

The History of the One Mile Inn Squash Club

1973 - 1991



1973/74

Court no. 1 is built in 1974.

The first ad in the paper appears March 1974.



The first Tournament is the Harp Handicap Competition which is won by Pat Kirby (of Handball fame). He defeated Dr Macken McNamara.



1974/75

The First Committee

Chairman Pat Kelly, Treasurer Tony Lillis, Secretary Brian Fitzgerald, Club Captain Colm McLaughlin, Tom Spillane, Denis Maurer, Madeline Brennan, Aidan Deegan.

Major Events

Sean Foudy is presented with a plaque by the members for taking the bookings and taking care of the courts.

A trip to Ballina in April 1975 is organised. Petrol is in short supply.

The new OMI Pitch & Putt course opens in June 1975. This is a 9 hole P & P course that becomes an 18 hole course by the end of the year.

A P & P Committee is elected. Chairman Patrick Murphy, Secretary Noel Carmody, Treasurer Eamonn Murphy, PRO Seamie Murphy, Captain Tommy Doherty.



Majority of the OMI Pitch and Putt team (7 out of 8) were on the Ennis Tennis and P & P team that won the North Munster League the previous year.

Competitions

Mens Harp Final Liam Cahir defeated Colm McLaughlin. (a major shock)

Ladies Guinness Final Mgt Lacheiner defeated Mary Hennessy



The first Autumn League team competitions are held.

The Mens Autumn League competition was won by Tony Lillis, Brian Fitzgerald, Denis Maurer, P J Garry and Christy Guerin. The R-Up were Pat Kelly, Jimmy Cullinane, Conor Murphy, Martin Concannon and Jack Keane.

The Ladies Autumn League competition was won by Margaret Lacheiner, Mimi O'Keefe, Rosaleen Spooner and Annette Ryan. The R-Up were Mary Hennessy, Marie McInerney, Josette Maurer, and Angela Cahir.



The first Spring League tournament is held. The winning team were James Cooney, Mary Hennessy, Paddy Flannery, Pat Kirby, Tommie Mee and Gert Lacheiner. The R-Up team were Brian Mulqueen, Phil Molony, Colm McLoughlin, Liam Cahir, Tom Spillane and Ted Finlay.



A OMI team travels to Shannon to play Shannon Diamond S. C.

The first major P & P competition is held in July 1975.

1975/76

Committee

Chairman Pat Kelly, Treasurer Tony Lillis, Secretary Jim Hennessy, Club Captain Colm McLaughlin, Mary Noonan, Denis Maurer, Rory O'Keefe, P Flannery and M Lacheiner.

Major Events

The dressing Rooms are completed in October 1975.

Membership 93 (60 Men & 33 Ladies)

Competitions

Mens Harp Winner Colm McLaughlin

Ladies Guinness Final M Lacheiner defeated Mary Hennessy

Very popular Blitzes are held at the club. Each game lasted 10 minutes.



The Ennis Golf Club open a squash court in Jan 1976.

The winners of the Autumn League were Div A C McLoughlin, Div B F Brennan, Div C J Keane, Div D N Ryan, Div E R Spooner, Div F C Warner.



1976/77

Committee

Chairman Denis Maurer, Treasurer Ann O'Dowd, Secretary Mary Hennessy, Club Captain Tony Lillis, Mgt Lacheiner, Carmel Warner, Ted Finlay, Michael Neylon and Jimmy Cronin.

Major Events

The first Clare Championships is held at and initiated by the OMI.

Paul Costello joins OMI

The P & P Course is open all year round from June 1977, unlike the course at the tennis club.

Total Membership is 87 (57 Men & 30 Ladies).

Competitions

Mens Harp Final Dickie Pyne def. Rory O'Keefe

Ladies Guinness Final Mary Hennessy def. Ann O'Dowd



1st Mens Clare Champion **Paul Costello** (OMI) def **C McLoughlin** (OMI)

1st Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner** (OMI) def **Mary Hennessy** (OMI)



● At the Irish Open in Dublin in 1976 were (from left) Paddy Kelly, Quamer Zaman (beaten finalist) and Denis Maurer.

Junior A Squash Team win Limerick SRA League They were R-Up in Munster when they lost to Minnies of Dungarvan. The team was T Lillis, D Maurer, C McLoughlin, R Pyne, R O Keefe, P Kelly and P Costello.



The One Mile Inn Junior 'A' squash team, winners of the Limerick Squash Racquets League: Back row, from left, Colm McLoughlin, Denis Maurer, Paddy Kelly and Rory O'Keefe. Front: Dickie Pyne, Tony Lillis, club captain and Paul Costello.



The One Mile Inn Junior 'B' team, runners up in the Limerick Squash Racquets competition. Front, from left: Ted Finlay, Jimmy Cronin and Jim Hennessy. Back row: Michael Neylon and D. Moloney.

Junior B Squash Team R-Up in Limerick SRA League. The team was T Finlay, Jimmy Cronin, Jim Hennessy, Michael Neylon and Derry Moloney.

Autumn League Winners: Mary Noonan, Jim Power, Pat Stafford, Colm McLoughlin. R-Up Team Jo Dilger, Jim O'Dowd, Tom Malone, Pat Kelly.

Spring League winners: Gert Lacheiner's team defeated Frankie Brennan's team.



Pictured after the recent squash blitz tournament at the One Mile Inn were the members of the winning team and Mr. Gert Lacheiner, Studio Erwiner, sponsors of the tournament. Picture shows, back row, from left, Derry Moloney, Gert Lacheiner, Brian Fitzgerald. Front: John Quinn and Jim Hennessy.

3 Blitzes are held.

1977/78

Committee

Chairman & Club Captain Denis Maurer, Treasurer Ann O'Dowd, Secretary Mary Hennessy, John Costin, Michael Neylon, Mgt Lacheiner, Jimmy Cronin, Frank Mc Inerney.

Major Events

Clare Championships held again at the OMI

Membership is 79 (25 Ladies & 54 Men).

Competitions

1st Mens Club Champion Tony Lillis def. Denis Maurer



1st Ladies Club Champion Ann Renshaw def. Mgt Lacheiner



5 teams entered the Limerick Leagues

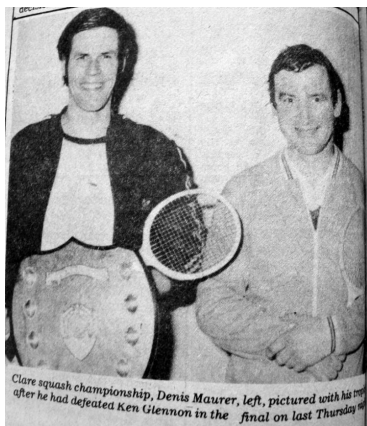
Mens Harp Final Jim Neville def Brian Fitzgerald.

Ladies Guinness Final Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Boyd



Mens Clare Champion **Denis Maurer**(OMI) def **Ken Glennon** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner** (OMI) def Mary O'Connor (De Beers)



Clare squash championship, Denis Maurer, left, pictured with his trophy after he had defeated Ken Glennon in the final on last Thursday



Mrs. Josette Maurer pictured presenting the Clare championship ladies squash trophy to Mrs. Margaret Lacheiner (2nd from right) after the Clare final last week at the One Mile Inn. Also in the picture are (l. to r.) Betty McMahon, 4th, Ann Boyd, 3rd, and Mary O'Connor, runner-up

Denis Maurer qualifies for the Limerick Senior Squash Championships Final

Tony Lillis qualifies for the Limerick Intermediate Squash Championships Final

Margaret Lacheiner receives a Clare Sportstar of the Year Award.



Mr. Paddy Brogan, left, pictured presenting his trophy to Cha Gill, centre, winner of the recent squash blitz at the One Mile Inn club. On the right is the beaten finalist Frank McInerney.

Regular Blitzes were held.

1978/79

Committee

Chairman John Costin, Treasurer Ann O'Dowd, Secretary M Hennessy, Club Captain Cha Gill, PRO Seamus Hayes, M Lacheiner, Jan Davis, Niall Duffy, T Lillis, Pat Kirby.

Major Events

Total Membership 123 (45 Ladies and 78 Men)

14 travel on a St Patricks weekend trip to the Glenagle Hotel in Killarney

Paddy Kelly & Colm McLaughlin back after long injury recoveries.

Clare Championship Finals held at the OMI.

The Club holds its first Buffet Social at the West County Hotel

Margaret Lacheiner receives a second Clare Sportstar of the Year Award

The Ennis CBS SC opens and enters the Limerick Leagues for the first time.

5 Teams in the Limerick Leagues.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion D Maurer def T Lillis

Ladies Club Champion Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Renshaw

D Moloney won the Men's Plate. A O'Dowd won the Ladies Plate.



Mens Harp Final D Maurer def Tony Lillis

Ladies Harp Final Mgt Lacheiner def. Mary Hennessy



Mens Clare Champion **Tony Lillis** (OMI) def **Denis Maurer** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner** (OMI) def Mary O'Connor (De Beers)



OMI R-Up in Limerick Junior C Mens League. The team was D Moloney, J O'Dowd J Costin, Liam Moloney and T Malone.

Autumn League team winner: Tom Malone's team.



The Autumn League squash tournament was completed recently at the One Mile Inn. Picture shows the winning team captain, Tom Malone (centre) after receiving the trophies from joint sponsors Jim O'Dowd, O'Dowd's Stores (left) and Cha Gill of Universal Business Systems.

Regular Blitzes were held.



1979/80

Committee

Chairman Jim O' Dowd, Treasurer Ann O' Dowd, Secretary Mary Hennessy, Club Captain John Costin, Ann Renshaw, S hayes, Joan Murphy, Colm Keating, John Collins, Ann Boyd, Gert Lacheiner, Tom Malone, Jan Davis.

Major Events

The CBS opens its second court

The Club has an weekend outing to the Downhills Hotel in Ballina.

Clare Championship Finals held at the OMI.

The Club holds its second Social at the West County Hotel

Tony Lillis receives a Clare Sportstar of the Year Award

Competitions

Mens Club Champion Denis Maurer def Tony Lillis

Ladies Club Champion Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Boyd

Gerry Bredin and Bridie O'Flaherty won the Plate competitions.

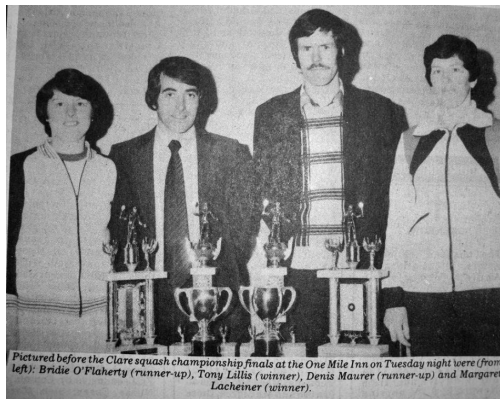
Mens Harp Final Tony Lillis def Seamus Hayes

Ladies Guinness Final Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Boyd



Mens Clare Champion **Tony Lillis** (OMI) def **D Maurer** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner** (OMI) def **Bridie O'Flaherty** (OMI)



OMI win Limerick Div 4 League. Team consists of G Bredin, J Costin, T Malone, Colm Keating, Jim O'Dowd.



The Autumn League winners are Jack Keane, Dan Liddy, Con Woods, Liam Moloney, Flan Lyons, and Ann O'Dowd. The R-Up team was Jim Neville, Jimmy Cronin, J O'Dowd, John Collins, Ted Finlay and Irene Jordan.



Denis Maurer is R-Up in the Limerick Senior Handicap League.

Regular Blitzes were held.



Mr. John Bradley (third from right) of Duans Ltd. pictured with the winning team in the Duans sponsored tournament at the One Mile Inn on Tuesday night. Picture shows (l. to r.) Noel Crowley, Tony Lillis (capt.), Margaret Lacheiner, John Bradley, Ted Finlay and Frankie Moloney.



One Mile Inn squash club captain John Costin (left) pictured presenting the Christy Collins Jeweler trophies to Damian Byrne who captained the winning team at the One Mile Inn recently.



Winners of the Seven-Up Blitz tournament at the One Mile Inn last week pictured here. Back row (l. to r.) Donal Moloney, Seven-Up, Tony Lillis (capt.), Michael O'Connell, Clem Broome. Front row, Jimmy Kearns, Ann O'Dowd and John Peacock, Area Manager, Seven-Up.



Mr. Des Carroll (2nd left) presenting the Cantrell and Cocrene trophies to the winning team at the One Mile Inn last week. Picture shows (from left) Liam Moloney, Des Carroll, Liz Moloney, Ger O'Neill and Jim O'Dowd.



Mr. Peter Glynn of Leadmore Dairies, presenting the trophies to Mary Hennessy (left) and Ann O'Dowd at the One Mile Inn last week.

1980/81

Committee

Chairman Jim O'Dowd, Treasurer Liz Moloney, Secretary Mary Hennessy, Club Captain S Hayes, A O' Dowd, J Davis, Kitty McInerney, Ann Boyd, Tom Malone, John Costin, Mgt Lacheiner, Colm Keating, John Collins, Michael O' Connell.

Major Events

Total Membership is 150

Squash court opens in Lissycasey

Petrol shortages delay matches

Margaret Lacheiner receives a Clare Sportstar of the Year Award

The Clare Championships are organized and hosted by the OMI

The club held a weekend outing in the Downhills Hotel Ballina. 14 travelled.

Annual function again held at the West County. Over 140 attended.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion Kieran Hurley def S Hayes

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Fiona Nugent and Gerry Bredin won the Plate events.



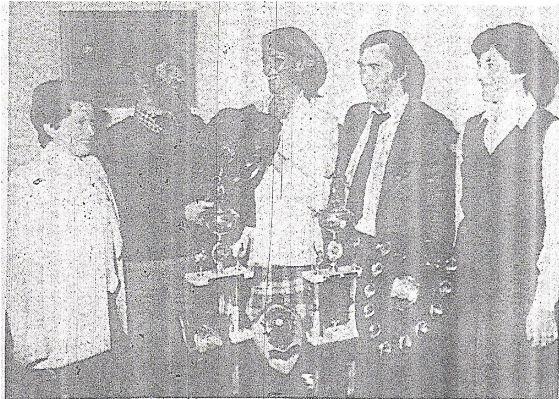
Squash championship finalists at the One Mile Inn last week (l. to r.) Seamus Hayes (runner-up), Margaret Lacheiner (winner), Michael Howard, Brex Howard (sponsors), Kieran Hurley (winner), and Bridie O'Flaherty (runner-up).

Mens Harp Final Denis Maurer def S Hayes

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner def Jan Davis



Mr. Eamon Horkan, Harp Ltd., presenting the trophy to Ladies winner, Margaret Lacheiner. Also in picture are Jan Davis and Denis Maurer.



Mrs. Josette Maurer (centre), Maurers Jewellers, Ennis (sponsors) presenting the Clare Squash Championship Trophy to Kieran Hurley (winner). Also in the picture are Betty McMahon (left) ladies runner-up; Seamus Hayes (runner-up in mens competition) and Margaret Lackeiner, the ladies champion.

Mens Clare Champion **Kieran Hurley (OMI) def S Hayes (OMI)**

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner (OMI) def Betty McMahon (De Beers)**

Kieran Hurley (on the Munster Senior Team) wins the Mens A Limerick Close Championships

OMI win the Limerick Div 3 League for Men. The team was G Bredin, Jim Neville, Tom Malone, Con Woods, Jim O Dowd.

OMI win the Limerick Div 3 League for Ladies. The team was M Hennessy, B O'Flaherty, Jan Davis, A O'Dowd and Liz Moloney.



The One Mile Inn Ladies squash team, winners of the Limerick league, back row, left to right, Mary Hennessy, Michael O'Connell, coach, Jan Davis, Liz Moloney, seated, Ann O'Dowd captain and Bridie O'Flaherty.

OMI B win the Inter Club Blitz. The team was D Maurer, J Keane, G Bredin, J Costin, M Lacheiner, B O Flaherty. They defeated the OMI A team in the final. This included S Hayes, G Lacheiner, J O'Dowd, M O'Connell, A Boyd and A O'Dowd.

The winning team in the Autumn League was S Hayes, J Costin, M O'Connell, M Lacheiner, B O'Flaherty and Marian Barry. They defeated G Lacheiner, G Bredin, Michael Singleton, John Collins, Gerry Molloy and J Maurer.



The Autumn League at the One Mile Inn Squash Club was completed last week. Picture shows the winning team and sponsors. Standing (from left): Michael O'Connell, Cha Gil (sponsor), Seamus Hayes, Bridie O'Flaherty, John Costin and Jim O'Dowd (sponsor). Seated: Marian Barry and Margaret L. Lacheiner.



* MR. FRANK McVERNEY, Leadmore Dairies, presents his company's trophies to Ennis One Mile Inn secretary, Vera Hennessy, with committee member, Bridie O'Flaherty looking on.

Blitz

Regular Blitzes were held.



Mr. Sony Larkin, Area Manager Duans (centre) pictured at the presentation of trophies at the One Mile Inn squash club last week. Duans sponsored the opening competition of the season at the club and the picture shows (l. to r.) John Bradley (Duans), Gerry Bredin (beaten finalist), Sony Larkin, Michael O'Connell (winning team), and John Costin, club committee.



Malachy Dooney (left) and Daniel Maloney (2nd from right) presenting the 7-Up trophies to Tom Malone (2nd left) and Brian Fitzgerald last week.



Mr. Paddy Brogan of Brogan's, O'Connell Street, Ennis, presenting the trophies to team captain Bridie O'Flaherty. Also in the picture are Jimmy Keams, Noel Crowley and Noel Tierney.



Mr. Des Carroll, C & C, presenting the trophies to the winning team after the One Mile Inn squash tournament last week. L. to r. are John Collins, Des Carroll, Bridie O'Flaherty, capt., P. J. Garry, Catherine Feore and Pat Kelleher.

1981/82

Committee

Chairman and PRO Seamus Hayes, Treasurer Liz Moloney (who retired and was replaced by Mary Hennessy), Secretary Fiona Nugent, Club Captain Tom Malone, J Davis, M O'Connell, M Hennessy, Cathy Rees, Kitty McInerney, Theresa Corbett, Colm Keating, John Costin, Jim O'Dowd.

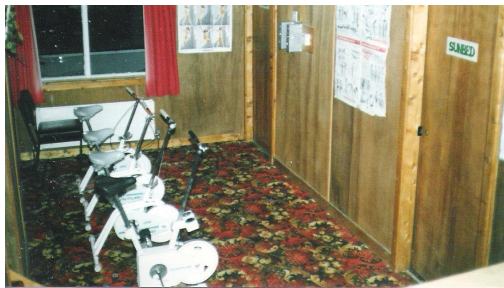
Major Events

Total Membership 200.

First Munster Title for Clare Squash. OMI win the Munster Junior Mens Title. The team was T Lillis, D Maurer, T Lynch, G Bredin and S Hayes. They defeated De La Salle Waterford in the final.

The second court is opened (cost £20,000). Court 1 is renovated and a gym section is provided.

The Mens and Ladies Dressing Rooms are extended with more showers.



A new sports complex is opened in Newmarket on Fergus which includes squash and handball.

The CBS opens their third court with a gym area. The complex now has three squash courts, two handball/racquetball courts, two tennis courts, three basketball courts, a badminton hall, an exercise room and sauna.

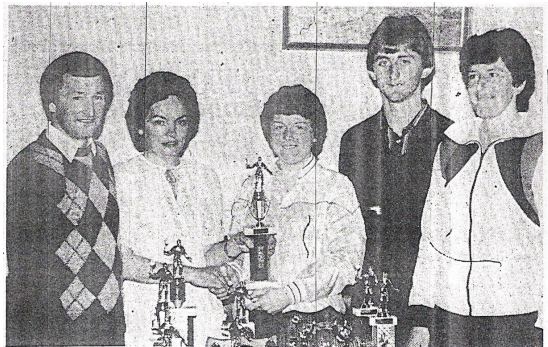
A new court is opened at St Flannans.

Seamus Hayes receives a Clare Sportstar of the Year Award.

The OMI host the Clare Championships. The annual buffet and dance was held at the West County.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def D Maurer. Ladies Club Champion B O'Flaherty def M Lacheiner.



Mrs. Brede Howard, on left, presents the One Mile Inn club championship trophy to Bridie O'Flaherty after she had beaten Margaret Lacheiner. Included in the picture are l. to r.: Mr. Griffin, notice runner-up, Mrs. Howard, Bridie O'Flaherty, Cyril Lyons, notice winner, and Margaret Lacheiner.

Mary Hennessy and Cha Gill won the Plate events.

Mens Harp Final G Bredin (-27) def D Maurer (-35).

Ladies Harp Winner B O'Flaherty (-2) def Caroline McDonnell (-10).



Mr. Eamon Horkan, Area Manager, Guinness Ltd. presents the Harp prizes to Bridie O'Flaherty, after last Thursday's finals at the One Mile Inn. Picture shows (l. to r.) Gerry Bredin (winner), Caroline McDonnell (runner-up), Eamon Horkan, Bridie O'Flaherty (winner) and Denis Maurer (runner-up).

Mens Clare Champion **S Hayes** (OMI) def **D Maurer** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def B McMahon (De Beers)



** Pictured after the Clare squash championship finals last week were (l. to r.), Denis Maurer, Betty McMahon (both runners-up), Mrs. Josette Maurer (sponsor) and the winners, Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes.*

OMI win the Limerick Ladies Junior League

OMI win the Limerick Div 3 League

In the Limerick Close Championships B O'Flaherty defeated J Davis for the Ladies B title.

OMI A retains the Catholic Institute Inter Club Blitz with S Hayes, Ken Glennon, G Bredin, C Keating, M Lacheiner and B O'Flaherty. The B team narrowly missed reaching the final. The B team was D Maurer, G Lacheiner, J Costin, M O'Connell, J Davis and M Hennessy.

The Autumn League winning team was B O'Flaherty, Geraldine Waters, Tom Ryan, Jimmy Kearns, M Carmody, Pat Kirby and S Hayes. The R-Up team was Irene Jordan, Mary Crowley, Aidan Feore, Tony Chapman, Michael Singleton, Rory O'Keefe and Colm Keating.



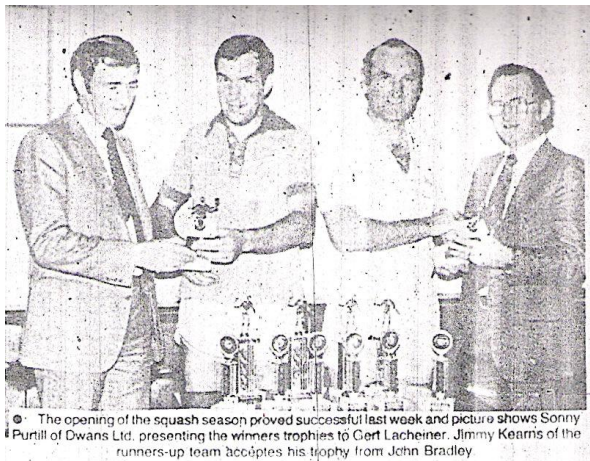
Pictured at the presentation of prizes after the Autumn League final at the One Mile Inn were (l. to r.) Gerry Bredin (sponsor), Bridie O'Flaherty, captain of the winning team, Anne Marie Gill, Universal Business Systems (sponsor) and Ann O'Dowd (sponsor).



* Winners in the Cedder competition at the One Mile Inn were, seated, Catherine Feore and Margaret Lacheiner. Standing (l. to r.), Ml. Griffin, Donal Hassett, Ml. Carmody, Mary Howard, Pat Keogh, sponsor of the competition, and Cha Gill.

A Ladder Competition is held

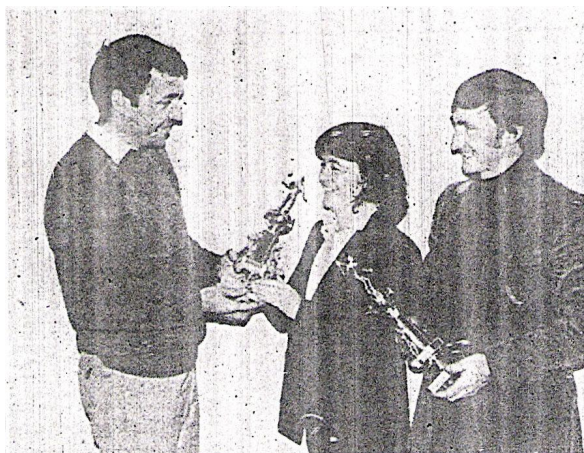
Regular Blitzes were held.



• The opening of the squash season proved successful last week and picture shows Sonny Purtill of Dwans Ltd. presenting the winners trophies to Gert Lacheiner. Jimmy Kearns of the runners-up team accepts his trophy from John Bradley.



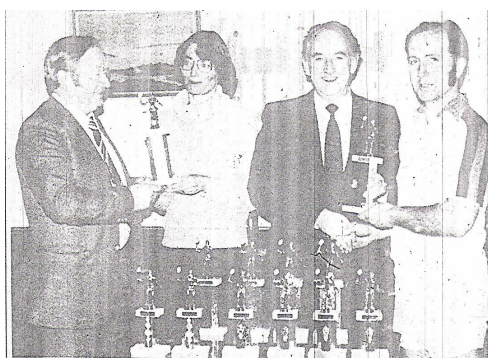
Liz Moloney, Treasurer of One Mile Inn Squash Club, presents a cheque to John Bradley towards the Ennis Youth Centre project.



● Mr. Gert Lachner, Studio 54, presenting a set of trophies to One Mile Inn squash club officers Fiona Nugent (Secretary) and Tom Malone (Captain). The competition was run off as the weekend and funds raised will be donated to the Year of the Disabled.



● Tom Malone, club captain of the One Mile Inn Squash Club, presents the Collins Jewellers trophies to (from left) Joe Griffin, Kevin McDonnell, Anthony Chapman, Mary Crowley and Denis Maurer.



● Donal Moloney (left) and John Peacock (second right) of Saxon Up Ltd. presenting trophies to One Mile Inn committee members Jan Davis and Michael O'Connell.



● Paddy Brogan of Brogan's O'Connell Street, presents trophies after a recent squash competition at the One Mile Inn to Kevin McDonnell, Bidie O'Flaherty, Michael Greene, Baddy Brogan, Caroline Beasley, Jim O'Dowd and Dermot Lennihan.

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● Mr. Tom Walsh (third from right) area manager C & C presents trophies to the winning team in the recent squash blitz at the One Mile Inn. Included are (l. to r.) Kieran Browne, Mickey Sullivan, P. J. Garry, Caroline McDonnell, Tom Walsh, Caroline Bradley and Michael O'Connell.

1982/83

Committee

Chairman & PRO S Hayes, Treasurer E Kelly, Secretary F Nugent, Club Captain T Malone, M O'Connell, B O'Flaherty, Jan Davis, M Carmody, K McDonnell, Rosemary Guthrie, Gerry Bredin.

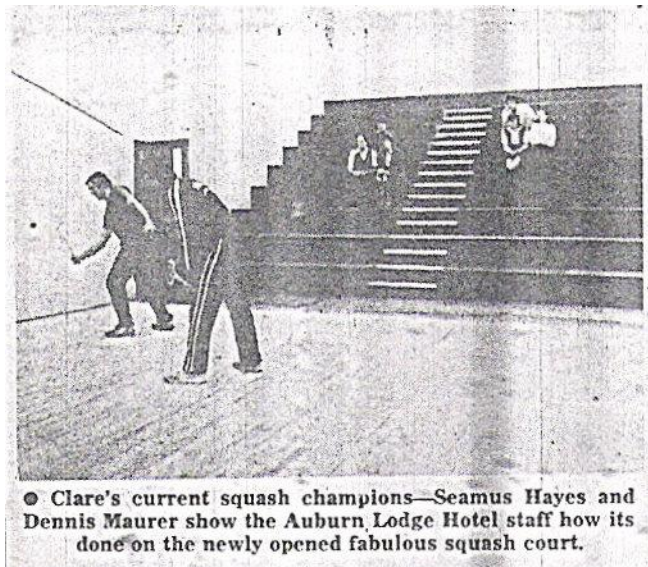
Major Events

Total Membership 220.

Clare Squash breaks away from Limerick with the formation of the Clare Squash Rackets Association (CSRA). **Tony Lillis** (OMI) is the first Chairman, Betty McMahon Secretary, Treasurer Jim O'Dowd, Ladies Fixtures Sec Margaret Flanagan, Mens Fixtures Sec Denis Maurer, PRO Seamus Hayes. They take over the running of the Clare Championships.

There were four leagues for men and three for ladies. There are nine active squash clubs in Clare. OMI, CBS, Shannon Diamond, St Flannans, Kilrush, Kilkee, Newmarket on Fergus, Ennis Golf Club and the Auburn Lodge.

The Auburn Lodge Sports and Health Centre is opened at a cost of £140,000. This includes two squash courts, one of which has a gallery that can hold over 150 spectators.



The Clare Championship Finals are held at the Auburn Lodge.

The Clarecastle sports complex opens with two squash courts (Feb 1983).

Over 300 attend the OMI annual dance and presentation of prizes at the West County Hotel.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion D Maurer def S Hayes

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Mens Harp Final G Bredin def S Hayes

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty



● Mr. Eamonn Harkan, Guinness Group Sales, presents the Harp handicap prizes to Margaret Lacheiner (winner) and Bridie O'Flaherty (runner-up) at the One Mile Inn last week.



Pictured after the finals of the Clare squash championship were from left, Tony Lillis, chairman of the C.S.R.A. Seamus Hayes, runner-up, Mrs. Josette Maurer, sponsor, and Denis Maurer the winner.

Mens Clare Champion D Maurer (Auburn Lodge) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def B McMahon (De Beers)

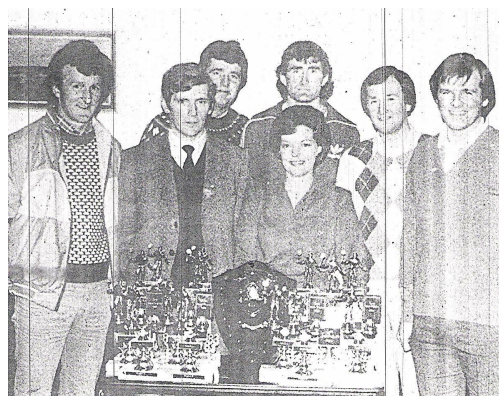
S Hayes wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League

Div 1 Men R-UP in Clare Team League. The team was S Hayes, T Lynch, Dan Liddy, Con Woods, G Lacheiner, T Malone and J O'Dowd.

Div 2 Men win their League. The team is Pat Kirby, Jim O'Dowd, M O'Connell, M Carmody, John Costin, T Malone, Donal Hassett.



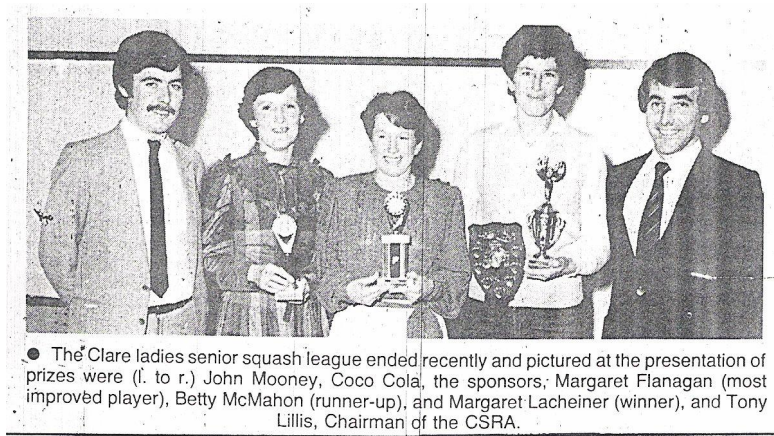
Clare Squash League division II winners One Mile Inn receiving their trophies from Mr. Jackie Crean of Keane's Bakery, Limerick. Sponsors. Picture shows, Front Left to right, Pat Kirby, Jackie Crean, Jim O'Dowd Capt. Michael O'Connell Michael Carmody. Back John Costin, Tom Malone, Donal Hassett.



One Mile Inn, winners of the Clare Div. 3 squash league pictured with the sponsor Mrs. Phil Cnpera of Phils Corner, Ennis. Included are Kevin McDonnell, M. Carmody, Joe Griffin, Dermot McDonnell, M. Griffin, and Donal Hassett.

Div 3 Men win their League. The team was M Carmody, D Hassett, Kevin and Dermot McDonnell, Michael and Joe Griffin and Tony Chapman.

Margaret Lacheiner wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League.



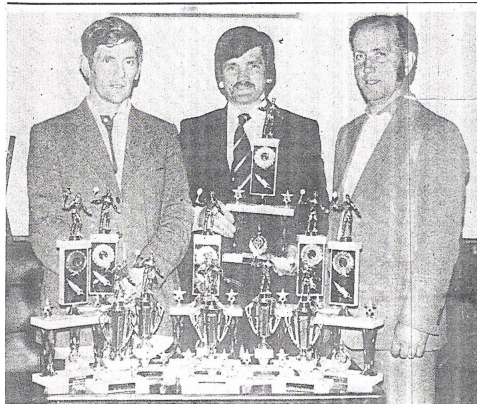
Div 2 Ladies win their League . The team is B O'Flaherty, Jan Davis, Ann O'Dowd, Mary Hennessy and Fiona Nugent.



Autumn League winners were Gerry Bredins Team who included M Carmody, Michael Greene, Maurice Murphy, Theresa Hehir, and Ursula O'Connell. They defeated Aidan Feore's team, who included S Hayes, K McDonnell, M Lacheiner, M Crowley and I Malone.

The OMI are R-Up in the Inter Club Blitz. The team was S Hayes, J O'Dowd, D Hassett, Joe Griffin, M Lacheiner and T Corbett.

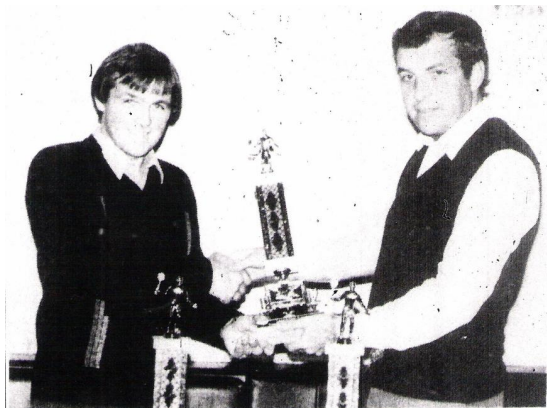
8 Blitzes were held.



● Mr. Tom Ryan (centre) of Tom Ryan Car Sales presents the trophies to the finalists Michael Carmody (left) and Michael O'Connell after a recent competition at the One Mile Inn.



● Mr. John Bradley of W. J. Dwan and Co. Ltd. (centre) presents the trophies to Tony Lynch, winning captain (right) and Jim O'Dowd (runner-up) after a blitz tournament at the One Mile Inn last week.



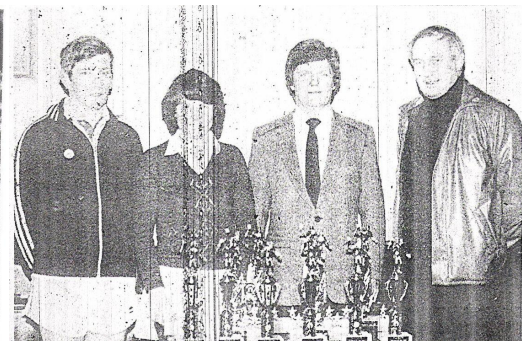
● Gert Lacheiner, Studio Eyewear, Ennis, sponsors of the November Blitz at the One Mile Inn, presents the trophies to Donal Hassett of the winning team.



Mr. Donal Moloney, Area representative for 7-up Ltd., presents the winners trophies to Tom Malone after the December blitz at the One Mile Inn on Monday night.



★ Paddy Brogan, Brogan's, O'Connell Street, Ennis presents trophies to members of the winning team in the January blitz. Picture shows (l. to r.), Patricia Broderick, Paddy Brogan, Ursula O'Connell and Donal Hassett.



● Pictured after the March squash blitz at the One Mile Inn were (from left) Michael Carmody (winner), Bridie Flaherty, Edward Richardson of Tidal Video, the sponsors and Eamon Kelly, club treasurer.



A Novice Team League is held.



A Ladder Competition is held.



1983/84

Committee

Chairman T Malone, Treasurer Eamonn Kelly, Secretary Fiona Nugent, R Guthrie, D Hassett, B O'Flaherty, J Davis, G Bredin, S Hayes, M Carmody, K Mc Donnell, J Costin, T Lynch, M Lacheiner, M O'Connell, Ursula O'Connell.

Major Events

Total membership 148. Subs New Members Adult £50, Couple £65. Existing Members Adult £45, Couple £55. OMI celebrates the tenth anniversary of the opening of its first squash court, with a special Blitz.



The CSRA President is **Tony Lillis** (OMI).

The Munster Close Championships are held in Clare for the first time. Over 300 took part. The matches were played in seven courts in five clubs. Play was from 6.30 to Midnight Friday. 9.30am to 8pm Saturday and 9.30am to 4.30pm Sunday. Kieran Hurley was the tournament director.



150 people attended the annual social and prizegiving at the West County Hotel.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def T Lynch

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

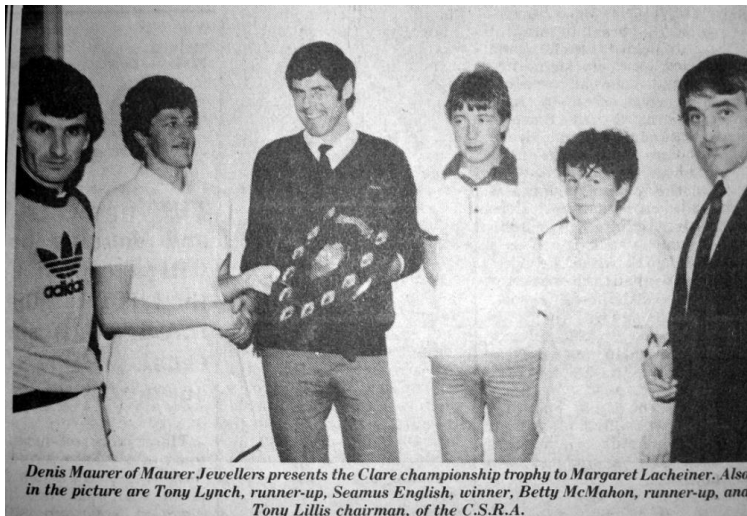


Mens Harp Final S Hayes def G Bredin

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Mens Clare Champion S English (CBS) def Tony Lynch (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def Betty McMahon (De Beers)



OMI 'A' are winners of the Ladies Div 1 Squash League. The team was M Lacheiner, B O'Flaherty and A O'Dowd.

The Autumn League winning team was A O'Dowd, G Lacheiner, M O'Connell, A Feore, Mick McGann and Ann Killeen. The R-Up were Rosemary Guthrie, S Hayes, K McDonnell, G Browne, Maurice Murphy and Ursula O,Connell.

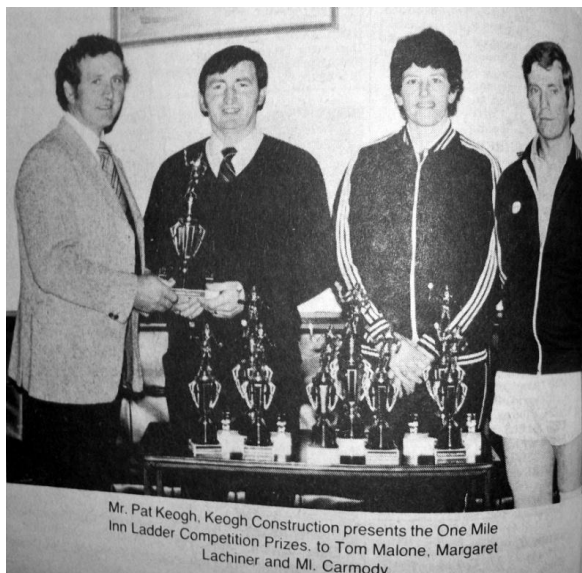
Margaret Lacheiner wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League

Seamus Howard selected at no. 2 on the Munster U-16 team.

Regular blitzes are held.



A Ladder Competition is held.



1984/85

Committee

Chairman John Costin (who retired and was replaced by Jim O'Dowd), Vice Chairperson M. Lacheiner, Treasurer Eamonn Kelly (who retired and was replaced by Ger Browne), Secretary Rose Guthrie, Club Captain Bridie O'Flaherty. Committee: T Malone, A Feore, M Carmody, M O'Connell, J Davis, T Corbett, F Nugent and A O'Dowd.

Major Events

Total Membership 125.

Kilkee Golf Club, Cooraclare G.A.A., and Kildysart Community Sports Club open new squash courts. The CSRA President is **Seamus Hayes** (OMI).

A Club Cycle raises over £300.

Clare Squash hosts the Munster Open for the first time. The tournament which was sponsored by Clarenbridge Crystal, attracted top players from home and abroad. The finals were held in the Auburn Lodge. The Mens A Title was won by the International John Barrett from Cork.



Margaret Lacheiner wins West County Sports Personality of the Month Award, after winning her ninth consecutive Clare Senior Title.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def T Lynch

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def C McDonnell



● Pictured after the One Mile Inn championships in April 1985 were (from left): Joe Griffin, Margaret Lacheiner, Michael Howard (One Mile Inn), Seamus Hayes, Teresa Hehir and Kieran Broune.



Pictured at the presentation of prizes after the One Mile inn handicap competition were (left to right) Donal Moloney, seven-up sponsors, Gary Casey, winner, Margaret Lachiner, winner, Teresa Corbett, runner-up and Len O'Farrell runner-up.

Mens Harp Winner S Hayes def Maurice Murphy

Ladies Harp Winner M Lacheiner def A O'Dowd

Mens Clare Champion S English (CBS) def Tony Lynch (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def Caroline McDonnell (CBS)

OMI are R-Up in the Ladies Div 2 Clare League. The team was T Hehir, T Corbett, R Guthrie, Marian Barry, U O'Connell, Kitty McNerney and C Kelly.

The OMI won the Inter Club Knock Out held in De Beers. The team was S Hayes, Joe Griffin, G Browne, Jan Davis and Teresa Corbett.

The OMI are R-Up in the Mens Div 3 League. The team was S Howard, J Griffin, M Griffin, G Browne, Tony Chapman, Aidan Feore and Maurice Murphy.

Seamus Hayes is R-Up in the Div 1 Clare Individual League. Regular blitzes are held.

Another handicap competition is held. The winners were Gary Casey and Margaret Lacheiner. The runners up were Teresa Corbett and Ken O'Farrell.

The Mens Div 4 Team was John McNicholas, Sean Hayes, Paul Wright, Brendan Slattery, Joe Hickey, Tony Hehir and Gerard Lee.

The Ladies Div 4 Team was Bernie O'Loughlin, M Lernihan, Sheila Keane, Maura Hanrahan, Bernie Lee, Anna Hayes and Margaret Hehir.

1985/86

Committee

Chairman Jim O' Dowd, Vice Chairperson M Lacheiner, Secretary Jan Davis, Treasurer G Browne, Club Captain M O'Connell, PRO Seamus Hayes, T Malone, E Kelly, M Carmody, J Griffin, B O'Flaherty and T Corbett.

Major Events

Total Membership is 65 (23 Ladies and 42 men).

A new squash court is opened in Ennistymon, bringing the total number of clubs to 12 in Clare.

The CSRA President is **Seamus Hayes** (OMI).

The Munster Open which was again to be hosted by the CSRA, was cancelled by Munster Squash at very short notice, over a row regarding affiliation fees that were not paid fully by three Clare clubs. This was very disappointing as all the preparations had been completed, and a sponsor secured by Clare Squash.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def G Bredin.

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def A O' Dowd



Prize winners at the One Mile Inn club championship squash finals were l. to r., M. Carmody, T. Malone, A. O'Dowd, M. Howard, prop., M. Lacheiner, K. O'Farrell, S. Howard, Seated: T. Hehir and B. Griffin.

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def S Howard

Ladies Harp Final Ann O'Dowd def Teresa Corbett

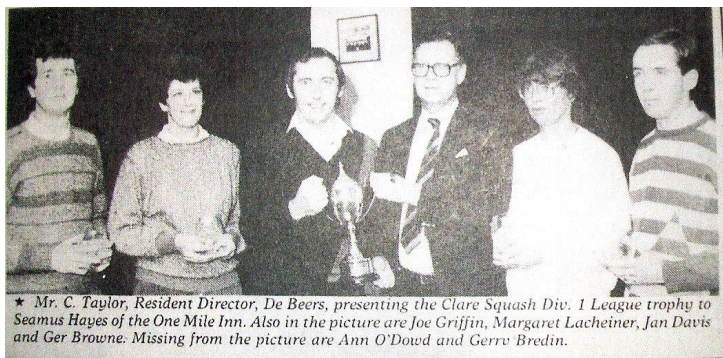


Mens Clare Champion S English (CBS) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def C Enright (Auburn Lodge). (Margaret's tenth consecutive title).



The OMI are winners of Clare Senior Mixed League for the first time. The team was S Hayes, G Bredin, J Griffin, G Browne, M Lacheiner, A O'Dowd and J Davis.



OMI are R-Up in the Div 2 Mens league. The team included J Griffin, J O'Dowd, G Browne, Con Woods and Ken O'Farrell.

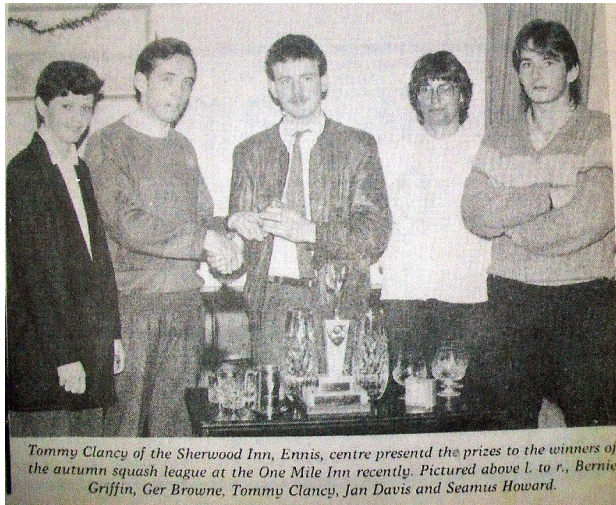
Seamus Hayes wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League.

Margaret Lacheiner wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League

The OMI are R-Up in the Inter Club Blitz. The team was S Hayes, M Lacheiner, J Griffin, J Davis, and Teresa Corbett.

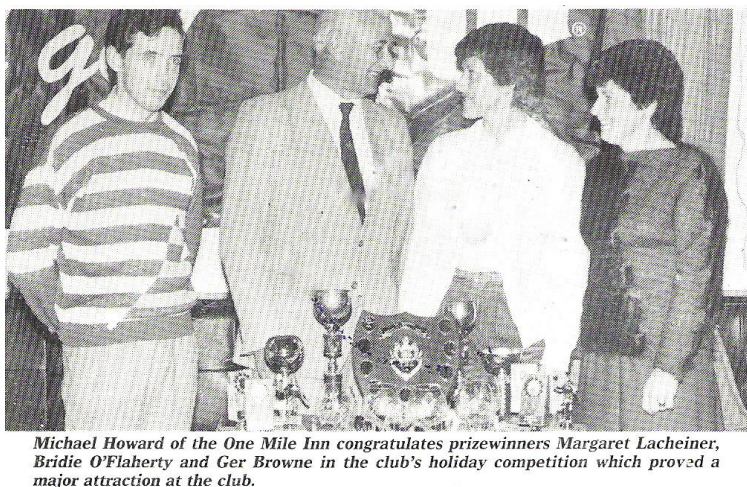
The OMI wins the Inter Club Knock Out Competition. The team was S Hayes, J Griffin, M Griffin, A O'Dowd and Teresa Corbett.

