Lusk.

The mens confined league final will take place on this Friday night when Ennistymon take on Clarecastle at the Auburn Lodge. Ennistymon, favourites for the title, beat Kildysart on a 4-1 scoreline last Friday in the semi-final at the One Mile Inn while, on the same night, at St. Flannans Clarecastle had a 5-0 win over Lissycasey.

The ladies confined is now

nearing completion and it will be a major surprise if Ennistymon fail to capture the title. Ennistymon are doing extremely well in this event as their B side are very much in the running for second place.

A number of Clare players travelled to Galway last week-end for the Connacht open where they had a lot of success. Sean Gleeson from Shannon won his section. Ennis CBS' Mike Conlon reached the plate semi-final while Pat Doran, Clarecastle had a good run in the D champ. In the ladies A plate Caroline McDonnell of Ennis CBS was beaten in the final while Teresa Hehir of the One Mile Inn was beaten in the ladies B plate final.

The One Mile Inn club had a most enjoyable and successful outing to the Gleneagle squash club in Killarney last week-end. In addition to playing the Orchard squash club from Cork, there were enjoyable golf, snooker and pitch and putt competitions.

■ SQUASH:

TITLE FOR ENNIS C.B.S.

THE opening competition of the season, the inter club knock out competition, was

Cumann Luthchleas Gael
Coliste Chontae an Chlair

BORD NA bPAIRC MEETING

● This Thursday night, West Co. Inn, Inis. This is a very important meeting and all clubs that carried out any type of development in 1988 should be present. There will be no other opportunity to speak.

staged at the Shannon Diamond clubs last week-end. Five teams participated. Ennis C.B.S. 'A' won the title for the first time when they beat the host club in the final. The members of the winning team were Mike Conlon, Derry Moloney, Michael Hanrahan, Caroline McDonnell and Mary Murphy. The Shannon Diamond team comprised of Pat O'Grady, Martin Moore, John Culligan, Teresa Hogan and Jean Murphy and they defeated the holders One Mile Inn in the semi-final. The other teams taking part were Ennis C.B.S. 'B' and St. Flannans.

Final arrangements are now being made for the senior team league and the individual leagues which will be getting under way shortly.

A new sports complex will open its doors in Ennis on Monday night next. The Ennis Boys National School complex comprises of two squash and two handball courts as well as tennis facilities. The facilities will be available from next Monday to members and those interested in joining should contact any member of the committee. It is a most modern complex and will certainly be a major asset to both the school and the town.

Oct 1988

DIVISION 2 TITLE FOR JEAN MURPHY

JEAN MURPHY from Shannon Diamond squash club is the winner of the Clare ladies division 2 individual squash title. This is a tremendous achievement by the promising Shannon club member who is still eligible for division three.

When the league concluded she had a total of 24 points to finish ahead of Mary Murphy from Ennis C.B.S. who had 19 with Mary Culligan of St. Flannan's in third place on 17 points. Overall it was a very competitive and successful league.

The mens division 4 league which got under way on Tuesday night of this week, has attracted an entry of six teams and should be a good competition. Ennis C.B.S. 'A' are the favourites for the title.

In the New Ireland Assurance division 3 (mens) league, Catholic Institute from Limerick lead from Clarecastle with

Shannon Diamond in third place as the halfway stage approaches. In the ladies section Clarecastle look set to take the honours.

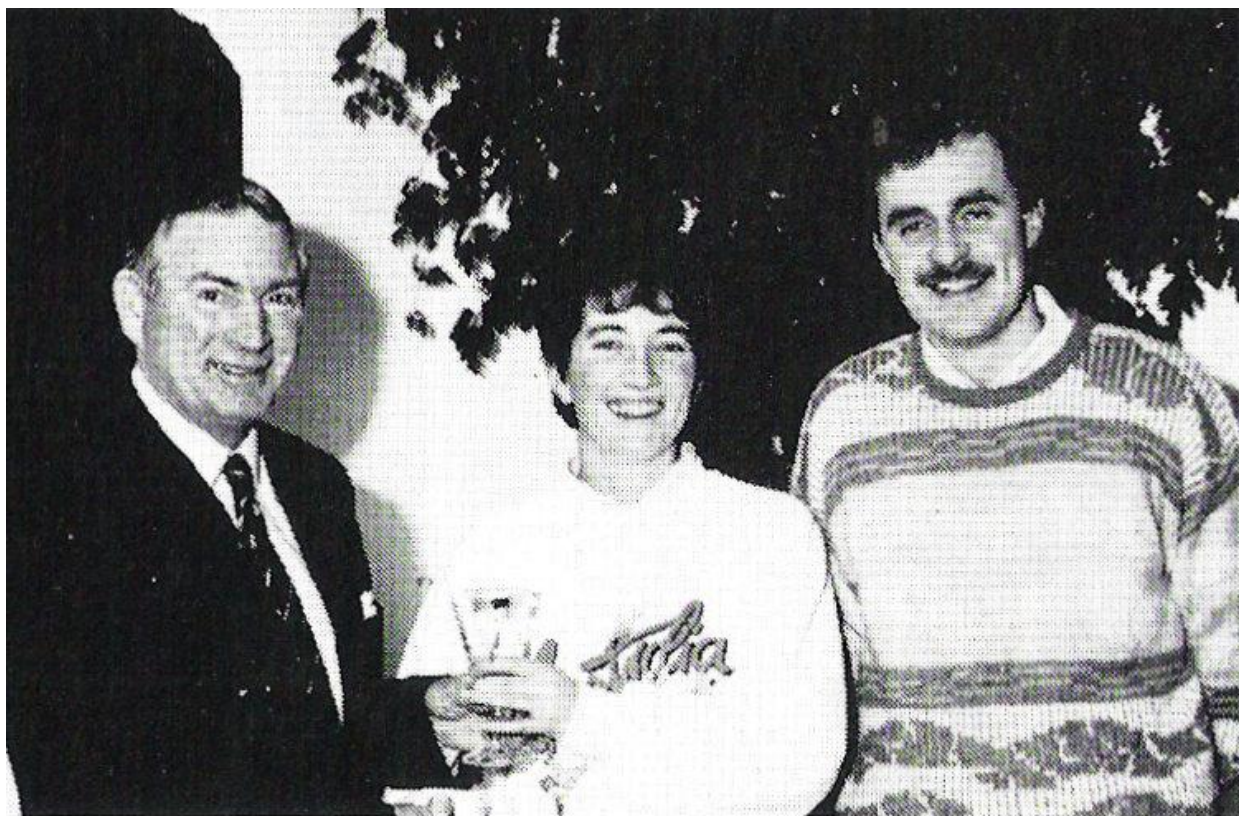
The Bank of Ireland division one team leagues (mens and ladies) got under way last week. In the mens event in which there are seven teams, there were wins for One Mile Inn, Ennis C.B.S. and Catholic Institute. In the ladies competition which has five teams taking part, Nenagh and Catholic Institute had wins over Limerick Lawn Tennis Club and Ennis C.B.S. respectively.

In the Catholic Institute open at the week-end a number of Clare players did extremely well. In the ladies competitions Caroline McDonnell reached the B final where she lost (1-3) to Patricia O'Connor from Nenagh. Carmel Enright won the B plate final. Maura Hanrahan was defeated in the C plate final while in the C championship Mary Murphy reached the concluding stages.

Michael Conlon from Ennis C.B.S. won the mens 'C' grade scoring an impressive 3-0 win over Brian Williams from the host club in the final. Other finalists from Clare were John Culligan, Shannon Diamond and the Clarecastle pair Fergus O'Loughlin and Frank Reddan.

There will be a big entry from Clare for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster 'Open' which will take place in Cork at the end of February (24, 25 and 26). The tournament will be based at Christy's in Blarney and has attracted a top class entry for the mens A section which should prove a major attraction.

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Mr. Gus Barrett, Public Relations Manager, De Beers congratulates S.D.C.'s Jean Murphy, winner of the Clare Ladies Division 2 title last year. On the right is S.D.C. Chairman, Martin Moore.

Record Entry For Clare Championships

ALMOST ninety players will commence competition next week for the prestigious Maurer Jewellers Clare Championships, the highlight of the year on the Clare squash front.

The championships, in which there are A.B. and C grades for men and women, will commence on Monday night next [March 26] and conclude on Friday, April 6, when the finals will be played at the Clarecastle complex. This is a record entry.

Copies of the draw giving details of the times and venues for all games are on display in the various clubs and there should be some great battles over the two weeks.

The ladies division 1 league concluded last week with Limerick Lawn Tennis Club pipping the One Mile Inn for honours. Going into last week's game the One mile Inn held a one point lead. On the night they were beaten 3/2.

The Shannon Diamond club captured the mens division 5 title when they ended their programme with a win over Clarecastle who were the runners-up. Prizes were presented to the winners and runners-up by Eamon Kelly of the Clare Squash Association.

At an enjoyable function at the Shannon Diamond Squash Club last week, Mr. Gus Barrett, Public Relations manager, De Boers Ireland Ltd., presented the division 1 mixed team league cup and prizes to the One Mile Inn team who won the league this season. He also pre-

sented prizes to the runners-up, Nenagh. Members of the winning team were Margaret Lacheiner, Rose Hynes, Carmel Enright, Mairead Bergin, Bridie O'Flaherty, Darren Kelly and Seamus Hayes, while the Nenagh team included Frank McGrath, Larry Byrne, Teddy Reynolds, Colette O'Connell, Cora Coffey and Ann Fitzpatrick.

Gerard Browne of the Clare Squash Association presented the division 1 individual awards to Caroline McDonnell [win-

LADIES FOOTBALL:

Coolmeen

Coolmeen	2-3
Cooraclare	0-2

Coolmeen defeated Cooraclare in the ladies football senior league at the week-end in a game played in ideal conditions. The winners had their best players in Ann Moloney, Deirdre Neenan, Aggie Crehan and Jackie Ryan while Marie Morrissey, Leona Carey, Ann Queally and Claire Marrinan did best for the losers.

March 1990

Squash:

Steward Is Top Seed In Munster Open

INTERNATIONAL players, Graeme Steward, Derek Ryan, Jeffrey Hearst, Maurice Collins, John McKay, David Gatto, Marjorie Croke and Brona Conway are just some of the leading squash players who will be in Clarecastle this weekend for the Clarendridge Crystal Munster open squash championships which will run throughout the weekend concluding on Sunday with the finals.

This is Clarendridge Crystal's tenth successive year of involvement with the championships and to mark this anniversary there will be some special presentations during the weekend. In all, there are nine grades and games will be played in Ennis and Shannon, as well as Clarecastle, which is the main centre for the competition.

Some first round games involving local players will be

played on this Tuesday night with the competition swinging into top gear on Friday evening at 6 p.m. at all venues. A feast of squash is guaranteed throughout the weekend and bumper attendances are expected at the different venues. Full details of the competition will be available at the various clubs.

Meanwhile, entry forms for the annual Clare squash championships have been distributed

to the clubs and these must be returned by this Sunday to Ger Browne, the C.S.R.I. President who is also the tournament director for the Munster open. There will be a number of grades for men and women and the championships start on March 11 and conclude on March 22 with the finals at Clarecastle.

The mens division four team league concluded on Monday night when Catholic Institute from Limerick took on Shannon Diamond, winners of division 5 last year. After a very exciting tussle, Catholic Institute emerged victorious on a 3/2 scoreline at Clarecastle.

The semi-finals of the mens division 5 will be played on Monday night next and at the time of writing the pairings weren't known as the final round of games were to be played last night [Wednesday]. Clarecastle and Ennis C.B.S. looked certain of qualifying from one section while Shannon Diamond were leading the way in the other

Bergin and Seamus Hayes were victorious over Bernie Griffin and Gerard O'Loughlin in straight sets. The Clarecastle club championships got underway earlier this week and the semi-finals will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday next with the final on Friday next, March 6.

Meanwhile at the Munster junior close in Waterford, Alan Meere was the runner-up in the Boys U14 section. In the final he was beaten by Barry Potts from the Catholic Institute Club in Limerick. Deenan Devitt took part in the U19 section. Clarecastle schoolboy, Meere, travels to Galway this weekend for a training session with the Irish U14 squad.

There was better news for Shannon Diamond on Tuesday night when they captured the ladies fifth div title following a thrilling final round tie with the One Mile Inn. Entering this final game of the league the Shannon girls were 7 pts. clear of the Ennis club. With the no. ones to play the One Mile Inn were 3-1 up and the teams were level overall. In the final match of the evening, Carmel Kelly beat Helen Gallery to bring the title to Shannon for the second year in succession.

The Clarecastle ladder comp., concluded recently and prize winners were Fintan O'Donoghue, overall; Richard Quigley, Patricia Moroney and Bridie O'Flaherty.



Announcing details of the Clarendridge Crystal Munster Open Squash Championships which take place in Clare this weekend were (l. to r.) Ger Browne, President of Clare Squash, Joan Moore, Marketing Manager and Bob O'Shea, Sales Manager of Clarendridge Crystal.

Kilmihil NACA Club Result of Draw

- 1st Prize: Martina Downes, Shyan, Kilmihil.
- 2nd Prize: Michael O'Halloran, Glenmore, Kilmihil.
- 3rd Prize: Michael Darby, Lacken, Kilmihil.
- 4th Prize: Kieran Harvey, Querrin, Kilmihil.
- 5th Prize: Michael McInerney, Shyan, Kilmihil.

The Chairman and Committee wish to thank all those who supported this draw.

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Winners at the Clarecastle Squash Championships last week were (left to right): Martin O'Brien (Mens B), Patricia Moroney (Ladies B), Fergus O'Loughlin (Mens A), Loretta O'Loughlin (Ladies A) and Fr. Willie Teehan (Mens C).

Clare Championships In Full Swing

AS the Clare squash season draws to a close there is huge interest in the annual Maurer Jewellers County Championships which commenced on Monday last and which are now at the semi-final stage in most grades.

There are A, B and C grades for men and women and some great tussles are expected before the destination of the prizes become known on Friday next, March 22, when the championships conclude at Clarecastle.

Fergus O'Loughlin and Rose Hayes start as favourites to retain their titles in the A grades but Mike Conlon, Caroline McDonnell, Seamus Hayes and Robert Fitzgerald will be amongst those hoping to bring about their downfall.

Meanwhile, the Clarecastle club championships concluded on Friday last when there was a fine double for the O'Loughlin's with Fergus and Loretta winning the A grades. Loretta had a 3/1 win over Margaret Flanagan, while Fergus won a five setter against Seamus Hayes.

Other prize winners at the finals were: Ladies B: Patricia Moroney beat Marie Lennon; Plate: Liz Costello beat Tara O'Loughlin; Mens B: Martin O'Brien beat Larry Donnellan; Ladies C: Fr. W. Teehan beat P. Hayes; Plate: Richard Quigley beat P. J. Sullivan.

The prizes for the club ladder and club handicap were also presented. The prizes for all the competitions were sponsored by Syntex, Cheers, and Josie O'Shea Sports.

The final of the mens division 5 league took place on Monday night at Clarecastle between the host club and Shannon Diamond. The game was originally scheduled for last week but due to the unavailability of a number of the Shannon side because of flu it was transferred to Monday.

Clarecastle emerged as winners on the night and their final lineup was Liam Franey, Tony Boyle, Declan Frawley, Fr. Willie Teehan and Laurence O'Donovan. Shannon Diamond's final lineup was Gary Lagan, Ray Duane, Kieran Stapleton, Vincent Nolan and Martin Loomis.

■ Badminton:



March 1991

SDC

Tournament a Great Success

The inaugural S.D.C. squash tournament confined to Clare concluded on Saturday last after a tremendous week of competition. The event proved to be a tremendous success and there was a high standard of play at the finals.

The premier grades were won by Seamus English and Rose Hynes respectively who beat Fergus O'Loughlin and Caroline McDonnell in the finals. The other results were ladies B - Teresa Hogan beat Marua Hanrahan, mens B P. O'Grady bt. P. Talty. Ladies C - K. O'Connell bt. J. Buckley. Mens. A S. Gleeson bt. D. Devitt. Ladies A L. O'Loughlin bt. S. Carroll. Mens B T. Fenton bt. S. Flanagan. Ladies B M. Lennon bt. E. Costelloe. Mens C K. Stapleton bt. J. Togher. Ladies C M. Sadlier bt. R. Hughes.

At a function in the clubhouse afterwards Joe Bannon, personnel manager De Beers, sponsors of the tournament, presented the prizes and complimented all. Alan Power, chairman of the organising club also paid tribute to all participants.

A number of Clare players will be in action this week end at the Nenagh (Dapp Inn) open which gets under way on this Friday.

The Munster close championships will take place in Killarney on Friday week and will continue throughout the week end and again some Clare players will be participating.

Meanwhile the Clare leagues are now in full swing and competition is now being organised within the various clubs.

Nov 1991

Shannon Squash Tournament

Over 70 squash players have entered the second annual Shannon Diamond Clare close compl., which will take place throughout the coming week at their complex. There are three grades for both men and ladies and the holdes in div. A, Seamus English and Rose Hynes, will be defending their crowns. The finals are set for Saturday next, Nov. 22, and they will be followed by a social evening and the presentation of prizes.

Nov 1992

Coloney, St. Mary's

SQUASH

The second annual Clare
close competition at the Shan-
on Diamond club is proving
great success this week. The
way is now clear for the semi-
finals which take place on this
Thursday and Friday nights
with the finals set for Satur-
day. Everything points to
some cracking games in the A
sections in particular before
the winners of the valuable
crystal prizes are known. The
presentation of prizes will
take place at a social evening
on Saturday after the finals.