The Autumn League winners were J Davis, G Browne, Joe Hickey, Bernie Griffin, and Seamus Howard. The R-Up team was Joe Griffin, M Lacheiner, Marian Hanley, Darren Kelly and Mary Hennessy.



M Carmody's Team won the Spring League.

A special Holiday Handicap competition is held. The winners were M Lacheiner and G.Browne..



1986/87

Committee

Chairman Ger Browne, Treasurer J Griffin , Secretary J Davis, Club Captain M Carmody, PRO S Hayes , E Kelly, J O Dowd, T Malone, M Griffin, M Lacheiner, M O'Connell, B O'Flaherty and T Corbett.

Major Events

Total membership was 70 (75 needed to make the Club viable). 12 teams competed in the Clare and Munster Leagues.

In Feb 87 the OMI went on a very successful social weekend to Gleneagles in Killarney. The activities included golf, swimming, tennis, pitch and putt, snooker, cards and squash against Killarney S.C. and the Orchard S.C. from Cork.

In July 87 the Pitch & Putt course is opened again by the squash club. It had been closed for many years. It became extremely popular and generated a large revenue for the squash club. Initially it started as a 9 hole course but then became an 18 hole course. The course was maintained by squash players initially on a daily basis, and held competitions weekly. A Caretaker was then employed.

The CSRA President is **Seamus Hayes** (OMI).

The Munster Open is held in Clare, and again sponsored by Clarenbridge. Robert Forde wins the Mens A event. Marjorie Burke won the Ladies A event.



Margaret Lacheiner does not compete in the Clare Championships after winning ten in a row.

Darren Kelly is selected on the Munster U-16 team.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def S Howard

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def A O Dowd



Mens Harp Final S Hayes def S Howard.

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner def T Corbett

Mens Clare Champion Tony Lynch (CBS) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion Caroline McDonnell (CBS) def Betty McMahon (DE Beers)

The OMI retain the Clare Div 1 Mixed League. The team was A O'Dowd, M Lacheiner, D Hassett, S Howard, S Hayes, G Bredin, J Davis and B O'Flaherty.

OMI won the Div 2 Mens League. The team was J Griffin, D Hassett, J O'Dowd, G Browne, Con Woods, A Feore and D Kelly.

OMI are R-Up in the North Munster Div 3 Mens League. The team was J Griffin, D Hassett, J O'Dowd, G Browne, Con Woods, A Feore, D Kelly, J O'Dowd and T Malone.

Seamus Hayes wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League

OMI win the North Munster Ladies Div 2 League title. The team was M Lacheiner, J Davis, A O'Dowd, B O'Flaherty, Teresa Hehir, Teresa Corbett and Mary Hennessy.

OMI win the Inter Club Knock Out.

The Team Captains were Mens Div 3 Michael Griffin, Div 4 Paddy Commene, Div 5 G Hickey, Ladies Div 2 M Hennessy, Div 3 Bernie Griffin.

The Autumn League winning team was J Griffin, T Malone, M Hehir, E Kelly, T Corbett and M Lait. The R-Up team was S Howard, D Kelly, G Hickey, J Dee, B O Flaherty and A Killeen.



Darren Kelly wins the Clare U-16 boys title.

Seamus Howard wins the Clare U-19 boys title.

The OMI wins the Inter Club Knock Out Competition.

The Spring League winning team is D Cahill, C Kelly, M Lacheiner and G Casey.



1987/88

Committee

Chairman G Browne, Treasurer J Griffin, Secretary J Davis, Mens Captain Seamus Howard, Ladies Captain M Lacheiner, Social Captain Aidan Feore, E Kelly, M Carmody, B O'Flaherty.

Major Events

Total Membership was 74.

A glass Wall is placed behind Court 2 and a gallery for 50 people is built with the profits from the P&P course. A new bar with a separate entrance is built, with a piano and trophy cabinet.



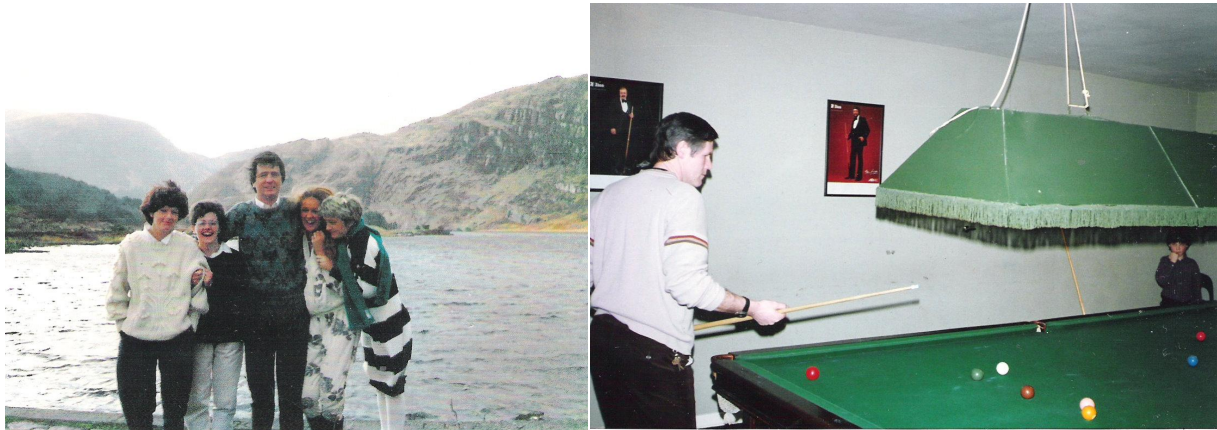
Record numbers play in the weekly P & P competitions.

Other improvements at the in club included 30 photos of winning teams, Club history boards, 8 Dunlop framed posters, walls of court 1 are replastered. New meters, clocks and heaters are added.

The first OMI Open was a huge success with an entry 60. Sponsorship was obtained from Budweiser for the tournament which made a profit of £100.



In Feb 88 a group of 30 people from the OMI and other squash clubs had a trip to Bantry. Competitions were arranged in squash, golf, pitch and putt and snooker. It was very enjoyable.



Dermot O'Hanlon (Newmarket on Fergus) is the President of the CSRA.

There were 92 entries in the Clare Championships.

The Munster Open is held in Clare, and again sponsored by Clarenbridge. There were 140 entries, with over 300 games played over the weekend at 5 clubs. Robert Forde retained the Mens A event. Mary Byrne won the Ladies A event.



Clare prizewinners at the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships in 1988 at the weekend pictured with Bob D'Silva of the Sponsors, are (back) Kate Lane and Bridie O'Flaherty. Seated: Evelyn Lyons, Jan Davis, Mary Murphy and Carolins McDonnell.



Mary Byrne comes to the OMI for a coaching session.

A new trophy cabinet is installed at the Club.

Kildysart open a squash club.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def Howard

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def T Hehir



★ Winners at the One Mile Inn club championships in 1988, were (l. to r.), Seamus Hayes, also winner of the Clare division 1 championship; Darren Kelly, Bernie Griffin, Margaret Lacheiner and Michael Griffin.

Mens Harp Final Seamus Howard def Michael Carmody. This was a walkover as M Carmody was injured.

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner (eleventh title) def Ann O'Dowd.



★ 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.

Mens Clare Champion **S Hayes** (OMI) def Tomas English (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion Carolime McDonnell (CBS) def C Enright (Auburn Lodge)

The OMI retains the Clare Div 1 Mixed League for the third year in a row. The team was S Hayes, S Howard, J Griffin, M Lacheiner, J Davis, D Kelly and A O'Dowd.

The Ladies Div 2 Team was B Griffin, M Barry, A Killeen, G Cahill, P Duncan.

OMI are the Div 3 League Winners. The team was Michael Clancy, M Lacheiner, Tony McMahon, Jimmy O'Dea and Michael Griffin (Coach M O'Connell).



The OMI are the R-Up in the Mens Div 2 League in a very close final with the CBS. The team was M Meere, G Browne, D Hassett, D Kelly and Con Woods.

The OMI retains the Inter Club Knock Out Competition, for the third year in a row. The team was B Griffin, M Lacheiner, M Griffin, D Kelly, and Seamus Hayes.

Seamus Howard is R-Up in the Div 1 Clare Individual League.

The winning team in the Autumn League was S Howard, M Griffin, Paddy Commene, Kieran Browne, Lil Moyles and Marian Barry. The R-Up team was J Griffin, A Feore, Gerard O'Gorman, Gerry Casey, Teresa Hehir and Collette Kelly.

The OMI wins the Inter Club Blitz title. The team was S Hayes, D Kelly, M Griffin, L Moyles and B Griffin.

Darren Kelly wins the Clare U-19 title.

Seamus Howard is R-Up the Div 1 Clare Individual League. Ann O'Dowd wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League

The Div 4 Mens Team was M Clancy, G Casey, P Sheehan, G Breen, P Commene, P Kenneally and D Cahill.

1988/89

Committee

Chairman Ger Browne, Treasurer S Howard, Secretary J Davis, Mens Captain J Griffin, Ladies Captain M Lacheiner, Junior Captain M Meere, Social Captain A Feore.

Major Events

The second OMI Open is held, which is again sponsored by Budweiser. It was limited to 60 entries.



The club has a weekend away to the Downhill Hotel Ballina.

Court 1 was replastered and the floor of Court 2 resanded.

The receipts from the P & P course are still excellent (£340)

A Fundraising Cycle was held.(£90 raised)

Dermot O'Hanlon (Newmarket on Fergus) is the President of the CSRA.

All the Clare Championship Finals are held in Clarecastle.

The Auburn Lodge closes Court 1.

The Munster Open was held in Christys in Blarney .

Seamus Hayes retires from the CSRA. He had been on every committee since its formation in 1982 and Chairman from 1984 to 1987.

Single OMI club Membership £50, Husband & Wife £65, Family £75.

The Ennis Boys National School sports complex opens with two squash courts and two handball courts, as well as tennis facilities.

The OMI hosts a refereeing course conducted by Martin O'Donoghue, a refereeing instructor from Cork. The No. 1 court is replastered.

The Div 1 Mixed League is opened to teams outside Clare. Nenagh, Catholic Institute and Limerick L.T.C. enter teams.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def D Kelly

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def R Hynes

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def D Kelly

Ladies Guinness Final M Lacheiner def R Hynes

Mens Clare Champion **S Hayes** (OMI) def T English (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion **R Hynes** (OMI) def **C Enright** (OMI)



Dermot O'Hanlon (left), President C.S.R.A. and Denis Maurer (right) of Maurer Jewellers, the sponsors, with the current Clare Division 1 champions, Seamus Hayes and Rose Hynes.

The Club had 9 Teams in the Leagues and Competitions. (The Senior Mixed, Mens Div 1, 2, 3 and 4, Ladies Div 1 and 5, The Inter Club Blitz and Knock Out.)

The Ladies Div 5 were R-Up in their League. The Team was E Howard, H Gallery, A Longworth, M Hickey, P Moloney and M Browne.

The OMI won the Div 1 Ladies League. The team was M Lacheiner, Rose Hynes, Carmel Enright, Ann O'Dowd, Mairead Bergin, B O'Flaherty and Jan Davis.



The One Mile Inn ladies, winners of the Division 1 League title pictured at the presentation of prizes. Standing (from left), Dermot O'Hanlon, President C.S.R.A., Mairead Bergin, Ann O'Dowd, Margaret Lacheiner (capt.), Gerry O'Brien, Bank of Ireland, Ennis; Carmel Enright, Martin O'Sullivan, Bank of Ireland Regional office. Seated: Jan Davis (left) and Bridie O'Flaherty.

Seamus Hayes wins the Div 1 Clare Mens Individual League.

The OMI are R-Up in the Inter Club Blitz. The team was S Hayes, G Browne, F McMahon, C Enright and C Feore. It was the last competition held at the Auburn Lodge.

The OMI don't win the Div 1 Mixed title for the first time in 6 seasons.

The Autumn League winning team was Dermot O'Hanlon, M Griffin, Finbarr McMahon, Kieran Browne, Jan Davis and Catherine Feore. The R-Up team was M Meere, Michael Mullins, Ger Breen, Ambrose Heagney, M Lacheiner and P Moloney.

Carmel Enright (OMI) wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League. She was also R-Up in the Munster Open and Munster Close Ladies B Championship.

Mairead Bergin (OMI) was R-Up in the Div 1 Clare Individual League.

Regular Blitzes were held.

D Kelly is R-up in the U-19 boys.

P Moloney won the U-16 Girls.

A Meere won the Boys U-12.

1989/90

Committee

Chairman Ger Browne, Treasurer S Howard, Secretary Jan Davis, Mens Captain Joe Griffin, Ladies Captain M Lacheiner, Social Captain A Feore, Junior Captain M Meere, CSRA E Kelly. Junior Girls B O'Flaherty.

Major Events

Total Membership 41 with 3 juniors.

17 clubs affiliate to the CSRA.

Nearly 90 entries for the Clare Championships. The finals were held in Clarecastle.

Dermot O'Hanlon (Newmarket on Fergus) is the President of the CSRA.

The Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open is back in Clare after a one year absence. Munster Open matches were held in the CBS, OMI, Boys National, St Flannans and Clarecastle (HQ). There was a huge entry with over 300 matches played over the weekend. Willie Hosey the Irish No. 1 won the Mens A title. Brona Conway took the Ladies A title.



The P & P course is handed over to the new P & P committee and becomes a very successful club. There is however a major loss of revenue for the Squash Club.

The Ballina/Killaloe squash club enters the Clare leagues for the first time.

The third OMI open is held. The entry is so large it has to start on the Thursday.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def J Griffin.

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def R Hynes.



Mens Harp Final S Hayes def D Kelly. Ladies Harp Final R Hynes def M Lacheiner.

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def **S Hayes** (OMI).

Ladies Clare Champion **R Hynes** (OMI) def C McDonnell (CBS).

The OMI retain the Div 1 Mixed League after a lapse of a year. The team was S Hayes, D Kelly, M Lacheiner, R Hynes, C Enright, M Bergin and B O'Flaherty.

The winning team in the Autumn League was J Griffin, M Carmody, P Sheehan, M Rooney, A O'Dowd and E Howard. The R-Up team was T McNamara, J Davis, T de Buitleir, M Clancy, F Coughlan and S Hayes.

The OMI were R-Up the Div 1 Ladies League (by just one game). The team was M Lacheiner, Rose Hynes, Carmel Enright, Ann O'Dowd, Mairead Bergin, B O'Flaherty and Jan Davis.

Rose Hynes (OMI) was R-Up in the Div 1 Clare Individual League.

Seamus Hayes (OMI) was the winner in the Div 1 Clare Individual League.

The Inter Club Knock Out Team was S Hayes, G Browne, M Griffin, M Lacheiner and B O'Flaherty.

The Club had teams in Mens Div 1, 2, 3 and 4, and Ladies Div 1, 3, 4 and 5.

1990/91

Committee

Chairperson Michael Griffin, Secretary J Davis, Treasurer M Lacheiner, Social Secretary E Kelly and M Carmody.

Major Events

Membership free. £1,50 per ½ Hour

Ger Browne (OMI) is the President of the CSRA.

Clare host the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open. Again there was a huge entry. Games were played at the Boys National, St Flannans, Shannon Diamond and Clarecastle (HQ). Derek Ryan and Marjorie Croke took the A titles.



Competitions

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion C McDonnell (CBS) def **R Hynes** (OMI)

The club had teams in the Inter Club Knock Out, Mens Div 2, Mens Div 3, Ladies Div 1, Ladies Div 2 and Ladies Div 5.

The OMI win the Plate competition at the Inter Club Knock Out. The team was S Hayes, G Browne, M Griffin, B O'Flaherty and Maura Hanrahan.

The OMI Ladies Div 2 team are R-Up in their league.

The OMI Ladies Div 5 team are R-Up in their League, pipped by one match. The team included Helen Gallery, Liz Howard, A Longworth, Mary Hickey and P Molony.

1991/92

OMI Closes

Ger Browne (OMI) is the President of the CSRA.

The Clare Championships have 60 entries

Clare Competitions

Mens Clare Champion R Fitzgerald (Clarecastle) def D Devitt (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion R Hynes (Shannon) def C McDonnell (CBS)



1992/93

Jan Davis is Secretary of the CSRA. With her are Mike Conlan and John O Shaughnessy.

Clare Competitions

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def D Devitt (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion R Hynes (Shannon) def C McDonnell (CBS)



1993/94

Jan Davis is Secretary of the CSRA. With her are Mike Conlan and John O Shaughnessy.

Clare Competitions

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def R Fitzgerald (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion L O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def M Flanagan (CBS)



1994/95

Jan Davis is Secretary of the CSRA. With her are Mike Conlan and John O Shaughnessy

Clare Competitions

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def A Meere (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion Teresa Deasy def Mairead Cusack (Kildysart)

1995/96

Jan Davis is Secretary of the CSRA. With her are Mike Conlan and John O Shaughnessy.

Clare Competitions

Mens Clare Champion A Meere (Clarecastle) def F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion L O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def Lorraine Gannon (CBS)

1996/97

Jan Davis is Secretary of the CSRA. With her are Mike Conlan and John O Shaughnessy.

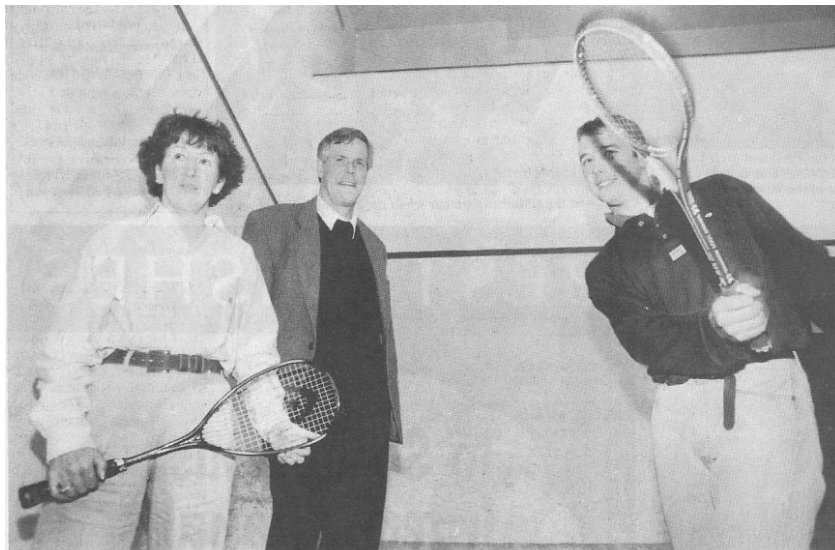
Clare Competitions (In Kildysart) 21st Anniversary of the CSRA Championships

Mens Clare Champion A Meere (Clarecastle) def F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion Rose Hynes (Shannon) def Lorraine Gannon (CBS)



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.

Chairpersons of the One Mile Inn Squash Club



Pat Kelly 1974/75, 75/76



Denis Maurer 1976/77, 77/78



John Costin 1978/79, 84/85



Jim O'Dowd 1979/80, 80/81, 84/85, 85/86



Seamus Hayes 1981/82, 82/83



Tom Malone 1983/84



Ger Browne 1986/87, 87/88, 88/89, 89/90



Mike Griffin 1990/91

Members

Marian Barry



Autumn League winner 1980/81.

Mairead Bergin



On the winning Div 1 Ladies Team 1988/89. On the winning Div 1 Mixed Team 1989/90. .On the Div 1 R-Up Team 1989/90.

Ann Boyd



Blitz winner 1978/79. Harp Handicap R-Up 1979/80. Ladies Club Championship Finalist 1979/80. Committee 1980/81.

Caroline Bradley



Blitz winner 1981/82.

Gerry Bredin



On the Limerick League winning Div 4 Team 1979/80. On the Div 3 winning team 80/81. On the winning Div 1 Mixed Team 1985/86. On O.M.I. Munster Junior Championship winning team 1982. Winner of the Harp Handicap 1981/82,82/83. R-Up 1983/84.

Ger Breen Club Div 4 player 1989/90.

Frankie Brennan



Autumn League winner 1975/76.

Madeline Brennan. On the first Club Committee 1974/75.

Patricia Broderick



Blitz winner 1982/83.

Ger Browne



Chairman 1986/87, 87/88, 88/89, 89/90. President CSRA 1990/91, 91/92.

Autumn League Winner 1985/86. On the winning Div 1 Mixed Team 1985/86. Treasurer 1984/85, 85/86. On the Inter Club Knock Out Winning Team 1984/85. On the Div 3 R-Up team 1984/85. On the Winning Div 2 Team that were also R-Up in North Munster 1986/87. On the Div 2 R-Up Team 1987/88.

Kieran Browne



Blitz winner 1981/82. Ladder winner 1982/83.

Mary Browne



Clare Plate Winner 1989/90

Patricia Browne



Novice team league winner 1982/83.

Damien Byrne Plate winner Clare Championships 1978/79. Autumn League winner 1979/80.

Donal Cahill



Spring League winner 1986/87.

Liam Cahir



Winner of the Harp Handicap 1974/75. Autumn League winner 1975/76.

Michael Carmody



Squash Ladder winner 1981/82. On the Div 2 League winning team 1982/83. On the Div 3 League winning team 1982/83. Squash Ladder winner 1983/84. Committee 1982/83, 83/84. Harp Handicap R-Up 1987/88.

Gary Casey



Novice team league winner 1982/83. Club handicap winner 1984/85. Spring League winner 1986/87.

Tony Chapman



Blitz winner 1981/82. On the Div 3 League winning team 1982/83. On the Div 3 R-Up team 1984/85.

Michael Clancy



Club Div 3 R-Up 1986/87. On the winning Div 3 team 1987/88.

John Collins



Blitz winner 1980/81. Committee 1980/81.

Paddy Commane Club Div 4 player 1989/90.

Jimmy Cooney



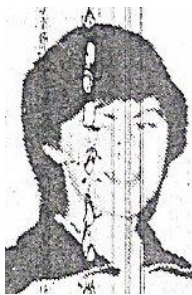
On the team that won the first Spring League 1974/75. 10th Anniversary Blitz winner 1983/84.

Conor Connolly



Blitz winner 1975/76.

Ann Conway



Novice team league winner 1982/83.

Teresa Corbett



Club handicap R-Up 1984/85. Harp Handicap R-Up 1985/86, 86/87. On the Inter Club Knock Out Winning Team 1984/85. On the Ladies Div 2 Team that won the North Munster Div 2 League Title 1986/87.

Paul Costello



First Mens Clare Champion 1976/77. On the Limerick League winning Junior A Team 1976/77.

Frank Coughlan



Club Div 3 winner 1986/87.

John Costin



Chairman 1978/79. Blitz winner 1978/79, 84/85. On the Limerick League winning Div 4 Team 1979/80. Autumn League winner 1980/81. On the Div 2 League winning team 1982/83. On the Junior Team R-Up in the Limerick League 1978/79. Club Captain 1979/80. Committee 1980/81, 83/84. On the OMI team that won the Inter Club Blitz 1980/81.

Jimmy Cronin



Autumn League winner 1975/76 On the Junior B Team Limerick League R-Up 1976/77. Committee 1976/77, 77/78.

Noel Crowley



Blitz winner 1980/81.

MaryCrowley



Blitz winner 1981/82.

Jan Davis



On the winning Limerick League Div 3 Team 1980/81. On the Div 2 League winning team 1982/83. Autumn League Winner 1985/86. On the winning Div 1 Ladies Team 1988/89. Harp Handicap R-Up 1980/81. Committee 1981/82, 82/83, 83/84. . On the Inter Club Knock Out Winning Team 1984/85. On the winning Div 1 Mixed Team 1985/86, 86/87, 87/88. On the Ladies Div 2 Team that won the North Munster Div 2 League Title 1986/87. Club Secretary 1986/87, 87/88, 88/89, 89/90. On the winning Div 1 Ladies Team 1988/89. .On the Div 1 R-Up Team 1989/90. Clare Squash Secretary 1992 to 1997.

Tomas de Buitleir Club Div 5 player 1989/90.

Aidan Deegan On the first Club Committee 1974/75.

Carmel Enright



Clare Championship R-Up 1985/86, 87/88, 88/89. On the winning Div 1 Ladies Team 1988/89. On the winning Div 1 Ladies Team 1988/89. On the winning Div 1 Mixed Team 1989/90. .On the Div 1 R-Up Team 1989/90.

Aidan Feore



On the Autumn League R-Up Team 1982/83. On the Div 3 R-Up team 1984/85. On the Winning Div 2 Team that were also R-Up in North Munster 1986/87. Social Captain 1987/88, 88/89, 89/90.

Catherine Feore



Blitz winner 1980/81. Ladder winner 1981/82.

Ted Finlay



On the team that were R-Up in the first Spring League 1974/75 On the Junior B Team Limerick League R-Up 1976/77. Committee 1976/77.

Brian Fitzgerald



On the team that won the first Autumn League 1974/75. Blitz winner 1976/77. Blitz winner 1980/81. First Club Secretary 1974/75.

Paddy Flannery



On the team that won the first Spring League 1974/75.

Sean Foudy. The man who took the bookings and took care of the courts.

Helen Gallery On the R-Up Ladies Div 5 team 1990/91.

P J Garry



On the team that won the first Autumn League 1974/75. Blitz winner 1980/81.

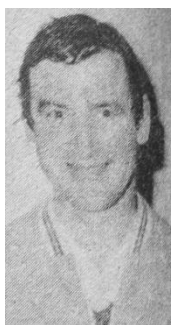
Blitz winner 1981/82.

Cha Gill



Blitz winner 1977/78. Ladder winner 1981/82.

Ken Glennon



Clare Championship R-Up 1977/78. On the OMI Team that won the Inter Club

Blitz 1981/82

Michael Greene Blitz winner 1981/82.

Bernie Griffin



Autumn League Winner 1985/86. On the Inter Club Knock Out Winning Team 1987/88. On the winning Inter Club Blitz Team 1987/88.

Joe Griffin



Blitz winner 1981/82. On the Div 3 League winning team 1982/83. On the winning Div 1 Mixed team 1985/86, 87/88. Munster Close Mens D Winner 1986/87. On the Inter Club Knock Out Winning Team 1984/85. On the Div 3 R-Up team 1984/85. On the Div 2 R-Up Team 1985/86. On the Winning Div 2 Team that were also R-Up in North Munster 1986/87. Treasurer 1986/87. Mens Captain 1987/88, 88/89, 89/90. Club Championship R-Up 1989/90.

Michael Griffin



Ladder winner 1981/82. On the Div 3 League winning team 1982/83, 87/88. On the Div 3 R-Up team 1984/85. On the Inter Club Knock Out Winning Team 1987/88. Committee 1986/87. On the winning Inter Club Blitz Team 1987/88. Chairperson 1990/91.

Christy Guerin



On the team that won the first Autumn League 1974/75.

Rosemary Guthrie. Committee 1982/83, 83/84. Club Secretary 1984/85.

Donal Hassett



Ladder winner 1981/82. Blitz winner 1982/83. On the Div 2 League winning team 1982/83. On the Div 3 League winning team 1982/83. Committee 1983/84. On the winning Div 1 Mixed Team 1986/87. On the Winning Div 2 Team that were also R-Up in North Munster 1986/87. On the Div 2 R-Up Team 1987/88.

Seamus Hayes



OMI Chairman 1981/82, 82/83. OMI Committee 80/81, 83/84. Clare Championship Winner 81/82, 87/88, 88/89. Clare Championship R-Up 80/81, 82/83, 85/86, 86/87, 89/90. OMI Championship Winner 81/82, 83/84, 84/85, 85/86, 86/87, 87/88, 88/89, 89/90 (8). OMI Championship R-Up 80/81, 82/83. Harp Winner 83/84, 84/85, 85/86, 86/87, 88/89, 89/90. Harp R-Up 79/80, 80/81, 82/83. On the OMI team that won the Munster Junior Championship 81/82. On the OMI Senior Mixed Teams that won in 85/86, 86/87, 87/88, 88/89. CSRA Committee 82/83, 83/84. CSRA Chairman 84/85, 85/86, 86/87.

Teresa Hehir



Ladies Club Plate winner 1985/86. On the Ladies Div 2 Team that won the North Munster Div 2 League Title 1986/87. Club Championship R-Up 1987/88.

Jim Hennessy



On the Junior B Team Limerick League R-Up 1976/77. Club Secretary 1975/76.

Mary Hennessy



Harp Handicap Winner 1976/77. Harp Handicap R-Up 1974/75, 75/76, 78/79. On the winning Limerick League Div 3 Team 1980/81. On the Div 2 League winning team 1982/83. Club Secretary 1976/77, 77/78, 78/79, 79/80, 80/81. Treasurer 1981/82. On the Ladies Div 2 Team that won the North Munster Div 2 League Title 1986/87.

Michael Howard



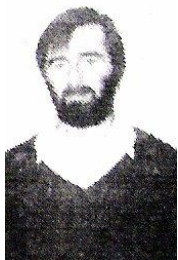
President and Founder of the Club.

Seamus Howard



Ladder winner 1982/83. Harp Handicap Winner 1987/88. Harp Handicap R-Up 1985/86, 86/87. Autumn League Winner 1985/86. On the Div 3 R-Up team 1984/85. Club Championship R-Up 1986/87, 87/88. On the winning Div 1 Mixed Team 1986/87, 87/88. Treasurer 1987/88, 88/89, 89/90.

Kieran Hurley



Clare Championship winner 1980/81. Club Champion 1980/81.

Rose Hynes .



Club Championship R-Up 1988/89, 89/90. Harp Handicap R-Up 1988/89. Harp Handicap Winner 1989/90. Ladies Clare Champion 1988/89., 89/90. On the winning Div 1 Ladies Team 1988/89. On the winning Div 1 Mixed Team 1989/90. .On the Div 1 R-Up Team 1989/90.

Jack Keane



Autumn League winner 1975/76 Autumn League winner 1979/80. On the winning OMI Inter Club Blitz Team 1980/81.

Jimmy Kearns



Blitz winner 1980/81.

Colm Keating



On the Limerick League winning Div 4 Team 1979/80. 10th Anniversary Blitz winner 1983/84. Committee 1980/81. On the OMI Team that won the Inter Club Blitz 1981/82.

Colette Kelly



Ladder winner 1982/83. Spring League winner 1986/87.

Darren Kelly



On the Div 2 team that were R-Up in 1987/88. On the Winning Div 2 Team that were also R-Up in North Munster 1986/87. On the winning Div 1 Mixed Team 1987/88, 89/90. On the Inter Club Knock Out Winning Team 1987/88. On the Div 2 R-Up Team 1987/88. On the winning Inter Club Blitz Team 1987/88. Club Championship R-Up 1988/89. Harp Handicap R-Up 1988/89, 89/90.

Eamon Kelly



Treasurer 1982/83, 83/84. Autumn League winner 1986/87. Committee 1989/90.

Pat Kelly



First Club Chairman 1974/75, 75/76. Blitz winner 1975/76 On the Limerick League winning Junior A Team 1976/77.

Pat Kenneally Club Div 4 player 1989/90.

Pat Kirby



Winner of the first Harp Handicap 1974.

Pat Kirby



On the Div 2 League winning team 1982/83.

Gert Lacheiner



Regular Sponsor.

Margaret Lacheiner



Clare Champion 1976/77, 77/78, 78/79, 79/80, 80/81, 81/82, 82/83, 83/84, 84/85, 85/86 (10). OMI Ladies Champion 74/75, 78/79, 79/80, 80/81, 82/83, 83/84, 84/85, 85/86, 86/87, 87/88, 88/89, 89/90 (12). OMI R-Up 77/78, 81/82. Harp Winner 77/78, 78/79, 79/80, 80/81, 82/83, 83/84, 84/85, 85/86, 86/87, 87/88, 88/89 (11). Harp R-Up 89/90. OMI Committee 76/77, 77/78, 78/79, 79/80, 80/81, 83/84, 87/88, 89/90. On the OMI Ladies Div 2 Winning Team 82/83, 86/87. On the OMI Senior Winning Teams 83/84, 85/86, 86/87, 87/88, 89/90. On The OMI Div 3 Winning Team 87/88.

Maeve Lait



Autumn League winner 1986/87

Dermot Lernihan Blitz winner 1981/82.

Danny Liddy Autumn League winner 1979/80. Clare Plate winner 1980/81.

Tony Lillis



OMI Committee 74/75 (First year of Club), 75/76, 76/77. On the OMI Team that won the Munster Junior Championships 81/82. On the OMI Team that won the Limerick Junior A Championships 76/77 and were R-Up in the Munster Junior Championships. Clare Championship Winner 78/79, 79/80. OMI Club Championship Winner 77/78. OMI Club Championship R-Up 78/79, 79/80. Limerick Intermediate Close Individual Finalist 77/78. Harp Winner 79/80. Harp R-Up 78/79. Munster Close B Plate Winner 83/84. First Chairman of the CSRA 82/83, 83/84

Tony Lynch



Blitz winner 1982/83. On the first OMI team to win a Munster Title, the Junior team 1981/82. Committee 1983/84. Club Championship R-Up 1983/84, 84/85. Mens Clare Championship winner 1986/87.

Flan Lyons



Autumn League winner 1979/80.

Irene Malone Blitz winner 1978/79.

Tom Malone



Chairman 1983/84. OMI Committee 80/81, 82/83. On the OMI Team that were R-Up in the Junior C Team Limerick League 77/78. OMI Mens A Plate R-Up 78/79. On the Limerick League winning Div 4 Team 1979/80. Club Captain 1982/83. On the Div 2 League winning team 1982/83. Clare Mens A Plate R-Up 80/81. On the OMI Senior team that were R-Up in 82/83. OMI Div 2 Plate R-Up 85/86.

Denis Maurer



Chairman 1976/77, 77/78. OMI Committee 74/75, 75/76. On OMI team that won the Junior A Limerick League 76/77 and were R-Up in the Munster Junior A Championship. On OMI team that won the Munster Junior A Championship 81/82. OMI Championship Mens A Winner 78/79, 79/80, 82/83. OMI Championship R-Up 77/78, 81/82.. Clare Championship Mens A Winner 77/78, 82/83. Clare Championship R-Up 78/79, 79/80, 81/82. Clare Championship Mens A Plate Winner 87/88. Finalist Limerick Senior Close Championship 77/78. Harp Handicap Winner 78/79, 80/81. Harp Handicap R-Up 81/82. Limerick League Senior Handicap R-Up 79/80. On C S R A Committee 82/83, 83/84, 84/85, 85/86, 86/87, 87/88. Top Squash Coach and regular Sponsor of the Clare Championships.

Josette Maurer



On the team that were R-Up in the first Autumn League 1974/75

Tommie Mee



On the team that won the first Spring League 1974/75.

Michael Meere On the Div 2 R-Up Team 1987/88. Junior Captain 1988/89, 89/90.

Derry Moloney



Blitz winner 1976/77. On the Junior B Team Limerick League R-Up 1976/77 and 1978/79.

Frankie Moloney



Blitz winner 1979/80.

Liam Moloney Autumn League winner 1979/80. Blitz winner 1979/80. On the Junior Team Limerick League R-Up 1978/79.

Liz Moloney



Committee 1981/82. Blitz winner 1978/79. Blitz winner 1979/80. On the winning Limerick League Div 3 Team 1980/81.

Phil Molony



On the team that were R-Up in the first Spring League 1974/75.

Sean Moroney Prizewinner in the first pitch and putt tournament at the OMI 1975.

Liz Moyles On the winning Inter Club Blitz Team 1987/88.

Brian Mulqueen



On the team that were R-Up in the first Spring League 1974/75.

Maurice Murphy R-Up Harp Handicap 1984/85. On the Div 3 R-Up team 1984/85.

Caroline McDonnell



Harp Handicap R-Up 1981/82. Blitz winner 1981/82. Ladder winner 1982/83. Club Championship R-Up 1984/85. Clare Championship Winner 1987/88.

Dermot McDonnell



On the Div 3 League winning team 1982/83.

Kevin McDonnell



Blitz winner 1981/82. On the Div 3 League winning team 1982/83. Committee 1982/83, 83/84.

Finbar McMahon



Clare Div 3 Plate R-Up 1986/87.

Frank McNerney



Blitz R-Up 1977/78. Committee 1977/78.

Kitty McNerney Committee 1980/81.

Colm Mc Laughlin



Clare Championship R-Up 1976/77. On the Limerick League winning Junior A Team 1976/77. First Club Captain 1974/75 and 75/76. Harp Handicap winner 1975/76.

Tony McMahon



On the winning Div 3 team 1987/88.

Macken McNamara



R-Up of the first Harp Handicap 1974.

Jim Neville



Mens Harp Handicap winner 1977/78. On the team that won the Limerick Div 3 League 1980/81.

Michael Neylon



Autumn League winner 1975/76 On the Junior B Team Limerick League R-Up 1976/77. Committee 1976/77, 77/78.

Fiona Nugent



Clare Plate R-Up 1980/81. Club Secretary 1981/82, 82/83 83/84. On the Div 2 League winning team 1982/83.

Annette O'Brien



On the team that won the first Autumn League 1974/75.

Michael O'Connell



Committee 1980/81, 81/82, 82/83. Blitz winner 1980/81. Coach of many winning teams. Autumn League winner 1980/81. Blitz winner 1981/82. On the Div 2 League winning team 1982/83, 83/84.

Ursula O'Connell



Blitz winner 1982/83.

Jimmy O'Dea



On the winning Div 3 team 1987/88.

Ann O'Dowd



OMI Committee 76/77, 77/78, 78/79, 79/80, 80/81.. CSRA Committee 83/84, 84/85. OMI Championship R-Up 85/86, 86/87. Harp Winner 85/86. Harp R-Up 77/78, 84/85, 87/88. OMI Plate Winner 78/79. OMI Plate R-Up 77/78. Clare Ladies A Plate Winner 81/82. Clare Ladies A Plate R-Up 79/80, 88/89. On the OMI Team that won the Junior Limerick League 80/81. On the OMI Team that won the Clare Div 2 Leagues 82/83, 86/87. On the OMI Team that won the Clare Div 1 Leagues 83/84, 88/89. On the OMI Clare Senior Mixed League Winning Teams 84/85, 85/86, 86/87. Limerick Close Individual B Plate R-Up 81/82.

Jim O'Dowd



Chairman 1979/80, 80/81, 84/85, 85/86. On OMI Team that were R-Up in the Junior C Limerick Team League 1977/78. On the Limerick League winning Div 4 Team 1979/80. On the OMI Team as Captain that won the Div 3 Limerick League 1980/81. On the Div 2 League winning team 1982/83. CSRA Committee 82/83, 83/84. On the OMI Team that were R-up in the Senior League 1982/83. OMI Div 2 Individual R-Up 1984/85.

Ken O'Farrell



Club handicap R-Up 1984/85. On the Div 2 R-Up Team 1985/86.

Bridie O'Flaherty



Ladies Clare Championship R-Up 1979/80. On the winning Limerick League Div 3 Team 1980/81. Autumn League winner 1980/81. Blitz winner 1980/81. Club Championship R-Up 1980/81, 82/83, 83/84. Harp Handicap Winner 1981/82. Ladies Club Champion 1981/82. Harp Handicap R-Up 1982/83, 83/84. On the Div 2 League winning team 1982/83. On the OMI team that won the Inter Club Blitz 1980/81, 81/82. Won the Limerick Close Ladies B Title 1981/82. Committee 1982/83, 83/84. On the winning Div 1 Ladies Team 1983/84, 88/89. On the winning Div 1 Mixed Team 1986/87, 89/90. On the Ladies Div 2 Team that won the North Munster Div 2 League Title 1986/87. On the Div 1 R-Up Team 1989/90.

Ger O'Gorman



Club Championship finalist Div 3 1987/88.

Dermot O'Hanlon



President of Clare Squash 1987 to 1990

Mimi O'Keefe Autumn League winner 1975/76.

Rory O'Keefe



On the Limerick League winning Junior A Team 1976/77. Harp Handicap R-Up 1976/77.

Ger O'Neill Blitz winner 1979/80.

Dickie Pyne



Clare Championship Plate R-Up 1976/77. On the Limerick League winning Junior A Team 1976/77. Harp Handicap winner 1976/77. 10th Anniversary Blitz winner 1983/84.

Ann Renshaw



First Ladies Club championship winner 1977/78. R-Up 1978/79.

Ned Ryan Autumn League winner 1975/76.

Mary Sadlier



Clare Plate winner 1989/90.

Pat Sheehan Club Div 4 player 1989/90.

Tom Spillane



On the team that were R-Up in the first Spring League 1974/75.

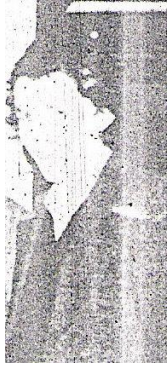
Rosaline Spooner Autumn League winner 1975/76.

Mickey Sullivan



Blitz winner 1981/82.

Noel Tierney



Blitz winner 1980/81.

Michael Vaughan Club Div 4 player 1989/90

Carmel Warner Autumn League winner 1975/76. 10th Anniversary Blitz winner 1983/84.

Con Woods Autumn League winner 1979/80. On the team that won the Limerick Div 3 League 1980/81. On the Div 2 R-Up Team 1985/86. On the Winning Div 2 Team that were also R-Up in North Munster 1986/87. On the Div 2 R-Up Team 1987/88.

Gerry Woods Blitz winner 1978/79.

Gerry Bredin

SQUASH:

On O.M.I. Div 1 Clare Senior League winning team 1985/86

On O.M.I. Munster Junior Championship winning team 1982

Winner of the Harp Handicap O.M.I. 1981/82, 1982/83 R-Up 1983/84

On O.M.I.Div 4 Clare winning team 79/80, On O.M.I.Div 3 Clare winning team 80/81

TENNIS:

Club Singles Champion 1982

Club Doubles Winner 1986, 1987, 1990. Club Doubles R-Up 1984, 1991, Club Mixed R-Up 1983

BADMINTON:

On Ennis Div. 1 Clare League winners 1985/86, On Clare Brewster winning team 1986/87

Club Singles Champion 1984. Div. 5 Clare Doubles winner 1984

Committees

On the Ennis Badminton Club Committee 1976/77

On the Ennis Lawn Tennis and Badminton Club Management Committee 82/83, 83/84, 85/86, 94/95, 95/96

On Badminton Committee 86/87, 88/89.

Social Captain 1988/89

Clare Badminton Association Committee 86/87, 87/88

Central in the negotiations with Fr. Sean Moriarty to amalgamate the Ennis Badminton Club with The Ennis Tennis Club in 1982

Top Badminton Coach who brought Donie O'Halloran, Al Bredin, Dave Browne and Joyce McInerney to International honours.

Trustee of the Tennis and Badminton Club, Life Member and regular sponsor of fundraising events.

Seamus Hayes

Harp Winner 83/84, 84/85, 85/86, 86/87, 88/89, 89/90

Harp R-Up 79/80, 80/81, 82/83.

On CBS Div 2 Winning Team 79/80

OMI Committee 80/81, 83/84

OMI Chairman 1981/82, 82/83

Clare Championship Winner 81/82, 87/88, 88/89

Clare Championship R-Up 80/81, 82/83, 85/86, 86/87, 89/90.

OMI Championship Winner 81/82, 83/84, 84/85, 85/86, 86/87, 87/88, 88/89, 89/90.

OMI Championship R-Up 80/81, 82/83.

On the OMI team that won the Munster Junior Championship 81/82

On the OMI teams that won the Div 1 League 85/86, 88/89

On the OMI Senior Mixed Teams that won in 85/86, 86/87, 87/88, 88/89

CSRA Individual League Winner 82/83

Auburn Lodge Champion 82/83, 84/85, 85/86, 87/88.

Kildysart Club Champion 93/94

CSRA Committee 82/83, 83/84

CSRA Chairman 84/85, 85/86, 86/87.

Michael Howard

Meet the Builder and Man of Many Talents

MICHAEL HOWARD, a native of Lisdoonvarna, came to Ennis in 1958 when he took up an appointment as the first Manager of Clare Marts. Ennis had the first cattle mart in Co. Clare and under Michael's direction, the mart thrived. He spearheaded the expansion of Clare Marts and saw the establishment of similar facilities in Kilrush, Ennistymon and Scariff.

THE FARMER: In 1963, he and his wife Breda purchased Claureen House and lands which he ran in conjunction with his home farm in Lisdoonvarna. During this period, he became active with the IFA and was appointed to the National Executive.

THE PUBLICAN: 1970 saw the commencement of his career as both a builder and publican. It was in that year that he built and established The One Mile Inn, a complex including bar, dancing facilities, squash courts and pitch and putt. He also reconstructed Claureen House as a tourist facility.

THE POLITICIAN: In 1974 he was elected as a Fine Gael member of Clare County Council and in 1977 he won a seat in The Seanad on the Industrial and Commercial panel. His nomination came through the Licensed Vintners Organisation, having served on the national executive of that body. He still plays an active role in local politics, being a member of Clare County Council for the past 14 years.

THE BUILDER: In 1987, he established his own building firm and commenced development of the very attractive housing project known as Brookville. He has commenced construction of detached and semi-



Michael Howard and son Tom on site at Brookville.

detached bungalows. Phase one of the development consisting of 5 bungalows was promptly built and sold by selling agents Michael McMahon & Son. Phase two of the development is now under construction and 90% of the houses are sold.

His son Thomas looks after the day to day operations as general foreman on site. With the proximity of his other business ventures, he succeeds in giving maximum personal attention to the project which accounts for the tremendous success at Brookville.



MICHAEL HOWARD

CLAUREEN, ENNIS

Publican and farmer. Member Clare Co. Council since 1974; member of Seanad Eireann since 1977; Fine Gael Seanad spokesman Social Welfare since Nov. 1978. Past President Vintners Federation Ireland. Former member, Bord Baine and International Dairy Committee. Past Chairman Eire Og GAA Football Club. President of Hermitage Soccer Club, member Clare Agricultural Show Society and Ennis Chamber of Commerce. Married with seven children.

Margaret & Gert Lacheiner

Margaret

OMI Ladies Champion 74/75, 78/79, 79/80, 80/81, 82/83, 83/84, 84/85, 85/86, 86/87, 87/88, 88/89, 89/90.

OMI R-Up 77/78, 81/82

Clare Champion 76/77, 77/78, 78/79, 79/80, 80/81, 81/82, 82/83, 83/84, 84/85, 85/86.

Harp Winner 77/78, 78/79, 79/80, 80/81, 82/83, 83/84, 84/85, 85/86, 86/87, 87/88, 88/89,

Harp R-Up 89/90

OMI Committee 76/77, 77/78, 78/79, 79/80, 80/81, 83/84, 87/88, 89/90

CBS Champion 80/81

On the OMI Ladies Div 2 Winning Team 82/83, 86/87

On the OMI Senior Winning Teams 83/84, 85/86, 86/87, 87/88, 89/90.

On The OMI Mens Div 3 Winning Team 87/88

Individual League Winner 83/84

Auburn Lodge Champion 83/84

Gert

On the CBS Div 3 Winning Team 79/80

On the CBS Div 2 Winning Team 80/81

Tony Lillis

OMI Committee 74/75 (First year of Club), 75/76, 76/77

On the OMI Team that won the Munster Junior Championships 81/82

On the OMI Team that were R-Up in the Munster Junior Championships 76/77

On the OMI Team that won the Limerick Junior A Championships 76/77

Clare Championship Winner 78/79, 79/80

OMI Club Championship Winner 77/78

OMI Club Championship R-Up 78/79, 79/80

Limerick Intermediate Close Individual Finalist 77/78

Harp Winner 79/80

Harp R-Up 78/79

CBS Championship Finalist 79/80

Munster Close B Plate Winner 83/84

Opel Senior League Individual Winner 85/86

First Chairman of the CSRA 82/83, 83/84

Tom Malone

On the OMI Team that were R-Up in the Junior C Team Limerick League 77/78

On the OMI Team that won the Div 4 Team Limerick League 79/80

On the OMI Team that won the Clare Div 2 Team League 82/83

OMI Mens A Plate R-Up 78/79

Clare Mens A Plate R-Up 80/81

OMI Committee 80/81, 81/82, 82/83

OMI Chairman 1983/84.

On the OMI Senior team that were R-Up in 82/83

OMI Div 2 Plate R-Up 85/86.

Denis Maurer

OMI Committee 74/75, 75/76

OMI Chairman 76/77, 77/78

On OMI team that won the Junior A Limerick League 76/77

On OMI team that were R-Up in the Munster Junior A Championship 76/77

On OMI team that won the Munster Junior A Championship 81/82

OMI Championship Mens A Winner 78/79, 79/80, 82/83

OMI Championship R-Up 77/78, 81/82.

Clare Championship Mens A Winner 77/78, 82/83

Clare Championship R-Up 78/79, 79/80, 81/82.

Clare Championship Mens A Plate Winner 87/88

Finalist Limerick Senior Close Championship 77/78

Harp Handicap Winner 78/79, 80/81

Harp Handicap R-Up 81/82

Limerick League Senior Handicap R-Up 79/80

CBS Mens A Champion 82/83

Auburn Lodge Mens A Champion 83/84

Won the Clare Senior League with the Auburn Lodge 83/84

Individual Senior League Winner 87/88

Individual Senior League R-Up 86/87

On C S R A Committee 82/83, 83/84, 84/85, 85/86, 86/87, 87/88.

Top Squash Coach and regular Sponsor of the Clare Championships

Ann & Jim O'Dowd

Ann

OMI Committee 76/77, 77/78, 78/79, 79/80, 80/81

CSRA Committee 83/84, 84/85

OMI Championship R-Up 85/86, 86/87

Harp Winner 85/86 Harp R-Up 77/78, 84/85, 87/88

OMI Plate Winner 78/79 OMI Plate R-Up 77/78

Clare Ladies A Plate Winner 81/82 Clare Ladies A Plate R-Up 79/80, 88/89

On the OMI Team that won the Junior Limerick League 80/81

On the OMI Team that won the Clare Div 2 Leagues 82/83, 86/87

On the OMI Team that won the Clare Div 1 Leagues 83/84, 88/89

On the OMI Clare Senior Mixed League Winning Teams 84/85, 85/86, 86/87

Limerick Close Individual B Plate R-Up 81/82 Auburn League Ladies A R-Up 83/84

Jim

OMI Chairman 79/80, 80/81, 84/85, 85/86

On OMI Team that were R-Up in the Junior C Limerick Team League

On the OMI Team as Captain that won the Div 4 Limerick League 79/80

On the OMI Team as Captain that won the Div 3 Limerick League 80/81

CSRA Committee 82/83, 83/84

On the OMI Team that were R-up in the Senior League 82/83

OMI Div 2 Individual R-Up 84/85

Committees of the One Mile Inn Squash Club

1974/75

The First Committee

Chairman Pat Kelly, Treasurer Tony Lillis, Secretary Brian Fitzgerald, Club Captain Colm McLaughlin, Tom Spillane, Denis Maurer, Madeline Brennan, Aidan Deegan.

1975/76

Committee

Chairman Pat Kelly, Treasurer Tony Lillis, Secretary Jim Hennessy, Club Captain Colm McLaughlin, Mary Noonan, Denis Maurer, Rory O'Keefe, P Flannery and M Lacheiner.

1976/77

Committee

Chairman Denis Maurer, Treasurer Ann O'Dowd, Secretary Mary Hennessy, Club Captain Tony Lillis, Mgt Lacheiner, Carmel Warner, Ted Finlay, Michael Neylon and Jimmy Cronin.

1977/78

Committee

Chairman Denis Maurer, Treasurer Ann O'Dowd, Secretary Mary Hennessy, Club Captain Denis Maurer, John Costin, Michael Neylon, Mgt Lacheiner, Jimmy Cronin, Frank Mc Inerney.

1978/79

Committee

Chairman John Costin, Treasurer Ann O'Dowd, Secretary M Hennessy, Club Captain Cha Gill, PRO Seamus Hayes, M Lacheiner, Jan Davis, Niall Duffy, T Lillis, Pat Kirby.

1979/80

Committee

Chairman Jim O' Dowd, Treasurer Ann O' Dowd, Secretary Mary Hennessy, Club Captain John Costin, Ann Renshaw, S hayes, Joan Murphy, Colm Keating, John Collins, Ann Boyd, Gert Lacheiner, Tom Malone, Jan Davis.

1980/81

Committee

Chairman Jim O'Dowd, Treasurer Liz Moloney, Secretary Mary Hennessy, Club Captain S Hayes, A O' Dowd, J Davis, Kitty McInerney, Ann Boyd, Tom Malone, John Costin, Mgt Lacheiner, Colm Keating, John Collins, Michael O' Connell.

1981/82

Committee

Chairman and PRO Seamus Hayes, Treasurer Liz Moloney (who retired and was replaced by Mary Hennessy), Secretary Fiona Nugent, Club Captain Tom Malone, J Davis, M O'Connell, M Hennessy, Cathy Rees, Kitty McInerney, Theresa Corbett, Colm Keating, John Costin, Jim O'Dowd.

1982/83

Committee

Chairman & PRO S Hayes, Treasurer E Kelly, Secretary F Nugent, Club Captain T Malone, M O'Connell, B O'Flaherty, Jan Davis, M Carmody, K McDonnell, Rosemary Guthrie, Gerry Bredin.

1983/84

Committee

Chairman T Malone, Treasurer Eamonn Kelly, Secretary Fiona Nugent, R Guthrie, D Hassett, B O'Flaherty, J Davis, G Bredin, S Hayes, M Carmody, K Mc Donnell, J Costin, T Lynch, M Lacheiner, M O'Connell, Ursula O'Connell.

1984/85

Committee

Chairman John Costin (who retired and was replaced by Jim O'Dowd), Vice Chairperson M. Lacheiner, Treasurer Eamonn Kelly (who retired and was replaced by Ger Browne), Secretary Rose Guthrie, Club Captain Bridie O'Flaherty. Committee: T Malone, A Feore, M Carmody, M O'Connell, J Davis, T Corbett, F Nugent and A O'Dowd.

1985/86

Committee

Chairman Jim O' Dowd, Vice Chairperson M Lacheiner, Secretary Jan Davis, Treasurer G Browne, Club Captain M O'Connell, PRO Seamus Hayes, T Malone, E Kelly, M Carmody, J Griffin, B O'Flaherty and T Corbett.

1986/87

Committee

Chairman Ger Browne, Treasurer J Griffin, Secretary J Davis, Club Captain M Carmody, PRO S Hayes, E Kelly, J O Dowd, T Malone, M Griffin, M Lacheiner, M O'Connell, B O'Flaherty and T Corbett.

1987/88

Committee

Chairman G Browne, Treasurer J Griffin, Secretary J Davis, Mens Captain Seamus Howard, Ladies Captain M Lacheiner, Social Captain Aidan Feore, E Kelly, M Carmody, B O'Flaherty.

1988/89

Committee

Chairman Ger Browne, Treasurer S Howard, Secretary J Davis, Mens Captain J Griffin, Ladies Captain M Lacheiner, Junior Captain M Meere, Social Captain A Feore.

1989/90

Committee

Chairman Ger Browne, Treasurer S Howard, Secretary Jan Davis, Mens Captain Joe Griffin, Ladies Captain M Lacheiner, Social Captain A Feore, Junior Captain M Meere, CSRA E Kelly. Junior Girls B O'Flaherty.

1990/91 Committee

Chairperson Michael Griffin, Secretary J Davis, Treasurer M Lacheiner, Social Secretary E Kelly and M Carmody.

1991/92 OMI Closes

Club Champions of the One Mile Inn Squash Club

And Clare Champions.

1973/74

The first Tournament is the Harp Handicap Competition which is won by Pat Kirby (of Handball fame). He defeated Dr Macken McNamara.

1974/75

Mens Handicap Harp Final Liam Cahir defeated Colm McLaughlin. (a major shock)

Ladies Handicap Guinness Final Mgt Lacheiner defeated Mary Hennessy

1975/76

Mens Handicap Harp Winner Colm McLaughlin

Ladies Handicap Guinness Final M Lacheiner defeated Mary Hennessy

1976/77

Mens Handicap Harp Final Dickie Pyne def. Rory O'Keefe

Ladies Handicap Guinness Final Mary Hennessy def. Ann O'Dowd

1st Mens Clare Champion **Paul Costello** (OMI) def **C McLoughlin** (OMI)

1st Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner** (OMI) def **Mary Hennessy** (OMI)

1977/78

1st Mens Club Champion Tony Lillis def. Denis Maurer

1st Ladies Club Champion Ann Renshaw def. Mgt Lacheiner

Mens Handicap Harp Final Jim Neville def Brian Fitzgerald

Ladies Handicap Guinness Final Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Boyd

Mens Clare Champion **Denis Maurer**(OMI) def **Ken Glennon** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner**(OMI) def Mary O'Connor (De Beers)

1978/79

Mens Club Champion D Maurer def T Lillis

Ladies Club Champion Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Renshaw

D Moloney won the Men's Plate. A O'Dowd won the Ladies Plate.

Mens Handicap Harp Final D Maurer def Tony Lillis

Ladies Handicap Guinness Final Mgt Lacheiner def. Mary Hennessy

Mens Clare Champion **Tony Lillis** (OMI) def **Denis Maurer** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner** (OMI) def Mary O'Connor (De Beers)

1979/80

Mens Club Champion Denis Maurer def Tony Lillis

Ladies Club Champion Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Boyd

Gerry Bredin and Bridie O'Flaherty won the Plate competitions.

Mens Handicap Harp Final Tony Lillis def Seamus Hayes

Ladies Handicap Guinness Final Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Boyd

Mens Clare Champion **Tony Lillis** (OMI) def **D Maurer** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner** (OMI) def **Bridie O'Flaherty** (OMI)

1980/81

Mens Club Champion Kieran Hurley def S Hayes

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Fiona Nugent and Gerry Bredin won the Plate events.

Mens Handicap Harp Final Denis Maurer def S Hayes

Ladies Guinness Final M Lacheiner def Jan Davis

Mens Clare Champion **Kieran Hurley** (OMI) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def Betty McMahon (De Beers)

1981/82

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def D Maurer

Ladies Club Champion B O'Flaherty def M Lacheiner

Mary Hennessy and Cha Gill won the Plate events.

Mens Harp Final G Bredin (-27) def D Maurer (-35).

Ladies Harp Winner B O'Flaherty (-2) def Caroline McDonnell (-10).

Mens Clare Champion **S Hayes** (OMI) def **D Maurer** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def B McMahon (De Beers)

1982/83

Mens Club Champion D Maurer def S Hayes

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Mens Harp Final G Bredin def S Hayes

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Mens Clare Champion D Maurer (Auburn Lodge) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def B McMahon (De Beers)

1983/84

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def T Lynch

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def G Bredin

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Mens Clare Champion S English (CBS) def Tony Lynch (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def **B O'Flaherty** (OMI)

1984/85

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def T Lynch

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def C McDonnell

Mens Harp Winner S Hayes def Maurice Murphy

Ladies Harp Winner M Lacheiner def A O'Dowd

Mens Clare Champion S English (CBS) def Tony Lynch (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def Caroline McDonnell (CBS)

1985/86

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def G Bredin

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def A O' Dowd

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def S Howard

Ladies Harp Final Ann O'Dowd def Teresa Corbett

Mens Clare Champion S English (CBS) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def C Enright (Auburn Lodge). (Margaret's tenth consecutive title).

1986/87

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def S Howard

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def A O Dowd

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def S Howard.

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner def T Corbett

Mens Clare Champion Tony Lynch (CBS) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion Caroline McDonnell (CBS) def Betty McMahon (DE Beers)

1987/88

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def Howard

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def T Hehir

Mens Harp Final Seamus Howard def Michael Carmody. This was a walkover as M Carmody was injured.

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner (eleventh title) def Ann O'Dowd.

Mens Clare Champion **S Hayes** (OMI) def Tomas English (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion Caroline McDonnell (CBS) def C Enright (Auburn Lodge)

1988/89

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def D Kelly

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def R Hynes

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def D Kelly

Ladies Guinness Final M Lacheiner def R Hynes

Mens Clare Champion **S Hayes** (OMI) def T English (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion **R Hynes** (OMI) def **C Enright** (OMI)

1989/90

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def J Griffin

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def R Hynes

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def D Kelly

Ladies Harp Final R Hynes def M Lacheiner

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def **S Hayes** (OMI).

Ladies Clare Champion **R Hynes** (OMI) def C McDonnell (CBS).

1990/91

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion C McDonnell (CBS) def **R Hynes** (OMI)

1991/92

OMI Closes

Mens Clare Champion R Fitzgerald (Clarecastle) def D Devitt (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion R Hynes (Shannon) def C McDonnell (CBS)

1992/93

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def D Devitt (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion R Hynes (Shannon) def C McDonnell (CBS)

1993/94

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def R Fitzgerald (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion L O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def M Flanagan (CBS)

1994/95

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def A Meere (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion Teresa Deasy def Mairead Cusack (Kildysart)

1995/96

Mens Clare Champion A Meere (Clarecastle) def F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion L O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def Lorraine Gannon (CBS)

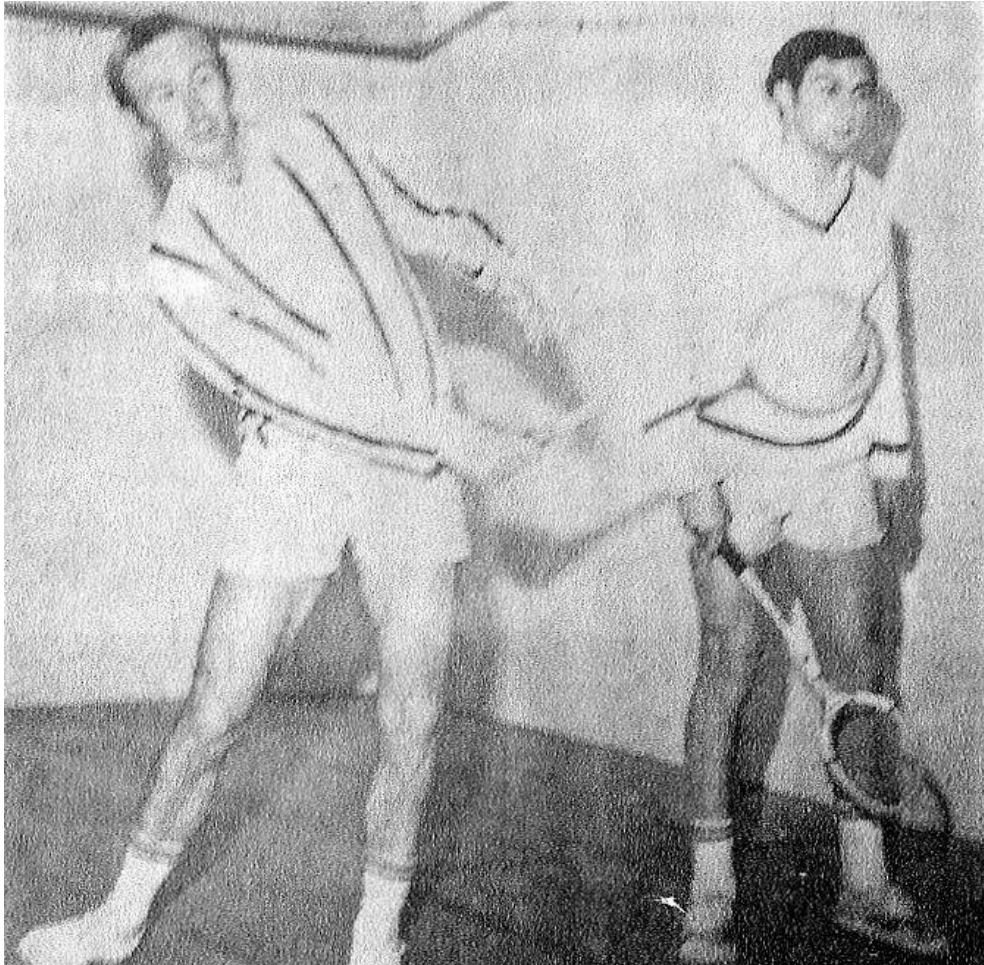
1996/97

Mens Clare Champion (21st Anniversary of Clare Championships) A Meere (Clarecastle) def F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion Rose Hynes (Shannon) def Lorraine Gannon (CBS)

Newspaper articles, Photos, Reports etc.

1972



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 Killahee 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's League

At Newmarket—Newmarket Celtic v St. Michael's, 11.30. S. Hughes.

At One Mile—Hermitage v Shannon Town, 2.30. N. Kelly.

1973/74

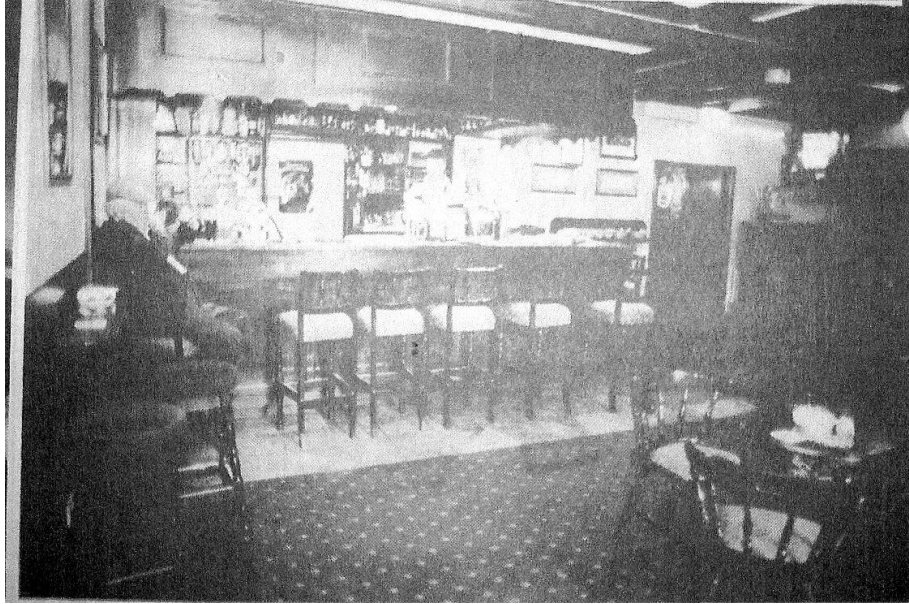
The court is built in 1973.

The first ad in the paper appears March 1974.

The first Tournament is the Harp Handicap Competition which is won by Pat Kirby (of Handball fame). He defeated Dr Macken McNamara.



First OMI squash ad March 1974



Inside the OMI bar

BOOKING SHEET

Day:

Date:

Visitor's Fee: £2.00

Please sign in, where indicated, on this sheet before going on court.

At least 24 hours notice must be given when a booking is being cancelled. Failure to do so incurs a penalty.

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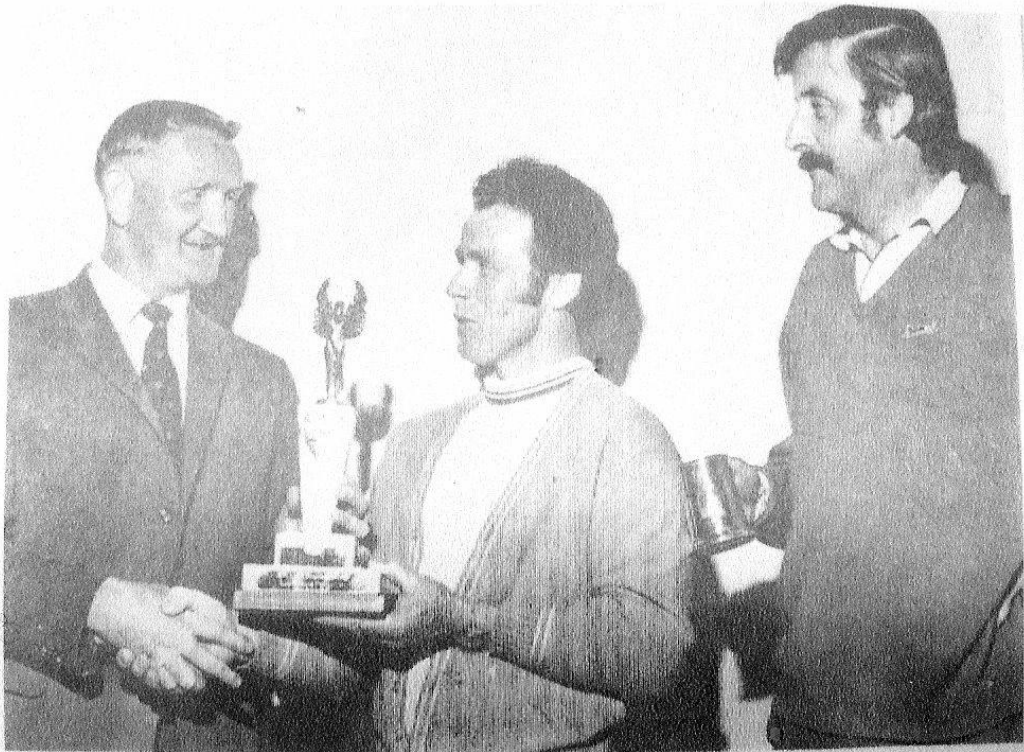
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NEW SQUASH COURT IN DEMAND

MEMBERSHIP FORMS are now available for anybody who wants to become members of the One Mile Inn squash club. The squash court, which is in operation with about the past two weeks, has been attracting many players, both male and female. The latest date for receiving completed application forms for membership is Tuesday next, March 26, and those wishing to become members should contact the One Mile Inn.

The squash club will be formed then and already a tournament has been arranged with a team from Limerick.

March 1974



Mr. P. J. Garvan, area representative, Messrs Guinness,, presenting the Harp Lager Trophy to Mr. Pat Kirby, winner of the mens squash tournament at the One Mile Inn. The runner-up, Dr. Macken McNamara is on the the right.

July 1974

1974/75

The First Committee

Chairman Pat Kelly, Treasurer Tony Lillis, Secretary Brian Fitzgerald, Club Captain Colm McLaughlin, Tom Spillane, Denis Maurer, Madeline Brennan, Aidan Deegan.

Major Events

Sean Foudy is presented with a plaque by the members for taking the bookings and taking care of the courts.

A trip to Ballina in April 1975 is organised. Petrol is in short supply.

The new OMI Pitch & Putt course opens in June 1975. This is a 9 hole P & P course that becomes an 18 hole course by the end of the year.

A P & P Committee is elected. Chairman Patrick Murphy, Secretary Noel Carmody, Treasurer Eamonn Murphy, PRO Seamie Murphy, Captain Tommy Doherty.

Majority of the OMI Pitch and Putt team (7 out of 8) were on the Ennis Tennis and P & P team that won the North Munster League the previous year.

Competitions

Mens Harp Final Liam Cahir defeated Colm McLaughlin. (a major shock)

Ladies Guinness Final Mgt Lacheiner defeated Mary Hennessy

The first Autumn League team competitions are held.

The Mens Autumn League competition was won by Tony Lillis, Brian Fitzgerald, Denis Maurer, P J Garry and Christy Guerin. The R-Up were Pat Kelly, Jimmy Cullinane, Conor Murphy, Martin Concannon and Jack Keane.

The Ladies Autumn League competition was won by Margaret Lacheiner, Mimi O'Keefe, Rosaleen Spooner and Annette Ryan. The R-Up were Mary Hennessy, Marie McInerney, Josette Maurer, and Angela Cahir.

The first Spring League tournament is held. The winning team were James Cooney, Mary Hennessy, Paddy Flannery, Pat Kirby, Tommie Mee and Gert Lacheiner. The R-Up team were Brian Mulqueen, Phil Molony, Colm McLoughlin, Liam Cahir, Tom Spillane and Ted Finlay.

A OMI team travels to Shannon to play Shannon Diamond S. C.

The first major P & P competition is held in July 1975.



Oct 1974



Dec 1974



7.5 men and ladies competitions held recently at the squash court at the One Mile Inn proved to be an outstanding success with a very high standard displayed all through.

At the presentation of prizes to the winners and runners-up at the One Mile Inn recently, Mr. Tom Mannion, who represented Mr. Jack Daly, who was unavoidably absent, congratulated all who had taken part in the competition particularly the winners and runners-up. Mr. Mannion went on to congratulate Mr. Michael Howard for providing "the facility of a squash court in Ennis—one of the most progressive towns in Ireland both industrially and socially. I understand that the progress in the club is excellent", said Mr. Mannion.

Mr. Pat Kelly, chairman of the squash club, thanked all who took part in the competitions.

"The standard was very high and it is great to see so many taking part in the competition". He then congratulated the prize winners in both the ladies and gents competitions.

Mr. Michael Howard also congratulated the prize winners and he thanked Mr. Jack Daly of Morgan McInerney's for sponsoring the trophies.

The following are the results of the competition: Gents: Winners: Tony Lillis (captain), Brian Fitzgerald, Denis Maurer, P. J. Garry, Christy Guerin. Runners-up: Pat Kelly (captain), Jimmy Cullinane, Conor Murphy, Martin Concannon, Jack Keane. The score was three games to two.

Ladies: Winners: Margaret Lauchainer (captain), Mimi O'Keeffe, Rosaleen Spooner, Annette Ryan. Runners-up: Mary Hennessy (captain), Marie McInerney, Josette Maurer and Annette Cahir.

Members of the Ennis squash club pictured at the presentation of trophies at the One Mile Inn recently. Back row, left to right, Denis Maurer, Tony Lillis, P. J. Garry, Brian Fitzgerald and Christy Guerin who comprised the winning mens team. Front row, left to right, Josette Maurer, Mary Hennessy (both runners-up in the ladies), Margaret Lauchainer Annette O'Brien, both members of the winning ladies team.

Mr. Tony Lillis, winning captain, congratulated all who took part in the competition. However, he expressed disappointment with the attendance at the finals. "A club is its members and we should have had more support from our members here tonight", he said.

The club hope to organise further competitions in the coming weeks.

Jan 1975

PITCH and PUTT

New course at the One Mile Inn

WORK is going ahead on the preparing of the new pitch and putt course at the One Mile Inn and it is expected that the course will be ready by June 1. The annual general meeting of the club was held some time ago and the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Michael Howard; Chairman, Patrick Murphy; Secretary, Noel Carmody; Treasurer, Eamonn Murphy; P.R.O., Seamie Murphy; Captain: Tommy Doherty.

It is interesting to note that the majority of the officers were members of the Ennis team which won the Clare Limerick league last year.

It is hoped to hold two major competitions at the course this year in the months of July and August.

Feb 1975

SQUASH COMPETITION

THE squash tournament at the One Mile Inn club is now well under way with almost all teams having played two rounds. There are two sections with four teams in each. The team captains in section 'A' are P Flannery, J Hennessy, C McLoughlin and D Moloney while in section 'B' T Lillis, D Maurer, M Lillis and Pat Kelly are the team captains. The top two teams in each section will qualify for the semi-finals. The winners of the tournament will receive a set of plaques.

A number of games have been played in the club ladder which is proving fairly successful. Each member is open to challenge and all players are asked to keep this competition moving.

Thirteen members of the Ennis club have entered for the Limerick area tournament which is being played on a knock-out basis. 7 of the Ennis players have received home draws and the first round games will be played during the coming week.

March 1975

New Pitch and Putt Club

UNDER the new name of the Ennis (One Mile Inn) pitch and putt club, the Ennis team will have their first outing in defence of the Limerick/Clare open league when they will meet Ardnacrusha at Parteen on Tuesday evening next. The Ennis team will have seven of the players who helped them win the title last year and they are Tommy Doherty (Capt.) S Murphy, M and N Carmody, M Queally, E Murphy and M Woods. The eighth member of the side will be Patrick Murohy, last year's Limerick junior stroke play champion.

The One Mile Inn club hope to have their nine hole course open by the middle of April. The club's plans are for an 18 hole course and they hope to have these completed by Summer.

March 1975

TOURNAMENT FINALS

The One Mile Inn squash club tournament final will take place on this Friday night commencing at 8 p.m. Eight teams took part in the tournament and there will be a set of plaques for the winners and runners-up. The chairman of the club, Mr. Pat Kelly, has appealed for all members to be present for the finals.

April 1975

Squash Tournament Final on This Friday Night

The final of the squash tournament at the One Mile Inn court will take place on this Friday night and it is expected that there will be a first class game. Contesting the final will be Paddy Flannery's team and the winners of the second semi-final between Denis Maurer's team and Colm McLoughlin's team, which was not known at the time of writing.

Each team consists of six players, five men and one lady and the final will commence at 8 p.m. and continue until about 10 p.m. The trophies for the winners are being sponsored by the Clare Sports Centre while the runners-up trophies are being sponsored by Halpin's Tea.

Mr. Pat Kelly, Chairman of the squash club has made a special appeal to all members of the squash club to attend Friday night's final and to help make the night an enjoyable occasion.

Four members of the One Mile Inn Squash club have advanced to the second round of the Limerick Open Tournament. They are Colm McLoughlin, Denis Maurer, Pat Kelly and Martin Lillis and they will be playing their games this week-end.

A team from the One Mile Inn club will be travelling to Ballina on this Saturday and Sunday to play the local team in a challenge game. Ballina came to Ennis recently to play the local side and the return game has been arranged for this week-end.

The annual general meeting of the squash club will be held during the coming week and all members will be circulated. All members are urged to attend this meeting.

High standard in squash tournament final

THE FINAL of the squash tournament at the One Mile Inn court took place on Friday night last and after a most entertaining evening's squash Paddy Flannery's team emerged victorious against Colm McLoughlin's team. This has undoubtedly been the most successful tournament to date at the Ennis court and the standard all through and in the final was exceptionally high.

Pat Kirby, James Cooney and Mary Hennessy all members of the winning team scored wins over Ted Finlay, Tom Spillane and Phil Moloney respectively. Tom Mee, also of the winning team received a walk over from Brian Mulqueen who was unable to play while Colm McLoughlin, capt. of the losing team and Liam Cahill also of the losing team won their games against Paddy Flannery and Gert Lacheiner respectively.

The trophies for the winners which were sponsored by the Clare Sports Centre were presented to the winners by Mrs. Pat Kelly. The runners-up trophies sponsored by Michael Howard were presented by Pat Kelly, Chairman of the Squash Club.

Mr. P. Kelly congratulated the winners and beaten finalists and also paid a special tribute to all who had taken part in the competition. He said that he was very pleased with the success of the tournament. "Since the squash club opened twelve months ago the standard of play has risen very much", Mr. Kelly went on

to point out that this was the first tournament in which both men and women had played and he complimented the lady members and urged them to keep up "the good work".

On behalf of the squash club members, Mr. Kelly made a presentation to Sean Foody who takes the bookings for games and also acts as caretaker at the squash court. The plaque was presented in appreciation of Mr. Foody's work at the Squash Court.

Afterwards a most enjoyable social evening followed with music and songs being supplied by Mrs. Marie Pyne.

ENJOYABLE TRIP

A team from the squash club travelled to Ballina on Saturday for a return game with the Mayo club. The seven playing members who travelled were Colm McLoughlin, club capt., Liam Cahill, Jim Hennessy, Denis Maurer, S. McMahon, Conor Connolly and P. Kelly.

On Saturday afternoon the first set of games were played and despite some very good performances Ennis were beaten by seven games to nil. The visiting Ennis team members were treated to a meal at the American Hotel afterwards and they had a most enjoyable social on Saturday night. At the meal the Ennis members were welcomed by M. Dunne, Chairman of the host club.

On Sunday morning the teams

played again and this time Colm had better luck than in the first set. He won four games to two and the final took place. The teams were Colm McLoughlin, Jim Hennessy, Denis Maurer, S. McMahon, Conor Connolly and P. Kelly. The Ennis players were away on a day morning. Seamus was considered most unlucky because of the fact that they lost to quarter finals and were out of the National Championships for the year. McMahon was beaten in the fifth set. Connolly put up a great performance before being beaten three games to one. All the Ennis team had a most enjoyable week-end and the officers hope to have a number of such outings to various parts in the coming months.

LIMERICK "OPEN"

The only Ennis player in the Limerick open was G. McLoughlin and he was in action this week. Ennis had four players in the second round and must be considered somewhat unlucky because of the fact that Colm McLoughlin was beaten against Denis Maurer in the first round. Last week Pat Kelly was beaten by the more experienced M. who is the coach at the Ennis Ireland Club Limerick.

The committee are now making arrangements for the holding of the annual general meeting of the club which will take place in the coming week. All members will be notified and a special appeal is being made to all to attend.



Runners up in the squash tournament were, front row, from left - Brian Mulqueeny, Phil Moloney and Colm McLoughlin, capt., Back row - Liam Cahill, Tom Spillane and Pat Kirby.



Winners from the One Mile Inn squash tournament, the final of which was played on Friday night last. Front row, left to right, James Cocney, Mary Hennessy, Paul Flannery, Capt. Back row, Pat Kirby, Tommie Mee and Capt. Liam Cahill.

April 1975



Action from the squash tournament final at the One Mile Inn on Friday night. Pictured are Pat Kirby, left and Ted Finlay.

AGM OF ENNIS SQUASH CLUB

On this Saturday night there was to have been a squash 'clinic' conducted by Michael Moss and Des Fox at the One Mile Inn. However this has had to be cancelled and instead a team from Squash Ireland will travel to Ennis to take on the One Mile Inn side in a challenge game. It is hoped that the petrol situation will not affect this game.

Entries are now being accepted for the Guinness handicap tournament which will be getting under way shortly. The closing date for entries is Monday night next, April 28 and no entries will be accepted after this. There will also be a ladies handicap competition for the Guinness trophy and it is expected that draws for both events will be made at the annual general meeting of the club on Monday night.

All members are earnestly requested to attend at the club's AGM at the One Mile Inn at 8.30 on Monday night. At this meeting there will be a review of the past year and plans for the coming year will be drawn up.

Clare Footballers Bow Out

Tipperary, 0-8 Clare, 1-2

THE Clare under-21 footballers made their exit from this year's Munster championship when they went under to Tipperary at Tipperary Town on Wednesday night. A full report on this game will appear next week.

April 1975

New pitch and putt course for Ennis

THE development of a new all-year-round 18 holes Pitch and Putt championship course at the One Mile Inn, Ennis is now nearing completion as a result of the dedication of a very energetic committee who have given their time voluntarily to this project.

The grounds are the property of Mr. Michael Howard, well known local farmer and businessman whose residence and licensed premises are adjacent to the course. Mr. Howard who is also a member of Clare County Council has put a lot of effort and not a little finance into this very worthwhile amenity and the area also caters for the squash and soccer enthusiasts.

This picturesque location is extremely suitable, situated as it is about one mile from the town centre on the Lahinch Road with ample car-parking facilities. Refreshments and snacks are readily available and plans are in the pipeline for the development of a safe recreational area for children.

The course was designed by Mr. Pat Dalton, Landscape Architect who has designed many of the leading courses in the country for the Pitch and Putt Union of Ireland. Valuable assistance

was also given by Mr. Cyril Murphy, Secretary Clare/Limerick board. A feature of the course is that it consists throughout of free drainage soil and as such will be playable all year round.

A stroke play competition which will be open to all members affiliated to the Pitch and Putt Union of Ireland is planned for June 28 and 29. Many of the leading players on the Pitch and Putt circuit are expected to travel to the One Mile Inn club for the occasion.

Judging by the number of enquiries and applications for membership which are flowing in at the moment there is no doubt that this club will be a Mecca for Pitch and Putt fans in the very near future. All members will be automatically affiliated to the Pitch and Putt Union of Ireland and all Union Members of any Pitch and Putt club outside a radius of 10 miles of Ennis will be eligible to play without the payment of Green Fees.

The officers of the new One Mile Inn Club are:- Mr. Michael Howard, President; Mr. Patrick Murhy, Chairman; Mr. Noel Carmody, Secretary; Mr. Eamon Murphy, Treasurer; Mr. Tommy Doherty, Captain; Mr. Seamus Murphy, P.R.O.

June 1975

Great win for Liam Cahir in squash finals

THE final of the squash leagues at the One Mile Inn squash court on Friday night proved to be most exciting and all those who attended witnessed a great night's squash.

Liam Cahir caused a big shock in the men's competition when he beat club captain and hot favourite, Colm McLoughlin in the final. Indeed Cahir caused a surprise in the semi-final when also after a great game he beat Dickie Pyne who was favourite to advance to the final.

The final was a real thrilling affair and with both men having won a game each, the third game proved to be a real thriller. In the end Cahir deserved his victory and both players got a rousing reception from those who attended following a great game of squash.

The ladies final also proved to be most exciting with Margaret Lacheiner beating Mary Hennessy. As was the case in the mens game this also had to go to the third set before the winner was known.

After the games the trophies for both winners and runners-up were presented by the Guinness representative for the area.

Mr. Pat Kelly, Chairman of the club, complimented the finalists and the winners. He also paid a tribute to all who had played in the competitions and he said that the committee hoped to organise another competition in the near future.

A most enjoyable evening of Squash was had last Friday when two teams from the Ennis Squash Club travelled to Shannon to play the Shannon Diamond SC. The Ennis side, sporting its largest number of competitors to date, were victorious in eight of the nine games played.

Newcomers to the team were Gert and Margaret Lacheiner, Seamus and Noreen Considine and M. Noonan all of whom played very fine squash.

Final arrangements have yet to be made for a return match which will be played at the end of June at the One Mile Inn. The Ennis Mens team were C. McLoughlin (Capt.) T. Lillis, D. Maurer, F. Brennan, Gert Lacheiner, S. Considine.

The ladies were M. Lacheiner, M. Noonan and N. Considine.

● *Pictured after the recent squash finals at the One Mile Inn squash court, were, front row (from left): Mary Hennessy, runner-up, ladies; Mrs. Gerry O'Riordan, who presented the prizes, and Margaret Lacheiner, winner of the ladies. Back row: Austin Noonan, Guinness rep.; Pat Kelly, chairman of squash club; Colm McLoughlin, runner-up; Liam Cahir, winner, and Gerry O'Riordan, area manager of Guinness.*



June 1975

First pitch and putt competitions on new course

THE first competition on the new pitch and putt course at the One Mile Inn, will get under way this week-end. The competition will commence on this Friday evening at 6 p.m. and will continue on Saturday and Sunday.

There will be competitions in all grades—senior, intermediate and junior while there will be two competitions for ladies.

Players from all over the country will be taking part in the events as well as the registered members of the club.

The organising committee have spared no effort in ensuring that the events will be successful and all in all a great week-end's pitch and putt is expected at the One Mile Inn course.

June 1975

Successful Competitions at One Mile Inn course

THE first competition under the auspices of the pitch and putt union of Ireland to be held at the new course at the One Mile Inn took place recently and the competitions proved to be most exciting and the standard was very high.

The following are the results:
Overall nett: T Doherty, Ennis;
Overall Gross: Pat Murphy, do.
Senior nett: T McDonagh Liam
Mellows, Galway; Senior Gross:
P.J. Connerty, Ardnacrusha; In-
termediate nett: John Ryan, Par-
teen; Inter. Gross: Daniel Fitz-
gerald, Parteen; Junior nett:
Joe Carmody, Ennis; Junior
Gross: Paddy Coughlan, Ennis;
Ladies nett: Mrs Curran, Galway
Ladies Gross: Mrs Gaffney, Tipp-
erary.

Mr Chris Towig, Cork, Presid-
ent of the Pitch and Putt union
of Ireland attended and also pre-
sent was the secreary of the Cl-
are-Limerick Co. Board, Mr Cyril
Murphy. Mr Towig officially op-
ened the course and congratulat-
ed all who had helped in the
work on the course.

Mr Michael Howard, offici-
ating thanked both men for com-
ing to Ennis for the official op-
ening and he had a special word
of thanks for Mr Murphy who
put a tremendous amount of
work into the developing of the
course.

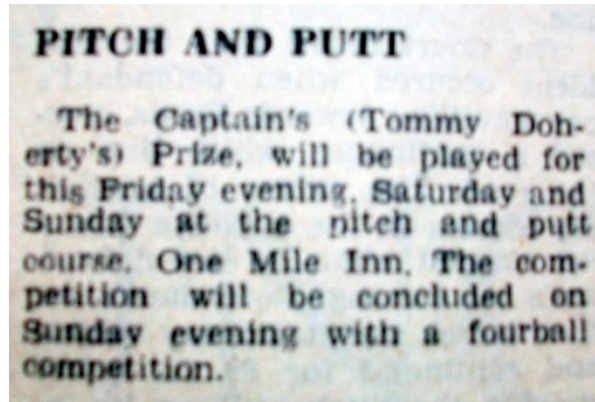
Later that evening at a func-
tion in the One Mile Inn, Mr
Towig presented the prizes to
the winners of the competitions.
A very enjoyable social evening
followed.

July 1975



Members of the committee and some of the prize-winners pictured at the opening of the new pitch and putt course at the One Mile Inn recently. Pictured are, front, from left, Noel Carmody, Secretary, Michael Carmody, T. Doherty, captain of club; Joseph Carmody, Paddy Coughlan and Michael Howard, President. Back, Sean Moroney, Seamus Murphy, Eamonn Murphy, Treasurer; Patk. Murphy, Chairman. Kneeling: Michael Howard and Tom Howard. Commencing next Wednesday, fourball competition.

July 1975



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Committee

Chairman Pat Kelly, Treasurer Tony Lillis, Secretary Jim Hennessy, Club Captain Colm McLaughlin, Mary Noonan, Denis Maurer, Rory O'Keefe, P Flannery and M Lacheiner.

Major Events

The dressing Rooms are completed in October 1975.

Membership 93 (60 Men & 33 Ladies)

Competitions

Mens Harp Winner Colm McLaughlin

Ladies Guinness Final M Lacheiner defeated Mary Hennessy

R-Up in Munster Mens Junior Team Championship. They were defeated by Minnies of Dungarvan.

Regular Blitzes are held at the club. Each game lasted 10 minutes.

The Ennis Golf Club open a squash court in Jan 1976.

The winners of the Autumn League were Div A C McLoughlin, Div B F Brennan, Div C J Keane, Div D N Ryan, Div E R Spooner, Div F C Warner.

Blitz Tournament Planned To Commence Season

THE Ennis One Mile Inn squash club held its first meeting of the season last week and plans for the holding of competitions were discussed. The season gets off to a good start with a Blitz tournament which will be run in the first week in October. This will be followed by an individual winter league.

At the meeting last week various topics were discussed and it is now hoped to have the dressing rooms finished in the very near future. Here the club would like to pay tribute to Michael Howard for all the help he has given.

Sept 1975

Squash Blitz Tournament Monday

THE ENNIS squash club's blitz tournament will take place at the One Mile Inn court on Monday next starting at 6.30 p.m. and it is expected to be ready for the finals at 10.30. Thirty-two players will take part in the tournament making up eight teams of four. Each team consists of three males and one female.

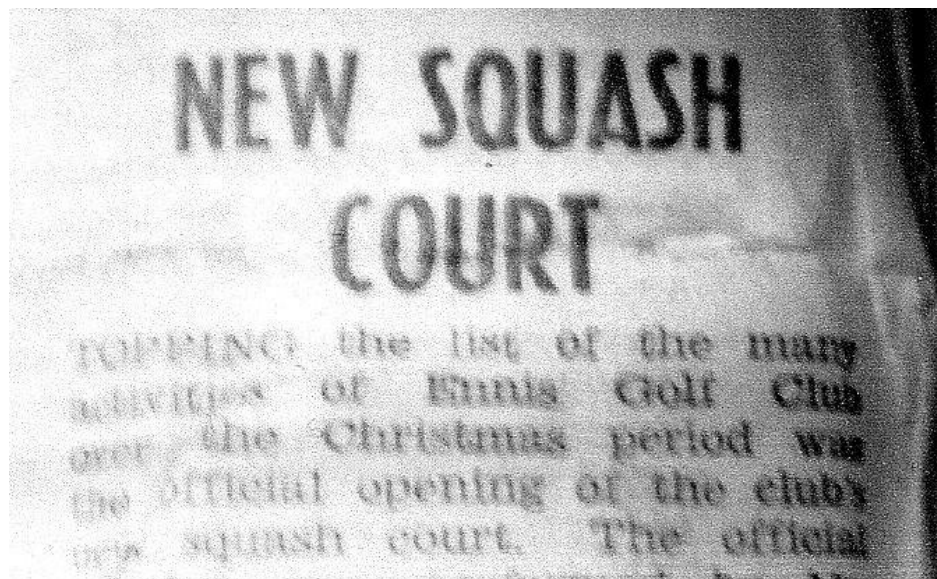
After the finals the prizes will be presented and there will be a

social evening. It is expected that there will be a big attendance at the competition.

The Autumn league is now under way, the first rounds have to be completed by this week-end.

The Ennis squash team will play Limerick side, Catholle Institute in the Limerick league at the One Mile Inn on this Friday night.

Oct 1975



Jan 1976

Squash Blitz Tourney

THERE was a very exciting squash blitz competition at the One Mile Inn on Monday night last. The competition was jointly sponsored by Murphy's Breweries and Kelly's Korner and the standard of squash was exceptionally high. Indeed great credit is due to the club officials for the manner in which they organised and had this competition played.

The competition was played against the clock with each game lasting ten minutes. Each team consisted of three men and one lady and in all there were eight teams in the competition. After very exciting semi-finals Colm McLoughlin and Pat Kelly qualified for the final.

In the opening game of the final Mary Hennessy (Pat Kelly's) beat Mimi O'Keeffe in a great contest.

By Seamas Hayes

Both ladies were evenly matched but Mary Hennessy got on top towards the end of the game and deserved her narrow victory. Indeed I must say that tremendous credit is due to the lady members of the club all of whom are doing very well in competitions.

In the next game Jack Keane (C. McLoughlin's) defeated Conor Connolly to put the losing team into a three shots lead. Derry Moloney (P. Kelly's) restored his side's lead when he beat Jimmy Cronin. Both players played great squash in the opening minutes but then Moloney got on top and went on to give Pat Kelly a 9 shots lead going into the final game. And what a final game it was, between the captains.

Colm McLoughlin club captain trailing by nine shots would really have to pull out all the stops against Pat Kelly, the squash club chairman. Yes indeed some of the best squash witnessed at the One Mile Inn court was seen in this clash and both players received great applause at the end of the match. Pat Kelly was the winner of the competition.

At a social gathering afterwards, Mr Pat Dwan, Sales Manager, Murphy's presented the trophies to the members of the winning team. Mr Dwan said that his firm were happy to sponsor these competitions and he hoped that it would not be their last competition to sponsor. The runners-up prizes were presented by Michael Howard M.C.C. on behalf of Sean Kelly of Kelly's Korner, who was

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un-avoidably absent.

The Autumn league winners and runners-up were also presented with their prizes at this function. These prizes were sponsored by club member Denis Maurer who made the presentations. The Autumn league results were as follows: Div. 'A'—C McLoughlin; 2, D Maurer; Div. 'B'—F Brennan; 2, L Cahir; Div. 'C'—J Keane; 2, J Cronin; Div. 'D'—N Ryan; 2, M Neylon; Div. 'E'—R Spooner; 2, M Lacheiner; Div. 'F'—C Warner; 2, Mimi O'Keeffe.

Speaking at the function the club chairman, Pat Kelly thanked all concerned for making this such a successful tournament. He paid special tribute to the sponsors of the trophies and said that the club looked forward to the support of these firms in the future. Finally he thanked all the club members for coming to the tournament.