Nov 1992

SQUASH:

Top Seeds win in Shannon

The second annual Shannon Diamond Clare close squash tournament concluded on Saturday last and proved another major success. The event was sponsored by De Beers whose personnel manager, Joe Bannon presented the prizes at a social function on Saturday night.

There were no great surprises with the top seeds win-

ning through in all divisions. The details are:

Mens A - 1 Seamus English, Ennis CBS, 2 F. O'Loughlin, Clarecastle, B 1 Jack Keane, Ennis CBS, 2 P. Talty, Ennis CBS. C - 1 P. Looney, Shannon Diamond, 2 N. Cusack, do.

Ladies - A 1 C. McDonnell, Ennis, CBS, 2 L. O'Loughlin, Clarecastle, B 1 M. Hanrahan, St. Flannans, 2 M. Culligan, Shannon Diamond. C 1 M. Cusack, Shannon Diamond, 2 H. Gallery, St. Flannans.

Plante competitions - Mens A S. Hayes, 2 D. Devitt, B. L. Donnellan, 2 J. O'Shaughnessy, C. 1 F. Lahiffe, 2 J. Toghiani. Ladies A 1 M. Flanagan, 2 M. O'Flaherty, B 1 L. Costelloe, G. Hogan, C 1 M. O'Connor, M. Flood.

Nov 1992



Dec 1992

Title for Ennis CBS

THE Clare Squash Championships are set to commence on Monday, March 22 and entries close on this Friday.

The draw will be available early next week with details of venues and times for all games. The championship finals will be on Friday, April 2.

Meanwhile the inter team knock-out title was won by Ennis CBS on Thursday night last. The team comprised of

Mick Conlon, Mick Hennessy, Dermot Delaney, Caroline McDonnell, and Maria Lennon.

In the final they beat Shannon Diamond whose team included Sean Gleeson, Pat O'Grady, Mark O'Sullivan, Jean Murphy and Mary Culligan.

The beaten semi-finaists were Ennis CBS 'B' and Clarecastle.

In the Ladies Div, 5 team league Kildysart are still unbeaten and remain favourites to win from Shannon Diamond.

March 1993

Squash:

BIG ENTRY FOR S.D.C. OPEN

Over eighty entries have been received for the Shannon Diamond squash club's open tournament which will take place early in the New Year finishing on Saturday, January 14. There will be a total of six grades, four for men and two for ladies and some excellent competition is expected given the entry.

The competition which didn't take place last year was a great success in previous years. Limerick's Barry Hes-sion, a member of the Irish under 19 panel in recent years, will be the top seed in the mens A which will feature Clare players Fergus O'Loughlin and Alan Meere.

Meanwhile Kildysart squash club held its Christmas blitz competition last Thursday when there were eight teams taking part. All games were very close throughout the evening with only two points separating the teams in the final. The winners were Grainne Sheehan, Michael O'Neill, Sean Casey and Seamus Hayes and the beaten finalists were Liam Griffin, Mairead Cusack, Gerry Grace and Hugh McGoldrick.

Ennis CBS squash club also held its Christmas blitz last week and this was a great success. The competition was won by Tony Fenton, Pat Talty, Michael Lydon, J. J. Tobin, Liam Dwane, Marcella Griffin, P. O'Callaghan, and M. Keogh. The runners up were M. Conlon, S. Flanagan, T. McMahon, C. Woods, J. Hehir, G. Downey, E. Moroney, F. Dwane. The event was sponsored by Dunnes Stores and afterwards there was an enjoyable social at Knoxs.

Dec 1994

SQUASH:

High Standard at S.D.C. Open

The Shannon Diamond squash club's open tournament concluded on Saturday last and it has been described by organising officials as most successful. There was some great competition in the different grades and the mens A event provided lots of entertainment for the big crowds which attended.

Limerick's Barry Hession won the mens A title after a marvellous contest with Clarecastle's Fergus O'Loughlin in a great final. O'Loughlin won the first but a relieved Hession battled back to score a 3-1 victory. Twenty four hours earlier O'Loughlin had beaten his fellow Clarecastle man, Alan Meere, in an outstanding game. O'Loughlin who is the Clare champion went into a 2-0 lead and looked to be on the way to a straight sets victory when he led 8-6 in the third.

Meere battled back and eventually won the longest game of the match on a 10-9 score. O'Loughlin had chances in the fourth also but Meere won 9-7 to level the game. In a cracking fifth game O'Loughlin's greater experience told and he won 9-5

to reverse the result of the Nenagh open final.

In the ladies A final Christine Phelan from the Limerick Lawn Tennis club beat Rose Hynes on a 3-2 scoreline.

Noel Cusack, chairman of the host club, won the mens C title beating Mickey Sullivan in the final. Kildysart's Jim-

my Casey won the C plate. Martin O'Brien, Ennis CBS, won the B plate final while the D plate was won by Eugene O'Byrne from the host club who beat Kildysart's Gerry Grace in the final. Mairead Cusack won the ladies B plate final beating Helen Gallery.

□ Greyhound Racing:

Four wins in Galway

CLARE owners were very much in the news at the Galway Track on Friday night winning four of the eight races on the card.

Sixmilebridge owner, John Murray of Lodge Road got the Clare challenge off to a flying start when his brindled dog, Mossy Marcel (Ballyard Hoffman-Carrigeen Bree) won the opening race, a sprint in a time of 18.82.

Jim McLoughlin from Shannon, Vice-Chairman of the Tradaree Coursing Cub, recorded a double on the night with Brownie Come Home and Trudy Come Home.

Brownie Come Home (Leader's Best-Leeview Jil) won a \$25 in a time of 30.68

while Trudy Come Home (Kildare Ash-Proverbial) won over the same distance in 30.24.

The final race of the night resulted in victory for John Fitzgerald from Kilrush when his Ler Beo was first past the post in a winning time of 31.54.

Miltown Malbay owner, Gerry Burke, kept the Clare flag flying at the Limerick track last Saturday when his Floral Spark (Dennside Spark-Back the Glen) won the eighth race on the card in 29.56 from trap one. Placed in their races on the same night

Jan 1995

● Squash

SDC Finals This Weekend

THE annual SDC Open Squash Championship will conclude this weekend with the plate finals on this Friday and the championship finals on Saturday.

The championships again attracted a big entry and games in the different divisions have been taking place during the past week.

Entries are now being accepted for the Limerick open which will take place on the weekend of February 9 to 11.

In the Clare Association's Div. 4 League, Club C.I.E. are the clear leaders from Ennis C.B.S., S.D.C. and Catholic Institute (Limerick) are in joint third position with Kildysart next.

Six teams will take part in the Div. 3 league which commences on Thursday next. The teams taking part are Kildysart, Ennis C.B.S., Croom, C.I.E., Charleville and Limerick Lawn Tennis Club.

Entries are now being accepted for both the Div. 2 and Div. 5 leagues. The organising committee announced this week that all competitions must end before Easter which is in early April.

Jan 1996

St Flannans Squash Club



● Mr. Sean Casey, President of St. Flannan's College P.P.U., cuts the tape at the opening of the new squash court on Saturday. Also in the picture are Most Rev. Dr. M. Harty, who blessed the new building, Mr. Joseph Boland, Clare Co. Manager, Mr. P. Coleman, Architect, Fr. J. Power, who was in charge of the work, and Rev. S. Mullin, President, St. Flannan's College.

New Squash Courts Open In Ennis

N.A.C.A.

County junior title for St. Mary's

St. Mary's A.C., who are having a most successful year added another title to their collection when they captured the County junior at New Quay on Sunday last. In good conditions and an

Squash enthusiasts were in a happy mood last week when two new courts opened in Ennis.

On Saturday last St. Flannan's College P.P.U. President, Mr. Sean Casey, officially opened the new court at the College as part of the Union's contribution to the Centenary Year. After the Bishop of Killaloe, Dr. M. Harty, had blessed the building, the College President, Fr. S. Mullin, welcomed all present and thanked the P.P.U. He went on to thank all who had been responsible for the construction of the court, especially Fr. J. Power, who supervised all of the work and devoted almost all of his free time over the past months to the project.

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Some exhibition games were played, featuring Mary Hennessy against Joanne Lewis, P. J. Garry against Liam Ashe and Seamus Hayes against Denis Maurer. At a reception afterwards, Fr. Power paid tribute to all those who had assisted in the project — making particular mention of Frank Costello, Jim Hartnett, Seamus McMahon, Tim Ryan, Fr. W. Walshe, John Normoyle, Joe McMahon and Paddy Coleman. He thanked Clare Co. Council for their assistance in providing an amenity grant. He added that this was another stage in the College's plans to provide recreational facilities.

There was a huge entry for the blitz competition to mark the opening of the third court at Ennis C.B.S. on Thursday night last. Eight teams of eight took part and after exciting competition Martin Lillis' team won the valuable trophies sponsored by building contractor James Malone. In the final, Lillis' team defeated Brian Fitzgerald's side.