● Pictured at the presentation of prizes to the winners of the Blitz tournament at the One Mile Inn on Monday night, were, back row, (l. to r.), Pat Dwan, sales manager, Murphy's Brewery; Pat Kelly, capt. winning team; Conor Connolly; Peadar Barrett, Clare rep., Murphy's. Front (l. to r.), John Gallagher, Murphy's; Derru Moloney; Mary Hennessy; Frank O'Halloran, Murphy's, and Noel Walsh, Murphy's.



Jan 1976



SQUASH WINNERS

● Pictured here are winners and runners-up from the Autumn league squash tournament at the One Mile Inn. Back (l.to r.), Liam Cahir, Frank Brennan, Colm McLoughlin, Jimmy Cronin, Ml. Neylon. Front row (l. to r.), Denis Maurer, Margaret Lacheiner, Carmel Warner, Ned Ryan. Jack Keane Missing from the picture are Rosaline Spooner and Mimi O'Keeffe.

Feb 1976

AGM OF ONE MILE INN SQUASH CLUB

THE A.G.M. of the One Mile Inn squash club will be held on Wednesday night next at the One Mile at 8 pm. At this meeting activities of the past year will be reviewed and plans will be formulated for the coming year. Officers for next year will also be elected at this meeting which will be followed by a social evening.

Chairman, Pat Kelly this week appealed to all members to attend this meeting. During the evening raffles will take place for valuable squash equipment.

The final blitz competition of the season was held on Monday night last when there were eight

teams of three taking part. The winners were Gert Lacheiner's team and the highlight of the final was the game between Ted Finlay and Derry Moloney. After a great game played at a tremendous pace the Ennis garda was the winner. The other member of the winning team was Mary Hennessy.

After the competition the prizes were presented. At this point officials expressed disappointment at the fact that a number of the players in the tournament arrived late for the event thus necessitating the changing of games and teams etc.

May 1976



● At the Irish Open in Dublin in 1976 were (from left) Paddy Kelly, Quamer Zaman (beaten finalist) and Denis Maurer.

ONE MILE INN SQUASH CLUB

THE Annual General Meeting of the One-Mile-Inn squash club was held last week and there was a good attendance. At the outset, the outgoing Chairman, Pat Kelly, addressed those present and went on to pay tribute to the members of the various committees for the work they had done during the year. He had a special word of thanks for the proprietor, Michael Howard, for his assistance during the year.

The Secretary, Jim Hennessy, gave a comprehensive report of the activities of the past season and he was complimented by the members present. The Treasurer, Tony Lillis, reported the club to be in a good financial position.

The following officers and committee were elected for the coming season: Chairman, Denis Maurer; Sec., Mary Hennessy; Treas., Ann O'Dowd; Club Capt., Tony Lillis; Committee members: Margaret Lackeiner, Carmel Warner, Ted Finlay, MI. Neylon and Jimmy Cronin. Neither of the outgoing officers sought re-election. THE finals of the Harp handi-cap competitions (ladies and mens) will be played on this Fri-

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day night commencing at 9 p.m. and a great night's squash is expected. In the ladies event the final will be between Mary Hennessy, the club secretary and Margaret Lackeiner and there should be very little between them at the end of the contest.

At the time of writing the semi-finals of the mens competition had not been played. Pat Kelly meets Tony Lillis with the winner going forward to meet either Colm McLoughlin or Denis Maurer in the final. Like the ladies these are four of the top players in the club and going on present form the outright winner will have little to spare. Colm McLoughlin will start as favourite for the title. Colm has been captain of the club for the past two seasons and a final between himself and the new captain Tony Lillis should certainly attract a big attendance.

A social function will follow at which the prizes will be presented.

June 1976

1976/77

Committee

Chairman Denis Maurer, Treasurer Ann O'Dowd, Secretary Mary Hennessy, Club Captain Tony Lillis, Mgt Lackeiner, Carmel Warner, Ted Finlay, Michael Neylon and Jimmy Cronin.

Major Events

First Clare Championships held at the OMI

Paul Costello joins OMI

The P & P Course is open all year round from June 1977, unlike the course at the tennis club.

Total Membership is 87 (57 Men & 30 Ladies).

Competitions

Mens Harp Final Dickie Pyne def. Rory O'Keefe

Ladies Guinness Final Mary Hennessy def. Ann O'Dowd

1st Mens Clare Champion **Paul Costello** (OMI) def **C McLoughlin** (OMI)

1st Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner** (OMI) def **Mary Hennessy** (OMI)

Junior A Squash Team win Limerick SRA League (R-Up in Munster). The team was T Lillis, D Maurer, C McLoughlin, R Pyne, R O Keefe, P Kelly and P Costello.

Junior B Squash Team R-Up in Limerick SRA League. The team was T Finlay, Jimmy Cronin, Jim Hennessy, Michael Neylon and Derry Moloney.

Autumn League Winners: Mary Noonan, Jim Power, Pat Stafford, Colm McLaughlin. R-Up Team Jo Dilger, Jim O'Dowd, Tom Malone, Pat Kelly.

Spring League winners: Gert Lacheiner's team defeated Frankie Brennan's team.

SQUASH TOURNAMENT

THE squash season has now re-opened and the first competition of the new season will be played on Monday week next, September 27. This will be a blitz competition and will be for the first sixteen men and eight ladies to enter. Closing date for entries is Thursday, Sept. 23.

There will be eight teams taking part and the tournament will be run off on the one night. Again there will be valuable prizes for the winners and the committee are confident that it will be a success.

Sept 1976

ONE MILE SQUASH CLUB

The men's Junior B team travelled to Limerick on Friday night last and defeated the host club, SFADCo at Squash Ireland in the Limerick League. They follow their A team with a five nil scoreline.

Results were as follows (Ennis names first): J. Hennessy v M. Hartnett 9/3 9/4 9/3; T. Finley v J. Little 9/3 9/6 9/1; G. Lacheiner v L. McGrath 9/2 9/2 9/1; J. Keane v E. Kenehan 9/3 9/2 9/2; J. Cronin v B. Lynch 9/2 9/4 9/4.

The men's Junior A team and the ladies team are playing Limerick County in Limerick this weekend.

Oct 1976

SQUASH SHOWDOWN POSTPONED

All attention was being focused on the Colm McLoughlin-Pat Kelly showdown, due to have taken place at the One Mile Inn squash club last weekend. Kelly had challenged McLoughlin for the number four spot and with a great deal of honour at stake both players were expected to be at their very best.

McLoughlin looked fit and well as he entered the court. Kelly, in the opening aces, displayed signs of tiredness. So, McLoughlin always magnanimous, took account of Kelly's difficulties and agreed to postpone the challenge.

My informant at the club tells me that McLoughlin has slipped still further since I mentioned him in this column last. Then he was at number three but is now one rung further down the ladder.

McLoughlin, however, is not altogether alone - also on the decline is Dickie Pyne (former Clare hurler). Both of these chaps were beaten at Limerick recently but despite their bad showing the Ennis side won out the match.

Nov 1976

SQUASH

GREAT WIN FOR MEN'S TEAM

The ladies and gents teams from the One Mile Inn squash club travelled to Limerick recently to play the second match of the Limerick league against Limerick Lawn Tennis Club. In the men's section the Ennis team played very fine squash and won the match 3/2. Limerick Lawn Tennis Club were the winners of this league last year, so after this victory Ennis must now be favourites to win out the competition. Ennis Captain, Tony Lillis, beat the Limerick side's number one John White 3/2 in a game which lasted 75 minutes. D. Maurer was next with a convincing win over G. Hehir 3/1. D. Pyne was very narrowly beaten 3-2 and in a rare defeat C. McLoughlin lost 3/1 to Jim Upton. Newcomer to the Ennis team, Pat Kelly beat N. Murray 3/0. Ennis play Catholic Institute next on November 5.

The ladies team although defeated by a very strong Limerick team played some very good squash. Results as follows (Limerick names first): D. Buckley v M. Lacheiner 3/1; D. Carmody v M. Hennessy 3/2; M. Casserley v M. Noonan 3/0; K. Hannan v C. Warner 3/2; M. Costello v J. Dilger 3/0.

Dilger 3/0.

Limerick League

THE One Mile Inn Squash Club were hosts to Catholic Institute in the Limerick League last weekend. The Ennis Men's Junior 'A' team further increased their leadership with a five nil victory and the Ennis ladies had a fine 4-1 win.

Men's results: (Ennis names first)—C McLoughlin bt. L Morrissey; D Pyne bt. E Mulholland; T Lillis bt. J Forde; D Maurer bt. M O'Meara; R O'Keeffe bt. T Kelleher. Ladies results: M Lachiener bt. N Lynch; M Hennessy lost to G Brown; M Noonan bt. R Mulholland; A Fitzgerald bt. P Fitzgibbon; C Warner bt. J Looney.

The next match in this league will be played on November 19 at the One Mile Inn Squash club. Ennis will play Squash Ireland.

Nov 1976

McLOUGHLIN IS BACK ON TOP

A few weeks ago I brought it to your notice that a dominant figure in the Ennis Squash Club, Colm McLoughlin, had been deposed from the number one spot which he has held since the club came into being. Dickie Pyne, another member, was also going through a decline in form.

When I predicted that Colm would come bouncing back, in typical McLoughlin style, I was never more accurate. For last weekend, playing Squash Ireland of Limerick, in the Limerick league, Colm was back at the top of the ladder, leading the team. And once back, he intends staying there.

Others on the team were Tony Lillis, captain, Denis Maurer, Rory O'Keeffe and Dickie Pyne. So you can see that Pyne is still there or thereabouts.

Nov 1976

One Mile Inn Squash Teams Win Again

The Limerick league continues and both the Ennis (One Mile Inn) mens and ladies teams recorded convincing wins at the week-end. The men defeated Squash Ireland in the junior 'A' league at the One Mile by five games to nil. Colm McLoughlin firmly back at number one on the table beat T. Barry 9-3, 9-5, 9-6; T. Lillis beat T. Nylon 9-4, 9-4, 9-1; D. Maurer beat Bolger 9-1, 5-9, 9-3, 9-3; D. Pyne beat Quaid 9-3, 9-5, 9-0; R. O'Keeffe beat Donovan 9-1, 9-6, 9-0.

The mens next match is on December 10 at Shannon Diamond club when they take on the Shannon Diamond team.

The ladies team took on their counterparts from Shannon Free Airport Development Co. and defeated them by five nil. Results as follows: M. Lackheiner bt. M. Murphy; M. Hennessy bt. M. Scanlon; M. Noonan bt. E. Quinn; C. Warner bt. J. Ryan; J. Dilger bt. J. O'Connor.

The second round of the Autumn league at the One Mile Inn is proving to be very exciting competition.

Nov 1976

Squash Final on Tuesday Night

THE final of the winter team league at the One Mile Inn squash club will be played on Tuesday night commencing at 8.30 and a great night's squash is expected. Through to the final from section A is team C, which is captained by Mary Noonan. The other team members are Colm McLaughlin, Brian Fitzgerald, Pat Stafford and Jim Power. In the deciding game in this section last week, this side narrowly defeated Carmel Warner's team after a great night's squash.

The winners of section two were not known at the time of writing, with the deciding game taking place on this Thursday night between Ann O'Dowd's team and Jo Dilger's team. The winners here will qualify for the final.

A social evening will follow Tuesday night's final, during which prizes will be presented to the winners.

The junior 'B' team travelled to Shannon at the weekend and beat De Beers by 4 games to 1. De Beers, however, reversed the result when the ladies teams met—winning by four games to one.

Squash League Final Proves Exciting

THE Autumn league final at the One Mile Inn squash club took place on Tuesday night and there was a good attendance of members. Disappointingly, however, for the attendance, two games had been played earlier in the day and this fact did not help the competition.

Mary Noonan had got her team off to a good start when she defeated Jo Dilger, but Jim O'Dowd made it 1-1 when he beat Jim Power, also played before Tuesday night. Mary Noonan's team went back into the lead when Pat Stafford received a walk over from Tom Malone who was ill. The next game decided the issue when Colm McLaughlin, in absolutely sparkling form, beat Pat Kelly and thus gave victory to Mary Noonan's team. The other member of the winning team was Brian Fitzgerald, while Michael Neylon completed Jo Dilger's team.

A most enjoyable social evening followed at which the prizes were presented to the winners. There were also trophies for the runners up.

In an exhibition game played on Tuesday night, Tony Lillis beat Denis Maurer in an energy sapping contest.

Squash

GREAT WIN BY ONE MILE INN TEAM

THE One Mile Inn mens junior team are now favourites to win the Limerick Junior League, following their fine victory over the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club at the One Mile Inn on Monday night. This was the only team which the Ennis side had lost to and with only a few games remaining, it will be a great surprise if the Ennis representatives are beaten.

The results (with the Ennis names first) are as follows: T. Lillis bt B. Mannin, 3/1; D. Maurer bt J. White, 3/1; C. McLoughlin bt G. Hehir, 3/0; R. Pyne bt G. Upton, 3/0; R. O'Keeffe lost to B. Bradshaw, 1/3.

The Ennis ladies played the Lawn Tennis Club on Sunday night and lost by three to two. The results (with Ennis names first) are: M. Lacheiner lost to D. Buckley, 2/3; M. Hennessy bt D. Carmody, 2/0; C. Warner bt K. O'Neill, 3/1; M. Noonan lost to M. Casserly, 0/3; J. Dilger lost to J. O'Brien, 0/3.

Arrangements have now been made for the blitz tournament on Monday night next. The draws and times have been finalised and all taking part are requested to co-operate with the organisers by being present on time. There will be eight teams of three men and one woman taking part and a great night's entertainment is expected.

ONE MILE INN SQUASH TEAM DO WELL

Clare squash made another step forward last week-end when a team from the One Mile Inn defeated a Waterford side in the second stage of the Munster Open team championship. The matches were of a very high standard and were greatly appreciated by the large attendance of supporters.

First on court were Colm McLoughlin of Ennis and S. Robinson, who incidentally was the winner of the Waterford Crystal junior championship in 1976. McLoughlin was not deterred, however, and after losing the first two games made a great comeback to win 3/2. Paul Costello, playing his first match with the Ennis team was next on court against John Brennan. The Waterford man, however, proved too strong for him and with a series of drop shots and lobs defeated him 3/1. This was a surprise result, as Costello, who hails from Kilkee, is favourite to win the forthcoming Clare championship.

Ennis were quickly back in front however when Denis Maurer crushed M. Fanning by 3/0. This performance by Maurer was the best seen so far and will ensure him a good chance in the championship. Ennis now just needed one more win to take the match and this they did when Tony Lillis defeated John Phelim by 3/2 in the longest match of the afternoon. R. Pyne was given a w/o by Billy Walsh which gave Ennis a 4/1 win.

of a blitz tournament at the One Mile Inn on Monday night. Eight teams each consisting of three men and a woman took part and some tremendous games were played.

In the opening rounds Colm McLoughlin's side beat Paddy Kelly's crew; Denis Maurer's team had a narrow victory over Tony Lillis' outfit; Maurer and McLoughlin then met in the semi-final and after a great game Maurer's side went through to the final. Incidentally in a very good game Maurer caused somewhat of a surprise when he beat McLoughlin.

On the other side of the draw Rory O'Keeffe beat Jim Hennessy and Derry Moloney accounted for Frank Brennan before Moloney beat O'Keeffe to reach the final. In the final Mary Hennessy got the winners off to a great start when she beat Jo Dilger. John Costin of the winners beat Con Murphy and when Brian Fitzgerald beat Gert Lacheiner the game was all over giving victory to Moloney over Denis Maurer. The captains didn't even have to play.

The prizes for the tournament were sponsored by Studio Eyewear and presented by Gert Lacheiner. The winners received valuable statuettes while the runners-up were awarded plaques. A very enjoyable social evening followed.

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The Ennis team with Rory O'Keeffe replacing Paul Costello will be in action again this Friday when they play Catholic Institute in Limerick. They have already achieved such a great number of points in this section that it is unlikely they can be defeated.

The junior B side are also doing very well in their league and are still keeping ahead of Limerick Lawn Tennis club who are their nearest rivals. Last week-end they played Catholic Institute and recorded a 3-2 victory. Jim Hennessy beat C. Crowe 3-1; Derry Moloney beat J. Garvey 3/2; Jimmy Cronin lost to M. O'Shea 0/3; M. Neylon beat F. Brennan 3/1; J. Keane lost to P. Gleeson 1/3.

Meanwhile on the home scene plans are well advanced for the mens and ladies Clare championships. The draw will be made this week-end and will be sent to each club captain. Going on present form Lacheiner, Hennessy, **McMahon**, Gleeson and O'Connor be in with a good chance of success in the ladies section.

In the mens' event Paul Costello will start favourite but will have to contend with Moloney, Lillis, Spooner and Maurer, who is playing excellently at present. And of course, the two senior men of squash in Ennis, Dickie Pyne and Colm McLoughlin will definitely be forces to be reckoned with.

BLITZ TOURNAMENT

The first squash tournament of the year took place in the form



Pictured after the recent squash blitz tournament at the One Mile Inn were the members of the winning team and Mr. Gert Lacheiner, Studio Eyewear, sponsors of the tournament. Picture shows, back row, from left, Derry Moloney, Gert Lacheiner, Brian Fitzgerald. Front:— John Costlin and Matt Hennessy.

Feb 1977

CLARE SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIPS

THE draws were made during the week for the Clare men's and ladies squash championships which will get under way on this Sunday, February 13. Much interest will centre on these competitions which will be completed before the end of the month. . .

All first rounds have to be played by Friday week, February 18. The second rounds must be complete by Tuesday, February 22 with the next round having to be over by Friday, 25th.

The semi-finals of both the ladies and gents are scheduled for Friday, 25th and have to be played at the One Mile Inn Club. Both the finals will be play on Monday night, February 28.

Feb 1977

BUSY TIME FOR ENNIS SQUASH PLAYERS

THE One Mile Inn junior A team maintained their unbeaten record at the Limerick league last week when they crushed Squash Ireland by 5-0. The Ennis team of Dickie Pyne, Denis Maurer, Tony Lillis, Colm McLoughlin and Derry Moloney won their games inside the distance. In the junior 'B' section, however, Ennis were defeated by Squash Ireland by 3-2 and now with only one match remaining, the Ennis side will have to win it to retain interest in the competition.

In the Munster team league, the Ennis team has now reached the semi-final stage having defeated Nenagh by 3-2 on Thursday last. This was a very exciting match with Ennis edging ahead at the last minute. Man of the match was certainly Dickie Pyne who defeated N Gleeson in a very tough match. Colm McLoughlin and Denis Maurer were beaten by 3-1 but this had been expected as the Ennis team for tactical reasons had changed the order of their lineout and had Paul Costello at No. 3 and club captain, Tony Lillis at No. 5. This proved successful as Costello and Lillis both had convincing wins. Ennis will now meet the winners of Collins Barracks, Cork and Celtic, Waterford.

CLARE FINALS

The Clare championship, at the time of writing, was at the quarter final stage with eight left in both the ladies and men's sections. The semi-finals will be played on this Friday night at the One Mile Inn. In the men's section the quarter finalists are: T Lillis v D Maurer; J Keane v P Costello; R Pyne v P Shoppard; D Moloney v C McLoughlin. In the ladies the last eight are: C Warner v M Hennessy; J Dilger v M Harney; M Lacheiner v V Hassett; M Noonan v B McMahon.

The finals and runners-up placings will be decided on Monday night at One Mile Inn starting at 8.30 p.m. A very entertaining night's squash is expected and the games will be followed by the presentation of prizes and a social evening with music by C Ball. All interested in squash are invited to attend.

The One Mile Inn ladies junior B team travelled to Limerick at the weekend and defeated Squash Ireland by 5-0. The results were as follows: M Lacheiner bt M Murphy 3-0; M Hennessy bt M Scanlon 3-1; M Noonan bt E Quinn 3-0; C Warner bt J Ryan 3-0; J Dilger bt J O'Connor 3-1.

Feb 1977

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).



First Clare Championship March 1977

One Mile Inn squash side impressive despite defeat

After a tremendous run in the Munster junior A squash championship the One Mile Inn, Ennis, side finally were defeated on Saturday last when they failed to De La Salle at Dungarvan. While the score line will show that the Waterford side won by 5 games to nil, the competition was much closer than this suggests and indeed Tony Lillis and Paddy Kelly were very unlucky not to have recorded victories.

First into action for Ennis was the club captain Tony Lillis, who certainly played some tremendous squash. His contest lasted over one hour and twenty minutes going five sets and in the final set Lillis lost by 10-9.

Dickie Pyne was next into action and he lost on the score of one set to three. Pyne did play some very good squash but the Waterford man deserved his victory. Clare champion, Paul Costello was next into battle after a game which produced some really great squash, the Clareman went down by three sets to one. This tie produced some really great shots

and Costello certainly showed some great form. Denis Maurer of the Ennis club was next and he went under by 3/0.

In the final game of the day Paddy Kelly of the One Mile Inn gave a great performance against Ger Lohan. Lohan is currently ranked number three in under 19 ratings in Ireland and in taking him to five sets Kelly certainly made a name for himself. In fact the Ennis player won the first two sets and appeared to be heading for a shock victory when he led by five aces to nil in the third set. However, Lohan then began to produce the form which has brought him to the top and he just got back to take the match.

While the Ennis players were naturally disappointed to lose after such a successful run in the competition they can be happy with their performance. They certainly proved that they are a force to be reckoned with and must have a great chance of doing well in next year's competitions. They were presented with runners-up trophies at a function afterwards.



May 1977

By SEAMAS HAYES

THE One Mile Inn, Ennis, Junior A and B teams were presented with their trophies following their successes in the Limerick squash racquets competition, at a function in Limerick on Saturday night last. In the League the Junior A team emerged as winners with a series of fine performances. Incidentally, this team went on to contest the Munster Junior Championship final in which they were beaten by crack Waterford side, De la Salle.

The Junior B team were runners-up in their league and in-

CLARE TEAM ON TOP

THE Co. Clare ESB team, led by John Keane (17), Lahinch, with 40 Stableford points and ably assisted by Mick Cullinan (10), Ennis, with 36 points and E. D. Gaynor (17), Ennis, happily back to top form after his recent illness, won the Limerick District Green Shield at Adare Golf Club on Saturday last.

deed could be considered a trifle unlucky not to have won. These performances auger well for the One Mile Inn players and further success is expected this year.

At present, there is great interest in the team league which is being run off. At the half-way stage there is very little between any teams and it will be interesting to see who qualifies for the final on May 30. The teams consist of three men and a lady.

A very successful blitz competition was held at the club last week with eight teams competing. After some tremendous contests in which only one ace separated the teams, Ted Finlay's side qualified to meet Dickie Pyne's team in the final. This also proved to be an entertaining contest with Finlay's team taking first prize.

The draw will take place this weekend for the Harp Handicap Singles Competition. This year the top eight players in the club have been eliminated from the competition so some very close matches are expected.

As another very successful season for the club draws to a close the Committee are presently making arrangements for the annual general meeting which is expected to be held at the end of May.

May 1977

SQUASH CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

The A.G.M. of the One Mile Inn squash club was held on Monday night and there was a good attendance. A successful year was reviewed and the out-going chairman, Denis Maurer complimented the committee on the year's activities. He said that the standard of play amongst club members was very high and he exhorted club members to train and further improve the standard in the club.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Chairman: Denis Maurer; Sec.: Mary Hennessy; Treas.: Ann O'Dowd; Club captain: Denis Maurer; Committee: John Costin, Michael Neylon, Margaret Lacheiner, Jimmy Cronin, Frank McInerney.

The team league is now at the final stage and the final will be played on Thursday night next, June 2.

May 1977

Squash Finals at One Mile Inn

The squash season at the One Mile Inn is now drawing to a close and the two remaining competitions of the year will be completed within the next week. On this Thursday night the team league which has been going on over the past month will be finished when Frankie Brennan's team plays Gert Lacheiner's side in what should be a great tournament. The trophies for this competition are sponsored by Charles Gill of Universal Business Systems and Jim O'Dowd.

The Harp handicap competition has now reached the semi-final stage and the final will be played on Tuesday night next. In this competition the club chairman and club captain for the coming year, Denis Maurer, is attempting to win a double. He already has won the Harp competition at the Golf club having beaten Tony Lillis in a great final.

In the semi-final at the One Mile Inn he will meet Rory O'Keeffe, while the other semi-final will see Dickie Pyne taking on Frank McInerney.

PITCH & PUTT COURSE OPENS

The One Mile Inn Pitch and Putt Course is open to anybody interested in playing the game, from June 1. The course will be open all year round.

The One Mile Club is still inviting new members and anyone

interested should contact the chairman, Michael Howard; Secretary, Eamon Murphy or treasurer, Tom Doherty.

Membership for the year is £5 with a family membership costing £6.

Squash Competitions Completed

THE team league at the One Mile Inn came to a close on Thursday night last and the winners were Gert Lacheiner's side. In the final they defeated Frankie Brennan's team in a very closely contested match.

Afterwards the trophies were presented to the winners and runners-up by Mr. Charles Gill of Universal Business Systems and Jim O'Dowd, Supermarket Proprietor, Ennis, the sponsors of the competition.

The Harp handicap competition final was played on Tuesday night and the winner was Dickie Pyne. In a final which produced some good squash Pyne defeated Rory O'Keeffe by two sets to one. O'Keeffe started in great fashion and took the first set. In the early stages of the second set he looked all set for victory but

Pyne staged a great rally to win and then went on to take the title by winning the third set.

In the semi-final Pyne defeated *Frank McInerney* also by two sets to one while O'Keeffe caused a surprise by beating the favourite, Denis Maurer.

The prizes were presented afterwards and an enjoyable social evening followed.

Gert Lacheiner (2nd from right) being congratulated by Frankie Brennan (2nd left), after his team had won the squash league last week. Also in the picture are Des Maurer, club chairman (centre), Charles Gill (left), Universal Business Systems and Jim O'Dowd (right), Supermarket Proprietor, Ennis, the joint sponsors of the event.



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able.
 For Sunday's game, M. Kelly, B. McGill, A. Marie Hayes, M. O'Toole, A. Russell, C. Harrington, A. O'Flóinn, M. Davoran, E. Fitzgibbon, E. Condon, M. Saunders and C. McNicholas, could well form the line-out.

SQUASH TROPHIES PRESENTED

Mr. P. Garvin, centre, presenting the Mens Harp Handicap Trophy to the winner at the One Mile Inn Club, Dickie Pyne. Picture shows from left: Rory O'Keeffe, runner-up; Mary Hennessy, Ladies Winner; P. J. Garvin, Dickie Pyne and Ann O'Dowd (Ladies runner-up).



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Committee

Chairman Denis Maurer, Treasurer Ann O'Dowd, Secretary Mary Hennessy, Club Captain Denis Maurer, John Costin, Michael Neylon, Mgt Lacheiner, Jimmy Cronin, Frank Mc Inerney.

Major Events

Clare Championships held again at the OMI

Membership is 79 (25 Ladies & 54 Men).

Competitions

1st Mens Club Champion Tony Lillis def. Denis Maurer

1st Ladies Club Champion Ann Renshaw def. Mgt Lacheiner

Mens Harp Final Jim Neville def Brian Fitzgerald

Ladies Guinness Final Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Boyd

Mens Clare Champion **Denis Maurer**(OMI) def **Ken Glennon** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner**(OMI) def Mary O'Connor (De Beers)

Denis Maurer qualifies for the Limerick Senior Squash Championships Final

Tony Lillis qualifies for the Limerick Intermediate Squash Championships Final

Margaret Lacheiner receives a Clare Sportstar of the Year Award

Squash : ONE MILE TEAM IN SECOND PLACE

At the halfway stage of the Lombard and Uthman League the One Mile Inn team are in second place behind the Limerick lawn tennis club with the Catholic Institute team in third place. Recent the One Mile Inn team scored a big victory over the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club. The results were Ken Glennon beat J. Nahir 2; Paul Costello beat J. Lynch 3-0; Denis Maurer beat J. Wile 3-0 (in fact Maurer didn't concede a single ace in any of the games in this contest); D. Pyne beat J. Upton 3-0; T. Lillis received a walk over.

Ennis will be in action again on this Friday night when they will play Nenagh at Lenagh in the next round. The club's intermediate team have now entered the Munster team competition. On Friday February 1, the One Mile Inn mens and ladies teams will play teams from Staines in Middlesex.

The club held very successful

billie competition last week after a great competition in which eight teams of four took part. Frank McInerney's team came out as winners. In the final they beat Brian Fitzgerald's side in a very exciting contest. The members of the winning team were McInerney, Jim O'Donnell, Murphy and Owen McInerney while Brian Fitzgerald was backed by Jim Cooney, Tim and Mary Noonan.

There are at present a number of vacancies in the club for beginners while coaching is available for beginners.

CLARE CHAMPIONSHIP

Plans are at an advanced stage for the holding of the Clare Championship which this year is jointly sponsored by Sen. Mr. Howard & Maurers, O'Connor. This year the top eight teams from Shannon, Kilkee and other areas will be participating and a very exciting competition is expected.

Successful squash tournament

FOR the first time ever the One Mile Inn squash club ran a tournament for club members, ladies and gents, recently. Both competitions proved to be most successful and there were also 'plate' competitions for those beaten in the first rounds of each.

The finalists in the men's competition were Tony Lillis and Denis Maurer and after one of the best games seen at the club, Lillis emerged as the winner after one hour and twenty minutes. There will be a men's 'plate' competition commencing next week.

In the ladies competition Ann Renshaw captured the title when

she beat Margaret Lachner in the final. The 'plate' final was won by Jan Davis who beat Ann O'Dowd in the final.

CLARE CHAMPIONSHIP

Entries for the Clare championship have now been received and the first rounds will get under way this week. The holder of the title is Paul Carter and he will be going all out to retain his title. The ladies title holder is Margaret Lachner.

The Monday night coaching sessions conducted by club captain Denis Maurer are proving most successful.

March 1978



March 1978

Squash Finals

The squash season is now drawing to a close and on this Thursday night the Clare championships in both mens and womens sections will be completed when the finals will be played at the One Mile Inn club.

This year these championships have provided some very exciting fare and all the indications are that Thursday night's finals will be very exciting.

The semi-finals were played on Monday night and in the ladies section Margaret Lacheiner, the holder and Mary O'Connor have qualified for Thursday night's clash. Margaret Lacheiner who is a member of the host club defeated Ann Boyd by three games to one in the semi-final and she will be favourite to retain the title against Mary O'Connor who defeated her De Beers clubmate E. McMahon in the semi-final.

In the mens competition there was a surprise in Monday night's semi-final when Denis Maurer bt. Tony Lillis by 3-0. Lillis was favourite to win this one particularly in view of his recent win over Maurer in the One Mile Inn club championship but on the night Maurer gained sweet revenge with a good victory.

At the time of writing the second semi-final involving Paul Costello, Kilkee the holder and Ken Glennon hadn't been decided and while this was expected to be a close contest the Kilkee man was favoured to reach the decider.

A social will follow the finals on Thursday night and the trophies will be presented.

On Thursday night next, April 20 the annual general meeting of the One Mile Inn squash club will be held at the One Mile Inn. All members are requested to attend.

Entries are now been taken for the Harp handicap tournament.

April 1978

Denis Maurer Wins Squash Championship

The Clare squash championship finals were staged at the One Mile Inn on Thursday night last and there was some excellent fare in the games involved. In the men's final Denis Maurer and Ken Glennon both of the host club, qualified for the decider and with both players seeking their first victory in the competition a thrilling final was anticipated. The clash did produce some very good play before Maurer took the title by three sets to one.

The championships were in fact sponsored by Denis Maurer, Jeweller, so it must have been extra pleased to win his own trophy. The Ennis man got off to a good start against his Limerick opponent and took the first set by 9-5. Glennon quickly drew level with a 9-3 win in the second set but then Maurer turned on the style and went ahead by winning the third set by 9-0. Maurer continued to play superb squash and took the

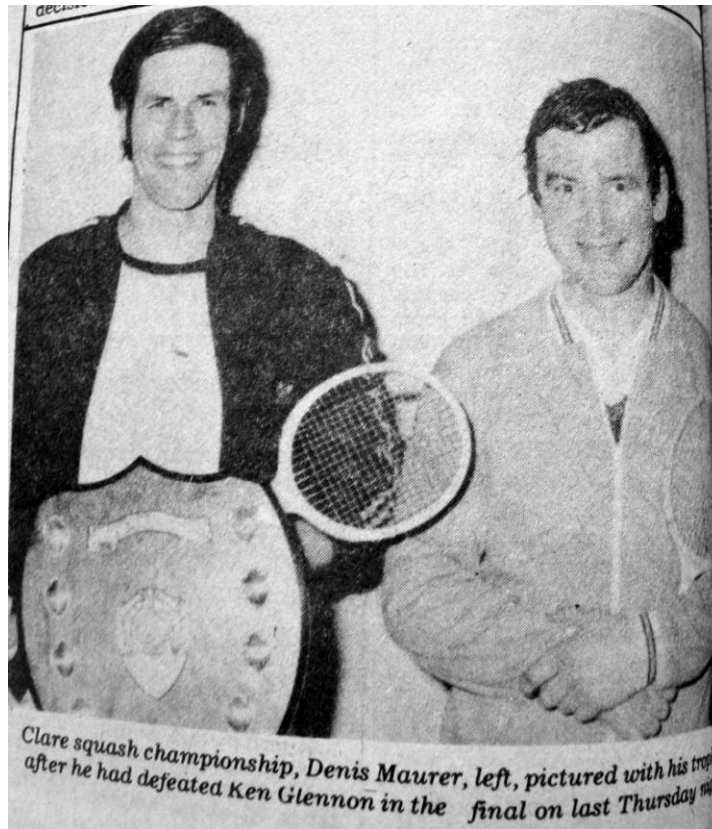
fourth set to win the championship.

In the ladies decider Margaret Lacheiner of the host club and holder of the title took on Mary O'Connor of De Beers. After a very good game the Ennis representative took the title for the second successive year with a 9-5, 9-7 and 9-5 result.

Beaten semi-finalists Tony Lillis and Paul Costello played off for third and fourth places in the men's competition. This proved to be the closest game of the night and the large audience saw some really fine squash before Costello scored a victory with a 10-8 win in the fifth set.

In the play off for third and fourth places in the ladies competition Ann Boyd of the One Mile Inn club defeated Betty McMahon of De Beers in three sets.

Afterwards the prizes were presented and an enjoyable social followed.



Clare squash championship, Denis Maurer, left, pictured with his trophy after he had defeated Ken Glennon in the final on last Thursday night



Mrs. Josette Maurer pictured presenting the Clare championship ladies squash trophy to Mrs. Margaret Lacheiner (2nd from right) after the Clare final last week at the One Mile Inn. Also in the picture are (l. to r.) Betty McMahon, 4th, Ann Boyd, 3rd, and Mary O'Connor, runner-up

April 1978

Have Qualified For Championships

One Mile Inn members Denis Maurer and Tony Lillis have both qualified for the Limerick senior and intermediate squash championships (close) finals. The Clare champion, Maurer, has really done well in the competition having beaten at least three players who were rated higher than him to get to the final. In the semi-final he beat Martin O'Meara, having disposed of Kevin Dalton in the previous round. His opponent in the final is Frank O'Shea who is strongly tipped to take the championship but the Ennis player will have gained confidence by his performances to date.

In the intermediate event Lillis beat Fintan Moloney in the semi-final to gain a place in the decider. At the time of writing it wasn't known who his opponent in the final would be but Lillis is expected to do well. Both finals will be at Squash Ireland and this is certainly a great for Ennis

squash and particularly the Mile Inn club.

POWER THIRD

The Irish junior weight championships staged at the Saturday last and Clare was represented by Tony Power of the Munster champion Power. Despite failing two squats on technicality put in a tremendous performance to finish in third place against competitors from clubs in Ireland.

Power's lifts were: squat 530lb, bench press 250 lbs and dead lift 530lb. the competition was won by B. Hartigan of Dublin one of the best of the day. Power got his 360lbs. squat and he is capable he would have won the title.

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Mr. Paddy Brogan, left, pictured presenting his trophy to Cha Gill, centre, winner of the recent squash blitz at the One Mile Inn club. On the right is the beaten finalist Frank McInerney.

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ONE MILE INN
Pitch and Putt Club
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Exciting Harp Handicap Finals

THE final of the Harp handicap competition was staged at the One Mile Inn recently and there was a major surprise when relative newcomer to the club, Jim Neville beat some of the strongest opposition to take the title. In the final he defeated Brian Fitzgerald in a game which produced some great play.

Neville defeated Gert Lacheiner in the semi-final while in the previous round he caused a major upset when he knocked out Clare champion Denis Maurer.

The ladies title was won by Margaret Lacheiner who beat Ann Boyd in the final in a game which produced some excellent squash with many great rallies.

At a social evening afterwards Mr Eric Wardrop, Area Manager of Guinness Group Sales presented the trophies to the winners and runners up.

⊙ Picture shows (L/R): Mr E Wardrop, B Fitzgerald, J. Neville, Margaret Lacheiner, Ann Boyd, P.J. Garvan, Area representative Guinness and Senator M Howard.



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Committee

Chairman John Costin, Treasurer Ann O'Dowd, Secretary M Hennessy, Club Captain Cha Gill, PRO Seamus Hayes, M Lacheiner, Jan Davis, Niall Duffy, T Lillis, Pat Kirby.

Major Events

Total Membership 123 (45 Ladies and 78 Men)

14 travel on a weekend trip to the Glenagle Hotel in Killarney

Paddy Kelly & Colm McLaughlin back after long injury recoveries.

Clare Championship Finals held at the OMI.

The Club holds its first Buffet Social at the West County Hotel

Margaret Lacheiner receives a second Clare Sportstar of the Year Award

The Ennis CBS SC opens and enters the Limerick Leagues for the first time.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion D Maurer def T Lillis

Ladies Club Champion Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Renshaw

D Moloney won the Men's Plate. A O'Dowd won the Ladies Plate.

Mens Harp Final D Maurer def Tony Lillis

Ladies Harp Final Mgt Lacheiner def. Mary Hennessy

Mens Clare Champion **Tony Lillis** (OMI) def **Denis Maurer** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner** (OMI) def Mary O'Connor (De Beers)

OMI R-Up in Limerick Junior C Mens League. The team was D Moloney, J O'Dowd J Costin, Liam Moloney and T Malone.

Autumn League team winner: Tom Malone's team.



Squash:
MARGARET LACHEINER

Squash is being honoured for the first time ever this year and Margaret Lacheiner, the Clare ladies champion, will receive the award. Margaret has been the ladies champion for the past two years and she has been prominent in most of the major tournaments. A native of Ennis, she hails from a strong sporting family.



Mrs. Margaret Lacheiner, One Mile Inn squash club presenting a cheque to Fr. Brendan O'Donoghue on behalf of the Clare Special Schools project. The money was raised by running a competition in aid of the project and pictured also are Tony Lillis (left) winning captain, John Bradley, Area Rep., Dwans Ltd., the sponsors and Frank McInerney the captain of the runners-up.

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Nov 1978

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 week-end 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 the 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.

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The Autumn League squash tournament was completed recently at the One Mile Inn. Picture shows the winning team captain, Tom Malone (centre) after receiving the trophies from joint sponsors Jim O'Dowd, O'Dowd's Stores (left) and Cha Gill of Universal Business Systems.

Jan 1979

Harp Handicap Tournament at SQUASH One Mile Inn

This Friday, January 19 is the closing date for entries for the Harp handicap competition to be run during the coming weeks at the One Mile Inn squash club. This is an annual competition and there will be a ladies and gents section. It is expected that the first rounds will get under way next week and a big entry is expected.

The Clare ladies and gents squash championships will get under way in February and there will be competitors from Ennis C.B.S., Shannon Diamond, Kilkee and the organising club, One Mile Inn. This always proves a popular event and this year's competition should provide many exciting games. It will be completed by mid-March.

After the Clare championship the One Mile Inn will organise the club ladies and gents championships and again these should prove entertaining. Meanwhile this week a blitz competition sponsored

by Seven-Up was being staged at the club.

With the Ennis C.B.S. team leading the way in the Limerick junior 'B' squash league, interest in the game at the club is very high. The club team is the only unbeaten team in the Limerick league which is just at the half way stage. On Thursday week there will be a blitz competition at the club and the usual big entry is expected.

In February the club will organise their first ladies and gents club championships and these should attract much attention. When these championships have been decided a club 'ladder' will be set up.

In the Limerick league Shannon Diamond have two teams taking part. Their 'A' squad are doing well and are placed amongst the top teams at the present stage while their 'B' string have also given some good performances.



Representatives of Seven-Up sponsors of a recent squash tournament at the One Mile Inn pictured with members of the winning team. Picture shows (l. to r.) Donal Moloney (Seven-Up), John Costin, Tony Lillis, Ann Boyd (winning captain), Liz Moloney, Jim O'Dowd, Johnnie O'Donoghue (Seven-Up) and Mr. John Peacock, area manager Seven-Up.

FIRST HARP TITLE FOR DENIS MAURER

THE Harp Handicap squash finals were played at the One Mile Inn On Monday night and there was some tremendous play particularly in the mens finals. As expected, Denis Maurer and Tony Lillis qualified to play the decider and after one hour and twenty minutes, Maurer won the title for the first time.

This was a game which could have gone either way, but at the end of the third game Maurer had just got those vital aces. Lillis got off to a great start and playing some fine shots, he won the first game. In the second, Lillis got off to a good start and built up a nice lead, but Maurer came storming back to take the game and so the way was clear for the decider. Again this was a thriller, with Maurer eventually winning on the score of 15-13.

For the second successive year, Margaret Lacheiner won the ladies title. In the final she beat Mary Hennessy by two games to nil but it was a close contest. Indeed, Mary Hennessy could have won the second game but the champion staged a good comeback to take the title.

At a social evening which followed, the prizes were presented by Mr. Eric Wardrop, Area Manager of Guinness Group Sales. He congratulated

By SEAMUS HAYES

the winners and runners-up and indeed all who took part in the competition. Speaking on behalf of the competitors, both Tony Lillis and Denis Maurer thanked Harp for the sponsorship and very valuable prizes. Club captain, John Costin, presided and on behalf of the club, paid tribute to the sponsors for their involvement with the One Mile Inn Club.

The Clare Championship will get under way next week and the draws are being made on this Thursday night. Players from Ennis C.B.S., Shannon Diamond, Kilkee and the host club, One Mile Inn, will be competing.

TO ALL HURLING CLUB SECRETARIES U-21 TRIAL

Club Secretaries are asked to forward names of players from their clubs for u-21 trial. Proposed date for trial is Saturday, February 24.

List of players, venue and time of trial will appear in next week's *Clare Champion*. Names should be sent to:

Fr. Michael McNamara,
130 Aidan Park,
Shannon
(081) 61440

on or before Monday, February 19.

Mr. Eric Wardrop, Area Manager, Guinness Group Sales (centre), pictured at the presentation of the Harp trophies at the One Mile Inn Squash Club on Monday night. Also in the picture are (from left), Denis Maurer (men's champion), Mary Hennessy (ladies runner-up), Mr. Wardrop, Margaret Lacheiner (ladies champion), P. J. Garvin, Area Representative Guinness Group Sales. Back row (l. to r.), John Costin, club captain, Tony Lillis (men's runner-up).



Feb 1979

Clare Squash championships get under way

By Seamus Hayes

The Clare aquash championships get under way this week and judging by the entry there is great interest in the competition. This year, for the first time, there will be a plate competition in both the gents and ladies and this will be for first round losers. Anybody receiving a bye in the first round and losing in the second round will also be eligible for the plate.

The competition is organised by the One Mile Inn club and the semi-finals and finals must be played at this venue. In the case of all the other rounds the player drawn on top will have home advantage.

At a meeting at the One Mile Inn last week the draws for the championships were made and are as follows:

Men: D. Maurer (O.M.I.) v C. C. Gill (C.B.S.); P. Kirby (O.M.I.) v T. Finlan (do); D. Moloney (do) v J. Keane (C.B.S.); M. Lillis (do) v C. McLoughlin (O.M.I.); P. Costello (Kilkee) v J. Neville (O.M.I.); M. Neylon (do) v J. McEntee (Sh. Diamond); Jim Hennessy (O.M.I.) v K. Walsh (Sh. Diamond); J. Little (SFADCo.) v K. Glennon (O.M.I.); D. Kelly (O.M.I.) v S. Hayes (C.B.S.); J. Costin (O.M.I.) v T. Malone (do); G. Lacheiner (C.B.S.) v J. Cronin (C.B.S.); E. Stretton (Sh.

Diamond) v R. O'Keeffe (O.M.I.); P. Kelly (C.B.S.) v P. O'Grady (Sh. Diamond); L. McGrath (SFADCo.) v J. O'Dowd (O.M.I.); B. Fitzgerald (C.B.S.) v P. Stafford (O.M.I.); D. Byrne (O.M.I.) v T. Lillis (O.M.I.).

Ladies: M. Lacheiner (O.M.I.) v Margaret Murphy (SFADCo.); N. Murphy (C.B.S.) v M. Carey (do); G. O'Connor (SFADCo.) v A. Renshaw (O.M.I.); B. MacMahon (Shannon Diamond) v K. Flynn (C.B.S.); M. Hogan (C.B.S.) v L. Moloney (O.M.I.); B. Flaherty (C.B.S.) v M. O'Connor (Shannon Diamond).

The following received byes to the second round: C. McAuliffe, L. Kelly, M. O'Sullivan (C.B.S.), B. Kearney, M. O'Keeffe, A. O'Dowd, J. Jordan, A. McNerney, M. Hennessy, J. Davis (all One Mile Inn).

LIMERICK LEAGUE

The Limerick junior league is now nearing completion and will be finished by the end of the month. Ennis C.B.S. and Charleville are still fighting it out for first place and the games this week and next week will be vital for both clubs. The teams will meet on Tuesday night next at the C.B.S.

SQUASH

Squash championship finals

The Clare squash championships in both ladies and gents is at the quarter final stage and to date there have been no surprises. The finals have been changed from Monday night next to Thursday next.

The draws for the mens and ladies plate competitions were made at the week-end and the quarter finals have to be completed by this Sunday. These finals will be played in conjunction with the championship finals on Thursday night at the One Mile Inn.

In the mens competition favourites to reach the final Denis Maurer and Tony Lillis are still going strong. Maurer plays Colm McLoughlin, back in action again after being out throughh injury for some time, in the quarter final and he won't get anything easy here.

Lillis' quarter final opponent is Paddy Kelly, another who has been out of the game for some time.

In the ladies championship last year's finalists Margaret Larcheiner and Mary O'Connor are again favoured to reach the final.

The mens junior 'C' league got under way on Monday night. The C.B.S. team travelled to Charleville where they lost by 5 games to nil to the home side. The One Mile Inn side got a walk over in their first round game.

In the ladies 'C' league the One Mile Inn beat the C.B.S. last week.

Lively squash championship finals expected

By Seamus Hayes

The Clare squash championship finals will be staged on this Thursday night at the One Mile Inn and they will be preceeded by the finals of the Clare plate. Indeed all is set for a great night's entertainment and each of the finals should prove extremely exciting.

Holder of the men's senior title Lillis, has again qualified for the final this year and his opponent in the decider will be either Ken Glennon or Denis Maurer who hadn't played at the time of writing. Maurer is favourite to come through here and there should be another great 'battle' between these two in the decider.

In the ladies championship it appears as if it will be a repeat of last year's decider with the holder Margaret Lacheiner, bidding for three in a row, meeting Mary O'Connor.

This year, for the first time, a Plate competition was organised and it has aroused tremendous interest. At the time of writing the ladies competition was at the semi-final stage with Margaret Murphy and Jean O'Connor of SFADCo in opposition while in the second semi-final Ann'O'Dowd of the One Mile was opposed by Bridie O'Flaherty of the C.B.S.

The final stages of the men's competition were being played off this week and the final

should be a very lively affair.

The programme will get under way at 7 p.m. with the ladies plate final followed by the men's plate. Then the ladies final will be decided with the mens final being the final game. A social evening will follow at which the prizes will be presented.