At the One Mile Inn club the semi-finals and final of the Studio Eyewear blitz will be played on this Friday night. The first rounds were played on Tuesday night and again there was a big entry! By this weekend the way will be clear for the Autumn League Final at the One Mile Inn on December 7.

Nov 1981

Harp Semi-finals on Monday

The Harp handicap competition at the One Mile Inn is now at an advanced stage and the quarter finals will be played this week-end. The quarter final pairings are: Noel Crowley (-7) v Tom Malone (-12); Jim O'Dowd (-12) v Denis Maurer (-35); Michael O'Connell (-12) v Con Woods (-23); Gerry Bredin (-27) v Seamus Hayes (-35).

In the ladies competition the quarter final pairings are Nuala Leonard (-2) v Mary Crowley (-7); Bridie O'Flaherty (-20) v Jan Davis (-18); Ann O'Dowd (-10) v Fiona Nugent (-10); Caroline McDonnell (-10) v Marie

O'Halloran (-5).

All of the semi-finals will take place on Monday night with the finals on Thursday next.

The St. Flannans College club held its first ever blitz competition on Thursday night last when Southern Mosaic were the sponsors. After a most entertaining evenings squash the team captained by John Finn emerged as winners and the other members were S. Walzer, G. McInerney, M. O'Sullivan, P. Flannery and S. Hayes. The runners-up were G. Collison, P. Bennett, S. Hanrahan, J. Normoyle, P. J. Garry and G. Bredin.

Feb 1982

Busy weekend on the Squash front

Last week-end was one of the busiest on the squash front for some time. A number of quarter final games in the Clare championship were decided while on Sunday the One Mile Inn advanced to the quarter final of the Munster junior championships when they beat Highfield of Cork.

Then on Monday night the Limerick close championships commenced and many members of the Ennis clubs will be taking part all this week.

The semi-finals of the Clare championship will be played on Tuesday night next and to date the top seeds have done well. In the mens section Tony Lillis plays Joe Pender while Pat O'Grady of Shannon Diamond takes on Denis Maurer in two quarter final games this week. The winners will meet in the semi-final. On the other side of the draw Seamus Hayes takes on Gerry Bredin.

In the ladies competition two quarter finals have still to be decided. Margaret Lacheiner, the holder meets Joanne Lewis of the C.B.S. while Jan Davis takes on Margaret Flannagan and the winners of these games will meet. Through to the other semi-final are Bridie O'Flaherty of the One Mile Inn and last year's beaten finalist Betty McMahon of Shannon Diamond.

The Plate competitions are progressing and the semi-finals will be played on Monday night. All semi-finals and finals will be at the One Mile Inn.

On Sunday the One Mile Inn were at home to Highfield of Cork in the first round of the Munster junior championship and they recorded a very good 5-0 victory. In a competition

which lasted over five hours there were some great games before the home side qualified

for a quarter final meeting with either De La Salle 'B' or Sunday's Well and its likely that this game will be played on Sunday at the One Mile Inn.

The semi-finals of the team league at the Ennis C.B.S. club will be played this week. Jack Keane's team plays Seamus Haye's side while Danny Liddy's team plays Gert Lacheiner or Rory O'Keeffe.

The team league at St. Flannan's College is proving most successful and the way will be clear for the final after this Thursday night. Favourites to play in the final are Gerry Bredin's and Tony Lillis' teams.



● Paddy Brogan of Brogan's O'Connell Street, presents trophy to Kevin McDonnell, Bridie O'Flaherty, Michael Greene, Baddy B

March 1982

First Munster squash title for Clare

The first ever Munster squash title to come to a Clare club was won by the One Mile Inn team on Sunday last. In the final of the J.W.T. junior championships, the Ennis side defeated the holders De La Salle 'A' of Waterford at the Dukes Squash club in Cork.

It was a tremendous achievement by the Ennis side against the highly rated Waterford team seeking their third title on the trot.

To win the title the One Mile Inn side had four outings, beating Highfield (Cork), De La Salle 'B', Celtic and De La Salle 'A', all Waterford, to take the beautiful Cavan crystal prizes. The nearest the club had come to winning this title previously was in 1976 when they lost to Dungarvan in the final. There were two survivors from that side on Sunday's squad—Tony Lillis and Denis Maurer.

Tony Lynch at No. 5 and Tony Lillis at No. 4 both started very well winning their opening games. However their opponents Leslie Holness and Barry O'Brien respectively hit back to level the matches at 1-1. Lynch appeared to be in trouble in the third but he rallied well to win 10-9 and go into the lead. Lynch went on to take the fourth game and give the Ennis side a great start.

Meanwhile Lillis, who put in special training last week for this match, was produc-

ing top form and like Lynch he went on to win 3-1 and so give the Ennis side a 2-0 lead.

When Gerry Bredin and Denis Maurer both lost their first games, it appeared as if the Ennis side could be in trouble. Bredin's reply was swift when he took the second game 9-0. The Ennis No. 3's determination was really obvious when he won the third and after this his opponent Harry Hannon, just couldn't get on top and Bredin won 3/1 to give Ennis the title.

The matches were played out however with Denis Maurer losing 2-3 to Mick Walsh in a close game while Seamus Hayes lost 2-3 to Paul Grant by the narrowest of margins.

The draw for the One Mile Inn club championship was made earlier this week and this will get under way on Tuesday night. All those who entered are asked to check with the committee on the notice board to get details of the times of their games.

The C. and C. blitz competition at the One Mile last week was won by Michael O'Connell's team which included P.

J. Garry, Mickey O'Sullivan, Kieran Browne, Caroline McDonnell and Caroline Beasley. The runners up were Kevin McDonnell, Michael Neylon, John Collins, E. Kelly, Bridie O'Flaherty and Ursula O'Connell. Mr. Tom Walsh from C. and C. presented the prizes.

In the Ennis C.B.S. Club championship the first rounds must be completed by

this Sunday with the second rounds to be over by Sunday week. There are three divisions in both ladies and men's.

The team league final at St. Flannan's last week proved to be an outstanding success. The team captained by John Finn and which included Tony Lillis, Paddy Flannery, John Normoyle, Liam McGrath, Mickey O'Sullivan and Deirdre Casey were the winners. The competition was sponsored by the West County Inn and at an enjoyable function afterwards the Manager John Madden presented the prizes.

All Ireland Inter G.A.A. Club's Golf

Last October, Na Piarasigh G.A.A. club, Limerick promoted their 4th All Ireland inter G.A.A. club tournament at Shannon Golf Club. Eighteen teams representing 18 clubs from the four provinces took part.

This year through the generosity of the captain and members of Shannon Golf Club, the date has been secured for this premier competition and it will take place on Saturday 8th May, 1982 and will again be sponsored by P. J. Carroll & Co. Ltd. The winning team will receive the Carroll perpetual trophy which is a present held by Warrenpoint G.A.A. club.

Many famous personalities from the G.A.A. scene will take part, and Na Piarasigh's

aim in running this event, is to encourage members from widespread clubs to meet each other in a social environment where they can discuss their mutual aims of promoting Gaelic games and culture. The golf at Shannon will be followed by a presentation of prizes at 9 p.m. in the Piarasigh Club House, at Caherdavin, Limerick.

The activities will conclude on Sunday the 9th May with a 7-a-side football competition.

April 1982

Clare Squash Association?

Because of the huge increase in interest in squash a meeting will take place on Monday night next, May 24 at Brogan's O'Connell Street, Ennis to discuss the idea of forming a Clare squash Association. When the new season opens in Sept., there will be nine active clubs in the County and in recent months many have expressed the view that a Clare Association should be set up.

Each club has been notified about the meeting and its expected that all will be represented.

The annual general meeting of the One Mile Inn Club attracted a good attendance on Monday night when the following officers were elected, Chairman, S. Hayes, Club Capt., T. Malone, Sec., F. Nugent, Treasurer, E. Kelly, Members, Michael O'Connell, Ridie O'Flahery, Jan Davis, Michael Carmody, Kevin McDonnell, Rosemary Guthrie and Gerry Bredin.

There was a most entertaining blitz at St. Flannan's College last week when Seamus Hanrahan's team comprising of Ann Carpenter, Mickey O'Sullivan, Pat Lncy, Gerry Cillison and S. Hayes won the Coca Cola trophies. In the final the opposition was provided by Con Woods, Pat McInerney, Liam Ballinger, Josie O'Shea, Arthur Forde And Dorothy Lynch.

The Ballygireen squash society had a very successful season and all competitions are now at the final stages. In the championship final Joe Kelly meets Owen Flanagan with Gary Carew and John McLoughlin. Flan Howard beat Ger O'Brien in the plate final and the beaten semi-finalists were Liam Roche and Liam O'Dwyer. The team league was won by Paddy O'Reilly, Hugh Barry and Willie Dilger.