WEEKEND OUTING

This week-end a party of players from the One Mile Inn club will travel to the Gleneagle club in Killarney. This will be the first week-end outing by the club and the Gleneagle will provide the opposition for both ladies and gents in what should prove entertaining games. A strong team will be travelling and they are confident of good results.

On Thursday next, March 22 a squash blitz will be held at the C.B.S. and presently entries are being accepted. On the following Thursday night there will be a racquet ball blitz.

By Seamus Hayes

The finals of the Clare squash championship and Clare Plate at the One Mile Inn court on Thursday night last proved to be extremely exciting and there was very entertaining play in each of the four finals. The evening's programme got under way at 7 p.m. and ended with a most exciting men's championship final.

As expected the favourites to reach both championship finals qualified and the big attendance would certainly agree that the men's final between defending Denis Maurer and challenger Tony Lillis was the most exciting of the night. Incidentally, it was inadvertently stated in last week's *Clare Champion* that Lillis was the holder of the title.

These two players have provided many great tussles in recent times and this final was no exception. The match went the full distance of five games and the result was in doubt right up to the final whistle. It was ace for ace in the early stages of the first game before Maurer went into an 8 to 4 lead and looked set to take the first game. But Lillis refused to give in and rallied to take the first on the score of 10 to 8.

In the second it was Lillis who did the early scoring to lead 7-1. But now it was Maurer's turn to hit back which he did to make it one game each when he won the second 9-7. After even exchanges in the early stages of the third Lillis pulled away to win 9-5 and so take a two games to one lead.

With victory in sight Lillis raced into an early 7-1 lead on the fourth but as happened in the second he was held at 7 as the defending champion fought back to level at 7 all and

then go on to win 9-7 and so make it two games each. All was now set for the final game and it was Maurer who took an early 3-1 lead. But Lillis was determined to win his first championship title and he fought back to level at 3-3 each and then go into a 7-3 lead. The big question now was could he get past 7 and this he did with a great 'kill' in the left hand corner.

But Maurer was not beaten yet and rallied to make it 5-8. However, Tony Lillis was not to be denied and he made the vital ace to win 9-5 and so take his first Clare championship title. They were playing one hour and twenty minutes in the final and at the end both players received a rousing round of applause.

Three in a row

The ladies final was also a repeat of last year with the defending champion Margaret

Lacheiner meeting Mary O'Connor of Shannon Diamond. These two had met a few times in recent months in the Limerick league and on each occasion the match went the full distance. Because of this a very close final was expected.

However, on the night, Mary O'Connor never really produced the form of which she is capable and the One Mile Inn's Margaret Lacheiner won in a straight sets to take the title for the third year in a row. This is surely a remarkable achievement and Mrs. Lacheiner deserves every praise for staying at the top during that time. It must be surely disappointing for Mrs. O'Connor having lost in two finals in a row but her turn must surely come on the near future.

This year was the first time a Clare Plate was inaugurated for both men and ladies and the finals were also played on Thursday night.

In the ladies Bridie O'Flaherty of the CBS qualified to meet Jean O'Connor of SFADCo. and this opening game went the full distance and was very exciting. The CBS representative looked set for victory when she won the first two games, 9-7, 9-5. In the third she had led 8-4 but Miss O'Connor refused to accept defeat and fought back to level at 8-8. They were level at 9 all and did a lot of playing before the game went to the SFADCo. representative at 10-9. The fourth game also went to the Shannon girl on the score of 9-6.

In the final game Jean O'Connor looked set to take the title when she led 8-4, but the CBS club woman fought back to level at 8-8. However it was Jean O'Connor who got those vital aces to win 10-8 after a very exciting final.

The men's plate final was between Jim Neville and Damian Byrne both of the host club. On the night Neville hit top form and while Byrne made him fight all the way, Neville deservedly took the title in straight sets. The game did go on for some time and both players produced some fine shots.

A social evening followed at which the prizes were presented to the winners and runners-up. Club captain John Costin presided and he congratulated all who played in the finals. He thanked the sponsors for their support.

Junior C League

The Limerick junior C league is now in full swing and both the CBS and the One Mile Inn teams are doing well. Last week the One Mile Inn travelled to Nenagh where they had an easy victory. On the same night the CBS entertained LLTC and scored a good victory. On Monday night of this week the sides met at the One Mile Inn where the home side won by three matches to two. For the One Mile Inn Derry Moloney, Tom Malone and Liam Moloney beat Martin Lillis, Paddy O'Sullivan and Con Kearney respectively. The CBS victories were recorded by Dan Liddy and Gerry Bredin who beat John Costin and Jim O'Dowd.

Week-End Outing

A group of members of the One Mile Inn club went on a week-end outing to the Gleneagle Club in Killarney last Friday evening. In all fourteen travelled and on Saturday evening the Kerry club provided the opposition for the visitors. After some very entertaining contests the Kerry club

Mrs. Josette Maurer (2nd right) presenting the Clare championship trophy to Tony Lillis following the final at the One Mile Inn last week. Picture shows (l. to r.), Denis Maurer (Mens runner-up), Mary O'Connor (Ladies runner-up), Tony Lillis, Josette Maurer and Margaret Lacheiner, Ladies champion.

scored a narrow victory over a tired visiting squad.

All who took part were unanimous in that it was a most successful venture and it is expected that there will be another such outing before the end of the season.



Sen. Michael Howard (2nd left) winner Jim Neville. Also in the picture is Damian Byrne.

Football Fixtures

SATURDAY, MAR. 24

At St. Flannans: Final Minor Trial 3 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAR. 25

BANNER CUP

At Kilrush: St. Cronans v Eire Og 2 p.m. P. Keane

At Miltown: Wolfe Tones v Kilmurry Ibrickane 2 p.m. P. O'Brien. Corofin v Kilfenora 3.15, J. McNicholas.

GERALDINE CUP

At Kilrush: Clohanes v Liscasey 3.15 J. Corry.

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Mrs. Josette Maurer (2nd right) presenting the Clare championship trophy to Tony Lillis following the final at the One Mile Inn last week. Picture shows (l. to r.), Denis Maurer (Mens runner-up), Mary O'Connor (Ladies runner-up), Tony Lillis, Josette Maurer and Margaret Lacheiner, Ladies champion.

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Easy Win for One Mile Inn Side

The One Mile Inn junior C mens team got back on the winning trail on Monday night when they scored an easy win 5/0 win over Catholic Institute at the One Mile Inn. This win leaves them behind leaders Charleville and just ahead of CBS and in the coming weeks there will be vital games between all three teams. Indeed following their thrashing by Charleville the previous week the One Mile Inn will be happy with this win and number one player, Derry Moloney, made up for his defeat by the Cork side with a good win on Monday night. The CBS side has no game on Monday night.

The March blitz at the CBS was completed on Thursday night last and there were some very exciting games. In the semi-finals Brian Fitzgerald's team ousted Jimmy Cronin's side while Danny Liddy's squad proved too strong for the team led by Gert Lacheiner. In the final Brian Fitzgerald led his team to victory and this was his second

success in these monthly competitions.

The semi-finals and finals of the blitz at the One Mile Inn will be played off on this Thursday night and after the excitement at Tuesday night's first rounds, there should be good play tonight. This competition is sponsored by Cantrell and Cochrane Ltd. and there will be valuable prizes on offer.

Entries are now been taken for the One Mile Inn ladies and gents club championships. This will be the final competition of they season and a big entry is expected.

Another very successful racquet ball competition was staged at the CBS last week. This game is fast becoming very popular and there were eight teams of six competing in this latest blitz. The finals were staged on Thursday night and it was an extremely busy night for Brian Fitzgerald. As well as leading his team to success in the squash he also captained the winning racquet ball team. In the final his team were successful against the side led by Paul Conway. Members are looking forward to further competition in this sport in the near future.



Mr. Pat Cahalane, Regional Sales Manager, C & C (centre) presenting his firm's trophies to Seamus Hayes after last week's squash blitz at the One Mile Inn. Pictured with the C & C representatives are members of the winning team, (l. to r.), John Custin, Michael O'Neill, Area Rep. C & C, Mary Hennessy, Pat Cahalane, Seamus Hayes, Irene Malone, Gerry Woods.



Mr. Graham Fone (centre) presenting the winners trophies on behalf of O'Connor Engineering Ltd., Tubhero Derry Moloney of the One Mile Inn, after the 'Sport for All' promotion on Sunday. Also in the picture is Brian Fitzgerald of the C.B.S. side.

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Entertaining Blitz at One Mile Inn

The Cantrell and Cochrane sponsored squash blitz, played over two nights, at the One Mile Inn last week, proved to be most exciting and there were some very entertaining games, particularly in the semi-finals and finals on Thursday night.

Moloney, Pat Kirby, Tom Malone, John Costin, Jim O'Dowd, Ann Renshaw, Mary Hennessey and Ann O'Dowd. Representing the C.B.S. were Brian Fitzgerald, Seamus Hayes, Jack Keane, Danny Liddy, Paddy O'Sullivan, Mary

After the first rounds the teams, captained by Jim Neville, Derry Moloney, Seamus Hayes and Danny Liddy, had advanced to the semi-finals. In the first semi Derry Moloney's side ousted Jim Neville's team; while Seamus Hayes' group narrowly accounted for Danny Liddy's squad.

The final proved extremely close all through, with Seamus Hayes' team of John Costin, Mary Hennessey, Gerry Woods and Irene Malone winning narrowly. D. Moloney's team included Con Woods, Graham Fane, Mimi O'Keeffe and Marian Barry.

At a social evening afterwards, Mr. Pat Cahalane, Regional Sales Manager of

Cantrel and Cochrane, presented the prizes to the winners and runners-up. He expressed delight with the standard and interest in the competition and assured the club of further support in the future.

The One Mile Inn and C.B.S. clubs in Ennis got together last Sunday to play a tournament as their contribution towards the Sport for All programme on April 21/22. The tournament was brought forward to last Sunday because of the fact that Clare will be playing in the league semi-final on April 22.

At the end of the day the One Mile Inn side were the winners by 6 matches to 2. The winning team consisted of Derry

Club Championship Commences This Week

The One Mile Inn club squash championships get under way this week and the finals have been fixed for Friday May 11. There will be a gents and ladies championship with a plate competition in both sections. The first rounds have to be over by this week-end and the draws are as follows:

Mens: T. Lillis v T. Finlay, D. Liddy v J. Cronin, N. Crowley v F. Moloney, P. J. Garry v J. Neville, S. Hayes v D. Boyd, J. Costin v Gerry Woods, D. O'Connell v D. Byrne, D. Moloney v C. McLaughlin, K. Glennon v L. Moloney, M. Carmody v P. McNamara, C. Keating v J. Butler, C. Woods, v J. Keane, C. Gill v T. Malone, G. Lacheiner v J. Burns, J. Quinn v J. O'Dowd, P. Kirby v D. Maurer.

Ladies: M. Lacheiner v A. O'Dowd, J. Davis v I. Jordan, B. Kearney v M. Hennessy, J. Murphy v A. Renshaw.

In the men's junior C league the One Mile Inn were beaten 3/2 by Catholic Institute on Monday night. Last week they also lost 3/2 to Charleville. The CBS side were without their number one player Martin Lillis for both matches. Their winners on both nights were Danny Liddy and Gerry Bredin with Paddy O'Sullivan, Con Kearney and Jackie Hynes losing.

The One Mile side received a walk over on Monday night from Nenagh.

On this Thursday night the One Mile Inn entertain Charleville in a vital match while on Monday next the One Mile Inn Play the CBS with the latter side having home venue.

Well Placed in

RUNNERS-UP TROPHIES FOR ONE MILE INN

The Limerick area junior C league came to a close this week and with good performances in the last week the One Mile Inn side finished as runners up in the competition. Last week they were hosts to Charleville at the one Mile Inn and the home side scored a fine 3-2 victory. Indeed this was a much improved performance following their 5-0 defeat at the Cork venue.

Highlight of that game was surely the performance of team capt. Tom Malone who staged a great rally to win 3-2. Malone lost the first two game and was behind 6-2 in the third. However, he never gave and was rewarded with a good win. The other winners on that occasion were Jim O'Dowd and Derry Moloney.

On Monday night of this week the One Mile Inn side beat the CBS at the latters court by four games to one. The CBS were without their number one player Martin Lillis and their winner on the night was Dan Liddy who beat Tom Malone. The One Mile side had winners in Derry Moloney, J. Costin, Liam Moloney and Jim O'Dowd. Indeed both Derry Moloney and Jim O'Dowd, showed the benefit of recent matches against higher placed players in the ladder.

Meanwhile at the One Mile Inn the club championship is in full swing and the quarter final stage will be reached by this week-end. The finals are fixed for Friday May 11 with a club social for members and partners afterwards at the West County inn. The annual general meeting of the club will take place on Tuesday May 15.

Banner Wheelers Cyclists in Form

Banner Wheelers were again represented in the Sligo road races on Sunday last and again figured amongst the prize winners. John Colleran continued to show fine form when he finished third in the under 16 race. In the novice event Martin Killeen put up a great performance to take second place.

Three Clare cyclists, John Kelly, John Slattery and Gerry McGann were represented in the senior event which was over a testing 50 mile course. By the time the race had reached the Curley Mountains Irish international Pat McHugh had opened up a one minute gap on the main bunch.

In the dash to the line Kelly took ninth place and with two trophies going to the first ten he finished amongst the prizewinners.



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ONE MILE INN

On this Friday night Maurer faces a very stiff task when he takes on Tony Lillis in the final of the One Mile Inn club championship. This is a repeat of the Clare championship final which Lillis won and Maurer made no secret of the fact that he is anxious to avenge that defeat. It should again be a great tussle.

In the ladies final holder Margaret Lacheiner will be favoured to retain her title but Ann Renshaw is reported to have prepared diligently for this game. The ladies plate final will be between Ann O'Dowd and Breda Kearney. At the time of writing it wasn't clear as to who would be in the mens plate final but it ooked as if Derry Moloney would qualify to play Tom Malone.

The finals will be followed by the club's first biffet social at the West County Inn when the prizes will be presented. A very enjoyable night is expected.

Pitch n' putt news

One Mile Inn pitch n' putt club suffered two defeats in the Limerick-Clare league last week when they fell in away games against Ardnacrusha and Croom.

However, playing at home on Tuesday night they had revenge on Croom with a splendid 6-3 victory which now gives them a chance to qualify for the final of the competition. The last game will be against Ardnacrusha on Thursday night next at 7 p.m. and the home venue should prove a distinct advantage.

Panel: Eamon Murphy, Ray Hennessy, Michael Woods, Brendan Ryan, Seamus Murphy, Tommy Doherty, Jimmy Fenton and Barry Fitzgerald.

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Winners of the One Mile Inn squash Club championship and plate pictured with SEN. Michael Howard who sponsored the competitions. Left to right, Denis Maurer (club champion) Derry Moloney (plate winner) Sen. Howard, Ann O'Dowd (plate winner) and Margaret Lacheiner (club champion).

(plate winner) Sen. Howard, Ann O'Dowd (plate winner) and Margaret Lacheiner (club champion).

Club championship finals decided at One Mile Inn

The One Mile Inn club championship and plate finals were decided at the club on Friday night last and there was some exciting play during the evening. This was the final competition of the season at the club.

Rugby Final

Two tries from Niall Doyle gave Shannon an 8-0 victory over Parteen A in the final of Clare Community Games Rugby competition in Shannon on Wednesday night.

In the semi-finals, Shannon easily accounted for Parteen B, 32-0 while Parteen A beat Kilrush 8-4.

The programme opened with the ladies plate final in which Ann O'Dowd went one better than last year by beating Breda Kearney 3/1. The winner has improved immensely during the past year and should be a force to be reckoned with in 1979/80.

BY SEAMUS HAYES

The mens plate final brought Derry Moloney and Tom Malone the number 1 and 2 respectively on the club's

junior C team into opposition. Moloney seems to have reached his peak at present and scored a great 3/0 victory. This game produced some fine squash and Malone kept the pressure on right to the finish.

The ladies championship final was a repeat of last year with Ann Renshaw defending her title against Margaret Lacheiner. Incidentally it was inadvertently stated last week that Mrs. Lacheiner was the holder. This was another good game between these two with Margaret Lacheiner repeating her success of the Clare championship with a 3/1 victory.

The mens final, once again, brought Tony Lillis and Denis Maurer into opposition in the main attraction of the evening. The standard was not as high as in the Clare championship final but again the game went the full distance before Maurer took the title 3/2 after over an hour's play.

Lillis won the first game but Maurer was quickly back in the running when he levelled at 1-1. Lillis hit his best form when winning the third game but

again Maurer came back to make it 2-2. In the third game both players gave of their all but in the end Maurer was a deserving winner.

The club's first buffet social took place in the West County Inn on Friday night and was an outstanding success. During the evening Sen. Michael Howard, who sponsored the championship and plate, presented the prizes to the ladies while Mrs. Howard presented the trophies to the men. Music for the occasion was supplied by Chris Ball.

The May blitz at the C.B.S. was completed on Thursday night last when the semi-finals and final were staged. Jack Keane's team reached the final with a good win over Brian Fitzgerald's squad while Jimmy Cronin led his team to success against Con Kearney's side.

In the final Jimmy Cronin's side were successful.

Meanwhile work on the second court at the C.B.S. is now nearing completion and the committee are confident that it will be open by August. This will be a tremendous asset to the members of the club.

Camogie:

GOOD WIN FOR MICHAEL CUSACK'S

PITCH & PUTT

The One Mile Inn pitch and putt course will be open for the season this week-end. The annual membership fee is £5, but it is also open every day to the public.

Group outings may be arranged by contacting Eamonn Sheedy, Secretary, c/o Clare Co. Council.

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Committee

Chairman Jim O' Dowd, Treasurer Ann O' Dowd, Secretary Mary Hennessy, Club Captain John Costin, Ann Renshaw, S hayes, Joan Murphy, Colm Keating, John Collins, Ann Boyd, Gert Lacheiner, Tom Malone, Jan Davis.

Major Events

The CBS opens its second court

The Club has an weekend outing to the Downhills Hotel in Ballina.

Clare Championship Finals held at the OMI.

The Club holds its second Social at the West County Hotel

Tony Lillis receives a Clare Sportstar of the Year Award

Competitions

Mens Club Champion Denis Maurer def Tony Lillis

Ladies Club Champion Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Boyd

Gerry Bredin and Bridie O'Flaherty won the Plate competitions.

Mens Harp Final Tony Lillis def Seamus Hayes

Ladies Guinness Final Mgt Lacheiner def Ann Boyd

Mens Clare Champion **Tony Lillis** (OMI) def **D Maurer** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **Mgt Lacheiner** (OMI) def **Bridie O'Flaherty** (OMI)

OMI win Limerick Div 4 League. Team consists of G Bredin, J Costin, T Malone, Colm Keating, Jim O'Dowd.

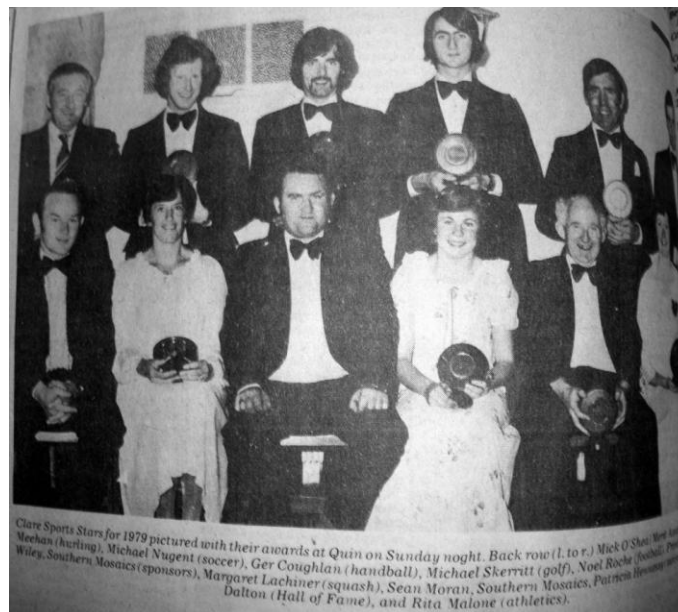
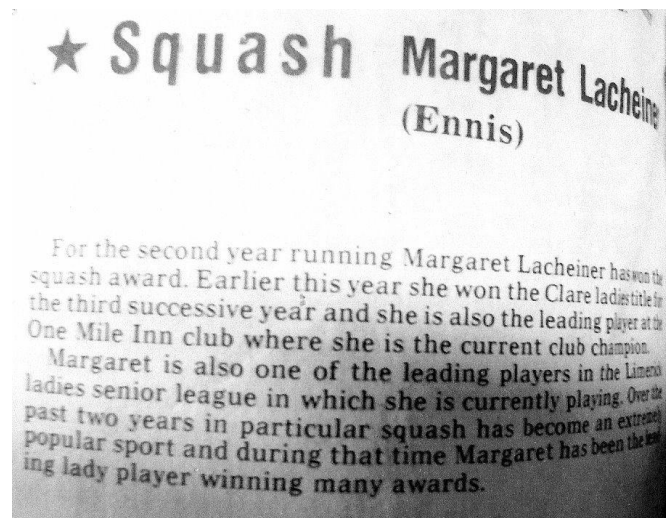
The Autumn League winners are Jack Keane, Dan Liddy, Con Woods, Liam Moloney, Flan Lyons, and Ann O'Dowd. The R-Up team was Jim Neville, Jimmy Cronin, J O'Dowd, John Collins, Adam Finlay and Irene Jordan.

Denis Maurer is R-Up in the Limerick Senior Handicap League.

SQUASH:

- ★ MARGARET LACHEINER, One Mile Inn, Ennis
- ★ TONY LILLIS, One Mile Inn, Ennis
- ★ DENIS MAURER, One Mile Inn, Ennis

Nominations for Clare Sports Awards



Oct 1979

Squash Blitz

The first blitz of the season at the One Mile Inn club will take place on this Monday and Tuesday night. The competition, which is sponsored by Dwans Mineral Waters had to be postponed for one week due to court repairs.

At a meeting of the committee last week the draws were made. There will be eight teams of five (four men and one lady) with the first rounds on Monday and the semi-finals and finals on Tuesday.

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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.

The rally starts at the Parkway in Limerick at 1 p.m. on Sunday and travels to Sixmilebridge for the first stage at Gallows Hill and Woodcock. From there the cars will move to Broadford and Kilkishen and onto Knappogue Castle and to Newmarket.

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 Lennihan of Ennis, but both failed to finish.



Mr. John Bradley (third from right) of Dwans Ltd. pictured with the winning team in the Dwans sponsored tournament at the One Mile Inn on Tuesday night. Picture shows (l. to r.) Noel Crowley, Tony Lillis (capt.), Margaret Lacheiner, John Bradley, Ted Finlay and Frankie Moloney.

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Autumn League Commences At One Mile Inn

The annual town league sponsored by Universal Business Systems and O'Dowd Stores, will commence on Monday night next. The competition will continue over the next four weeks with the final on Wednesday, December 12 at the One Mile Inn. Eight teams of six will take part in the event and there will be valuable trophies for the winners and runners-up.

At a meeting of the One Mile Inn Committee on Tuesday night, the draw was made for the league and the dates were fixed. The team captains will be notifying their players and it is expected that this will be an interesting and exciting league.

One Mile Inn players Denis Maurer and Tony Lillis are presently competing in the Limerick senior individual league. Last weekend, Maurer scored a 3-0 victory over Michael Barry on a 9-1, 9-3, 9-3 scoreline. Tony Lillis' game was postponed, as he is away at present.

Leading this league are Limerick players Billy Ryan and Martin O'Meara and their meeting on Friday week at Charleville should be a real cracker. This competition is sponsored by Duggan Insurances, Limerick.

At the C.B.S. there is presently great interest in the club ladder and many players are regularly playing, seeking to improve their positions, in both the gents and ladies sections. The ladder at the One Mile Inn was revised recently and it is expected that there will be much action with people trying to move up in the coming months.

Coaching Course Resumes

The minor football coaching course will resume at Miltown Malbay on this Saturday at 11 a.m. and will continue for the next three Saturday's. In charge of the course on Saturday will be Joe McGrath, Donie O'Sullivan and Weeshie Fogarty.

To date there has been a tremendous response to the course and all those involved are asked to be in Miltown on Saturday.

Limerick squash leagues commence

Four teams from Ennis will commence their campaigns in the Limerick squash rackets leagues this week. Both the Division II and division IV leagues will get under way and both the Ennis C.B.S. and One Mile Inn clubs will have teams in each competition.

First into action will be the One Mile Inn division IV team who travel to Charleville on this Wednesday night. The Ennis side of Gerry Bredin, John Costin, Tom Malone, Colm Keating and Jim O'Dowd should do well here but Charleville had many successes last year and will not be easily beaten.

In the same grade the Ennis C.B.S. side of Martin Lillis, Dan Liddy, Paddy O'Sullivan, Con Kearney and Jimmy Cronin will entertain Shannon Diamond on Thursday night.

Both clubs will be in action in the division II league on this Thursday night. The One Mile Inn team which includes Jim Neville, Damien Byrne, Jim Hennessy, Derry Moloney and Pat Kirby will be at home to Nenagh.

The Ennis C.B.S. squad of Cha Gill, Seamus Hayes, Jack Keane, Brian Fitzgerald and

Gert Lacheiner will travel to Charleville for what should be a great match. These sides had a great battle for junior 'B' honours last year before the Cork club eventually scored a narrow win.

Each team will be in action every week from now on and all should do well.

The ladies league will commence on Tuesday week and the Ennis C.B.S. will finalise their team this week-end. The One Mile Inn will not be entering a team in this competition.

The Autumn team league sponsored by Universal Business Systems and O'Dowd stores, got under way on Monday night of this week and over the next few weeks there should be some great games. The final is fixed for Wednesday, December 12, when there will be valuable prizes for the winners and runners-up.

Limerick Squash League in Full Swing

The Limerick squash leagues are now in full swing and the Ennis teams are doing well. Both the Ennis CBS and the One Mile Inn division IV sides are equal on points. Both teams collected full points in their opening games, while last week both were.

In the Div. II league Ennis CBS had a good victory over Shannon Diamond last week after losing in their opening game to Charleville. The One Mile Inn were narrowly beaten in the first round by Nenagh and lost last week this time to favourites, Limerick Lawn Tennis club.

The ladies league got under way on Tuesday night of this week when the Ennis CBS side were at home to Shannon Diamond. The CBS team is Bridie O'Flaherty, Mary Carey, Ann O'Dowd, Joanne Lewis, and

Margaret Flanagan. The One Mile Inn is not competing in this competition.

The annual team league at the One Mile Inn sponsored by Universal Business Systems and O'Dowd Stores is proving most exciting with a number of teams fighting hard for a place in the final. Games to be played over the next week will help decide what teams will go through to the final on Wednesday, December 12.

The first competition of the season at the Ennis golf club court was staged last week when six teams took part in what proved to be a most enjoyable blitz. Two first round games were played and these resulted in wins for Colm McLaughlin's team over Dickie Pyne's team and for Seamus Hayes' side over Damian

Byrne's team. In the semi-final these teams again won at the expense of Conor Murphy's and Jim O'Dowd's teams. The final proved to be most entertaining with Seamus Hayes' team scoring a narrow win.

Afterwards club captain Dickie Pyne presented the trophies to the members of the winning team, Seamus Hayes, Matt Flynn, Fr. P. Cotter, Jack Horgan and Ellen Mulconry. The runners up also received their trophies and their team included Colm McLaughlin, Jim Kearns, Seamus Hughes, Ann O'Dowd and Kitty McNicholas.

On this Friday night the November blitz will be run off at the Ennis CBS and once again there will be eight teams taking part. Both courts will be in use and the blitz will be completed that night.

At present arrangements are being made for coaching at the One Mile Inn club and details will be announced next week. Denis Maurer will be in charge of coaching and anyone interested should be in the club on Tuesday night next at 8 p.m. The coaching is only open to One Mile Inn club members.



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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.

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O'Connell 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 semi-finals and final of the golf club blitz will be staged. This is sponsored by Dulick Services, Gort Road and again there was a very big entry.

The Autumn league, sponsored by O'Dowd Stores and Universal Business Systems, concluded at the One Mile Inn last week. The winning team consisted of Jack Keane, Dan Liddy, Con Woods, Liam Moloney, Flan Lyons and Ann O'Dowd. The beaten finalists were Jim Neville, Jimmy Cronin, Jim O'Dowd, John Collins, Adam Finlay and Irene Jordan.

Both Jim O'Dowd and Cha Gill of the sponsors, congratulated the winners and all who took part and offered to again sponsor the competition next season.

In the Limerick league there was mixed luck for the Ennis teams last week. In Division II the One Mile Inn were at home to Charleville "A" and they lost by three matches to two. The



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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.



Winners of the Seven-Up Blitz tournament at the One Mile Inn last week pictured here. Back row (l. to r.) Donal Moloney, Seven-Up, Tony Lillis (capt.), Michael O'Connell, Clem Browne. Front row, Jimmy Kearns, Ann O'Dowd and John Peacock, Area Manager, Seven-Up.

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Maurer Challenges Strongly For League Title

THE mens senior Limerick league is now drawing to a close and Ennis man, Denis Maurer, is doing very well. Last week he had a one-point lead in the handicap prize section. Then he came up against his great rival, Tony Lillis from Ennis, and it was one of the best games of the League — Lillis won a five-game thriller.

Maurer is now in second place in the handicap section, one point behind Michael O'Connor. Lillis continued on his winning ways on Sunday when he was again victorious.

Both Lillis and Maurer are expected to be in opposition early next week, this time in the Harp Handicap Tournament at the One Mile Inn. Both players are expected to come through to the quarter-final, where they must meet and with both playing off -21, this should be another thriller. The winner will be favourite to win the title.

Last week the Ennis clubs clashed in the Limerick League. In Div. II the C.B.S. scored a 5-0 win over the One Mile, but all games were extremely close. In Div. IV the One Mile Inn had a 4-1 win over the C.B.S.

The top of the table clash between the One Mile Inn and

Charleville 'A' in Div. IV at Ennis on Tuesday night proved very exciting. The One Mile Inn side are now firm favourites to win the league, following their 5-0 victory over Charleville. They just have two games to play and barring a major surprise, they must take the title.

In the top of the table clash in the ladies league the Ennis C.B.S. side failed to Catholic Institute. The Limerick side won by 3 matches to 2 and remain ahead of the Ennis team.

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Harp Finals Provide Exciting Squash

The finals of the Harp Handicap Tournament were decided at the One Mile Inn on Monday night and both matches proved very exciting. The big attendance got plenty to cheer about as both finals went the full distance.

The ladies final brought the defending champion, Margaret Lacheiner into action against Ann Boyd. Mrs. Lacheiner started in tremendous fashion and seemed to be on the way to an easy victory. But once Ann Boyd settled down, she produced some brilliant shots and in a thrilling first game the challenger won 15-14.

The pressure was now on Mrs. Lacheiner, who was playing off -12, with Mrs. Boyd at -8. There was rarely anything between them in the second game with the holder winning 15-13. And so to the third and after an exciting battle the holder won 15-9.

The mens final was between Tony Lillis and Seamus Hayes. Hayes, playing off -16, took the first game against the favourite who was playing off -21. The second was close, with Lillis getting the aces at vital times to win 15-10. So it was all to play for and the third proved very exciting, with both players looking set for victory on different occasions.

Tied at 13-13, Lillis made the vital break to win the title for the first time.

Afterwards, Mr. P. J. Garvan, Area Representative for Guinness, congratulated the winners and runners-up on behalf of the sponsors. He thanked all who took part and the organising committee for their work. Mr. Garvan told the committee that his Company were glad to be associated with the competition and would continue to do so.

Club Captain, John Costin, thanked Guinness for their sponsorship of the event.

In the Limerick League the One Mile Inn Div. IV team play

ladies and gents. The championship prizes are sponsored by Denis Maurer, while Syntex will sponsor the Plate.

Another Kil

Kilrush 17 pts.
Scariff Nil.

Further proof that the recently revived Kilrush rugby club is going to be a big force in competitions in the coming seasons was provided in this challenge game at the home pitch on Sunday last.

The visiting Scariff side was more than useful but it was unable to cope with the local team, which played open rugby at every opportunity, and emerged as convincing winners. Thus Kilrush maintained its sequence of wins of recent weeks. Owing to the rain the preceding days the going was heavy in this game, and a greasy ball did not help the participants.

Silver Wo

Killanena's Kieran Woods was again in great form on Sunday last when he captured the silver medal in the All-Ireland under 16 event on Sunday. In doing so he led Clare to team honours while in the club event Clonbony were the winners from St. Imy's. Right from

Soccer Fixtures

SATURDAY, FEB. 23

Munster Youths Cup
(Clare Area Final)

At Ballynacally: Fergus Rovers v Bridge Utd., 3 p.m., M. Meagher (extra time and penalties).

Youths League

At One Mile: Hermitage v St. Michaels, 3 p.m., C. O'Neill.

At Our Lady's: Lifford v Villa Utd., 3 p.m., N. Bennett.

SUNDAY, FEB. 24

F.A.I. Junior Cup

Re-play

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In the Limerick League the One Mile Inn Div. IV team play their final game on this Thursday night when they travel to Catholic Institute. Whatever the result, the Ennis team have won the League and this is certainly a great achievement. In second place are Ennis C.B.S., who have a game in hand and this must be an indication of the rising standards of Clare squash.

The Division II League will also finish on this Thursday night. Limerick Lawn Tennis Club are the winners and their final game they will be at home to Ennis C.B.S., who are in third position at present.

Last year, it will be remembered, that a group from the One Mile Inn went for a weekend outing to the Gleneagle in Killarney and this proved most successful. A similar outing is planned for St. Patrick's Weekend of this year from Saturday evening to Monday lunch at the Downhills in Ballina and this will include a game with the Mayo club. Anybody interested should contact Jim O'Dowd (Phone 22067) before Monday next.

The Clare Championships get under way this week and the first rounds must be played by Wednesday next. There will be a plate competition in both

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Mr. P. J. Garvan (centre) Area representative for Guinness, presenting the ladies winners prize to Margaret Lacheiner. Also in the picture are Tony Lillis, mens winner, Ann Boyd and Seamus Hayes, runners-up.

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Maurer just pipped for league title

Ennis One Mile Inn senior team got off to a great start in the senior league when they scored a good victory over Nenagh at Ennis on Monday night. The three members of the Ennis side, Denis Maurer, Tony Lillis and Seamus Hayes, all won to earn maximum points for the team in their first outing.

In the Limerick senior league which concluded last week-end Denis Maurer was just pipped for the handicap title. In his final game Maurer met Derry O'Connor and the Ennis man

had to win 3-0 in order to capture the title. Maurer hit top form from the word go and looked set to capture the title when he led 2-0. But then the Limerick man hit back and managed to take the third game and thus won the title.

The LSRA division IV finished last week with Ennis teams heading the list, One Mile Inn team of Gerry Bredin, John Costin, Tom Malone, Colm Keating and Jim O'Dowd, won the league and in doing so Tom Malone went through the competition unbeaten. The runners-up trophies have been won by Ennis CBS and their panel included Martin Lillis, Dan Liddy, Paddy O'Sullivan, Con Kearney, Jimmy Cronin and Noel Crowley.

Wins Banner s League

day, May 18 and for which a very big entry is expected, as the event is on the National calendar.

On this Sunday the Banner Wheelers Club will send a team to Dunderra in Cork to compete in the O'Riordan Cup.

The February blitz competition at the Ennis CBS club was staged on Monday night and again it proved a tremendous success. At the end of a great night's competition John Costin's team emerged as winners with Noel Crowley's team filling the runners-up position.

● SQUASH

CLARE C'SHIPS PROGRESS

The way is now clear for the quarter finals of the mens and ladies squash championships. All these games will be played by Sunday and there are some interesting pairings especially in the mens competition. Here defending champion Tony Lillis will meet his brother Martin in the quarter final while Denis Maurer will take on Cha Gill. Seamus Hayes meets Paul Costello of Kilkee while Colm McLaughlin will play Jack Keane.

In the ladies section Margaret Lacheiner, Ann Boyd, Betty McMahon and Bridie O'Flaherty are all still in contention. The finals will take place on Tuesday, March 25.

Both the mens and ladies plate competitions are in full swing also at present.

All semi-finals will be played next week and times and dates are on the notice board at the One Mile Inn.

March 1980

Clare Squash Finals on Tuesday

The Clare squash championship finals as well as the Plate finals will take place at the One Mile Inn on Tuesday night next commencing at 7.30. And once again entertaining games are expected in all finals.

While the semi-finals had not been decided at the time of writing its odds on for another Tony Lillis-Denis Maurer confrontation in the mens championship final. If Lillis is to get to the final however he will have to beat former holder of the title Paul Costello and the Kilkee man is expected to give a great game to the defending champion. However, Lillis mainly because of his greater match practice at top level should come through.

In the other semi-final Denis Maurer meets Jack Keane who was a surprise winner over Colm McLaughlin in the quarter final. However it is understood that McLaughlin was carrying a leg injury in that tie. Maurer however, should come through here and he is making no secret of the fact that he is determined to regain the Clare title. In the semi-final she will ago.

In the ladies section Margaret Lacheiner remains as favourite to win yet another title. In th semi-final she will meet Shannon Diamond's

Betty McMahon, who incidentally is a sister of Clare hurler, Johnnie. In the other side of the draw second seed Ann Boyd conceded a walk over to Jan Davis in the quarter final as she is going away on holidays thia week and will be away for the finals had she qualified. Jan Davis will now meet Bridie O'Flaherty in the semi-final and the latter has a great chance of winning this one as she in reported to be playing very well at present.

In the mens plate holder Jim Neville will meet Derry Moloney in the semi-final and this should certainly be a close encounter. In the other semi-final Pat O'Grady of Shannon Diamond will be favoured to beat Danny Liddy of Ennis CBS.

In the ladies plate the way is clear for Ann O'Dowd and Mary Hennessy to meet in the final of this should also be a very close encounter.

The plate competitions are sponsored by Syntex while Maurer Jewellers of O'Connell Street sponsor the championships.

Next week there will be a blitz competition at the One Mile Inn and entries are now being taken. Entries are also being accepted now for the One Mile Inn club championship.

Clare Squash Champions Retain Titles

The Clare squash finals were decided at the One Mile Inn on Tuesday night and there was some very exciting play during the evening. The titles in all cases went to the favourites but the large attendance were certainly pleased with the standard throughout.

by Seamus Hayes

The mens decider saw Tony Lillis the defending champion and Denis Maurer once again meet. This match was a little disappointing in that neither player produced the form of which they are well capable. Once again it was reasonably close throughout before Lillis retained the crown on a 2-1 scoreline.

The first game was most exciting and the lead changed

hands on a number of occasions before Lillis won 10-9. Maurer came back in the second and won 9-5 to level the match. It was ace for ace in the third game until both were level at 6-6 and then Lillis hit three quick winners to go two games to one ahead.

Lillis got on top from the start of the fourth game and went on win and thus retain the title for the second successive year.

In the ladies final Margaret Lacheiner justified the tag of favourite when she beat Bridie O'Flaherty by three games to nil. Thus Margaret captured her fourth successive Clare championships title and indeed she is the only person to have won this competition as the contest was only introduced four years ago.

In the mens plate decider Jim Neville won his second successive crown when he beat Danny Liddy of Ennis C.B.S. by three games to one. There was some

fine play in this competition but Neville's greater experience told at the finish.

The ladies plate final was the only match to go to five games and here Mary Hennessy who is secretary of the One Mile Inn club beat Ann O'Dowd, club treasurer by three games to two.

The Clare championships are sponsored by Maurer Jewellers of Ennis and afterwards at a social function Denis Maurer presented the trophies and thanked the organising committee for work.

The Plate competition were once again sponsored by Syntex Ltd. and the club expressed their thanks to the Company for again presenting fine trophies.

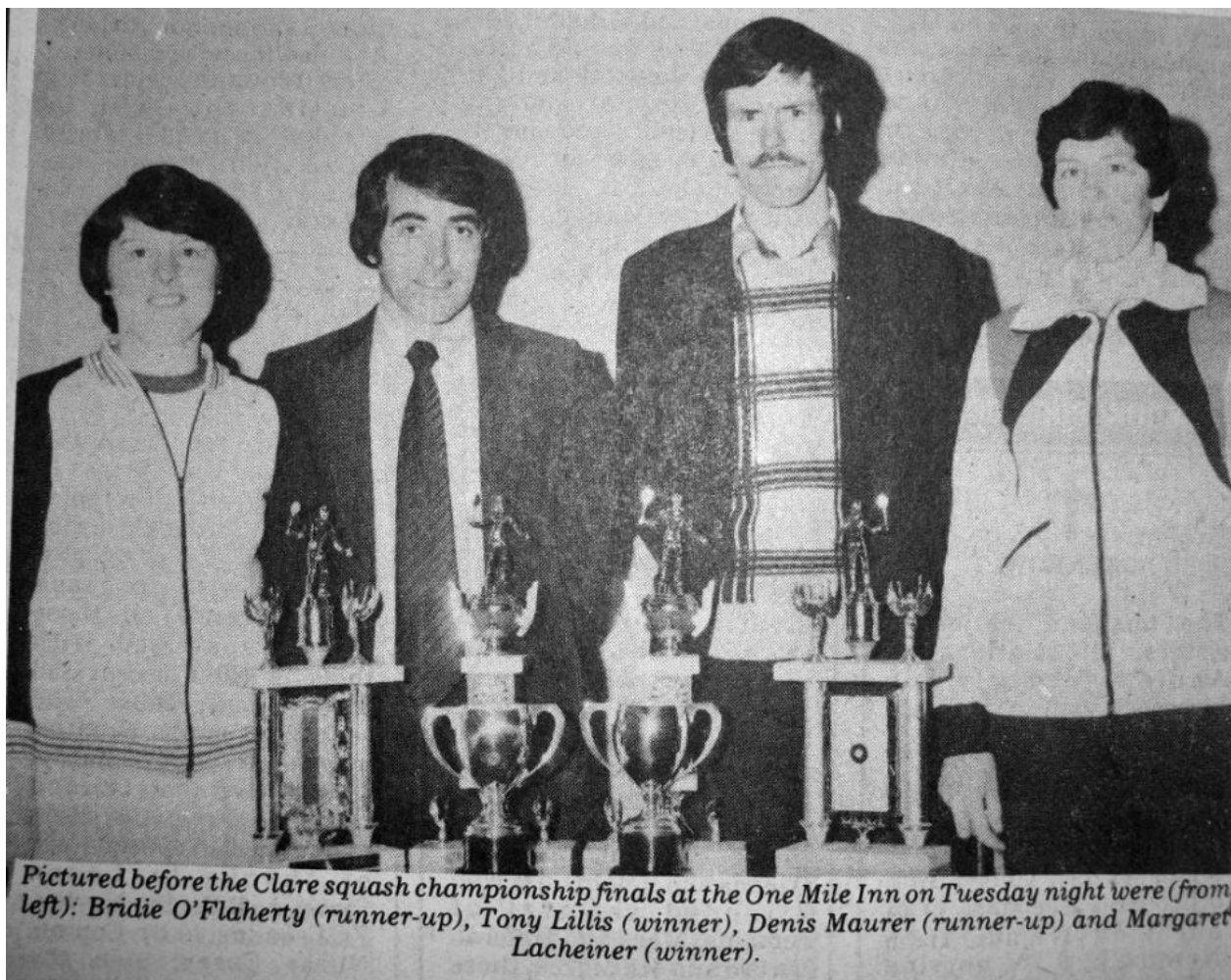
On this Sunday the club will stage a squash marathon in aid of famine relief in the World. This was to have taken place last week but had to be deferred.

On Monday night the first rounds of the Cantrell and Cocrane sponsored blitz will be played. The semi-finals and finals will be played on Wednesday.

On Monday night also there will be a blitz competition at the C.B.S. and a big entry has been received. A racquet ball blitz will also take place at the C.B.S. on this Thursday night.

Minor Trial

1 There was a turn out of thirty three players for the minor hurling trial at St. Flannans College on Saturday last when the selectors Gus Lohan, Fr. S. Gardiner and Martin Marsh, were very impressed with the talent available. And this number



Pictured before the Clare squash championship finals at the One Mile Inn on Tuesday night were (from left): Bridie O'Flaherty (runner-up), Tony Lillis (winner), Denis Maurer (runner-up) and Margaret Lacheiner (winner).

March 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.

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.

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

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 Miltown 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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Mr. Des Carroll (2nd left) presenting the Cantrell and Cocrene trophies to the winning team at the One Mile Inn last week. Picture shows (from left): Liam Moloney, Des Carroll, Liz Moloney, Ger O'Neill and Jim O'Doed.

April 1980

Exciting blitz final at One Mile Inn

The final of the C. and C. sponsored squash blitz was staged at the One Mile Inn on Wednesday night last and it proved very exciting. There was little between the teams in the semi-finals with Gerry Bredin's side overcoming Dan Liddy's team and Seamus Hayes' team beating Jim Neville's squad.

In the final the match was in doubt all the way through before Seamus Hayes' squad emerged victorious. Members of the winning team were Jim O'Dowd, the club chairman, Liam Moloney, Ger O'Neill and Liz Moloney while in the runners-up side were Gerry Bredin, Jimmy Cronin, Michael Singleton, Mary Hennessy and

Breda Kelly.

The One Mile Inn club championship gets under way this week with all first round matches down to be played. Top seeds Denis Maurer and Tony Lillis are in opposite half of the draws and are favoured to come through to the final.

In the Limerick Division 111 league the Ennis teams meet at the C.B.S. on this Thursday night. The home side will be favoured to maintain their un-beaten run here.

In the senior three man league the One Mile Inn will be at home to Lawn Tennis 'B' on this Friday in a postponed game while on Monday they will entertain Lawn Tennis 'A'.

April 1980

Squash C'Ship finals

The finals of the One Mile Inn club championship will be decided on this Friday night and a great night's squash is expected. The evening's programme will feature the ladies and gents plate and championship finals.

As expected Tony Lillis and Denis Maurer will meet in the championship final and another exciting contest is expected. Lillis has won all major titles to date this year and is going for the grand slam. Maurer is determined to hold on to this title which he won last season and so a great battle is expected.

In the ladies final Margaret Lacheiner will be favoured to beat Ann Boyd but in recent times Mrs. Boyd has been doing very well and this could well be a thriller.

In the mens plate Derry Moloney should prove a little too experienced for Gerry Bredin while the ladies plate will see newcomer Fiona Nugent take on Bridie O'Flaherty.

Afterwards the club will hold their annual social at the West County Inn at which prizes will be presented.

May 1980

Maurer Prevents Lillis from Achieving Grand-Slam

Denis Maurer retained the One Mile Inn club championship squash title when he beat his arch rival, Tony Lillis, on Friday last. In winning this title, Maurer prevented Lillis from bringing off a grand-slam of all major titles in the county this season.

By Seamus Hayes

This was a typical Maurer-Lillis clash, with the match going to five games. The standard of play, though not up to their best games, was much better than the Clare Championship final.

Maurer got off to a flying start and took the first game on a 9-1 scoreline. The second was much closer, but Maurer really playing his best squash for some time, again won 9-7 to go into a 2-0 lead.

True to form, Lillis was not going to give in without a fight and he hit back to take the third game 9-5. Both players were exceptionally determined to win the fourth, but Lillis got there first on a 9-7 scoreline to level the match and now all hinged on the last game.

Just when Maurer looked to have lost the game he hit back to take the fifth on a 9-6 scoreline and so retains the title.

In the ladies final, Margaret Lacheiner won her second successive crown, but she had to produce her best form to beat Ann Boyd on a 3-1 scoreline.

This was really great game and those present warmly applauded both players at the finish.

In the mens Plate competition, Gerry Bredin scored against Derry Moloney on a 3-2 scoreline. This, too was a most exciting competition. Bridie O'Flaherty won the ladies Plate when she beat newcomer to the club, Fiona Nugent in the final.

The club's Annual Social was held at the West County Inn afterwards, when Mr. Michael Howard, proprietor of the One Mile Inn, and Mrs. Howard presented the trophies to the winners and runners-up. He congratulated all concerned with a great night's squash.

The One Mile Inn Div. IV team, winners of the Limerick League, were also presented with their trophies. The presentation was made by Michael Barry, Chairman of the L.S.R.A., while Jean Ryan and Barbara Roche of that Committee were also in attendance. On behalf of this team, Jim O'Dowd made a presentation to Denis Maurer who coached and trained the side.

A most enjoyable evening followed with music by Chris Ball.

Next week the final competition of the season will be staged in the form of a blitz. This will be on Monday and Wednesday nights and will be sponsored by Leadmore Dairies.

Meanwhile, the club championship at the C.B.S. has reached the quarter-final stages while the plate competitions are also in full swing. The finals of the championship will be on Friday, May 30.

Owners At Galway

and in the sixth heat Flying Bamby (Rail Ship-Flying Socks) owned by Gerry Houlihan of Athenry was second, beaten three parts of a length in 31.20.

In the opening race at Limerick on Monday Mahoonagh Decca (Greenane Decca-Miss Singapore) owned

Way up Jet. Ballyrush, Reserve Illinois Diamond. 525, Travolta Pride, Moygara Princess, Bawnmore Car, Gurrane Valley, Rathrooen Lad Glin Special 525, East Island, Aileens Lassie, Dark Kiwi, Dinks, Bold May, Make the Bend.

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



May 1980

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 McInerney 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 McInerney.

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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Committee

Chairman Jim O'Dowd, Treasurer Liz Moloney, Secretary Mary Hennessy, Club Captain S Hayes, A O' Dowd, J Davis, Kitty McInerney, Ann Boyd, Tom Malone, John Costin, Mgt Lacheiner, Colm Keating, John Collins, Michael O' Connell.

Major Events

Total Membership is 150

Squash court opens in Lissycasey

Petrol shortages delay matches

Margaret Lacheiner receives a Clare Sportstar of the Year Award

The Clare Championships are organized and hosted by the OMI

The club held a weekend outing in the Downhills Hotel Ballina. 14 travelled.

Annual function again held at the West County. Over 140 attended.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion Kieran Hurley def S Hayes

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Fiona Nugent and Gerry Bredin won the Plate events.

Mens Harp Final Denis Maurer def S Hayes

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner def Jan Davis

Mens Clare Champion **Kieran Hurley** (OMI) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def Betty McMahon (De Beers)

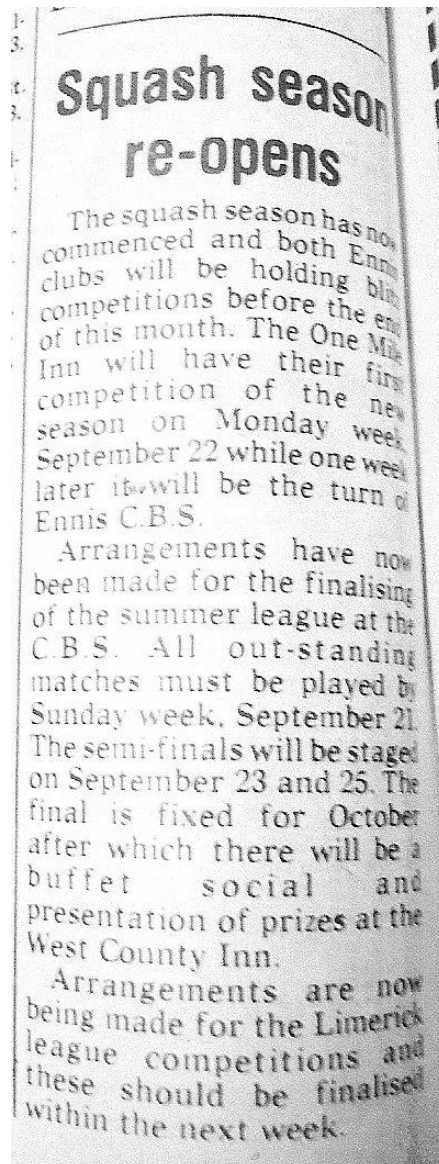
OMI win the Limerick Div 3 League for Men. The team was G Bredin, Jim Neville, Tom Malone, Con Woods, Jim O Dowd.

OMI win the Limerick Div 3 League for Ladies. The team was M Hennessy, B O'Flaherty, Jan Davis, A O'Dowd and Liz Moloney.

OMI B win the Inter Club Blitz. The team was D Maurer, J Keane, G Bredin, J Costin, M Lacheiner, B O Flaherty. They defeated the OMI A team in the final. This included S Hayes, G Lacheiner, J O'Dowd, M O'Connell, A Boyd and A O'Dowd.

The winning team in the Autumn League was S Hayes, J Costin, M O'Connell, M Lacheiner, B O'Flaherty and Marian Barry. They defeated G Lacheiner, G Bredin, Michael Singleton, John Collins, Gerry Molloy and J Maurer.

Kieran Hurley (on the Munster Senior Team) wins the Mens A Limerick Close Championships



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.

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.



Mr. Sony Larkin, Area Manager Dwans (centre) pictured at the presentation of trophies at the One Mile Inn squash club last week. Swans sponsored the opening competition of the season at the club and the picture shows (l. to r.) John Bradley (Dwans), Gerry Bredin (beaten finalist), Sonny Larkin, Michael O'Connell (winning team), and John Costin, club committee.

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.

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.

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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.

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.



Mr. John Costello (back row, 3rd from left) pictured with the Clare Sports stars of 1980 at the West County Inn on Sunday night. Back row (l. to r.), Ger Coughlan (Handball); Frank Sweeney (Athletics); John Costello, sponsor; Patsy Sheehan (Badminton); Noel Normoyle (Football); Brendan Vaughan (Special Merit Award); Barry Smythe (Hurling). Front (l. to r.), John Colleran (Cycling); Dessie Hayes (Soccer); Tony Lillis (Squash); Donal Kenny (Golf); Mike Queally (Boxing) and Greg Young (Hall of Fame).

Nov 1980

● 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

LEAGUE TITLE

THE One Mile Inn ladies junior team captured the Limerick area league crown on Tuesday night... but only just. Going into this final game against Catholic Institute of Limerick the Ennis girls had an eight point lead. On Tuesday night they were beaten 3-2 but because of the lead and due to the fact that they picked up some very valuable points, they held on to win by four points.

It was really an exciting final with the result in doubt right up to the final game. Bridie O'Flaherty had got the winners off to the start they needed when she won 3-0 against Noreen Lynch. Then Ann O'Dowd failed 1-3 to Marie O'Sullivan and when Mary Hennessy failed on the same scoreline to Camine Cole, the Ennis girls were certainly worried.

The Limerick side were certainly determined to win and when Gerda Symington beat Ennis's Liz Moloney 3-2, the fat was really in the fire. Now everything depended on the final game in which Jan Davis of the home side played Gwyn Branagan. The Ennis girl really turned on the style and scored a very deserving 3-0 win to send the title to Ennis for the first time.

Full marks to the Ennis club for their success in this competition. They really trained hard under coach Michael O'Connell over the past two months and were deserving winners.

The way is now clear for the Autumn League final at the One Mile Inn on Tuesday night next commencing at 6.30. The teams led by Gerry Bredin and Seamus Hayes will battle for the valuable trophies sponsored by Universal Business Systems and O'Dowds Stores. The final will be followed by the club's annual Christmas party and all club members are expected to attend.

Last week a successful blitz was run off in the Ennis golf club. After an exciting contest Tom Malone's team emerged victorious with Gerry Bredin's team the beaten finalists.



The One Mile Inn Ladies squash team, winners of the Limerick league, back row, left to right, Mary Hennessy, Michael O'Connell, coach, Jan Davis, Liz Moloney, seated, Ann O'Dowd captain and Bridie O'Flaherty.

Dec 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

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.

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,



The Autumn League at the One Mile Inn Squash Club was completed last week. Picture shows the winning team and sponsors. Standing (from left): Michael O'Connell, Cha Gill (sponsor), Seamus Hayes, Bridie O'Flaherty, John Costin and Jim O'Dowd (sponsor). Seated: Marian Barry and Margaret L. Lacheiner.

Dec 1980

● SQUASH *BLITZ COMPETITIONS PROVE EXCITING*

ALL three squash clubs in Ennis are holding their Christmas blitz competitions this week and there is certainly plenty of activity. In the competition at the One Mile Inn all first round games were extremely close fought with one game ending in a draw. At the time of writing the competition had reached the semi-final stage.

In the competition at the golf club the semi-final pair-

ings were: Tom Malone v Jack Keane; Dickie Pyne v Pascal O'Brien.

The Christmas blitz at the CBS will be staged on this Thursday night and once again there is a big entry.

The One Mile Inn Division III mens team got off to a flying start in the limerick League when they had a 3-2 win over Shannon Diamond on Monday night. Gerry Bredin was in devastating form, scoring a 3-0 win over a fancied Pat O'Grady and cer-

tainly his success in the plate competitions last season was a warning that he will be a big danger to the 'senior' players this year. Jim Neville had a good 3-1 win over Eugene Stretton while the other winner was team captain Jim O'Dowd who won 3-0 against Kevin Walsh.

Both Tom Malone and Con Woods gave good performances but on the night they suffered defeat at the hands of Ken O'Farrell and D. Culihane.

Dec 1980

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 Lacheiner 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.C. 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.

One Mile Inn team lead table

Clare teams are certainly having a tremendous year in the Limerick league competitions. Already the men's division II and IV titles as well as the ladies junior crown have come to Clare. Now, with just four games to go in the mens division III the Ennis One Mile Inn side are in a tremendous position and must be strongly fancied to win the competition.

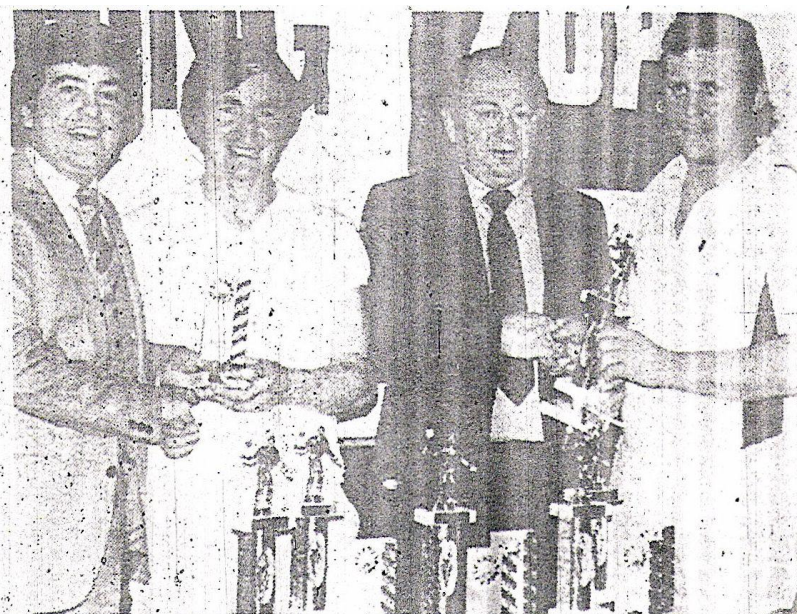
On Thursday night last they travelled to Charleville to compete the first half of the programme. Going into this game the Cork side were the leaders just one point ahead of the One Mile Inn team. Well after a tremendous struggle the Ennis team scored a 3/2 victory to go into the lead and this certainly sparked off the celebrations.

On Monday night of this week the One Mile Inn side which consists of Gerry Bredin, Jim Neville, Tom Malone, Con Woods and Jim O'Dowd. Certainly coach Denis Maurer has made the side work hard and it will be a surprise now if they are

beaten.

Once again the seven up blitz run off at the club last week proved very exciting with Brian Fitzgerald's team taking the honours after a very close final with Tom Malone's squad. Representatives of the sponsoring firm attended and presented the prizes to the winners and runners-up.

One of the major competitions of the year on the One Mile Inn club's calendar, the Harp handicap competition got under way this week and some thrilling games are expected. The final is set for February 18 and in the meantime some great battles are expected to take place in both the ladies and gents sections.



Malachy Dooney (left) and Donal Moloney (2nd from right) presenting the 7-Up trophies to Tom Malone (2nd left) and Brian Fitzgerald last week.

Great Victory for One Mile Inn side

THE One Mile Inn Division III mens team continued on their winning ways on Monday night, thanks mainly to a really tremendous performance by the number one in the side, Gerry Bredin. Bredin was last to play and as he went on court the Ennis side and Charleville were level at two matches each.

It was confidently expected that Mick Keating of Charleville would beat Bredin but the Ennis player was in complete control and quickly won the first two games 9-4 and 9-1. Keating came back to win the third 9-4 but Bredin was determined to win and he dominated proceedings in the fourth to win 9-1.

Ennis got off to a winning start when Tom Malone won on a 3-0 scoreline. Jim O'Dowd was next on court and after a tremendous battle lost on a 2-3 scoreline, the last two games going to the visitor on a 10-8 score. Con Woods put the winners back in front when he won by 3 games to 1. The teams were again level when Jim Neville

lost 1-3 but Bredin ensured victory for the Ennis side with a fine win.

With two rounds remaining in the competition the Ennis side are hot favourites to win the title.

The

The first round of the Harp handicap tournament for both ladies and men were played last week and so far there have been no surprises. Some of the more fancied players, however, did experience some difficulty in advancing to the second rounds which take place this week. The final is set for February 18.

Brian Fitzgerald is certainly having tremendous success in blitz competition at the CBS, beating Damien Byrne's side in the final. The previous week he led his team to victory in a similar competition at the One Mile Inn.

Last week's racquet ball competition at the CBS also proved very successful with Declan Coote's team taking the honours beating Ollie O'Loughlin's squad in the final.

HARP HANDICAP FINALS NEXT WEDNESDAY

The finals of the Harp handicap competition at the One Mile Inn will take place on Wednesday night next. At the time of writing the quarter final stages had been reached and most of the games were going as expected.

There were some tremendous matches in the second round. Denis Maurer had to call on all his experience to beat Con Woods in a thriller. Woods won the first and led 14-14 in the second. However Maurer held on to win 15-14 and go on to take the third. Danny Liddy ousted Gerry Bredin in a close battle while Tom Malone was beaten by Jim Neville, a former winner of the title. Tony Lillis, the holder had to pull out all the stops to beat Colm Keating while Seamus Hayes overcame Cha Gill. The surprise of the round came when Jim O'Dowd, who has experienced mixed luck in recent times in competition, beat Jack Keane 2-1.

Meanwhile, in the ladies Margaret Lacheiner is expected to reach the final where her opponent is expected to be Bridie O'Flaherty although Jan Davis will not be easily beaten here. The semi-finals will be run off at the week-end and the finals on Wednesday night. A full attendance of members is expected at the finals.

Last week-end Ennis C.B.S. players travelled to Cork to

compete in the Cork open and once again they did very well. In the under 19 section Tomas English reached the semi-final where, after a great battle he lost to the eventual winner Eddie Moore of Dunagarvan.

In the under 16, Tom Stack also reached the semi-final when he went under to the very experienced Pat Clooney of Fermoy.

Seamus English reached the final of the under 14 where he met Trevor Cooney of Fermoy. English got off to a tremendous start and took the first game 9-0. However he seemed to relax somewhat after this and despite a great finish lost on a 3-1 scoreline.

All in all it was a tremendous display by the Ennis C.B.S. boys and certainly the future seems bright for them.

In the Mens Division III, Limerick league the One Mile team continued on their winning ways on Monday night when they beat C.I.E., Limerick. Gerry Bredin, hero of the previous week, was surprisingly beaten 3-1. However with just two matches remaining, it will be surprising if the Ennis team is beaten.

Ennis Team All Set To Take Title

In the mens Division III Limerick League, the One Mile Inn team need just five points from their remaining match on Monday night against Limerick Lawn Tennis senior ladies team to capture the Limerick area title. And it will be a major surprise if they fail to get the necessary scores.

Last week they had no game as the Limerick Lawn Tennis mens team failed to appear for the match at Ennis without notice on Monday night. Assuming the Ennis side are successful, this will be their second title this year for the Ennis club, as their ladies have already won the junior crown. Indeed all the competitions so far this season have come to Ennis, with Ennis C.B.S. winning Div. II crown and De Beerstaking the Div. IV title.

Meanwhile, the quarter-finals and semi-finals of the Harp tournament were staged at the weekend at the One Mile Inn club and the way is clear for the finals. In

the ladies section, holder, Margaret Lacheiner, has again reached the final after beating Liz Moloney in the semi-final. She will meet Jan Davis, who surprised Bridie O'Flaherty in a lively semi-final. Mrs. Davis is playing very well this season and a very exciting final is expected.

In the mens section, holder, Tony Lillis, went out of

this year's competition on Saturday night when he lost to Seamus Hayes. Lillis won the first game but lost the next two. In the other semi-final Denis Maurer beat Brian Fitzgerald in two games.

Both clubs will hold blitz competitions next week and big entries are expected. At the One Mile Inn the competition which is sponsored by Brogans, O'Connell Street, Ennis, will be run of on Monday and Tuesday night.

Minor Football Coaching

The Munster Council's coaching course for Clare commenced last week-end and there was a tremendous turn out of minor players at Lahinch. The course was conducted by Kerry's Tom Prendergast and Weesie Fogarty and over 40 were in attendance.

The new team trainer and coach Anthony Burke was in attendance with selectors Tommy Power, Michael Curtin, Ollie McNamara, and Padraic Howley while Val McMahon was unavoidable absent. Also in attendance was Bord na nOg Chairman

Michael Griffin who is the course organiser.

The course continues on this Saturday again at Lahinch when Donie O'Sullivan and Johnnie Culloty will be in charge. On Saturday week Clare play Limerick at home while three weeks later the Counties will meet at a Limerick venue. The winners on aggregate will meet either Tipperary or Waterford in the special minor league final and it is planned to play this match with the McGrath cup final (for the four week senior Counties in Munster).

SQUASH

Another Squash Title For Ennis

As expected the One Mile Inn mens division 111 team won the Limerick League title when they had a comfortable win over the Limerick Lawn Tennis Senior Ladies at Limerick on Monday Night. All they needed from this tie was five points but they collected 18 and so ensured victory for the Club. The team members were Gerry Bredin, Jim Nevilly, Tom Malone, Con Woods, and Jim O'Dowd.

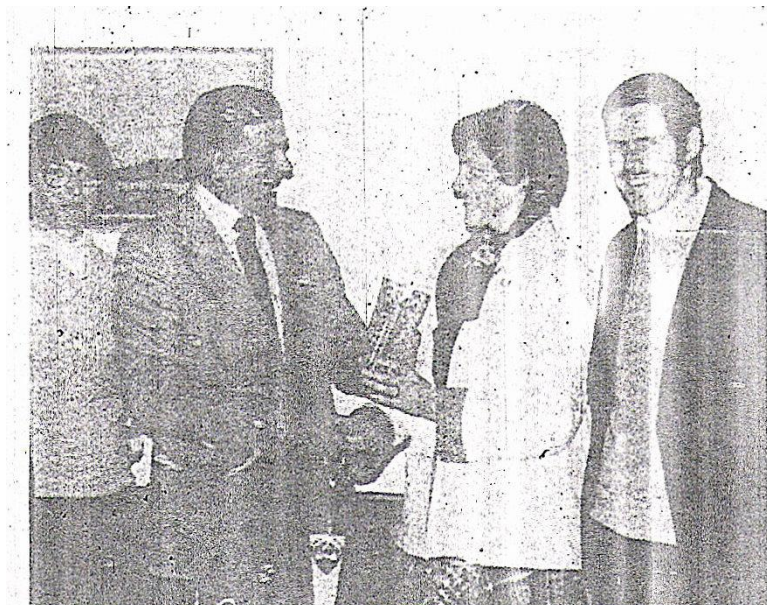
The Harp Handicap finals were played last week and resulted in wins for Margaret Lacheiner and Denis Maurer. Mrs. Lacheiner comfortably won her third title on the trot and her fifth in all when she beat Jan Davis who didn't produce her best form on the night.

The mens final was a much closer affair before Denis Maurer beat Seamus Hayes 15-12 in the last game to take the title.

At an enjoyable social afterwards Eamonn Horkan of the sponsoring firm Harp presented the trophies to the winners and runners-up. He congratulated all involved and assured the organisers of the sponsorship again for the coming year.

This week both the One Mile Inn and the Ennis CBSL clubs will run off blitz tournaments. At the golf club a team league got under way this week and this will be run off during the coming weeks. There are eight teams of seven in two sections with the top teams clashing in the knock out stages.

The Clare championships organised by the One Mile Inn Club kicked off this week. The finals are set for March 26 and during the next month there should be some very entertaining games indeed.



Mr. Eamon Horkan, Harp Ltd., presenting the trophy to Ladies winner, Margaret Lecheiner. Also in picture are Jan Davis and Denis Maurer.

Feb 1981

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 Brogan's 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.



Mr. Paddy Brogan of Brogan's, O'Connell Street, Ennis, presenting the trophies to team captain Bridie O'Flaherty. Also in the picture are Jimmy Kearns, Noel Crowley and Noel Tierney.

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—mens 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.

CLARE SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

A great night's squash is expected at the One Mile Inn on this Thursday night when the finals of the Clare championships are staged. In all there will be four finals and a high standard is expected in all games.

At the time of writing the semi-finals of the championships hadn't been decided. In the mens section Kieran Hurley and Denis Maurer were meeting in one semi-final with the holder Tony Lillis and Seamus Hayes in the other side. Hurley is the hot favourite to win the title.

In the ladies section Margaret Lacheiner the holder is expected to retain the crown. She was to play Shannon's Mary O'Connor in the semi-final with Bridie O'Flaherty and Betty McMahon meeting in the other side.

The way is clear for the Plate finals and here Tom Malone meets Danny Liddy with Joanne Lewis taking on Fiona Nugent. The matches start at 7 p.m. sharp with the ladies plate competition opening proceedings.

On Monday and Tuesday next they will be a blitz sponsored by C. & C. in aid of charity at the One Mile Inn. All funds will go towards sending a handicapped child to Lourdes.

There was a big entry from Clare in the Limerick close championships run in conjunction with Civic Week

last week. There was a total entry of 100 for the competitions and twenty of these came from Ennis. Kieran Hurley, the Munster senior player, won the men's 'A' event but not before he had got a major fright from Martin O'Meara.

In the men's 'B' final Gerry Bredin, after a very strenuous week of competition in badminton and squash, lost to Mark

McRory on a 3/1 scoreline. In the ladies 'B' final Jan Davis of the One Mile Inn club also lost to Jean O'Connor on a 3/0 scoreline.

Denis Maurer reached the semi-finals of the men's 'A' championship when he lost to Martin O'Meara while Tony Lillis lost to Timmy Costello, the eventual winner, in the semi-final of the 'A' plate. Lillis was beaten 15/9 in the final set.

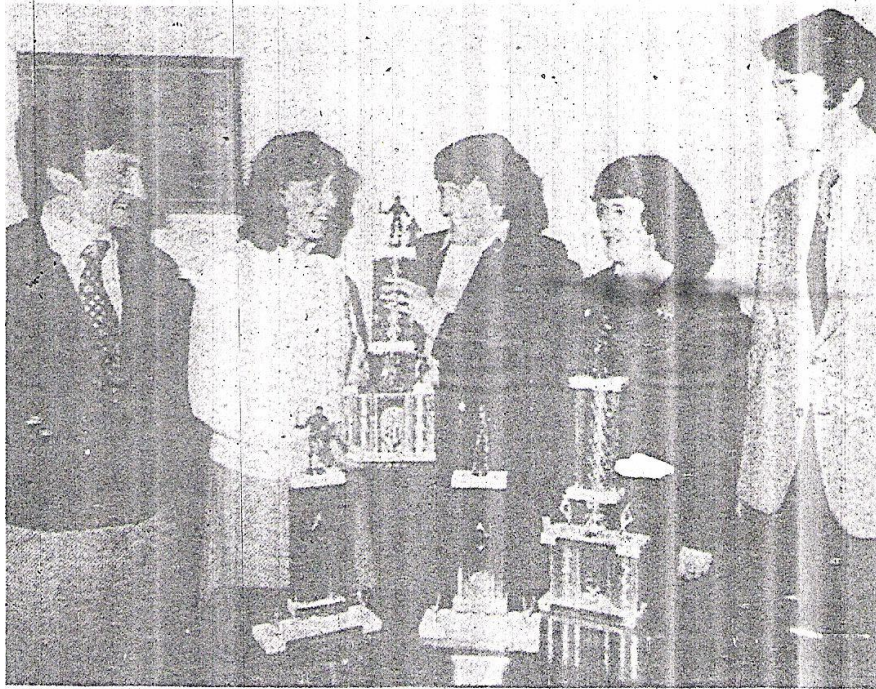
On Saturday week the Limerick squash racquets Association will hold a buffet dance at the Shannon Diamond club in Shannon. Players from both Ennis clubs and from Shannon have figured amongst the prizewinners during the year and a big attendance is expected for the presentation of trophies.

Tulla advance to final thrilling replay

St. Joseph's, Tulla 1-7

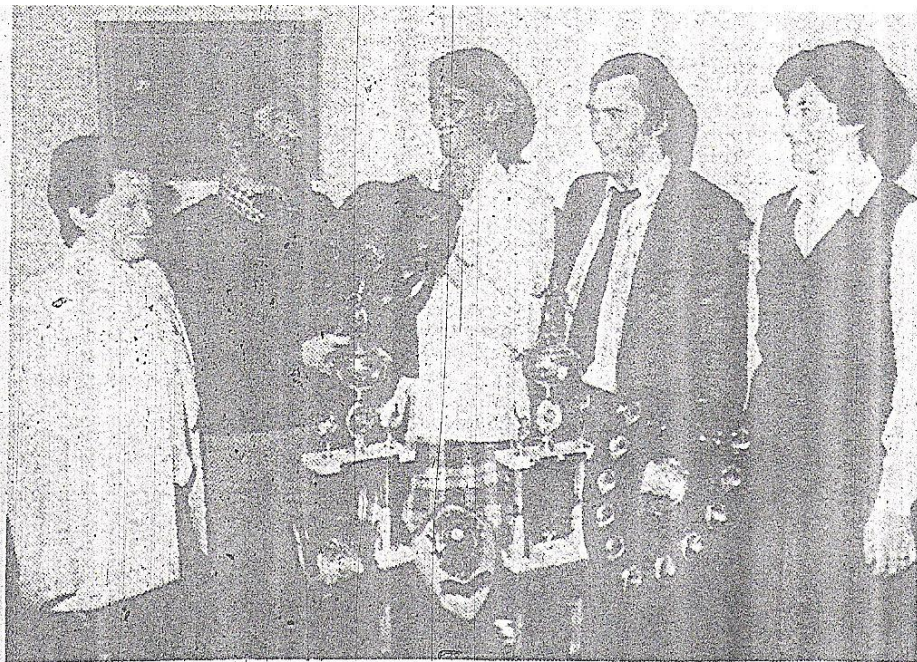
Scariff Post Primary 1-5

St. Joseph's, Tulla, qualified for the Corn Phadraig final (Munster Colleges 'B' senior hurling) when they scored a two point win over Scariff post primary school at Scariff last week. The sides had played a draw in a thriller the previous week.



Winners and runners-up in the Clare Plate Squash competitions last week receive the Syntex (Ireland) Ltd. trophies from Mrs. Cathy Rees (centre). Picture shows (left to right): Tom Malone (runner-up), Joanne Lewis (winner), Mrs. Rees, Fiona Nugent (runner-up) and Donny Liddy (winner).

April 1981



Mrs. Josette Maurer (centre), Maurers Jewellers, Ennis (sponsors) presenting the Clare Squash Championship Trophy to Kieran Hurley (winner). Also in the picture are Betty McMahon (left) ladies runner-up, Seamus Mayes (runner-up in mens competition) and Margaret Lackeiner, the ladies champion.

April 1981

Fifth successive Clare title for Margaret Lacheiner

The Clare squash championship and plate finals were decided last week and there was some very good play in the finals. Munster senior player, Kieran Hurley, justified his favourites tag when he won the title for the first time. In the ladies section Margaret Lacheiner won the title for the fifth successive season and this is surely a remarkable performance.

The evening's matches got under way with the Clare ladies final in which Joanne Lewis of Ennis C.B.S. beat Fiona Nugent of the One Mile Inn club. The winner's greater experience told in a game which was well contested throughout.

Danny Liddy, last year's beaten finalist, went one better in winning the Plate

title this year at the expense of Tom Malone. Liddy was in fine form and deserved his success but it is fair to say that Malone played well below his best.

The ladies final was a very exciting affair and there were high hopes of a surprise when after losing the opening game, Betty McMahon from the De Beers

club won the next. However it was not to be and the experienced champion came back to win the next two and take the title for the fifth year in succession. And even at this early stage, she must be fancied for next year's event.

In the mens final, the first set proved most exciting before Hurley eventually defeated Seamus Hayes at 9/7. The new champion was well in control in the second winning 9/2 but the third was again a lively affair with Hurley taking the title when winning 9/7.

At an enjoyable function afterwards the trophies were presented by the representatives of Maurer's Jeweller's and Syntex (Ireland) Ltd. sponsors of the championship and Plate

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the championship and plate respectively. The organising committee from the One Mile Inn club paid tribute to the sponsors for the valuable trophies.

Last week the One Mile Inn bowed out of the Munster junior team championships when they lost on a 3/2 scoreline to De La Salle of Waterford at the Ennis club's court. The One Mile Inn team was comprised of Tony Lillis, Seamus Hayes, Jim Neville, Gerry Bredin and Con Woods.

A group of members from the One Mile Inn club travelled to Ballina last week-end to play the Downhills club. The Ennis side scored a comfortable victory and overall had a most enjoyable week-end.

The draw will be made this week-end for the club championship and this should also prove most successful. Meanwhile arrangements are also being made at present for the Ennis C.B.S. club championships which will be getting under way shortly.

April 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.

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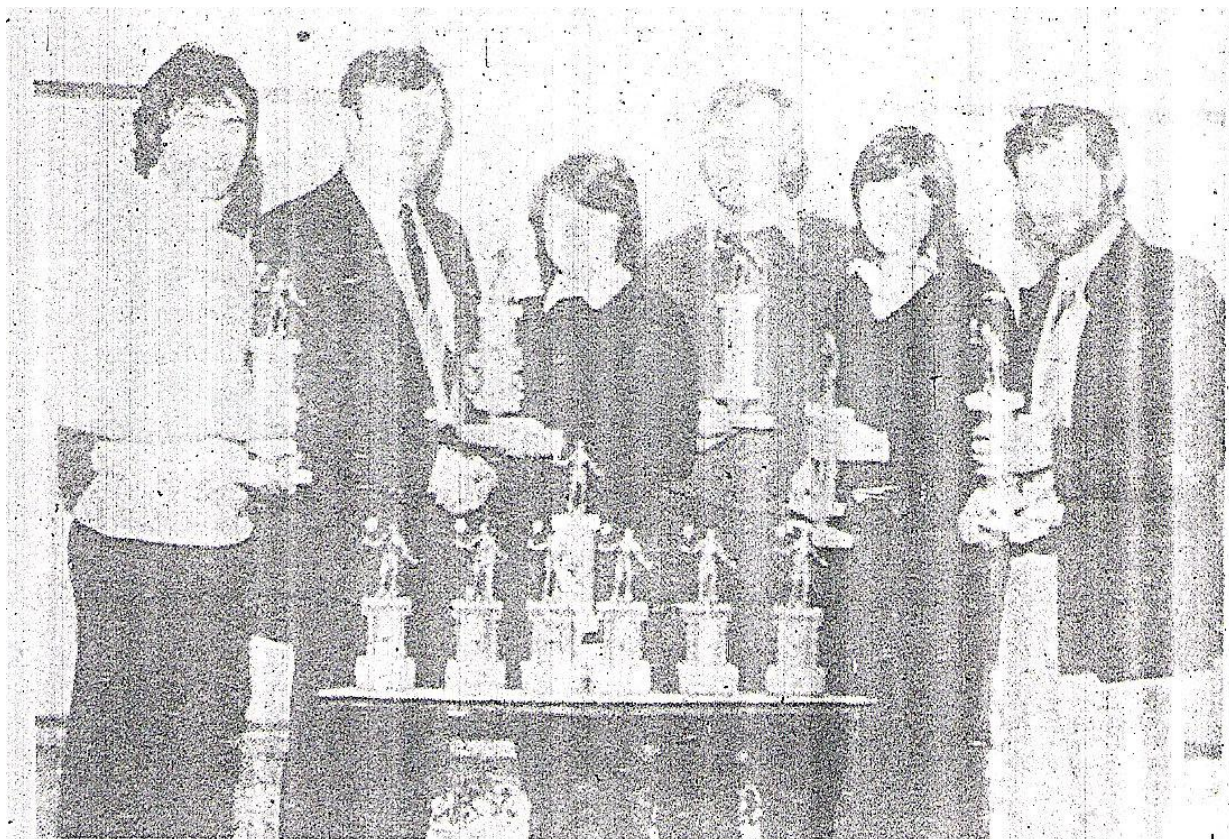
MARGARET LACHEINER

SQUASH



Over the past two years in particular squash has been attracting tremendous interest. The sport is very strong in Clare and particularly in Ennis. For the past five years the One Mile Inn club has organised the Clare championships and recently the 1981 finals were decided.

For the fifth year in succession Margaret Lacheiner of the organising club won the title and this is really a magnificent achievement. Unquestionably, Margaret has been the leading player in ladies competition in the county in that time and has done much work in promoting the game amongst the newer players. She too is a deserving winner of the Sports Award.



Mr. Des Carroll, C & C, presenting the trophies to the winning team after the One Mile Inn squash tournament last week. L. to r. are John Collins, Des Carroll, Bridie O'Flaherty, capt., P. J. Garry, Catherine Feore and Pat Kelleher.

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.

SQUASH CHAMP'SHIP FINALS

THE squash season is now drawing to a close and the finals of the One Mile Inn club championship will be played on this Friday night at the club, commencing at 7.00 p.m. In all there will be five finals, with the mens final timed for 9.30 p.m.

The opening match will be the novice final, a new competition in which Michael Singleton or Pat McInerney will meet Gerry Woods or Donal Hassett. This will be followed by the ladies plate final with Fiona Nugent meeting Caroline McDonnell. The mens plate brings Brian Fitzgerald and Gerry Bredin into opposition and an exciting contest is expected here.

In the ladies final the holder, Margaret Lacheiner, will defend her title against Bridie O'Flaherty. New-comer Kyrán Hurley, a member of the Munster team, will be hot favourite to win his first club title against Seamus Hayes. This is a repeat of the Claré final which Hurley won.

Afterwards the club's annual social will be held at the West County Inn when the trophies, sponsored by Michael Howard, will be presented. Tickets for this function are still available and may be had from any of the committee.

May 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.



Squash championship finalists at the One Mile Inn last week (l. to r.) Seamus Hayes (runner-up), Margaret Lachner (winner), Michael Howard, Brer Howard (sponsors), Kyran Hurley (winner), and Bridie O'Raherty (runner-up).

May 1981

Favourites again on top in squash finals

The One Mile Inn squash club championships were decided on Friday night last when the finals took place. In both the ladies and mens championships, the favourites Margaret Lacheiner and Kyran Hurley won as expected and at a most successful social afterwards in the West County Inn the prizes were presented by the sponsors, Michael and Breda Howard.

The programme got under way with the final of the novice event, a competition being run for the first time this season. And here there was a surprise when favourite Michael Singleton

was beaten by Donal Hassett, who, on the night, was a very deserving winner.

The ladies plate final proved most entertaining and Caroline McDonnell looked set for victory when

she went into a 2-0 lead. But Fiona Nugent, last years beaten finalist, fought back to win the next three sets and thus take the title on the score 3-2.

Gerry Bredin retained the mens plate title when he had a 3/0 win over Brian Fitzgerald in a match in which neither player produced their best form.

Margaret Lacheiner continues to be No. 1 lady player and she retained her title with a 3/0 win over Bridie O'Flaherty. The loser was well in contention in the early stages but in the end the holder proved too strong.

Champion Kyran Hurley, member of the Munster

senior side, had no trouble in repeating his Clare final victory against Seamus Hayes. Hurley was in control from the word go and ran out a very easy winner.

At the function the trophies were presented and the winners and runners-up were congratulated. The clubs ladies junior and mens division III sides which won their respective Limerick league's also received their trophies. While a presentation was made to Denis Maurer by Jim O'Dowd, captain of the mens side for his coaching during the season.

This week, the final competition of the year, a blitz for the Leadmore Dairies trophies, is being staged.

At the Ennis CBS club the club championships get under way this week. There was a good entry in the mens section but the response for the ladies competition was poor. The competition is being sponsored by the Clare Champion and some exciting competition is expected in the coming weeks.

The racquetball championship at the CBS is at the quarter final stage and the last four should be known by the week-end.

● CAMOGIE

Good victory for Clare

CLARE 2-4 GALWAY 1-6

Clare turned in a tremendous performance of fast and determined play to deservingly score a narrow victory over Galway in the National camogie league at the Church field in Shannon

the experience and all-round ability of their opponents. The winners led by 2-4 to 0-3 at the break and went on to dominate after the change over.

Playing a major part in Shannon's victory were Lourda Fox, Rosie O'Shaughnessy, Claire Jones, Martina Began and

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



★ MR. FRANK McNERNEY, Leadmore Dairies, presents his company's trophies to Ennis One Mile Inn secretary, Mary Hennessy, with committee member, Bridie O'Flaherty looking on.

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).

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Committee

Chairman and PRO Seamus Hayes, Treasurer Liz Moloney (who retired and was replaced by Mary Hennessy), Secretary Fiona Nugent, Club Captain Tom Malone, J Davis, M O'Connell, M Hennessy, Cathy Rees, Kitty McInerney, Theresa Corbett, Colm Keating, John Costin, Jim O'Dowd.

Major Events

Total Membership 200.

The second court is opened (cost £20,000). Court 1 is renovated and a gym section is provided.

The Mens and Ladies Dressing Rooms are extended with more showers.

First Munster Title for Clare Squash. OMI win the Munster Junior Mens Title. The team was T Lillis, D Maurer, T Lynch, G Bredin and S Hayes. They defeated De La Salle Waterford in the final.

The courts are renovated and a gym section is provided.

A new sports complex is opened in Newmarket on Fergus which includes squash and handball.

The CBS opens their third court with a gym area. The complex now has three squash courts, two handball/racquetball courts, two tennis courts, three basketball courts, a badminton hall, an exercise room and sauna.

A new court is opened at St Flannans.

Seamus Hayes receives a Clare Sportstar of the Year Award.

The OMI host the Clare Championships

The annual buffet and dance was held at the West County.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def D Maurer

Ladies Club Champion B O'Flaherty def M Lacheiner

Mary Hennessy and Cha Gill won the Plate events.

Mens Harp Final G Bredin (-27) def D Maurer (-35).

Ladies Harp Winner B O'Flaherty (-2) def Caroline McDonnell (-10).

Mens Clare Champion **S Hayes** (OMI) def **D Maurer** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def B McMahon (De Beers)

OMI win the Limerick Ladies Junior League

OMI win the Limerick Div 3 League

OMI A retains the Catholic Institute Inter Club Blitz with S Hayes, Ken Glennon, G Bredin, C Keating, M Lacheiner and B O'Flaherty. The B team narrowly missed reaching the final. The B team was D Maurer, G Lacheiner, J Costin, M O'Connell, J Davis and M Hennessy.

The Autumn League winning team was B O'Flaherty, Geraldine Waters, Tom Ryan, Jimmy Kearns, M Carmody, Pat Kirby and S Hayes. The R-Up team was Irene Jordan, Mary Crowley, Aidan Feore, Tony Chapman, Michael Singleton, Rory O'Keefe and Colm Keating.

In the Limerick Close Championships B O'Flaherty defeated J Davis for the Ladies B title.

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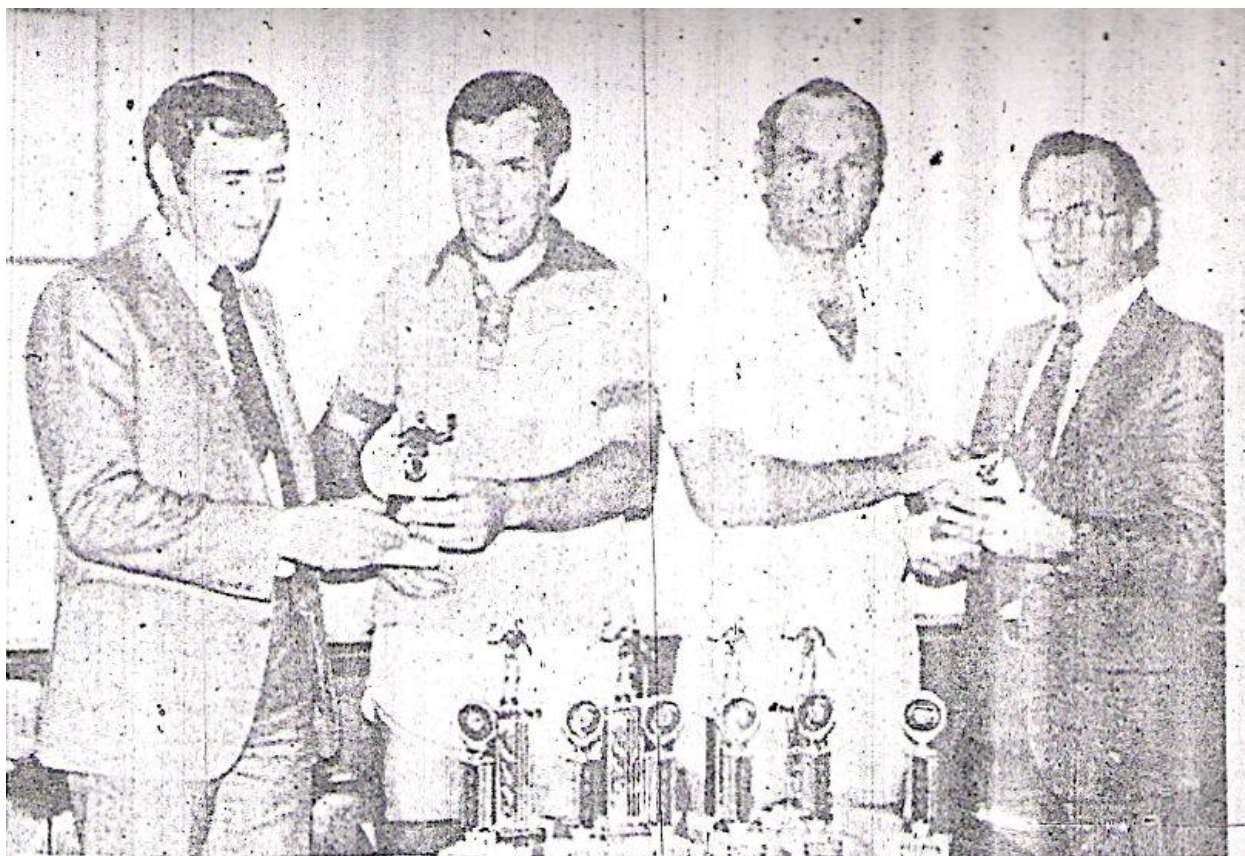
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Sept 1981



● The opening of the squash season proved successful last week and picture shows Sonny Purtill of Dwans Ltd. presenting the winners trophies to Gert Lacheiner. Jimmy Kearns of the runners-up team accepts his trophy from John Bradley

Oct 1981

SQUASH SEASON NOW IN FULL SWING

The squash season is now in full swing and there is lots of activity in all the clubs in the county. Teams from

Ennis CBS, De Beers and One Mile Inn, Ennis, are presently competing in the Limerick League, mens Div.

UpBy Seamus Hayes

II and Ladies junior. Both these leagues are at the half way stage and in the mens event both Shannon, Diamond and Ennis CBS, are well in contention for honours with the One Mile Inn side a little behind.

In the ladies event the One Mile Inn side are doing well as indeed are the other two clubs.

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 Lacheiner's 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.

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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 Brédin, 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.

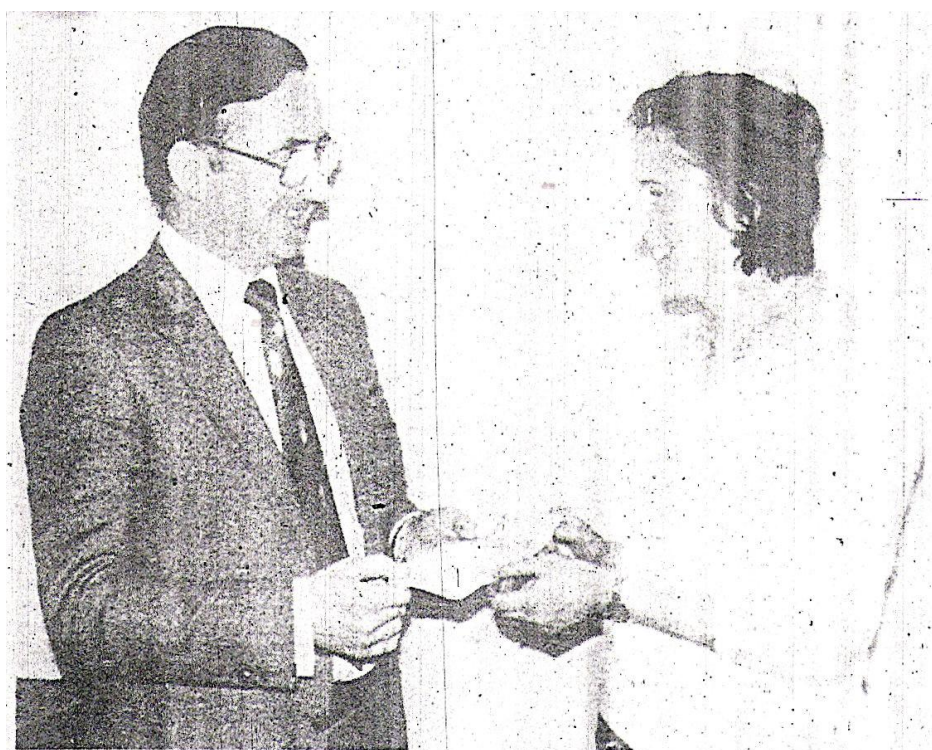
NEW COURT

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.



● The Clare sports stars of the year pictured with their awards, sponsored by Coca Cola at Quin on Friday night. Back Row (from left): Senan Chambers, who accepted the Hall of Fame award on behalf of his brother, Michael; Seamus Hayes (squash), Gerry O'Connell (athletics), Georgie Fitzpatrick (football), John Duggan (handball), John Lynch (youth award) and Fr. Michael McNamara (Special Merit Award). Front Row: Paddy McNamara (hurling), Lourda Fox (camogie), John McDonagh (boxing), Eileen O'Sullivan (canoeing), Pat Coughlan (soccer) and Norma Murphy (Community Games).

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Liz Moloney, Treasurer of One Mile Inn Squash Club, presents a cheque to John Bradley towards the Ennis Youth Centre project.

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.



● 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.

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Earlier this year Mr. O'Dowd decided to carry out renovations to the premises. With contractor, Pat Keogh, the work was completed in three weeks and during all this time the shop was open for business as usual. As a result of this work, the premises, which are open 363 days per year, now provide better facilities for patrons.



● ANN O'DOWD



Mr. O'Dowd had, until recently, another foodstore business in the Hermitage area of Ennis but he decided to concentrate all his efforts on his first venture. Referring to the success achieved to date, Jim pays tribute to the work of his wife Ann. Extremely popular with the stores many patrons, Ann has in recent times, been confined to a backroom roll following the birth of a baby daughter, Allison, in July.