May 1982

Ennis CBS Finals On This Thursday

After three weeks of keen competition, the way is clear for the finals of the Ennis CBS club championships and these will take place on this Thursday evening commencing at 6 p.m.

In all there will be ten finals and some great competition is expected. The pairings will be, Ladies

Novice Plate: Michelle Dowling v Maureen Murphy, Ladies Novice

Championship: Mgt. Neylon v C. O'Reilly, Ladies Div. 1 plate, N. Cahill v B. Fitzpatrick; Ladies Div. 1 Champ, Mgt. Lacheiner v B. McMahon, Mens Div. 3 plate J. Crowe v N. Tierney, Mens Div. 2 plate, N. O'Driscoll, v T. Finlay Mens Div. 1 plate D. Coote v J. McEntee, Mens Div. 3 Championship, D. Delaney, v F. Howard, Mens Div. 3 Championship P. McInerney v G. Neary, Mens Div. 1 Championship Denis Maurer v Jack Keane.

ended on Monday night and the winner is Seamus Hayes. Although beaten 3-2 by Gerry Bredin in the final game, Hayes, has enough points to win the title from Denis Maurer who finished in second place.

In division 111 of this competition there is a tremendous battle for honours going into the final round on this Monday night, Donal Hassett leads on 35 points from Brian Fitzgerald (34) Jim O'Dowd (33) and Tom Malone (32) Hassett is tipped to win the title but the big battle should be for second place and Monday's game between Fitzgerald and O'Dowd will decide this.

The club racquetball championships also take place this week and the finalists here are Mens Sean Heaslip v Declan Coote, Plate John Casey v S. Custy, Ladies Mary Carey v Mgt. Flannagan, Plate N. O'Connell v C. Reilly.

The One Mile Inn club championships will commence next week and there will be three divisions in both ladies and mens. The draws were made at a meeting on Tuesday night and details will be on the notice board on this Thursday. Tickets are now on sale for the club's annual buffet function and presentation of prizes on FRIDAY April 22 and these can be had from any of the committee.

The CSRA mens division 1 senior individual league

The final of the St. Flannans College team league, sponsored by the Old Ground Hotel, took place on Thursday last and the competition was won by the side captained by Ann Meere, the club secretary. It was a most successful competition and afterwards the prizes were presented at a function at the Old Ground. The draws have been made for the club championship and these will be run off over the next three weeks.

The Auburn Lodge committee have also made the draws for their club championships and will also commence in the coming week.

Shannon Golf Club

The Ryan brothers of Newmarket-on-Fergus have certainly got the season off to a great start at Shannon Golf Club. On St. Patrick's Day, Pat Ryan had a nett 66 to win the Tradaree Cup and on Sunday last his brother, Timmy, returned a splendid 66 to win the first of the season's tankards.

The Wings outing to Spain returned early on Sunday morning and a number of those travelling immediately took part in the March tankard with Jerry Dunworth returning a fine 78 to win the gross prize.

Entries for the Thomond Cup close on Tuesday next, April 5 and members are reminded that those with subscriptions not paid by April 1 will not be included in

the draw.

RESULTS

Sat., March 26: 18-Hole Stableford: 1, D. Kelly, 43; 2, R. Bagnell, 39.

Sun., March 27: 18-Hole Stroke for the March Tankard: 1, T. Ryan (14), 66; 2, P. Fogarty (9) 67; 3, P. Finn (18) 68.

Best Gross: G. Dunworth (7) 78.

April 1983

SQUASH:

C.S.R.A. prepare for season

The Clare Squash Racquets Association held their annual general meeting at Brogan's, O'Connell Street, Ennis last week when there was a very big attendance. The Association has just completed a very successful initial year and delegates praised the committee members for their hard work during the year.

Officers elected were, Chairman, Tony Lillis; Secretary, Betty McMahon; Treasurer, Jim O'Dowd. Committee: Kyran Hurley, Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer, Margaret Flannagan, Caroline McDonnell, Dermot O'Hanlon, John McEntee and Joe Pender. Following the passing of a motion from Shannon Diamond, the committee will produce a calendar of events for the season before September 1.

Margaret Lacheiner won the Clare ladies championship for the seventh successive occasion when she scored a 3-1 win over Berry McMahon in the 'replayed' decider at the Auburn Lodge on Thursday night last. The game produced some excellent play but in the end the more experienced Ennis player came out on top.

The finals of the Auburn Lodge championships took place on Tuesday night and the big attendance enjoyed the standard in all five finals. In the mens division 1 decider, Seamus Hayes got some measure of compensation for his defeat in the Clare final when he beat Denis Maurer on a 3/1 scoreline in an entertaining match. Carmel Enright won the ladies division 1 from Carmel Verling while the mens division 11 title went to Aidan Feore who beat Frank Keane.

The competitions were sponsored by Guinness and Mr. Eamonn Horkan was in attendance to present the prizes to the winners and runners-up.

The final competition of the season at the One Mile Inn took place on Monday night when Leadmore Ice Cream were the sponsors. After an enjoyable night's squash the members of the winning team were Gerry Bredin, Aidan Feore, Kieran Browne, Pat Lynch, Ursula O'Connell and Colette Kelly.

Mr. Frank McInerney, Sales Manager, represented the sponsors.

The final blitz tournament of the year at St. Flannan's was won by Michael Neylon, Seamus Hanrahan, John Finn, Dan O'Connor, Mary Noonan and Brid Leydon. The competition was sponsored by the West County Inn.

The Newmarket on Fergus club championship finals will be played on this Friday, May 13 when the finalists are expected to be Con Woods v Dermot O'Hanlon and Betty McMahon against either Mary O'Connor or Lil Moyles. In the boys under 16 Paul Cusack caused a big surprise by beating the number 2 seed Mike Hogan and he will meet Mike Fawl in the final.

The girls under 16 was cancelled due to lack of interest.

Competition Concludes

THE Cyril Walsh Cup competition concluded at Ennis golf club last week when Joe McMahon and Sean O'Connell beat Tom Glynn and Fintan Kelly in a final which produced some excellent golf. It took a great birdie by O'Connell on the 18th to win the title.

The competition which is run in memory of the late Cyril Walsh who is a former trustee, President and captain of the club, attracted a very big entry.

The Knox Cup got under way this week and there are some very interesting pairings in the preliminary and first rounds. This year a Knox Plate has been inaugurated for losers in the preliminary and first rounds and this will give extra competition to the participants.

Last week the club's Jimmy Bruer team bowed out of the Munster championship when they lost 2/3 to Nenagh at

Shannon. After three matches Ennis were two to one up but their final two pairings of Michael Vaughan and Garry Stack; Tom Glynn and Dickie Pyne were both beaten on the 19th. Also on the losing side were V. Gardiner and S. Brennan while the Ennis winners were M. Hayes and P. Considine, T. Mee and N. Gilligan.

Ennis will meet Limerick in the first round of the mixed foursomes championship at Shannon on Saturday week and the Ennis club have a great record in this competition, having won three Munster pennants.

The Paddy Conn trophy will be played for on this Saturday and Sunday at the Ennis club.

Three members of the Ennis club, Fr. P. Malone, John Madden and Peter Considine have reached the last 16 of the Spring matchplay at Lahinch.

May 1983

SQUASH:

High standard at Harp finals

The finals of the annual Harp Handicap competitions were played at the One Mile Inn on Thursday of last week when the large attendance witnessed excellent games. Favourite, Margaret Lacheiner, retained the ladies title when beating Bridie O'Flaherty while in the mens decider Gerry Bredin failed in his bid for three in a row when losing to Seamus Hayes.

Mrs. Lacheiner was always in control in the ladies decider as she won in straight sets to capture her eighth Harp title in ten years. This must surely be regarded as a tremendous achievement and on the form displayed in this final it will be a major surprise if she is beaten in Clare this year.

In the mens decider, Seamus Hayes won a good contest to capture his first Harp title. While Hayes won in straight sets, this was an extremely close affair throughout with little separating the players. Hayes held a marginal advantage throughout the first game to win 15-10. Bredin set about getting back into contention from the start of the second and he quickly opened a good lead. When the holder led by ten

aces midway through the second game, it looked as if the match would go the full distance. However Hayes staged a great rally to level at 9-9. It was ace for ace from here to the finish. There were some great rallies as both players fought to 14-14. Bredin had service but after a good rally Hayes made the all important ace to take the honours.

The club's annual Christmas party followed when the prizes were presented by Michael Howard of the One Mile Inn who deputised for Eamonn Horkan and P. J. Garvan of Guinness who were both unavailable.

The Christmas turkey blitz at the Ennis C.B.S. Club on Tuesday night last week was won by Joe Pender's team. Meanwhile the Winter team

league is proving most successful with a number of teams doing well at present.

Division 1 of the Clare mens senior league will commence on January 2 and there will be three rounds in the competition every two weeks. It's an individual competition with each player having to play eight games.

In the Clare mens division III league which has just got under way the Ennis C.B.S. side have recorded two good wins in their section. There are two sections and the top two in each will qualify for the semi-finals. The competition will run until the first week in February.

The division IV league for both men and women will get under way at the end of January and its expected that a number of the new clubs in the county will be participating.

The St. Flannan's College Squash Club's Christmas Blitz was held on Wednesday last. After an enjoyable night's squash, the team, comprising of Pat McInerney, Rev. B. Molohey, Pat Lynch, Kevin Mulcahy, Frances Browne and Martina O'Sullivan, were the winners of the turkeys. The competition was sponsored by G. O'Doherty & Sons.

Dec 1983

■ SQUASH :

FLYING START FOR AUBURN LODGE

The Auburn Lodge got off to a winning start in their challenge for Munster Junior team squash honours when they scored an easy 4-1 win over Minnies B Dungarvan at the Auburn on Sunday evening last. This victory gives the Ennis side a second round game with either Christy's of Blarney or De la Salle B Waterford and for this game the Ennis team must travel.

The Auburn team comprises Denis Maurer, Jack Keane, Danny Liddy, Seamus Hayes and Tony Lynch.

The Clare senior mixed (3 men and 2 ladies) team league got under way on Tuesday of this week when all four teams were in action at the Shannon Diamond club. The league will be run off during the month of March each player will have six matches. The teams appear to be evenly bal-

anced and there should be a great battle for honours.

CLARE CHAMPS

Monday next March 11 is the last date for entries for the Clare Championships which will be held during the first two weeks of April. All clubs have been notified about this and all entries must reach Clare secretary Marie Lynch by Monday. Late entries will not be accepted.

UNDER AGE LEAGUE

The mens and ladies club championship will commence after St. Patrick's Day and the favourites here are Con Woods, Michael Neylon and Mary Crowley.

The Auburn Lodge handicap tournament is now at the quarter final stage and Tom Holly is fast emerging as a favourite for the title.

Last week he ousted Dermot O'Hanlon and he now takes on Jack Keane. Holder Danny Liddy is still in contention and is determined to retain the title.

NEWMAREKT

The presentation of prizes for the very successful Newmarket team league will take place at a function in the Weavers Inn on this Thursday night. The league was sponsored by Paul Higgins of the Weavers Inn and a big turnout of members is expected. The Newmarket team which captured the runners-up prizes in the Clare mens division IV league will also be presented with their prizes at this function.

A juvenile league for under 10, under 12, under 14 and under 16's will be staged over Easter week-end. The running of the various categories will depend on the

number of entries. A number of clubs have strong junior sections and the CSRA confident of a big entry. Competition is open to juvenile members from clubs and this inaugural event should prove very successful.

ST FLANNANS

The Spring league sponsored by the Old Green Hotel, was held at St. Flannans, last night Wednesday, between K. Mulcahy's and F. Glynn's team. There has been a lot of competition at this club to date this season with blitz tournaments sponsored by Tom Hogan Motors, West County Inn and Bann Motors.

The clubs mens division team captain by Mick O'Sullivan are in the running for a place in the play-off stages of the Clare league while the club's team in the confined league, captained by Tommy Coughlan, is currently in second place.

March 1985

SQUASH :

GREAT BATTLE FOR DIV. II TITLE

THE senior mixed team league (Div. I) concluded on Wednesday last with the One Mile Inn emerging as winners. After a great battle for second place, Ennis C.B.S. "A" just got there ahead of the Auburn Lodge team.

There is a great battle for the ladies Div. II title with three rounds remaining. Kilkee and Ennis C.B.S. 'A' are level on points with the Auburn Lodge just seven points behind.

The mens Div. IV team league got under way on Monday night and this will continue until December 18. In all, nine teams are taking part in three divisions.

Meanwhile, the senior individual leagues are continuing and will be running until February.

On the club scene the annual Auburn league at the One Mile Inn, sponsored by the Sherwood Inn, is now under way as is the Autumn league at the Auburn Lodge.

A very enjoyable team competition concluded at Ennis C.B.S. on Thursday last with Seamus English's team emerging as winners against Mike Collins' side. The winners were S. English, J. Costin, M. Simpson, B. McCullough, C. McDonnell, B. Murphy, V. O'Sullivan, while the runners-up were M.

Conlon, L. McNamara, M. Hanrahan, O. O'Loughlin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. M. Canny and M. Kennedy. The competition was sponsored by Josie O'Shea Sports, and after the final Josie presented the prizes.

The club's winter team league will commence shortly.

A new Clare senior league, sponsored by Coughlan's Garage, Lissycasey, Main Opel Dealers, will be run at Lissycasey over the coming weeks. The competition will be for six teams of two (man and woman) with the top two meeting in the final. There will be four rounds in the competition, details of which will be announced next week.

There was a great turnout on Friday last for the first competition of the season at St. Flannan's club. In a very close event, Kevin Mulcahy's team narrowly beat Mickey Sullivan's side in the final. The competition was sponsored by Banner Motors Ltd. and the prizes were presented at a function in the West County Inn.

Nov 1985

Battle for Division III honours

The mens division III league, with seven teams competing, is now in full swing. After two rounds St. Flannan's College are looking good for their first ever Clare league title.

They have recorded good wins over the highly fancied Shannon Diamond and Auburn Lodge sides. The other club in this section is Lissycasey who started with a great win over Shannon. Indeed there should be a great battle between these four before the two qualifying teams are known.

There should be an equally keen contest in the other division between Clarecastle, Killeen and Ennis C.B.S. for the two semi-final positions.

In the mens confined league, newcomers Kildysart are off to a great start with full points from their two opening games against Shannon Diamond B and Lissycasey. They are tipped for the final and it looks as if Shannon Diamond A or Lissycasey will come through to provide the opposition.

In the ladies confined league all five teams involved look to be evenly matched while in the ladies division III Shannon Diamond are leading.

On the club front the 'salmon blitz', sponsored by Oakville Smoked salmon proved a great success at Ennis C.B.S. last week. The team comprising John Costin, Eoin McMahon, P. Looney, M. Kennedy and G. Fogarty won from D. McDonnell, J. Cronin, P. McMahon, A. M. Canny and S. Carroll. Afterwards the prizes were presented by Tony Lynch. The club are now taking entries for their annual handicap competition.

At the Auburn Lodge entries are now being taken for the club's handicap competition which will commence shortly. The One Mile Inn's spring league got under way last week and will continue until the end of February while a team league at St. Flannans is also under way at present.

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Another win for St. Flannans

At the half way stage in the Mens Div. 3 league St. Flannans lead in section 1 and now look set for a semi-final spot. The Auburn Lodge are in second spot but are closely followed by Lissycasey and Shannon Diamond and anyone of these three to gain the second qualifying spot here.

In section 2 Kilkee, with four of the team which won div. 4

before Christmas, are unbeaten at the half way mark and Clarecastle and Ennis CBS are battling it out for the second qualifying position.

In the ladies div. 3 Shannon Diamond are the leaders and are now fancied to win the title. Indeed, to date, its been the most successful year ever for the shannon Diamond club and the committee coaching programme over the past two years is now paying dividends.

Newcomers Kildysart are now the hot favourites for the

'confined' league title. They have full points after three games and the game between Lissycasey and Shannon Diamond A should decide who will play Kildysart side in the final.

The ladies confined is still at an early stage and little separates any of the teams involved.

The monthly meeting of the Clare assoc. on this Thursday night will make arrangements for the forthcoming Clare Championships.

Feb 1986

Kildysart set for First Title

The final of the mens confined (novice) league will take place on this Saturday night at Clarecastle when Kildysart and Shannon Diamond A will be in opposition. In their first ever competition in Clare squash, Kildysart have been most impressive to date and are unbeaten in the competition. Shannon Diamonds only defeat was at the hands of Kildysart and they will be hoping to reverse this result on Saturday night. It should be an exciting final but it will be a surprise if the Kildysart men fail to capture their first title.

The mens div. 3 league is certainly proving to be a nail biting affair. With just one round remaining in the league section all teams are still in contention for places in the semi-final. St. Flannans, the only unbeaten team in the comp., are certain of a place in the last four but any three of the remaining six teams can join them.

There is a tremendous battle going on for the runners up spot to St. Flannans in their section. Auburn Lodge are in

second position at the moment with just one point to spare over Lissycasey with Shannon Diamond just a couple of points behind. On Monday night The Auburn outfit travel to Shannon while St. Flannans host Lissycasey. In the other section Clarecastle are fancied to make it to the last four with Ennis CBS and Kilkee battling it out for the other position.

Shannon Diamond look set to add to what has been a great season for them by winning the ladies div. 3 title. To date they are unbeaten in the competition and it will be a surprise if they fail to win the title.

The ladies confined league is now at the half way stage with the Auburn Lodge and St. Flannans doing very well.