Personal attention for customers at all times is one of the chief reasons for the success to date. Mr. O'Dowd has two full time staff, his sister Helen Lennihan and Catherine Fawcett, together with a number of part time officials. The shop is open from 8.30 am until 9 pm and customers are always greeted with a smile by the friendly helpful staff.

O'Dowds, who specialise in potatoes, in which they do a major countywide business, have recently been appointed as agents for Flo-Gas. They stock a wide range of groceries, soft drinks, cakes, sweets, chocolates, biscuits, cigarettes and tobacco as well as dairy products, frozen foods and cooked meats. In addition a delivery service is available to customers and this service proves beneficial to shoppers.

As newsagents the store supplies all daily and Sunday papers (Irish and English) together with a wide selection of greeting cards and magazines.

Yes, the newly renovated O'Dowds Foodstore is the ideal venue for shoppers in Ennis and one is always guaranteed an efficient service from the friendly staff.

Congratulations and best wishes to O'Dowd's

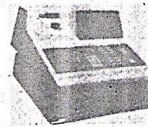


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Autumn League Final on Monday

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.



● Mr. Gert Lacheiner, Studio 5, is presenting a set of trophies to One Mile Inn squash club officers Fiona Nugent (Secretary) and Tom Malone (Captain). The competition was run off as the weekend and funds raised will be donated to the Year of the Disabled.

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.

Exciting Squash League Final

The Autumn League Final at the One Mile Inn was played on Tuesday night before a good attendance. After a most entertaining final the team captained by Bridie O'Flaherty emerged as winners on a 4-3 scoreline. Members of the winning team were Gerladine Waters, Bridie O'Flaherty, Tom Ryan, Jimmy Kearns, Michael Carmody, Pat Kirby and Seamus Hayes. The runners up comprised of Irene Jordan, Mary Crowley, Aidan Feore, Tony Chapman, Michael Singleton, Rory O'Keeffe and the captain Colm Keating.

The tournament was sponsored by O'Dowds Stores Universal Business Systems and Bredins Hardware Store. Speaking on behalf of the sponsors Gerry Bredin congratulated the winners and runners up on their success. He paid a particular tribute to the organising committee for their work in running off the competition. The trophies were presented to the members of the two teams by Ann Marie Gill and Ann O'Dowd.

The Collins Jewellers sponsored blitz was run off on Monday night at the club and again there was an excellent turn out. The teams cap-

tained by Kevin McDonnell and Michael Carmody qualified for the final and after a good contest, McDonnell's side emerged victorious. The members of the team were Teresa Corbett, Mary Crowley, Tony Chapman, Joe Griffin, Kevin McDonnell, and Denis Maurer. The runners up were Catherine Feore, Irene Malone, Gerry Woods, Michael Sheedy, Michael Carmody and Seamus Hayes.

The trophies for this competition were presented on Tuesday night after the Autumn league final and the presentation was made by club captain Tom Malone who thanked Collins for the valuable sponsorship.

The club's annual Christmas party took place on Tuesday and there was a fine attendance. There were many valuable spot prizes on offer and overall the evening was a great success.

The Christmas squash blitz at the Ennis CBS club will be played on this Friday and once again there is a big entry. The teams have been selected and are now displayed on the notice board and the organisers are appealing to all to be on time.

The LSRA mens division 11 league came to a close on Tuesday night and disappointingly for Ennis fans both the CBS, and the One Mile Inn finished well down the field.

The ladies division 11 league will end this week and both Ennis clubs are in the top three. In their final match they are in opposition and going into this the One Mile Inn side are in second place just ahead of the CBS.

Meanwhile the mens division 11 league will end this week as did the ladies novice and both Ennis clubs have teams in these competitions.





Pictured at the presentation of prizes after the Autumn League final at the One Mile Inn were (l. to r.) Gerry Bredin (sponsor), Bridie O'Flaherty, captain of the winning team, Anne Marie Gill, Universal Business Systems (sponsor) and Ann O'Dowd (sponsor).

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● Tom Malone, club captain of the One Mile Inn Squash Club, presents the Collins Jewellers trophies to (from left) Joe Griffin, Kevin McDonnell, Anthony Chapman, Mary Crowley and Denis Maurer.

Jan 1982

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.

SQUASH COMPETITIONS CONTINUE

The Seven-Up blitz at the One Mile Inn Squash Club on Monday and Tuesday nights of this week proved most enjoyable. After a great competition, Con Woods' side emerged victorious over Michael O'Connell's team, but not before there had been a play-off.

John Peacock and Donal Moloney of the sponsoring Company were in attendance to present the prizes. Mr. Peacock complimented all involved and paid tribute to the Committee for their work in running competitions at the club. He congratulated all who took part and had a special word of praise for the winners.

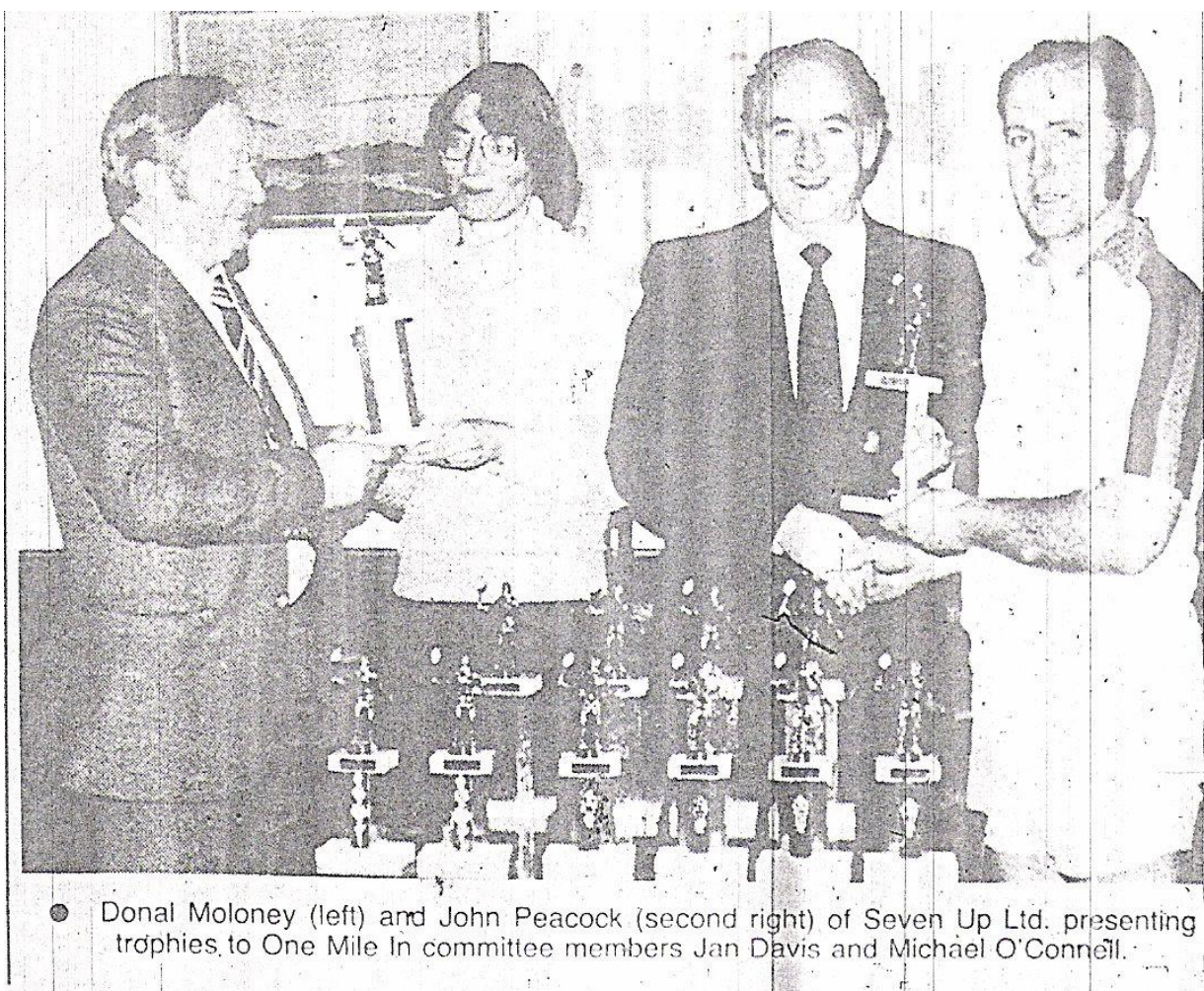
The members of the winning team were Con Woods, Michael Carmody, Pat

O'Brien, Pat Lynch, Caroline McDonnell and Patricia Moroney. The runners-up were Michael O'Connell, Jim O'Dowd, John Collins, Mick Greene, Bridie O'Flaherty and Anne Donnellan.

The Harp Handicap Tournament will get under way this weekend and there is tremendous interest in the event. This is a singles tournament, for which all players are handicapped. There will be an open draw and some great games are expected over the coming weeks.

Also in action this weekend will be the ladder board and this, too, should provide some very entertaining games.

Meanwhile, at the C.B.S. Club, there will be a Squash Blitz next week, while arrangements are now being made for a Racquetball League.



● Donal Moloney (left) and John Peacock (second right) of Seven Up Ltd. presenting trophies to One Mile In committee members Jan Davis and Michael O'Connell.

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.

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.

Harp Final on This Thursday

The Harp handicap finals will be played at the One Mile Inn club on this Thursday night commencing at 7.30 p.m. with the ladies match. There will be a new champion here this year as the holder Margaret Lacheiner was knocked out in the first round by Nuala Leonard. The final will be between Bridie O'Flaherty (-2) and Caroline McDonnell (-10).

In the mens final the holder Denis Maurer (-35) will play Gerry Bredin (-27) in what is expected to be a thriller.

At a meeting of the One Mile Inn club committee on Monday night the draw was made for the Clare championships. The draw will be on display in the One Mile Inn, Ennis C.B.S. and

Shannon Diamond clubs by this Thursday and all players are asked to comply with the deadlines for the various rounds.

St. Flannans club are presently making arrangements for a team league to be run off during the month of March. There will be six teams in two sections of three with the top team in each to reach the final.

The team league at the C.B.S. is continuing and the semi-finals are planned for mid March.

There will be a blitz competition at the One Mile Inn on Monday and Tuesday night next sponsored by Brogans of O'Connell St., There are eight teams of six taking part.



Three young squash players will travel to Belfast this week-end to take part in the inter-provincial tests. Picture shows (l. to r.) Seamus English, Seamus Howard and Gary Logue.

Feb 1982

HARP TITLE FOR GERRY BREDIN

THE Harp handicap finals at the One Mile Inn last week provided thrilling entertainment for the big attendance. Both games went the full distance before Bridie O'Flaherty and Gerry Bredin captured their first Harp titles.

The ladies final was a very close contest with little between the winner and Caroline McDonnell at any stage. Caroline Mc Donnell, one of the newer members in the club was very impressive when winning the first game. The experience of Bridie O'Flaherty was decisive when she took the second to tie the match. The final game was a real ding dong affair with little between them, before Mrs. O'Flaherty won 15-13 to take the title.

In the mens final Denis Maurer was seeking to capture his fourth title against Gerry Bredin who was appearing in the decider for the first time. Bredin playing off—27 had beaten Con Woods in the semi-final after knocking out last year's finalist Seamus Hayes in the quarter final. He started as if he was going to annihilate the champion but then Maurer turned on the style midway through the first game and went on to win 15-5.

The pressure was really on Bredin now but he showed his determination when coming back to win the second 15-4 to tie the match. The third was most exciting with Bredin determined not to lose his 8 ace

advantage. Maurer came to within five aces of the winner at one stage but Bredin's superior fitness proved vital and he won 15-5 to take the title for the first time.

At an enjoyable function afterwards Eamonn Horan of Harp presented the prizes and congratulated the winners and runners-up.

The first rounds of the Clare championships for ladies and men is being played this week. The final is set for Thursday, March 25 when the Plate finals will also be decided and this competition is expected to once again produce excellent play.

Meanwhile the team league at the Ennis CBS club is progressing and players are asked to ensure that their matches are played on time. It is planned to play the semi-finals early in March.

Next week a team league will get under way at St. Flannan's College and there is a big entry for the event.. The competition will be in two sections with three teams in each. The winners of each section will meet in the final.



● Pictured at the presentation of the *Clare Champion Sport Stars of the Month* awards at the West County Inn, Ennis on Friday night were, Back Row (from left): Gerry Slevin (*Clare Champion*), Seanie Moloney, Raymond Clancy (*Sports Star of the Year*), Michael McGrath, Sean Stack, Gerry O'Connell, Declan Browne and Seamus Hayes (*Clare Champion*). Front: George Gallery, Norma Murphy, Shay Lyons, John McDonagh, Eddie Fitzgerald, Lourda Fox and Margaret Lacheiner.

Feb 1982



Mr. Eamon Horkan, Area Manager, Guinness Ltd. presents the Harp prizes to Bridie O'Flaherty, after last Thursday's finals at the One Mile Inn. Picture shows (l. to r.) Gerry Bredin (winner), Caroline McDonnell (runner-up), Eamon Horkan, Bridie O'Flaherty (winner) and Denis Maurer (runner-up).

March 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, Bidie O'Flaherty, Michael Greene, Baddy B



● Paddy Brogan of Brogans O'Connell Street, presents trophies after a recent squash competition at the One Mile Inn to Kevin McDonnell, Bidie O'Flaherty, Michael Greene, Baddy Brogan, Caroline Beasley, Jim O'Dowd and Dermot Lennihan. ● St. Mary's AC w

March 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.

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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★ Pictured after the Clare squash championship finals last week were (l. to r.), Denis Maurer, Betty McMahon (both runners-up), Mrs. Josette Maurer (sponsor) and the winners, Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes.

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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.

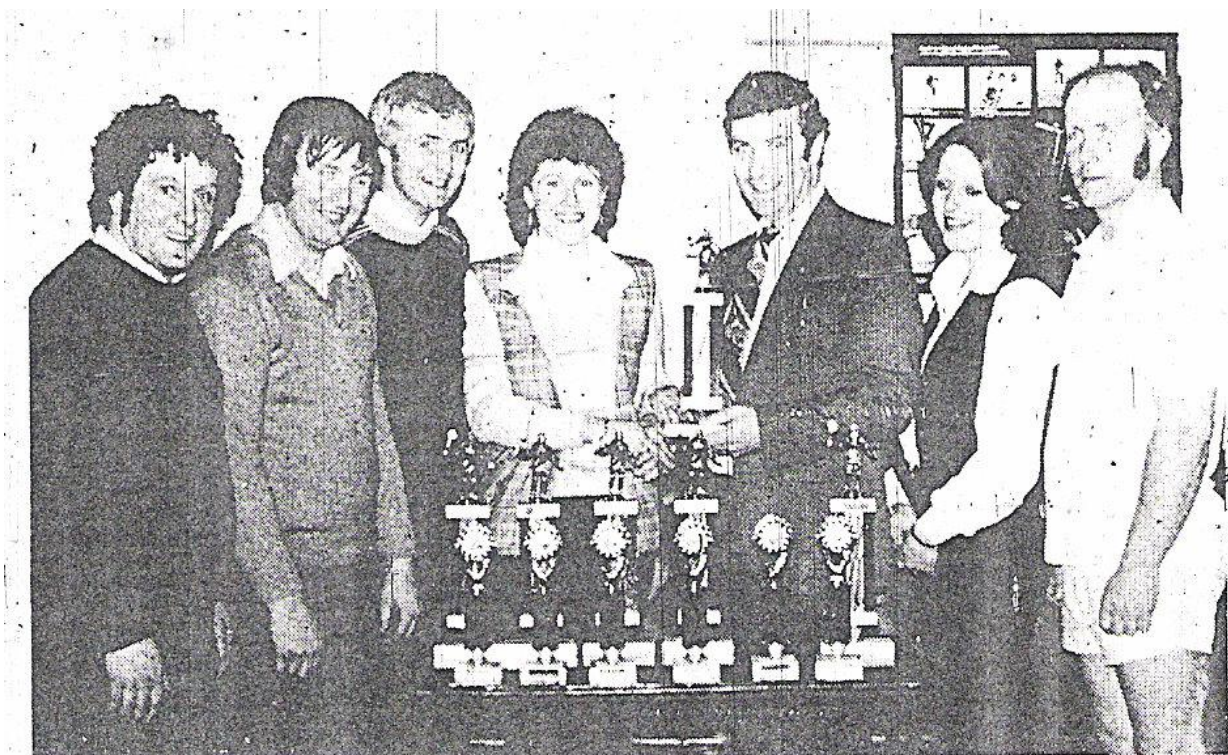
Squash Season Nears Close

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.



● Mr. Tom Walsh (third from right) area manager C & C presents trophies to the winning team in the recent squash blitz at the One Mile Inn. Included are (l. to r.) Kieran Browne, Mickey Sullivan, P. J. Garry, Caroline McDonnell, Tom Walsh, Caroline Bradley and Michael O'Connell.

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

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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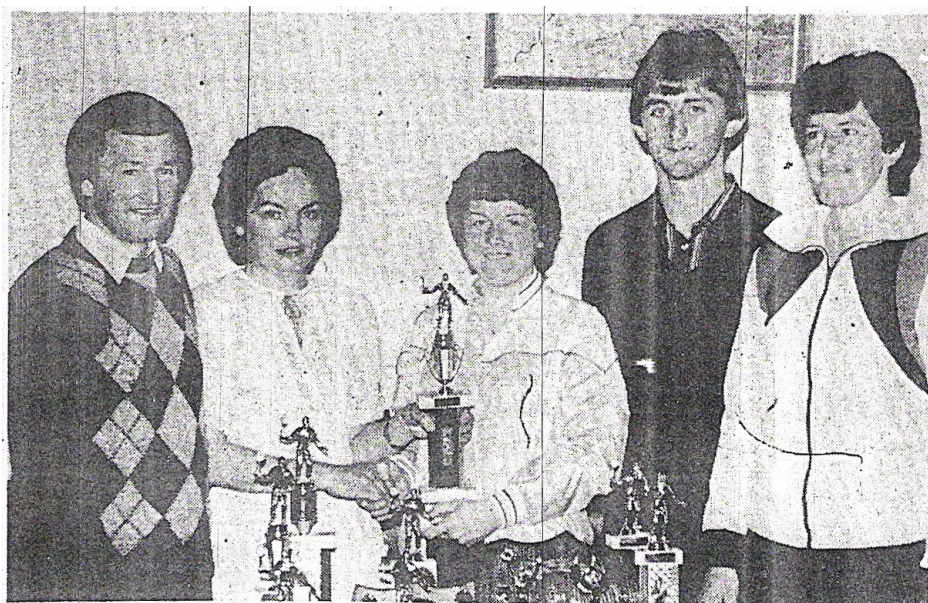
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★ Winners in the Cedder competition at the One Mile Inn were, seated, Catherine Feore and Margaret Lacheiner. Standing (l. to r.), Ml. Griffin, Donal Hassett, Ml. Carmody, Mary Howard, Pat Keogh, sponsor of the competition, and Cha Gill.

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Mrs. Brede Howard, on left, presents the One Mile Inn club championship trophy to Bridie O'Flaherty after she had beaten Margaret Lacheiner. Included in the picture are l. to r.: Ml. Griffin, novice runner-up, Mrs. Howard, Bridie O'Flaherty, Cyril Lyons, novice winner, and Margaret Lacheiner.

May 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'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.

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Committee

Chairman S Hayes & PRO, Treasurer E Kelly, Secretary F Nugent, Club Captain T Malone, M O'Connell, B O'Flaherty, Jan Davis, M Carmody, K McDonnell, Rosemary Guthrie, Gerry Bredin.

Major Events

Total Membership 220.

Clare Squash breaks away from Limerick with the formation of the Clare Squash Rackets Association (CSRA). **Tony Lillis** (OMI) is the first Chairman, Betty McMahon Secretary, Treasurer Jim O'Dowd, Ladies Fixtures Sec Margaret Flanagan, Mens Fixtures Sec Denis Maurer, PRO Seamus Hayes.

There were four leagues for men and three for ladies. There are nine active squash clubs in Clare. OMI, CBS, Shannon Diamond, St Flannans, Kilrush, Kilkee, Newmarket on Fergus, Ennis Golf Club, Auburn Lodge.

The Auburn Lodge Sports and Health Centre is opened at a cost of £140,000. This includes two squash courts, one of which has a gallery that can hold over 150 spectators.

The Clare Championship Finals are held at the Auburn Lodge.

The Clarecastle sports complex opens with two squash courts (Feb 1983).

The OMI annual dance and presentation of prizes is held at the West County Hotel.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion D Maurer def S Hayes

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Mens Harp Final G Bredin def S Hayes

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Mens Clare Champion D Maurer (Auburn Lodge) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def B McMahon (De Beers)

S Hayes wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League

Div 1 Men R-UP in Clare Team League. The team was S Hayes, T Lynch, Dan Liddy, Con Woods, G Lacheiner, T Malone and J O'Dowd.

Div 2 Men win their League. The team is Pat Kirby, Jim O'Dowd, M O'Connell, M Carmody, John Costin, T Malone, Donal Hassett.

Div 3 Men win their League. The team was M Carmody, D Hassett, Kevin and Dermot McDonnell, Michael and Joe Griffin and Tony Chapman.

Margaret Lacheiner wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League

Div 2 Ladies win their League . The team is B O'Flaherty, Jan Davis, Ann O'Dowd, Mary Hennessy and Fiona Nugent.

The OMI are R-Up in the Inter Club Blitz. The team was S Hayes, J O'Dowd, D Hassett, Joe Griffin, M Lacheiner and T Corbett.

Autumn League winners were Gerry Bredins Team who included M Carmody, Michael Greene, Maurice Murphy, Theresa Hehir, and Ursula O'Connell. They defeated Aidan Feore's team, who included S Hayes, K McDonnell, M Lacheiner, M Crowley and I Malone.

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 day's 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.

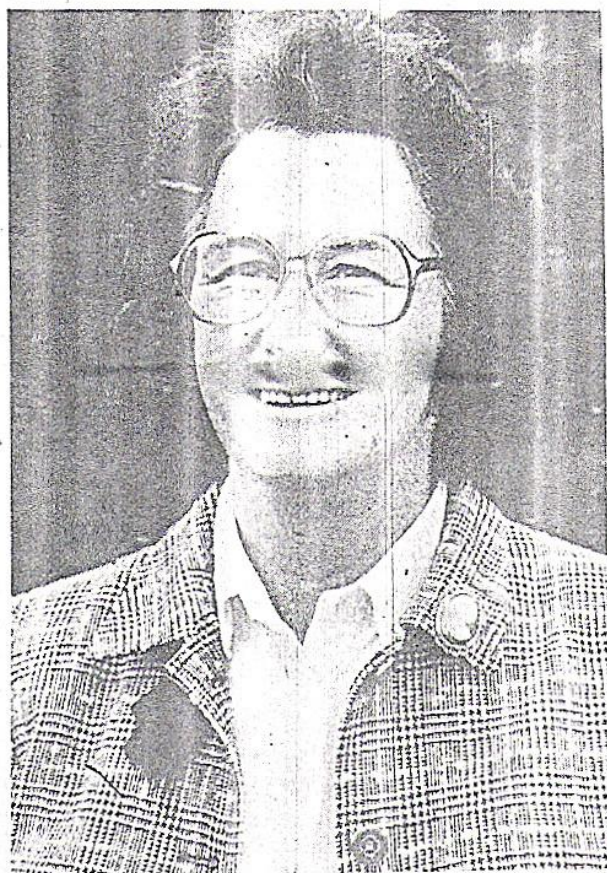
Topping off the downstairs area is what will shortly become a name and a facility to be reckoned with. It's a Jacuzzi!

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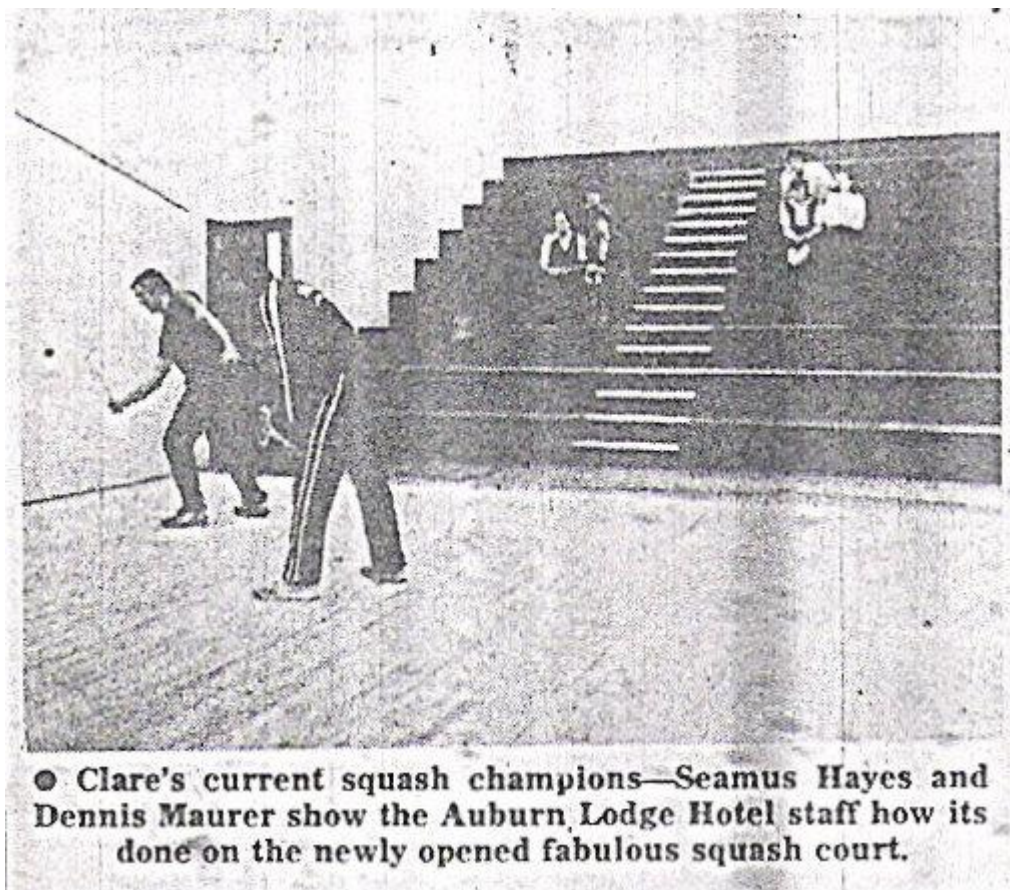
muscle-strain, rheumatism, sciatica, migraine, insomnia and many other tiresome bodily ailments. Certainly a new dimension in health-giving facilities and one that is sure to find favour very quickly.

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.

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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.

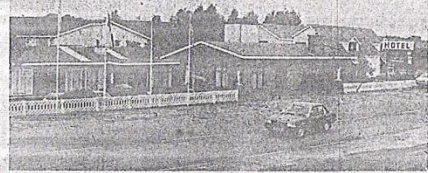
As from Oct. 1st, a fully qualified masseuse in the person of Anne McMahon, from Miltown Malbay will be there and it is hoped that keep-fit classes will be organised shortly.

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.



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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.

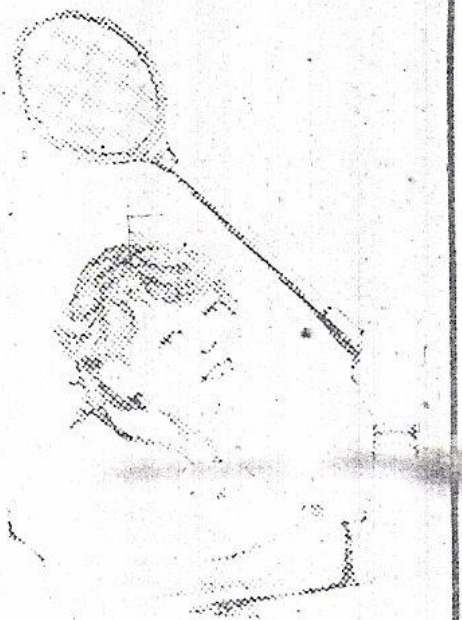
At Monday's meeting fixtures will be made and clubs will be forwarded with copies of same to enable each club plan their own programmes of events.

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.

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New Squash Season

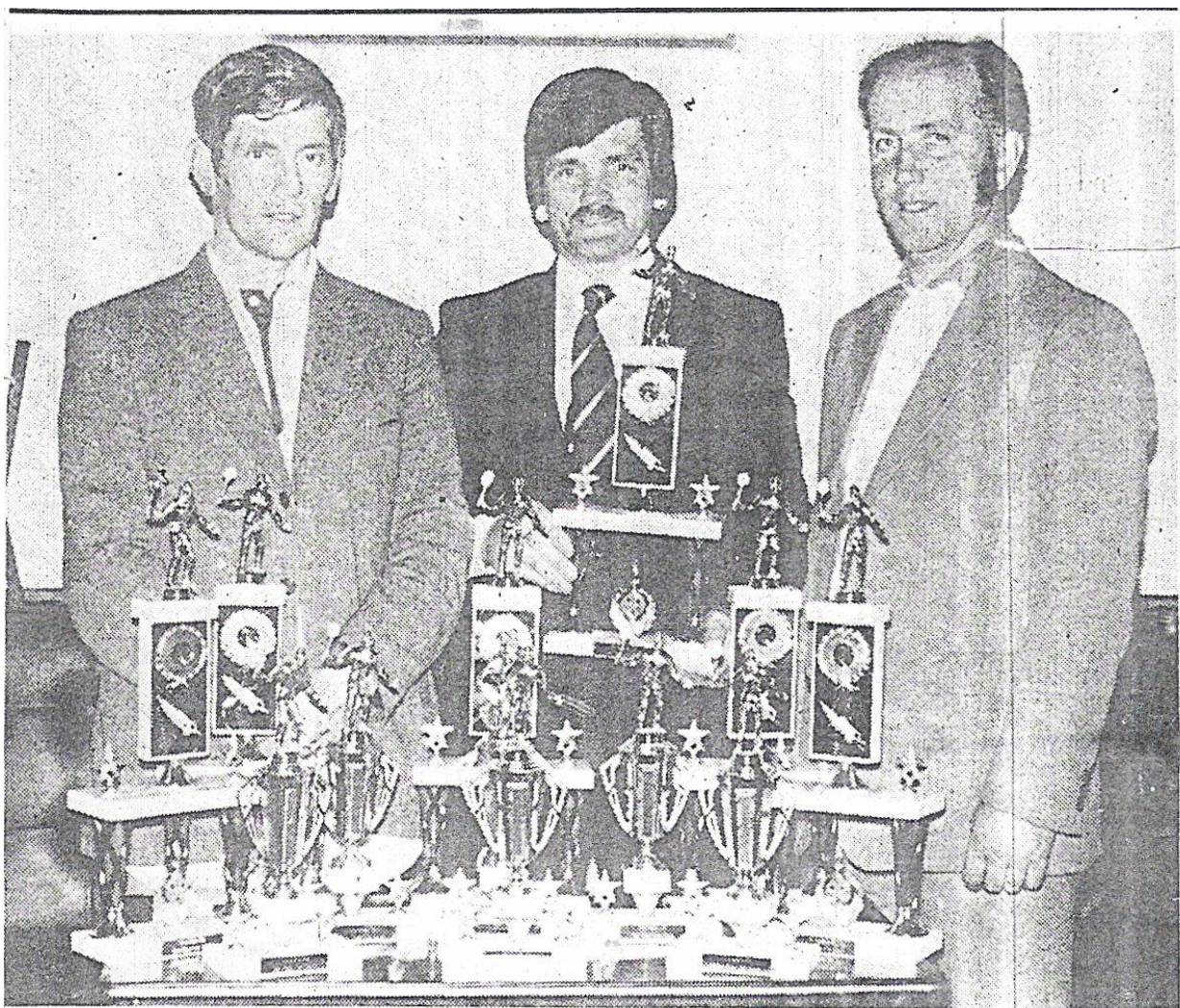
The new squash season is now in full swing and all clubs are busy organising early season competition. The formation of the Clare squash racquets Association has brought added interest to the sport and at a meeting of the Clare committee at Brogans on Monday night next (9 p.m.) arrangements will be made 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.



● Mr. Tom Ryan (centre) of Tom Ryan Car Sales presents the trophies to the finalists Michael Carmody (left) and Michael O'Connell after a recent competition at the 'One Mile' Inn.

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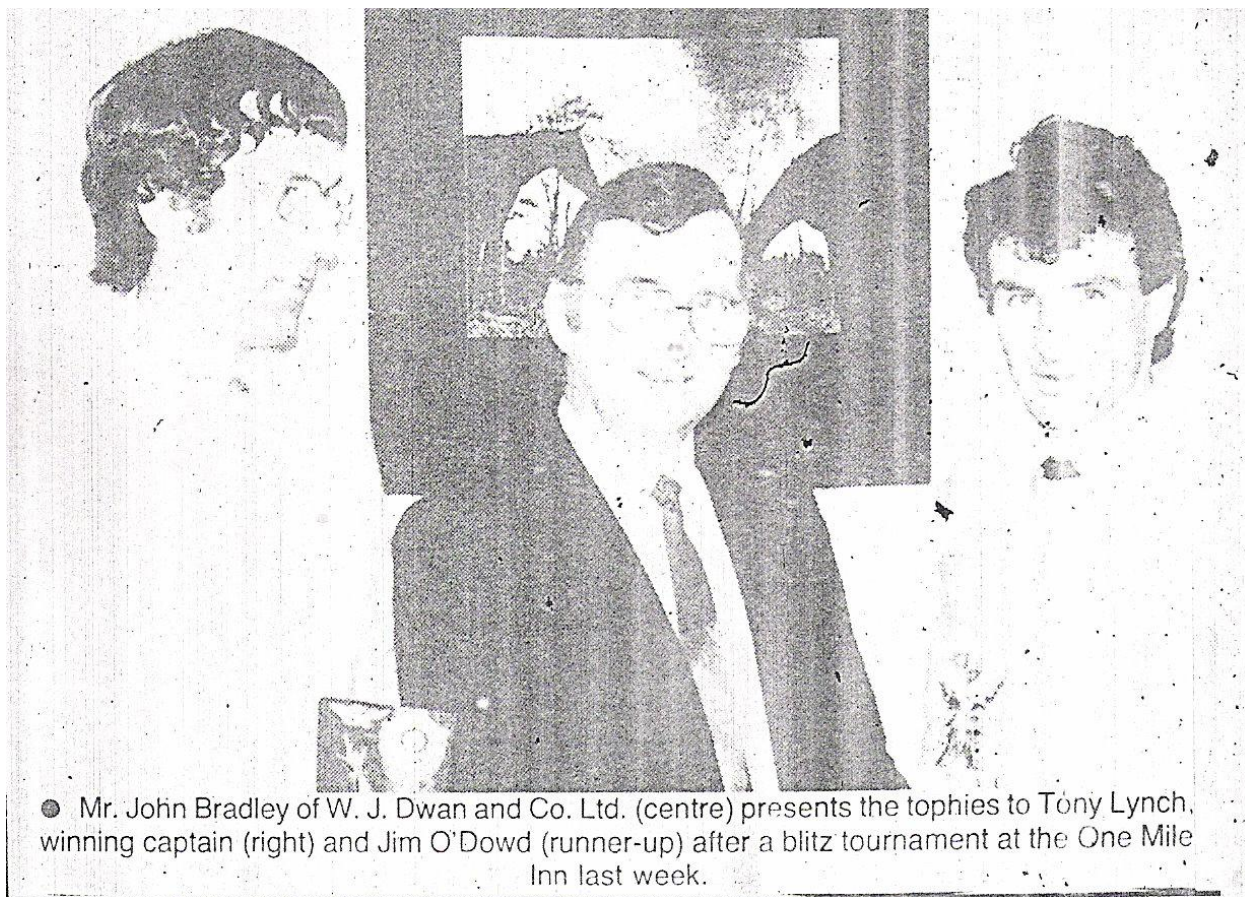
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● Mr. John Bradley of W. J. Dwan and Co. Ltd. (centre) presents the trophies to Tony Lynch, winning captain (right) and Jim O'Dowd (runner-up) after a blitz tournament at the One Mile Inn last week.

Oct 1982

Squash

The Clare squash mens division 1 (senior) league will get under way on Tuesday night next with four teams taking part. The clubs represented are: One Mile Inn, Auburn Lodge, Ennis C.B.S. and Shannon Diamond and the competition will be over two rounds. The ladies division 1 (individual) and division 11 will commence within the next two weeks.

On the club front the annual autumn league at the One Mile Inn will commence next week and will be run off over a six week period. The teams were selected this week and a great battle is expected before the winners are known.

Oct 1982

Squash Leagues Commence

THE first competitions in the Clare senior squash leagues get under way this week. Four teams will be participating in the mens division I competition which will be played in a double round, home and away basis. The ladies division II commences on Wednesday next and both the One Mile Inn and the CBS are represented, with the latter fielding two teams. The ladies division I (individual) will start in two weeks time.

Meanwhile the Autumn League at the One Mile Inn got off to a magnificent start on Monday night when two very exciting games were played. There will be two further first round games on this Thursday night.

St. Flannans College club, will hold a general meeting on this Friday at 10 p.m. Prior to the meeting there will be a blitz competition in which there are four teams.

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.

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.

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.



● Mrs. Ann O'Dowd, O'Dowd's Foodstore, presents the Autumn League trophies to Gerry Bredin (left), winning team and Aidan Feore of the runners-up after Monday night's final at the One Mile Inn.

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Clare Squash Leagues Going Well

THE Clare Squash Association's mens Div. II league will get under way next week and the draws and details will be forwarded to the competing clubs this weekend. Meanwhile, the ladies Div. I and II and the mens novice competitions continue.

In the ladies Div. II, the competition is near the half way stage and to date the One Mile Inn side are unbeaten and must now be ranked as favourites for honours. One Mile Inn member

If the ladies Div. II, the competition is near the half way stage and to date the One Mile Inn side are unbeaten and must now be ranked as favourites for honours. One Mile Inn member, Margaret Lacheinor, is unbeaten in the individual competition and remains as favourite for the title.

The mens novice got under way last week and a number of clubs, such as McLysaghts and Kilkee, made their debut in league competition.

On the club scene the Harp Handicap Tournament at the One Mile Inn, always one of the highlights of the year, got under way last week and the way will be clear for the quarter finals by next Monday. Indeed, One Mile Inn club members are having a very busy time at present with lots of competitions.

The 7-Up Blitz will take place on Monday next and there will be eight teams taking part.

On Monday last the Autumn league final was played and the winning team comprised of Gerry Bredin, Michael Carmody, Michael Greene, Maurice Murphy, Theresa Behir and Ursula O'Connell. The competition was again sponsored by Universal Business Systems, O'Dowd's Foodstore, and Bredins Hardware Stores. The beaten finalists were S. Hayes, K. McDonnell, A. Leone, M. Lacheinor, M. Crowley and J. Malone.

'Bridge Turn the Tables'

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● Gert Lacheiner, Studio Eyewear, Ennis, sponsors of the November Blitz at the One Mile Inn, presents the trophies to Donal Hassett of the winning team. (Adv.)

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Mr. Donal Moloney, Area representative for 7-up Ltd. presents the winners trophies to Tom Malone after the December blitz at the One Mile Inn on Monday night.

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One Mile Inn lead Ladies league

In the ladies division II of the Clare squash league the half way stage was reached last week and the One Mile Inn side are the leaders at this point.

The team is unbeaten in the competition and last week scored a tremendous victory over a fancied Limerick Lawn Tennis club team. Members of the One Mile Inn side are Bridie O'Flaherty, Jan Davis, Ann O'Dowd, Mary Hennessy and Fiona Nugent.

The mens division II league gets under way on Tuesday night next and four teams will take part. The competing teams are, Ennis C.B.S. (2), One Mile Inn and Catholic Institute. The competition will be played on a home and away basis and as the teams appear to be very evenly matched, it should be a very

interesting event.

Competition in all Clare clubs is very keen at present with various competitions being organised for Christmas. The Newmarket club's winter league sponsored by 'Komputer World' got under way last week and after the playing of a number of games the following is the position: Betty McMahon's team 9 pts; Pete McCaul's team 7 pts; Dermot O'Hanlon's team 6 pts.; Pat Coughlan's team 3 pts.

The December blitz sponsored by 7 Up was played at the One Mile Inn on Monday night when the winning team included Tom Malone, Gerry Woods, Maurice Murphy, Teresa Hehir and Rosemary Guthrie. The runners up were Donal Hassett, Noel Crowley, John Casey, Ann O'Dowd and Kay Murphy. Mr. Donal Moloney of 7 Up presented the trophies.

Meanwhile the annual Harp handicap competition has reached the quarter final stage and the favourites to reach the finals are still in contention. In the ladies section Margaret Lachner and Bridie O'Flaherty will have to overcome stiff opposition if they are to qualify for the final on Thursday week. The mens section is proving most exciting and here novice team captain Michael Griffin has, to date, eliminated Pat Kirby and Michael Neal and now faces Ann O'Dowd in the quarter final. However Gerry Bredin and Seamus Hayes remain favourites to reach the final.

Huge Turn-Out at Lissycasey

Not since the days of local athlete Paddy O'Dea, winner of an NACA five mile cross country championship, has athletic interest run as high in Lissycasey. This was clearly demonstrated by the huge turn out of both athletes and spectators at Kearneys Cross on Sunday last for the second annual Lissycasey road races.

The days programme included races for boys under 10, 12, and 14, ladies and mens senior and novice. In all, over 300 athletes took part.

The mens senior race was

Coughlan. In the ladies novice race a tremendous battle developed between Una O'Dea, St. Johns, Mary Keane, Lissycasey and Mary Neenan of St. Marys. In the final 200 metres the St. Johns

● 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.



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.



● Mr. Eamonn Horkan, Guinness Group Sales, presents the Harp handicap prizes to Margaret Lacheiner (winner) and Bridie O'Flaherty (runner-up) at the One Mile Inn last week.

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.

● **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.

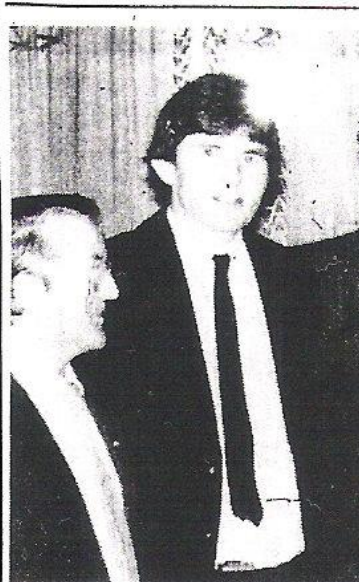
The club has two teams in Div. II of the Clare league and recently they were in opposition. Victory went to the side comprising of Eric Hanrahan, Declan Coote, Sean Heaslip, Tomas English and Eugene Ryan over Joe

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.

Capacit O'C Mil

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

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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.

One Mile Inn teams dominate

The Clare squash leagues are proving particularly successful for the One Mile Inn squash club this, their inaugural season. In the mens senior event, the One Mile Inn team were the runners-up while they narrowly failed to qualify for the mens novice final. Incidentally, the finalists here are Ennis CBS and Catholic Institute (Limerick) and this game will take place on Thursday night next.

The mens Div. II league ended on Tuesday night with the One Mile Inn scoring a magnificent victory. Going into the last round of the league Catholic Institute led by one point from the One Mile Inn. On Tuesday night Institute lost 2-3 to Ennis CBS A while the One Mile Inn

won on a 4-1 scoreline against the CBS B team to take the title.

In the ladies Div. II, the One Mile Inn team look set for victory. The last round was being played last night, Wednesday but with the One Mile Inn side holding a lead of 20 points over their nearest rivals, it was extremely unlikely that they would be caught.

The mens individual league is proving most exciting and there have been some surprise results in the three divisions to date. In Div. I John McEntee caused a major surprise on Monday night when he beat Gerry Bredin while Denis Maurar, Pat O'Grady and Seamus Hayes all won against Tony Lynch, Jack Keane and Tony Lillis respectively.



★ Paddy Brogan, Brogan's, O'Connell Street, Ennis presents trophies to members of the winning team in the January blitz
 ★ Paddy Brogan, Brogan's, O'Connell Street, Ennis presents trophies to members of the winning team in the January blitz
 picture shows (l. to r.), Patricia Broderick, Paddy Brogan, Ursula O'Connell and Donal Hassett.

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

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Clare Champs Commence On Friday

The Clare squash championships get under way on this Friday night when sixteen first round games in the mens section are played in four clubs. On Monday night the first rounds in the ladies will take place again in four clubs. The mens second rounds will be on Tuesday next with the ladies second rounds on Wednesday. The Plate competitions will get under way on Thursday next.

Some thrilling competition is expected throughout the championships. All games must be played on the appointed date or in advance but no postponements will be allowed.

Margaret Lacheiner has completed her programme of games in the ladies individual league and she has collected full points to win the title from Betty

Clare V.S. Beat Kerry

The Vocational Schools senior team struck a great blow for Clare football on Wednesday when in the Munster semi-final, Clare atoned for their narrow defeat of a year ago, by beating Kerry 1-5 to 2-1 at Ballybunnion. Report in next week's issue.

FOOTBALL

SATURDAY, FEB. 26

At Shannon: 1982 East Clare U.
16 F. Final - Newmarket v
Sixmilebridge 4 p.m. J. O'Shea.

McMahon with Mary Carey in third spot.

In section 1 of the mens individual competition Seamus Hayes is the leader with full points from six matches. Denis Maurer and Pat O'Grady are level in second place with Tony Lillis next. In last week's games Hayes beat Derry Moloney 3-1 Maurer beat Jack Keane 3-0 O'Grady beat Lillis 3-1 and John McEntee bt. Tony Lynch 3-1. The points table now reads, S. Hayes 30 pts. (6 games) D. Maurer and P. O'Grady (26 pts. (6 games) T. Lillis 21 pts. (7 games) J. McEntee 18 pts. (6 games) T. Lynch 15 pts. (7 games) J. Keane 12 pts. (6 games) G. Bredin 10 pts. (6 games and D. Moloney 4 pts. (6 games).

Because of the Clare Clare championships all leagues have been postponed for the next two weeks.

A very successful blitz at the One Mile Inn week was won by the team comprising of Rosemarie Guthrie (Capt.) Ursula O'Connell, Aidan Feore, Don Barrett and Seamus Hayes.

There was also an enjoyable blitz at the Auburn Lodge last week. This club has now started a ladder competition and are planning to run a club championship.

De Beers will run a major club blitz on Saturday week, March 5 with eight teams of six taking part. There will be a disco later that evening and a great night is expected.

On this Sunday night exhibition games will be played on the new Clarecastle courts to mark the opening of this fine complex. These matches will commence at 8 p.m.

Two seeded players go out in first round

The Clare championships got under way at the week-end and already there have been some shock results. In the first round of the men's competition on Friday night, two seeded players—John McEntee and Pat O'Grady—both of De Beers, were beaten by Paul Costello and Dickie Pyne respectively. Pyne went out in the second round on Tuesday night when he lost to Derry Moloney but Costello moved on to the quarter finals when he beat Declan Coote.

Elsewhere the seeded players are all through to the quarter finals which will take place on Monday night next. The pairings here will be: Seamus Hayes v Jack Keane; Tony Lynch v Gerry Bredin; Tony Lillis v Derry Moloney; Paul Costello v Denis Maurer.

In Tuesday night's second rounds Tony Lynch had a

close call when he had to come from two down to beat Con Woods.

Tony Lillis beat Tomas English who withdrew in the third game due to a back injury at which stage Lillis was 2-0 in front. Paul Costello beat Declan Coote 3-1 while Denis Maurer received a walk over from Eugene Stettan. Elsewhere Seamus Hayes, Jack Keane and Gerry Bredin had comfortable wins over Colm McLaughlin, John Costin and Danny Liddy.