Entry forms for the Clare Championship which is again sponsored by Maurer Jewellers are now available in all clubs and the closing date for entries is Wed., Mar. 5. As announced there will be a B competition for both men and ladies this year with plate events in all grades.

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FINALS NEXT WEEK

Club championships are nearing conclusion in all clubs at present and in fact some clubs have completed their competitions for the season.

The Ennis CBS championships are in full swing at present and will conclude on Saturday week. The finals will be followed by the club's annual social and presentation of prizes and tickets are available from any of the committee.

In the Mens A championship

New Solicitor Welcomed

Mr. Paul Lynch, Solr., who recently commenced his own practice in Ennis was

Seamus English plays Jackie Hynes while Tony Lynch meets Seamus Hayes in the semi-finals while in the ladies competition Caroline McDonnell remains the favourite to win the title.

The Auburn Lodge championship finals will take place on Thursday next, May 1 and here the mens final will see Seamus Hayes play either Tony Lynch or Denis Maurer. The ladies final will be between Fiona Nugent and Caroline McDonnell.

The One Mile Inn finals will be decided on Tuesday night next, and these championships are being run off each night this week. The holiday handicap finals were decided on Thursday night last when Margaret Lacheiner had a convincing win over Bridie O'Flaherty while Ger Browne took the mens title at the expense of Seamus Hayes.

The St. Flannans College finals were decided on Friday last and there was a surprise in the mens section when Michael Neylon had a comprehensive win over Mickey O'Sullivan. In the Kildysart finals which were also played last week Michael O'Connell won the mens title beating Jimmy O'Dea in the final.

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Div. 2 Title for Kilkee

Kilkee captured the Clare ladies div. 2 title when they completed their programme on Wed. night last. The West Clare side went through the league without defeat to finish with 107 points to win the title from Shannon Diamond who finished with 73 points

The members of the winning team were Sheena Mahony, Marie McGuire and the team captain Mary Madigan. The team was coached by Paul Costelloe who is doing tremendous work promoting the game in Kilkee.

The Shannon Diamond panel comprised of Teresa Hogan, Geraldine O'Brien, Mary O'Loughlin and Mary Culligan.

The ladies div. 4 league will conclude this week and St. Flannans are favourites to win the title. In their final game they meet Ennis CBS who are in second place at present just a few points behind.

The semi-finals of the Clare ladies individual league take place on this Thursday and in action will be Caroline McDonnell, Ann O'Dowd, Fiona Nugent and Teresa Corbett. The final will be played on Thursday week at the Auburn Lodge with the mens final.

The mens competition final graph unit fund for the general hospital in Ennis. The winners were J. Flynn, M. Clancy, E. Kelly, F. Nugent, and G. Canill with D. Kelly, F. Coughlan, G. Sadler, C. Enright and A. Foudy as runners up. The compt. for first round losers was won by G. Browne, J. Hickey, M. Hehir, M. Flanagan and C. Kelly.

Shannon Diamond A and Kilkee are safely through to the semi-finals of the mens div. 4 league. Lissycasey are firmed to qualify this week with the Auburn Lodge favourites for the fourth position but Kildysart and Ennistymon could still come through. The semi-finals will be played on Wednesday next with the finals on Friday.

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Claremont Admirals bounced back from the dis Killarney a week earlier to turn in a superb display against Marian of Dublin at Ennistymon community centre on Saturday. This was a tremendous performance by the Clare side for the remaining league games. The performance was particularly impressive as Admirals had to play without L. minutes of the second half.

Murphy had contributed 14 highly effective all round. points in the first half but the Murnhy collected two fouls in

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The men's competition finalists should be known this week-end. Section one rests between Seamus Hayes and Jack Keane who have full points to date and who meet to decide who qualifies for the final. Three players - Denis Maurer, Mike Conlon and Tony Lillis are in contention in section two and at the time of writing each had lost one game.

All clubs are now preparing for their Christmas blitz competitions which take place during the coming week. Shannon Diamond will have their get together on Tuesday night while the Auburn Lodge will celebrate on Thursday. On Friday it will be the turn of Ennis CBS to hold their Christmas function.

The One Mile Inn's annual Christmas party will be on Wed. after the finals of the Harp handicap competition. This competition is in full swing this week and there should be some great games between now and Wednesday.

The Autumn league at the One Mile Inn concluded last week with the team comprising of J. Giffin, T. Malone, M. Hehir, E. Kelly, T. Corbett, and M. Latt winning from S. Howard, D. Kelly, G. Hickey, J. O'Leary, B. O'Flaherty and A. Killeen.

There was a very successful blitz at the One Mile Inn last week in aid of the Mammal

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SQUASH

Senior League Finals This Thursday

THE finals of the Clare senior individual leagues will take place on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge, commencing at 7 p.m. In the ladies final Caroline McDonnell will meet Fiona Nugent. In last week's semi-finals Miss McDonnell defeated Teresa Corbett while Miss Nugent ousted Ann O'Dowd. Teresa Corbett and Ann O'Dowd will meet in the playoff for third and fourth places and this game will open the four-match programme at 7 p.m.

In the mens final Denis Maurer will take on Seamus Hayes, while in the playoff for third and fourth places Mike Conlon will meet Jack Keane.

The finals of the annual Harp handicap competitions at the One Mile Inn were due to be played last night, Wednesday. At the time of writing Seamus Hayes, chasing a fourth successive title, had qualified for the final in which he was due to meet either Donal Hassett or Seamus Howard. Hayes plays off —25 with Hassett on —4 and Howard on —10.

The ladies final will be between Margaret Lacheiner (—15) and Teresa Corbett (—5). In the semi-finals Mrs. Lacheiner beat Ann O'Dowd, while her final opponent accounted for Teresa Hehir in a very close contest.

On Monday night last at the Auburn Lodge a Clare selection without flu victim Seamus English and the unavailable Tony Lynch scored a 5-2 win over a Limerick selection in a very entertaining game. The Clare winners were Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer, Tony Lillis, Jack Keane and Ger Browne, while Mick Conlon and Joe Griffin were unlucky to lose narrowly. A return match will take place in Limerick on Monday, January 12.

The Ennis C.B.S. club's

Christmas blitz will take place on this Thursday and Friday nights and again a huge entry is expected. Competitions in the club are being well supported this season and there will be at least eight teams for the blitz.

After the finals on Friday night the club Annual Christmas Party will take place and during the evening the presentation of prizes for recent competitions will be made.

The Molex Squash Club recently held a very successful Christmas blitz at the Clarecastle complex. The final was an extremely close affair with only one point separating the teams at the final. In fact, going into the very last game the position was that Jackie Hynes had to beat Malcolm Simpson 15-0 if his team were to win. Ennis C.B.S. man, Jackie responded magnificently to the challenge and so gave his team victory on a score of 57 pts. to 56.

The members of the winning team were W. O'Brien (Capt.), A. Murphy, M. Beegan, J. O'Connor, N. McNamara and J. Hynes, while the runners-up comprised of A. Geraghty (Capt.), J. Cosgrove, M. Allen, S. Fox, A. Looney and M. Simpson.

The Auburn Lodge Club will hold its Annual Christmas disco on this Thursday night and highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Auburn league prizes. The final round of this competition

takes place this week and it has proved very successful.

The Shannon Diamond Club held its Annual Christmas Party on Tuesday night last, at which prizes for recent competitions were presented. The Shannon club is having an extremely successful season both within the club and in Clare events and Tuesday night's function was again a great success.

From an original entry of nine teams, four remain in contention for the Clare title in the mens division four competition. The semi-final pairings will see the Auburn Lodge take on Kilkee at Lissycasey, while Shannon Diamond will play Lissycasey at Clarecastle. The final will take place on Friday night at Clarecastle commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Entries for the mens and ladies Div. III and confined leagues are now being accepted and the closing date for receipt of all entries is January 3. All four leagues will get underway in mid-January and a big number of teams are expected to take part in the competitions.

St. Flannans College squash club captured their first Clare team title last week when they were victorious in the ladies div. 4 league. Although losing on a 2-3 scoreline in their final match to Ennis CBS, St. Flannans picked up sufficient points to capture the title and record a narrow win over Ennis CBS in what was a most successful league. The members of the winning squad were Francis Browne, Deirdre Shalvey, Evelyn Lyons, Therese Lillis, Angela McMahon, Maureen Griffin and Mary Gleeson.

Ennis CBS win Div. 3 Title

Ennis CBS captured the Clare ladies div. 3 squash league title on Monday night last. The CBS side were seven points ahead of their nearest rivals St. Flannans going into Monday nights last round and they held on by just 2 points, to take the crown from the Flannans side who finished in runners-up spot.

The members of the winning team were Isobel Stokes, Francis Davitt, Ann Marie Canny, capt., Mary Murphy, Marie Hogan, Maureen O'Callaghan and Aine Reidy.

St. Flannans team comprised of Bernie Tobin, capt., Francis Browne, Deirdre Shelvev, Evelyn Lyons, Teresa Lillis, Mary Gleeson, Angela McMahon.

After last Friday's final round of games in the mens division 3 league the way was cleared for the semi-finals which produced the following pairings: Ennis CBS v Shannon Diamond and Clarecastle v Kilkee. The final will take place on Tuesday night next at the Auburn Lodge commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The semi-finals of the mens 'confined' league will take place on this Friday night. Ennistymon take on Kildysart at the One Mile Inn while Clarecastle will meet Lissycasey at St. Flannans with both matches starting at 7.30 p.m. The final will be on Friday week at a venue to be decided this week-end.

Ennistymon continue to

lead the ladies confined league and it will be a major surprise if they fail to capture the honours for the first time. Arrangements for the Clare championships will be announced this week-end and its expected that the competition will commence on March 23 and conclude ten days later.

This week-end a number of Clare players will be travelling to Galway for the Connacht open champs. Meanwhile the One Mile Inn club travel to the Gleneagle club in Killarney for what promises to be an enjoyable week-end. There will be a squash game against a Kerry side as well as golf.

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More Finals Decided

There was a fine attendance at the finals of the Harp sponsored Auburn Lodge squash club champs. on Thurs., night last. The ladies A final produced a great battle between Carmel Enright and Mairead Bergin with Miss Enright winning on a 3-2 scoreline. The mens A decider was won by Seamus Hayes who had a 3/1 win over Jack Keane. The mens B title was captured by Mick Meagher who beat Don Barrett in the decider. Other prize winners at the finals were J. Pender, P. O'Shea, T. Reynolds, F. Reddan, E. Holly, G. Hogan. Afterwards there was a very enjoyable social and the prizes were presented by Ml. McLoughlin of the sponsoring firm.

The Ennis CBS club champs. will conclude with the finals on this Thurs. and Fri. nights. The presentation of prizes will take place at teh clubs annual buffet disco which will be held at the West Co. Inn on this Sat. night and tickets can be had from any of the committee members.

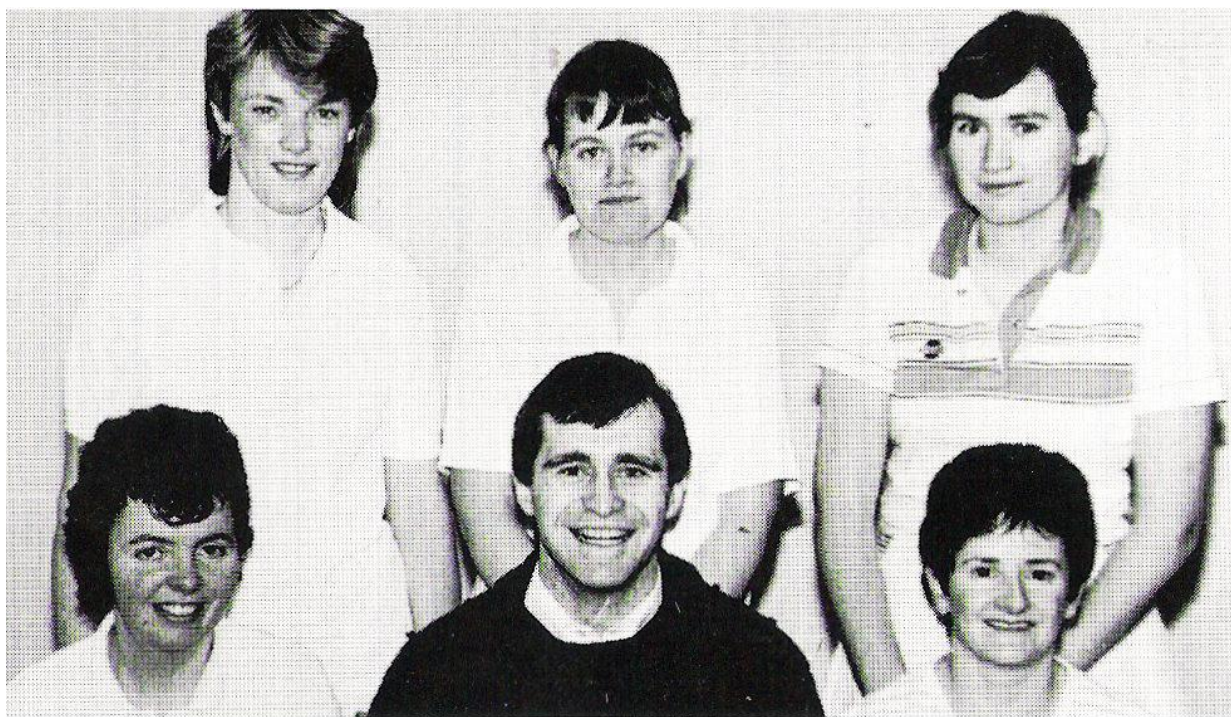
There was a good attendance at the AGM of the Clare squash assoc. last week. There was some lively debate on a

number of motions and much discussion took place on the format of competition for next season. Two of the outgoing committee, Seamus Hayes and M. Conlon did not seek re-election. The committee for the coming season is: President - D. O'Hanlon, sec., M. Hanrahan, treas. C. Enright. Members - G. Browne, J. Lusk, C. McDonnell, J. Keane, F. McMahon, J. Casey, T. McMahon and M. Bergin.

The St. Flannans squash club champ finals will be decided on this Friday night. At the time of writing the semi-final pairings were - ladies M. Carey v D. Shalvey; F. Browne v E. Lyons; Men - M. Sullivan v J. Culligan; M. Molloy v J. Coughlan. The plate finals will also be played on Friday and the semi-final pairings are - ladies - K. McNerney v K. Kelly; M. Crowley v M. Culligan. Mens - F. Flynn v T. Cronin or V. Lambert; B. Keane v C. Ryan or J. Madden.

The presentaion of prizes will take place at a function in the West Co. Inn after the finals.

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★ *St. Flannan's squash club, winners of the Clare league division 2 title pictured with their coach, John Culligan. Back row (l. to r.), Lorraine Gannon, Deirdre Shalvey, Frances Browne. Seated: Evelyn Lyons, John Culligan and Mary Culligan.*

SQUASH SEASON BEGINS

THE 1988-89 squash season will get under way next week when the senior mixed team league will begin on Wednesday evening. Arrangements are now at an advanced stage for the season which will see a comprehensive programme of leagues and championships for all grades.

The Ennis C.B.S. Club will hold their first competition of the season on October 13 and 14. The committee for the season comprises of Jackie Hynes (Chairman), Mary Murphy (Secretary) and Jimmy Kelly (Treasurer). There will be coaching for beginners on Sunday evenings from 6 to 7 p.m.

The annual general meeting of St. Flannan's Squash Club will be held on Monday week, September 26 at the West County at 9 p.m. and all members are urged to attend.

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MUNSTER OPEN RETURNS

THE fact that the squash season has resumed means that winter is not far away. The mixed team league which features the division one players got under way on last night (Wednesday) while the division 2 leagues for men and ladies will be underway in October.

It promises to be a very busy year on the squash front with a record seventeen clubs set to affiliate to the Clare Association. The Munster open championship returns to Clare and Ennis after a one year lapse. This was an outstanding success when hosted by Clare in the season before last and next February's event should be equally successful. A special committee has been appointed by the Clare Association to run the competition.

The Clare Association's handbook and diary will be available through the clubs from this week-end. This booklet contains details of all the leagues for the season together with the league rules etc.

Plans are advanced for the staging of the inaugural Clarecastle open on the week-end of October 20-22. The club's ladder competition will commence in early October when the first blitz of the season will also be staged.

The annual general meeting of the St. Flannas squash

club will take place at the West County Inn on Wednesday night next, September 27 at 8 p.m. All members are asked to attend.



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Title for St. Flannan's

THE ladies division 2 league concluded this week and the winners were St. Flannan's who went through the competition unbeaten. The members of the winning team were Bernie Griffin, Lorraine Gannon, Maura Hanrahan, Gail Cahill and Gabrielle Downey.

Their win is all the more praiseworthy in view of the fact that the same team were runners-up in last year's league.

Meanwhile the other leagues are well under way and the mens division 2 will conclude shortly.

In the Munster Close Championships in Killarney last week Ennis CBS member Pat Doran won the Mens C Section having a comprehensive win over Cork opponent in the final. His clubmate John O'Shaughnessy after a good first round win, went out to the eventual winner of the D section.

All Clare clubs are presently organising their Christmas Blitz competitions and these will take place in the next two weeks. The Clarecastle club ladder is in full swing and will continue until early in the New Year.

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St. Flannan's, winners of the Clare Squash League Div. II ladies title. Back: Gail Cahill, Lorraine Gannon, Gabrielle Downey. Front: Bernie Griffin (left) and Maura Hanrahan.

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