The ladies competition got under way on Monday night and all the seeded players with the exception of Margaret Flanagan who was forced to withdraw, advanced. Number 2 seed Betty McMahon received a walk-over when Sheila O'Halloran failed to appear for the first round at Ennis C.B.S. The second round was being played last night, Wednesday.

The first rounds of the ladies and mens plate competition will be played on this Thursday night with matches in the Auburn Lodge, One Mile Inn, Ennis C.B.S. and De Beers clubs. All quar-

ter finals, plate and championship will be played on Monday night next. The plate semi-finals will take place on Tuesday with the championship semi-finals on Wednesday. All the finals will take place on Thursday next after which there will be a buffet social at the Auburn Lodge at which the presentation of prizes will take place. Tickets are now on sale for this function.

At a meeting of the C.S.R.A. this week the chairman, Tony Lillis, paid tribute to the clubs for their co-operation in providing court space for the games. He also reminded the participants that games cannot under any circumstances be played after the appointed date while those bring forward the times and dates of matches must notify the C.S.R.A.

On this Saturday there will be a major inter club blitz at De Beers with eight teams of six taking part (4 male and 2 female). The tournament will get under way at 4.30 p.m. and is expected to continue until 10 p.m. after which there will be a disco at the De Beers club. Each match will be to 12 aces (no time limit) and there should be some great squash throughout the evening.

The inaugural club novice league at the One Mile Inn came to a close on Tuesday night when there was a thrilling final. The competition was won by the narrowest of margins by the team captained by John Mungovan which included Pat O'Shea, Pat Callinan, Patricia Bro-

wne and Ann Conway. The runners up were Aidan Feore, Seamus Howard, Kieran O'Brien, Patricia Broderick and Ann Conway. The tournament was sponsored by Tom Ryan of Tom Ryan Car Sales and he also presented trophies to the two youngest players in the competition, Gary Casey and Kieran O'Brien.

A very successful team league is being staged at St. Flannan's at present and the semi-finalists should be known by next week-end. Dates will be announced this week for the semi-finals and finals. The committee will also be holding a ladies blitz in the near future and details of all these competitions will be on the notice board.

Tubber celebrate

Tubber GAA club held a very enjoyable social at Glynn's Hotel Gort recently when county board chairman, Tadhg Murphy and hurling chairman, P. J. McMahon were amongst the guests. Mr. Murphy spoke of the importance of providing facilities for club members pointing out that the provision of proper playing conditions and changing rooms would help every club. Later he officiated at the first draw in the club's raffle in aid of the field development.



Clare Squash League division II winners One Mile Inn re Mr. Jackie Creen of Keane's Bakery, Limerick. Sponsors to right, Pat Kirby, Jackie Creen, Jim O'Dowd Capt. M Curmody. Back John Costin, Tom Malone, I

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Clare Squash League division II winners One Mile Inn receiving their trophies from Mr. Jackie Crean of Keane's Bakery, Limerick, Sponsors. Picture shows, Front Left to right, Pat Kirby, Jackie Crean, Jim O'Dowd Capt. Michael O'Connell Michael Carmody. Back John Costin, Tom Malone, Donal Hassett.

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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 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.

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Maurer regains title after five year break

A packed gallery was treated to some excellent squash when the finals of the Clare squash and plate championships were held at the Auburn Lodge club on Thursday night last. Due to an unfortunate accident which resulted in Margaret Lacheiner sustaining a facial injury, the ladies final wasn't finished and will have to be replayed. Mrs. Lacheiner was leading by two games to one against Betty McMahon and the fourth game had just commenced when the accident occurred.

The other three games on the programme went the full distance and the highlight must surely have been the great victory of Denis Maurer in the mens final. Maurer last won the title in 1978 and since then he had appeared in three finals losing to Tony Lillis (twice) and to Seamus Hayes last year.

In the semi-finals on Wednesday night Hayes had a 3/1 victory over Gerry Bredin while Maurer won 3/0 against Tony Lillis who played well below form. Maurer was in magnificent form in the final and he took a good first game on a 9/5 scoreline. He was in complete control in the second beating Hayes 9/2. When Maurer went 7/3 ahead in the third it seemed to be all over but Hayes fought back to win 9/7 before taking the fourth 9/5 to tie the match at two

games each. When Hayes went 6-0 and then 7-1 up in the fifth he looked certain to retain his title but Maurer wasn't to be denied and he rallied to win 9/7 and thus avenge last years result when he was beaten 3/2 after winning the first two games.

Thursday's programme opened with the ladies plate final and this was a most exciting contest with Noreen O'Connell of Ennis CBS winning on a 3/2 scoreline against Caroline McDonnell of De Beers. The mens place final was an equally thrilling final with Joe Pender of the CBS staging a tremendous comeback against the favourite John McEntee to win on a 3/2 scoreline. McEntee won the first two games but Pender took a marvelous third game to start his comeback.

The ladies final was

proving to be a marvellous game with both players playing well up to form. Both had easy semi-final victories with Mrs. Lacheiner defeating Bridie O'Flaherty and Miss McMahon proving too strong for Mary Carey. In the final Mrs. Lacheiner took the first game but Miss McMahon drew level with a good win in the second. After a most entertaining third game Mrs. Lacheiner went back in front. At the time of writing no date had been fixed for the replay.

At a most enjoyable disco afterwards the prizes were presented. Tony Lillis of the CSRA paid tribute to all who took part and particularly the finalists on the high standard of play. He thanked the sponsors, Maurer Jewellers, Ennis, and Syntex Ireland Ltd. and he paid a warm tribute to the Auburn Lodge club committee for the manner in which they had hosted the championships and the function.

Meanwhile the Clare leagues resume this week

after been called off for the past two weeks due to the championships.

The Ennis CBS club championships got under way on Monday of this week and will continue over the next two weeks and once again some great battles are expected before the various winners are known.

There will be a blitz tournament at the One Mile Inn on Monday night next after which arrangements for the club championship will be announced.



Pictured after the finals of the Clare squash championship were from left., Tony Lillis, chairman of the C.S.R.A. Seamus Hayes, runner-up, Mrs. Josette Maurer, sponsor, and Denis Maurer the winner.



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★ One Mile Inn, winners of the Clare Div. II Ladies league receive their trophies from Cha Gill of Sharp photocopiers, the sponsors. Included are Bridie O'Flaherty, Fiona Nugent, Ann O'Dowd, Cha Gill, Mary Hennessy and Jan Davis. (Advt.).

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Senior League Nears Completion

WITH just one round left in the senior individual league, Seamus Hayes is the leader with full points from seven games. In second place is Denis Maurer, four points adrift, while third spot is filled by Pat O'Grady, a further five points behind. The final series of games will be at Shannon Diamond on this Monday and the following is the position: S. Hayes, 35 pts.; D. Maurer, 31; P. O'Grady, 26; T. Lillis and T. Lynch (programme completed) 21 each; J. McEntee, 19; J. Keane, 14; G. Bredin, 10 and D. Moloney, 8.

Meanwhile, the Ennis C.B.S. championships are proving most exciting and all finals will take place on Wednesday and Thursday of next week. The quarter-finals will take place this weekend with the semi-finals early next week.

In the racquetball championships the top seeds are still in contention and like the squash, this competition is also proving exciting. The finals are set for Wednesday night next.

Entries are now being accepted for the One Mile Inn club championship and entries close on Monday night next. The competitions will get under way on April 5 and the finals will be on April 22. The March blitz at the club on Monday night was sponsored by Tidal Video and the winners were captained by Michael Carmody with club captain Tom Malone's team losing in the final.

The St. Flannan's College team league final will take place on this Thursday night commencing at 7.30. The semi-finals were played last week and both matches were extremely close and indeed one had to go to a play-off before a winner was known.

There will be a blitz tournament at the Auburn Lodge on Monday night next and they will also be running off their club championships in the coming weeks.

Cycle league ends

The final stage of the Banner Wheelers under age leagues were held on Sunday last and the overall results were as follows: Under 12: 1, A. Murphy, 2, G. Daffy, 3, M. Moloney, 4, J. Kierse, 5, N. O'Halloran, 6, P. Murphy.

Under 14: 1, J. J. Monaghan, 2, S. Keane, 3, J. Collieran, 4, F. Considine.

Under 16: 1, M. Guinnane, 2, A. McDonagh, 3, K. Whelan.

An under age team from the club will be travelling to Blarney over the Easter week-end for a three day Munster championship event.

C.L.V.G.S. Outing

The Clare licensed vintners golf and society will hold an outing, sponsored by C. and C., to Shannon on this Monday. The first tee has been reserved from 2 to 4 p.m. and guests are invited to play in this, the society's first competition of 1983.

Inter-Firm Meeting

The Clare inter-firm GAA convention will take place at the West County Inn on Tuesday Apr. 5 at 8.30 p.m. The closing date for nominations and motions is April 1 and these should be sent to the acting sec., Mickey McNamara.

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

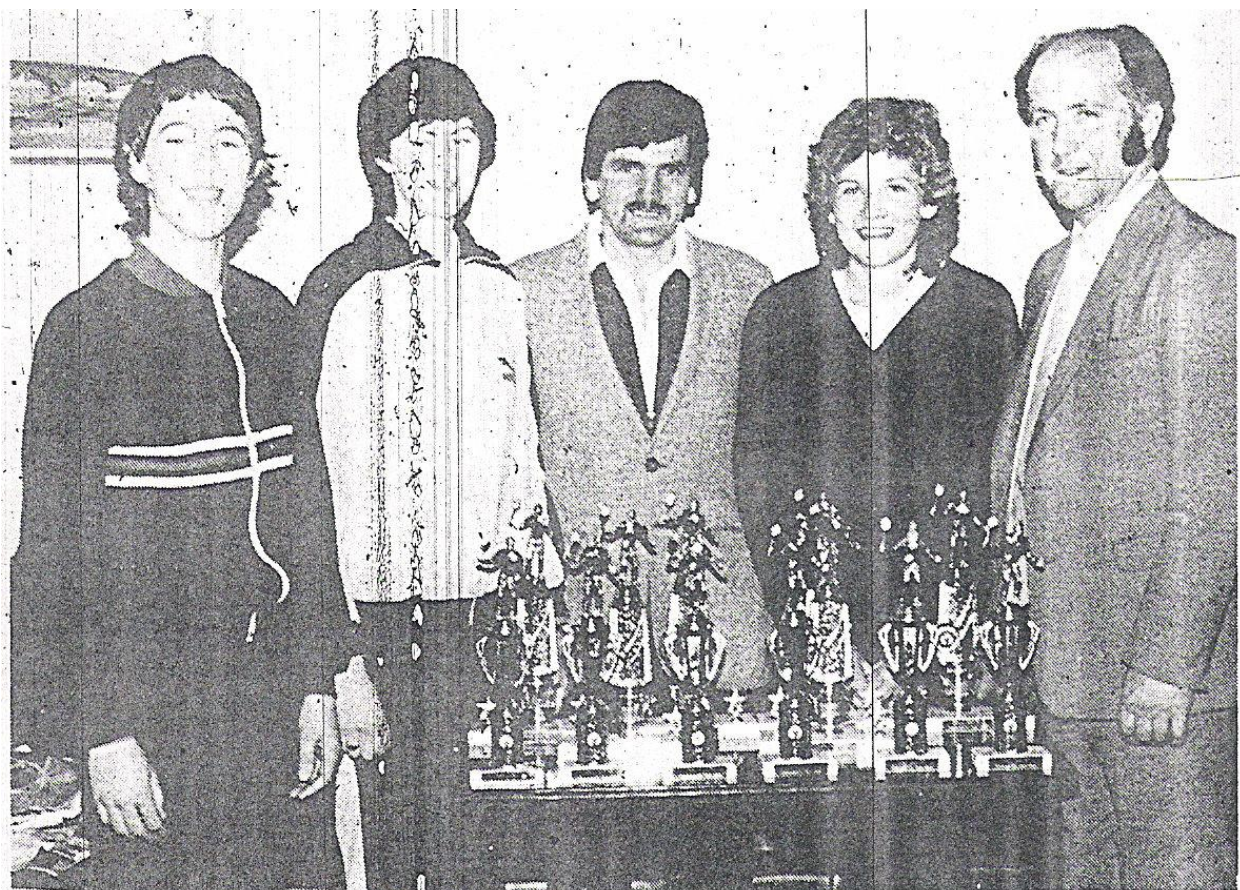
the draw.

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.



● A very successful novice team league was run at the One Mile Inn club recently. Picture shows members of the winning teams at the presentation of prizes. L. to r.: Gary Casey, Ann Conway, Tom Ryan, the sponsor, Patricia Browne and committee member Michael O'Connell.

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A Refreshing Look

It might be a rash generalisation, but did you ever notice how people who take up squash suddenly exhibit all the missionary zeal of the converted. Every spare waking hour is devoted to the improvement of on-court technique and conversations are littered with little references to the game which are totally imperceptible to a sloth like myself. Presumably if they sleep at all, they dream of a future glory somewhere within those four white walls.

Inevitably, its refreshing to meet a good player who lives for reasons other than squash. Especially when that someone turns out to be Margaret Lacheiner, the only woman ever to win the Clare Championship and the top seed in the county since the grading system was introduced.

You see, Mrs. Lacheiner doesn't conform to the standard picture of the squash buff. Yes, she enjoys the sport and yes, she likes to get in two good games a week but there's no way that she'd contemplate a match a day or allow it to take priority place in her scheme of things. She can contemplate giving up the game without any apparent regret.

The former Margaret Gilligan of Cloughleigh, Mrs. Lacheiner took up the sport just nine years ago when her twin sons started school. Her only previous athletic experience was at pitching rounders and she visualised squash as simply another interest outside the home.

She started playing just once a week at the One Mile Inn in 1974 and before the year was out had won her first competitive event.

"I loved the game from the word go and I just seemed to pick it up as I went along.

There was no specialised coaching or anything, just a few games with some of the lads at the club".

If her feel for the game came naturally, those sessions with the lads were invaluable to a beginner. "Most people don't realise the tremendous difference between the two games. It's sometimes difficult for a



• MARGARET LACHEINER

k At Squash

BY MARTINA SCANLAN

woman to even see the ball when a man hits it, there's such force there".

By her own account, her strength is the key to her consistent success over the years. "Here in Ennis, I can beat most of the women, but the only reason is that I'm that bit stronger than they are. If I hit a ball as hard as I possible can, the other ladies don't seem able to return it".

However, she also admits to being unable to take an ace from last years Mens Champions, Seamus Hayes. "Women's squash is a much more careful game but I still love a game with a few of the lads, just because they are that bit better than me. When the chips are down, even my husband can beat me".

Her husband, is Studio Eyewear manager, Gert Lacheiner, whom she married nearly 14 years ago. The couple have twelve year old twins, Roland and Thomas and the family regularly visit Gert's native Austria, where Margaret enjoys the skiing and dreads the skating.

Back in Ennis, her commitment to squash is also kept firmly in its place. She confines herself to two good games per week, never trains for a big match and abhors practising shots. "I'm just not the type to go out practising on a court. The game comes naturally to me so I just play away as best I can".

Her only physical exercise is a four mile walk per day and her only concession to the serious side of the game is a bad attack of nerves before a big match. "I TAKE IT SERIOUSLY TO THE EXTENT THAT I like to play good squash and I like to have a good game. On the day of a big match I feel positively sick at the thought of the game but that vanishes completely the minute I walk on court".

She at one stage contemplated giving up competitive squash this year—"Somehow the nerves before a game seem to be getting worse rather than getting better. But I'd continue to play the game for the sheer enjoyment of it as long as my health held out".

On the family front, she thinks it important that she remains in the home, at least for the time being. "When I got married I gave up work, at that time it was the thing to do. Now I suppose it really depends on how you are brought up but in my own case I think its important to stay at home."

Away from the squash court, she enjoys reading and hurling, makes all her own squash gear and loathes shopping for clothes. During the Summer months she also plays a little tennis, but steers clear from any greater involvement with other sports. "Too many ball games interfere with each other, all the balls are different sizes and require different movements. After playing tennis, I find it almost impossible to adjust to playing squash again".

Her recent attempt at a seventh Clare Championship was frustrated when she was injured for the first time in a freak accident. Now the outcome of that particular test with BETTY McMahon depends on a replay sometime within the next fortnight, "and I will have to give it everything. Betty is a good strong player and it should be a tough game".

However, the major highlight of her career was her sixth Clare Championship in '82. "I really wanted to win that, because at the time I thought to win it six times would have been the end. But I suppose the more you win, the greedier you get".

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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:

J. Casey bt. S. Custy.

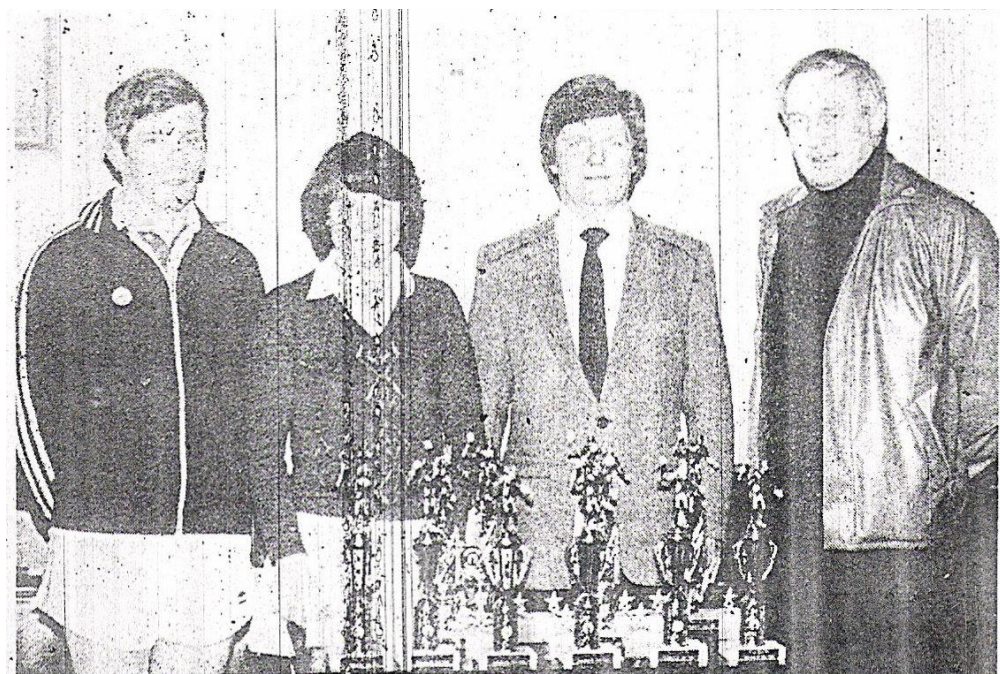
Ladies, Div. I: M. Flanagan bt. M. Carey; Plate: N. O'Connell bt. C. Reilly.

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.



● Pictured after the March squash blitz at the One Mile Inn were (from left) Michael Carmody (winner), Bridie Flaherty, Edward Richardson of Tidal Video, the sponsors and Eamon Kelly, club treasurer.

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One Mile Inn Chase Munster Title

The squash season is now drawing to a close and the main interest centres on the club championships at the One Mile Inn, Auburn Lodge, St. Flannans and De Beers.

This week the One Mile Inn have their first outing in defence of the Munster junior title which they won last year when they are at home to Catholic Institute. A leg injury will keep Gerry Bredin out of the side and his place goes to Con Woods who joins Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer, Tony Lillis and Tony Lynch. Should the Ennis side who are the number one seeds win, it is hoped that Bredin will be fit for the next round.

In the club championship at the One Mile Inn the highlight of the quarter finals should be the meeting of Con Woods and Denis Maurer. The quarter finals take place on this Thursday night. The semi-finals in all grades will take place early next week with the finals on Thursday and Friday night. The club's annual disco will take place on Friday, Apr. 22, at the West County Inn and

tickets are available from any of the committee.

The first rounds of the Auburn Lodge championship must be completed by this week-end while the St. Flannans and De Beers competitions are both at an advanced stage.

In the Clare leagues just two competitions remain to be completed and these are the ladies novice and the mens division III.

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Championship Finals on This Friday

The pairings for the div. 1 club championship finals at the One Mile Inn will be a repeat of last year following the success of Denis Maurer, Seamus Hayes, Margaret Lacheiner and Bridie O'Flaherty in the semi-finals this week.

Margaret Lacheiner beat Fiona Nugent in the semi-final while Bridie O'Flaherty proved too strong for Theresa Hehir. In the final Mrs. Lacheiner will be determined to avenge last year's defeat at the hands of Mrs. O'Flaherty.

Denis Maurer had to pull out all the stops in his semi-final against Gerry Bredin before winning 9-7 in the fifth game. Maurer went two games up but then Bredin started his comeback and levelled at 2-2. In the final game Bredin was 6-2 in front but the experienced Maurer fought back to take the honours. In the other semi-final on Monday night Seamus Hayes, the holder beat Tony Lynch 3-0 in a very disappointing contest.

In the mens div. II Noel Crowley the number one seed will meet Anthony Chapman who surprised number two seed P. J. Garry in the semi-final. The ladies div. 2 final will be between Theresa Corbett and Ursula O'Connell. At the time of writing the ladies and mens div. 3 finals had not been played.

The finals will take place on this Thursday and Friday - mens and ladies div. 1 finals

are on Friday - and then the club's disco and presentation of prizes will take place at the West County Inn. A limited number of tickets are still available from any of the committee.

The Auburn Lodge championships are progressing and the finals have been fixed for May 10.

Meanwhile the Clare leagues are nearing completion and the One Mile Inn now look certain to be winners of the mens division 3. In a crucial game on Tuesday night they beat second placed Ennis CBS and this win must ensure them of success.

BANNER WHEELERS

On Sunday last Banner Wheelers cycling club held some club races which proved successful. In under 12 A. Murphy was the winner from G. Daffy with F. O'Sullivan in third spot. J. J. Monaghan won the under 14 from S. Linnane with A. McDonagh third.

Last week the club sent a team to Abbeyfeix where J. J. Monaghan was 8th in the under 14 with Joseph Collieran 10th. In the junior event Flan Killeen was 12th with Cyril Keane 14th.

Ennis Anglers

The Ennis anglers competition at Corofin on Sunday last was won by Eddie Grimes with three fish. Second place went to Clem Ryan.

Out of Munster championship

The One Mile Inn team, holders of the Munster junior championship

bowed out of this year's competition at the quarter final stage on Saturday

when they lost 2/3 to Celtic of Waterford at the Ennis Club. Denis Maurer and Seamus Hayes were the Ennis side's winners with Tony Lillis, Tony Lynch and Con Woods losing.

Late Point Foils Clare

Galway 0-12 Clare 1-8

A disputed close in free for Galway, two minutes into 'Lost' time with free taker Gay McManus instructed to score direct only off the referee to renege on his instruction to him as the Clare defence stood up with the ball heading away from goal. Willie Joyce promptly collected and lofted the ball over the bar to the amazement of the Clare players. From the kick out, the ball was sounded and Galway had stolen a march on Clare in a senior football challenge on Sunday evening to mark the opening by former GAA Director General Sean O

Siachain of the new playing pitch in Caltra, Ballinasloe.

Clare in fact led by a point at the end of time proper but despite the natural disappointment of being robbed in such a manner, the exercise proved to be a very valuable one for the visitors against a Galway side that was short five regulars. Clare too were below strength. Noel Roche, Willie Cahir, George Fitzpatrick, Tom Bonfil, John McGrath and Gerry Killeen were absentees and the mentors were forced to include four of last years minors, Seamus Clancy, Frankie Giffin, Aidan Moloney and Pat Murray as well as two of the current under 21 squad David Clancy and Aidan McDermott.

At half time Clare led 0-6 to 0-4 having lost Tommy Tubridy and Martin Keogh through injury and while Galway dominated the first quarter and moved into a three point lead, they were checked following a good move involving Don O'Loughlin, Noel Normoyle and Pat Burke, with the last names shooting and only

there were some very entertaining games. In the ladies division III Ann Conway beat Ann Killeen in the decider while Teresa Corbett won the Div. II beating Ursula O'Connell. Christy Cleary won the mens Div. III beating Tony Chapman. In the ladies Div. I, Margaret Lacheiner reversed last year's result beating Bridie O'Flaherty while in the mens Denis Maurer beat Seamus Hayes in another five set match.

All of the prizes were presented at the club's successful disco function at the West County Inn on Friday night.

The St. Flannan's College club championship finals will be played on this Friday night commencing at 7.30 p.m. The programme will include the play offs for third and fourth places in both the ladies and mens. In the mens competition the seeded players, Michael Neylon v Mickey O'Sullivan and P. J. Garry against Paddy Flannery have come through to the semi-finals.

The Clare Associations men's Div. III league ended on Tuesday night with the One Mile teams the winners from Ennis CBS, who finished in second place. Members of the winning were Michael Carmody (capt.), Donal Hassett, Kevin and Dermot McDonnell, Michael and Joe Griffin and Tony Chapman.

The Clare ladies novice team league final will take place on this Friday night at the Auburn Lodge commencing at 7.30 p.m. The finalists are Ennis CBS and Catholic Institute.

The Clare ladies senior championship final between Margaret Lacheiner and Betty McMahon will be played on Thursday next, May 5 at the Auburn Lodge at 9 p.m.

The annual general meeting of the CSRA will take place at Broghans, O'Connell Street, Ennis on Wednesday next, May 4 at 8.30 p.m. All are welcome to attend, but for voting purposes clubs will only be allowed three named delegates.

The One Mile Inn club championships were completed last week and

C.L.V.G.S. OUTING

The C.L.V.G.S. will hold an outing to Ennis Golf Club on Monday next when the sponsors will be Guinness. This will be an 18 hole stableford event and the tee has been reserved from 2 to 4.30 p.m. The presentations will take place at the clubhouse at 10 p.m.

McGRATH

Michael McGrath of St. John's County N.A.C.A. title at Kilmihil when he won the ice road championship. In a marvellous season, had county novice, junior and county titles while he also won the championship.

Ladies Final on This Thursday

The eagerly awaited replay of the Clare ladies squash championship final takes place on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge at 9 p.m. Holder Margaret Lacheiner will be seeking her seventh successive title but her opponent Betty McMahon has recorded some victories over her this year and the most recent of these was in the Ennis C.B.S. club final.

Miss McMahon is determined to repeat this success and win the title which has never been won by anybody other than Mrs. Lacheiner. There are some supporting games on this evenings programme which commences at 7.30 p.m.

The Auburn Lodge club championship finals will take place on Tuesday next May 10 and these inaugural competitions are causing tremendous excitement within the club.

This week-end the Auburn club will be hosts to a visiting club from Dublin and a number of games will be played on Friday night and on Saturday.

The final competition of the year in the One Mile Inn club will take place on Monday night next when there will be fifty participants in the Leadmore Dairies blitz.

The finals of the St. Flannans College club championships took place on

Friday last and there was a high standard of play. In the ladies competition, it was particularly noticeable that there had been a huge improvement and this certainly augurs well for the future of the club. Frances Browne won the ladies title beating Maureen Clune by 3 games to 2. In the play-off for third and fourth place Ann Meere beat Brid Leyden.

Number 1 seed Michael Neylon won the mens championship beating P. J. Garry by three games to one in the decider. In the play off for third and fourth place Paddy Flannery beat Mickey O'Sullivan.

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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.

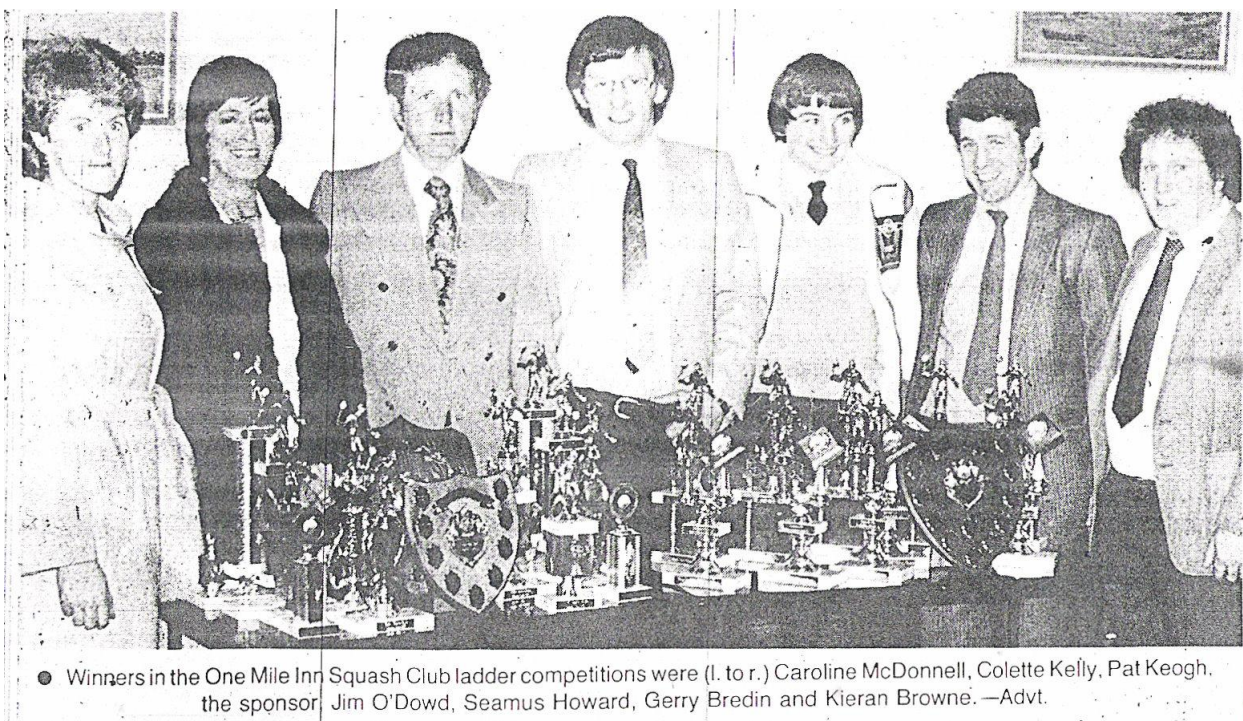
Last week the club's Jimmy Bruer team bowed out of the Munster championship when they lost 2/3 to Nenagh at

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.



● Winners in the One Mile Inn Squash Club ladder competitions were (l. to r.) Caroline McDonnell, Colette Kelly, Pat Keogh, the sponsor Jim O'Dowd, Seamus Howard, Gerry Bredin and Kieran Browne.—Advt.

May 1983



One Mile Inn, winners of the Clare Div. 3 squash league pictured with the sponsor Mrs. Phil Cropera of Phils Corner, Ennis. Included are Kevin McDonnell, Ml. Carmody, Joe Griffin, Dermot McDonnell, Ml. Griffin, and Donal Hassett.

May 1983



*Mr. Frank McInerney, sales manager, Leadmore Ice Cream, left, presents trophies to One Mile Inn squash club officials Fiona Nugent, and Tom Malone for the May competition at the One Mile Inn
(Advt.)*

June 1983



● The Clare ladies senior squash league ended recently and pictured at the presentation of prizes were (l. to r.) John Mooney, Coco Cola, the sponsors; Margaret Flanagan (most improved player), Betty McMahon (runner-up), and Margaret Lacheiner (winner), and Tony Lillis, Chairman of the CSRA.

July 1983

1983/84

Committee

Chairman T Malone, Treasurer Eamonn Kelly, Secretary Fiona Nugent, R Guthrie, D Hassett, B O'Flaherty, J Davis, G Bredin, S Hayes, M Carmody, K Mc Donnell, J Costin, T Lynch, M Lacheiner, M O'Connell, Ursula O'Connell.

Major Events

Total membership 148. Subs New Members Adult £50, Couple £65. Existing Members Adult £45, Couple £55.

OMI celebrates the tenth anniversary of the opening of its first squash court.

The CSRA President is **Tony Lillis** (OMI).

The Munster Close Championships are held in Clare for the first time. Over 300 took part. The matches were played in seven courts in five clubs. Play was from 6.30 to Midnight Friday. 9.30am to 8pm Saturday and 9.30am to 4.30pm Sunday. Kyran Hurley was the tournament director.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def T Lynch

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def G Bredin

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner def B O'Flaherty

Mens Clare Champion S English (CBS) def Tony Lynch (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def **B O'Flaherty** (OMI)

OMI 'A' are winners of the Ladies Div 1 Squash League. The team was M Lacheiner, B O'Flaherty and A O'Dowd.

The Autumn League winning team was A O'Dowd, G Lacheiner, M O'Connell, A Feore, Mick McGann and Ann Killeen. The R-Up were Rosemary Guthrie, S Hayes, K McDonnell, G Browne, Maurice Murphy and Ursula O,Connell.

Margaret Lacheiner wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League

Seamus Howard selected at no. 2 on the Munster U-16 team.

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Members: Rosemary
 Guthrie, Donal Hassett,
 Bridie O'Flaherty, Jan
 Davis, Gerry Bredin,
 Seamus Hayes, Ml.
 Carmody, Kevin
 McDonnell, John Costin,
 Tony Lynch, Mgt.
 Lacheiner, Ursula
 O'Connell.

Competition Record 1982-'83

MEN:

Div. I: Runners up in team
 league; Winners of Indiv.
 League.

Div. II: Winners.

Div III: Winners.

LADIES

Div. I: Winners of Indiv.
 League.

Div II: Winners.

Clare Champ: Winners.

- Membership for coming season now being accepted. New members welcome (Discount for last years members until Sept. 21). Coaching for all grades arranged.
- Club Competitions arranged include - Blitz events on Sept. 19, Oct. 3, Nov 14, Dec., 5, Autumn League, Oct. 17 - Nov. 28, Harp Tournament Nov. 28 - Dec. 15.

Enquiries to **ONE MILE INN** - Tel. (065) 28650 or 28969

Aug 1983



Mr. Gert Lacheiner, Studio-Eyewear, Ennis, presents his prizes to One Mile Inn committee members Bridie O'Flaherty and Jan Davis for last week's blitz at the club (Advt.)

Oct 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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● 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,
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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.

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.

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.

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

Paire Chiosog: Ennistymon v Kilkee-Bealaha; K. Murphy.

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Paire 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.

● **SQUASH:**

Ten years Squash at One Mile Inn

The first Squash court in Clare was opened at the One Mile Inn in 1973. On Tuesday night next, December 6, the club will celebrate its tenth anniversary with a special invitation blitz followed by a reception.

For Tuesday night's game committee members from the early years have been invited to attend as well as the winners of the major titles in those seasons. There has been a tremendous response from those invited and a great competition is expected.

There will be valuable sponsorship from Pat McCarthy Shoes who are putting up trophies and squash tops for the finalists. In addition the committee at the One Mile Inn club have purchased squash tops with the club's name on them and these will be on sale from club treasurer, Eamonn Kelly from this week-end onwards.

Meanwhile the annual Harp handicap competition got under way at the One Mile Inn this week and there should be great competition over the next two weeks before the finalists are known. The finals will take place on Thursday, December 15 after which the club's Christmas party will be held.

The Autumn League final was played at the One Mile Inn last Thursday night when Ann O'Dowd's team emerged as winners. Other members of the side were Gert Lacheiner, Michael O'Connell, Aidan Feore, Mick McGann and Ann

Killeerl. The runners up were Rosemary Guthrie (captain), Seamus Hayes, Kevin McDonnell, Ger Brown, Maurice Murphy and Ursula O'Connell.

At a meeting of the C.S.R.A. last week a sub committee was appointed to make arrangements for the Munster close championships which will be staged in Ennis during the first week-end February next.

Corofin G.A.A. Club A.G.M.

On Monday night Dec. 5

Commencing at 7.30 p.m.

All members are requested to attend. New members welcome.

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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.

Another win for Margaret Lacheiner

The Clare ladies individual squash league drew to a close last week when Margaret Lacheiner and Caroline McDonnell won divisions 1 A and B respectively.

Mrs. Lacheiner went through the top section unbeaten and scored a maximum 48 points to win from Betty McMahon on 41 with Bridie O'Flaherty in third place on 33 points. The other placings in this division were as follows: Mary O'Connor 18; Jan Davis 17; Ann O'Dowd 16 and Mim Conroy 2.

Caroline McDonnell, a member of the One Mile Inn club as is Margaret Lacheiner, won division 1 B with just one point to spare from her clubmate Fiona

Nugent. Miss McDonnell who had a total of 34 points lost just one game and this was to Theresa Hehir who was forced to withdraw from the competition at the half way stage. The other placings in this division were: Lil Moyles 24 and Mary Hennessy 17.

It was disappointing that some players conceded walk overs following delays in arranging their games.

Harp finals

The finals of the annual harp handicap competition will take place at the One Mile Inn on this Thursday night and the games will be followed by the club's annual Christmas party. The pairings for both finals will be the same as last year with Margaret Lacheiner defending her title against Bridie O'Flaherty in a game timed for 7.30. In the mens final Gerry Bredin will be chasing his third title in a row against Seamus Hayes and this game will get under way immediately after the ladies match.

The sub committee of the C.S.R.A. in charge of making arrangements for the Munster close held their first meeting during the week and over the next few weeks all the details for this major fixture will be worked out. Clarenbridge Crystal of Galway have agreed to sponsor this prestigious event and there will be a wide range of valuable prizes on offer for the various divisions.

The Clare mens individual league in which there will be two sections, will get under way during the first week of January and fixtures will be announced next week.

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.

Squash Leagues Resume

The Clare mens individual senior league (divisions 1 and 2) got under way on Monday night and the second round will be played on this Thursday. In the premier division there was a tremendous contest between Tony Lillis and Seamus Hayes, with the latter getting a 3-2 verdict. Lillis, who sent into a 2-0 lead must be considered most unlucky not to have won as he had a great chance of taking the fourth game. In the other game played on Monday Denis Maurer and Tony Lynch, had 3-0 wins over Gerry Bredin and Pat O'Grady respectively while Jack Keane received a walk over from John CEntee.

In section 2 Joe Pender defeated Danny Liddy on a 3-2 scoreline while Dickie Pyne had a 3-1 win over Gary Neary with Donal Hassett getting a walk over from Ken O'Farrell.

All of the other leagues are now in full swing following the Christmas break. There will be a meeting of the CSRA ON Monday next at De Beers at 8.30 p.m. and at this meeting it expected that the dates for the Clare Championships will be announced.

Meanwhile plans for the Munster close championships which are being hosted by the Clare association are at an advanced stage and entry forms will be in the various clubs this week-end. The closing date for entries is Friday Jan. 20 and the fee is £8.50 per head and this includes the ISRA captiation fee and a disco-buffet on the Saturday night at the West Co. Inn.

Senior league progresses

The Clare senior individual squash leagues continued over the week-end when two rounds of the league sections were played. In section A only three players remain unbeaten but there are still six rounds of the league remaining and while Kyran Hurley remains the odds on favourite for the title there should be a great battle for the minor placings.

Kyran Hurley unbeaten after two games and Tony Lynch with full points from three games will meet on Monday night at the One Mile Inn. The other unbeaten players (after three games), Seamus Hayes will take on Gerry Bredin, who, after a bad start, got his first win in the league on Monday when beating Jack Keane. As usual there will be four games on Monday's programme.

In section B Seamus English beat Joe Pender on a 3/2 scoreline on Monday when Dickie Pyne recorded another win. Indeed Pyne will be hard to beat in this section. Ken O'Farrell had his first outing and was a winner when beating Gar Neary.

At a meeting of the CSRA on Monday night in Shannon it was decided that the Clare championships would be staged during the first two weeks in April.

Meanwhile arrangements are progressing for the staging of the Munster close championships in Clare on February 3, 4 and 5, when Clarenbridge Crystal will be the sponsors of the event. Entry forms have been sent to all the clubs in Munster and completed forms together with the entry fee must reach Kyran Hurley, Shanaway Road, Ennis not later than Friday week, January 20. The draw will be made on Saturday, January 21 and competitors will be notified.

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.

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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

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carry the County's hopes. The ladies B will include Margaret Lacheiner, Betty McMahon, Bridie O'Flaherty and former One Mile Inn player Ann Renshaw who now plays for the Orchard club in Cork.

There will be a big Clare interest in the C grades and in the mens section such as Gerry Bredin, Tony Lillis, Tony Lynch and Jack Keane are expected to do well. In the ladies division Ann O'Dowd, Jan Davis, Ann O'Hanlon, and Mary Carey are amongst those participating.

Full details of all the pairings with venues and times will be posted on the notice boards of the clubs on This Thursday evening. There will be plate competitions in all grades.

The competition has been sponsored by Clarenbridge Crystal and there will be valuable prizes for all winners and runners-up. The presentation of prizes will take place on Sunday evening after the men's A final which is the last game on the programme. The tournament director is Kyrán Hurley, a member of the Munster team up to last year and a leading player in the Irish circuit in recent seasons.

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ONE MILE INN SQUASH CLUB 10th ANNIVERSARY



A DECADE OF SUCCESS

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The club marked its tenth anniversary with a special blitz which was sponsored by Pat McCarthy Shoes. As well as providing the trophies, the firm also presented squash tops to all twelve finalists. The prizes were presented by Mr. McCarthy at a function after the competition.

Mr. McCarthy also arranged for the club to have a limited number of tops with 'One Mile Inn' printed on them and these are available from club treasurer, Eamonn Kelly.

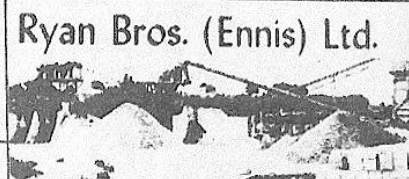
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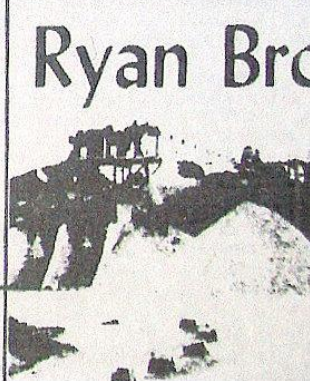
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The present committee is: Chairman, Tom Malone; Secretary, Fiona Nugent; Treasurer, Eamonn Kelly; Mens Captain, Gerry Bredin; Ladies Captain, Bredie O'Flaherty; Committee: Margaret Lacheiner, Jan Davis, Rosemary Guthrie, Michael O'Connell, Michael Carmody, John Costin, Donal Hassett, Kevin McDonnell, Seamus Hayes and Tony Lynch.

The club President, Michael Howard said the success of the club has been largely due to contribution of the committee over the ten years. He and his wife just provided the structures and the committee took full charge of games and coaching.

Senator Howard said the efforts of the committee had helped build up a tremendous spirit among the members and this in turn had helped them become the most successful squash club in North Munster.



Continued success to the One Mile Inn,



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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

Details

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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Details

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 by beating Newmarket the final at the Auburn Lodge. Newmarket winners were Pat Cougle 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

Senior squash leagues conclude

The Clare senior individual squash leagues (division 1 and 2) concluded this week with victory going to Kyran Hurley and Dickie Pyne respectively. Both sections proved very exciting with the results in doubt right up to the last series of games.

In division 2 Dickie Pyne, following a surprise defeat at the hands of Danny Liddy, struck back to score a great 3/1 win over young Seamus English to clinch the title by just one point from the Ennis C.B.S. teenager.

Going into the final round of the division 1 games on Monday night Kyran Hurley and Seamus Hayes were both unbeaten and so had everything to play for. It was a tough game with some good rallies before Hurley justified favouritism by winning 10/9, 9/6 and 9/1 to take the crown. This is how the table looks after the full programme of games in this division: K. Hurley, 40 pts.; S. Hayes 35; D. Maurer, 31; G. Bredin, 24; T. Lillis, 19; T. Lynch, 17; J. Keane, 14; P. O'Grady, 11; J. McEntee 10.

This week the C.B.S. club

made the draw for an individual handicap competition which will be run off over the next three weeks. This should prove an extremely exciting competition with matches being the best of three games to 15.

All clubs will be holding their club championships during the month of March and the One Mile Inn club has already finalised dates for the event with their finals scheduled for March 30 after which they will hold their annual buffet dance and presentation of prizes at the West County Inn.

The Clare championship will be run off over the first two weeks of April and details for this will be finalised at a meeting of the C.S.R.A. at Broghans on this Thursday evening at 8.30 p.m.

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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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:** Chaoimhín Ó Sé; **Development Committee members:** Centenary Committee members; **Communications Committee members:** All Officers of Coiste Peil and Coiste Iomann, plus all Usual Delegates; **Bord na nOg Peil:** Bord na nOg Iomann; **Primary School Board:** Peil agus Iomann; **County Supporters Club members:** **ALL CLUBS:** Cathasairleach, 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.

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SQUASH :

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

SQUASH

Clare Clubs Out of Championships

TWO Clare teams made their exit from Munster team squash championships in the last week. In the mens junior event the Auburn Lodge lost to Limerick Lawn Tennis Club at Limerick. The Ennis club was represented by

Denis Maurer, Jack Keane, Danny Liddy, Dickie Pyne and Damien Byrne.

Last Sunday the One Mile Inn ladies travelled to Cork where they were most unlucky to lose to Highfield on a 3-2 scoreline. Margaret Lacheiner and Caroline McDonnell won for the Ennis side while Ann O'Dowd, Jan Davis and Bridie O'Flaherty were beaten.

On the home front activity is in full swing within the various clubs. In the Ennis CBS club Tony Lynch and John McEntee have reached the final of the handicap competition while the championships are at an advanced stage with the finals set for Friday week.

The One Mile Inn club championships commence on Monday night next and continue each night until Friday, March 30 when the finals will be played. Times are appointed for all games and players are asked to check the notice board for the fixtures.

The Auburn Lodge club will run a handicap tourna-

ment over the next couple of weeks and this should prove exciting.

Arrangements are now being made at St. Flannan's club for the staging of their club championships and details will be announced in the next week.

The Clare Mens Division 3B and the Mens Division IV are running smoothly and to date Ennis C.B.S. are doing well in both events while in the Ladies Novice Clarecastle and Ennis C.B.S. are doing well.

Arrangements for the Clare championship are to be announced next week. The event commences on April 1 and will conclude on Friday, April 13 when the finals will be staged at the Auburn Lodge.

Prizes for the winners and runners-up in Mens Division I and II and Ladies Division I (team and individual events) will be presented at De Beers club on this Thursday at 9.30 p.m.

Football referees strike over

Following a meeting between the Clare football referees and officials of the football board in Miltown on Tuesday night, the referees have agreed to make themselves available to handle games promoted by the board.

In a statement issued on Wednesday by the referees they state that following assurances that the referees reports will be acted upon promptly and not later than six weeks at

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.



Some of the finalists in the One Mile Inn Squash Championships pictured with Tony and Mary Howard, sponsors. Included are Margaret Lacheiner, Bridie O'Flaherty, John Costin (committee) Mary Crowley and Eamonn Kelly treasurer.

April 1984

Good standard at One Mile Inn finals

The One Mile Inn club championship finals were staged last week-end and there were a number of entertaining games. In the mens division 1 final Tony Lynch was going for his third major success in recent weeks but on this occasion he had to be content with second place losing out in straight games to Seamus Hayes in a disappointing final. Margaret Lacheiner retained her ladies title with a 3/0 win over Bridie O'Flaherty.

Seamus Howard, a member of the Munster under 16 squad won the division II title beating Noel Crowley 3/1 while Noel's wife, Mary, won the ladies crown with a 3/0 win over Kay Murphy. Kieran Browne captured the mens division II title when beating Joe Hickey while the ladies division III title was won by Maeve Lait who beat Ann Killeen.03 The club held a very enjoyable social afterwards at the West County Inn when Senator Michael Howard presented the prizes. The prizes for the ladder competition, sponsored by Pat Keogh Construction were also presented and the winners were Gerry Bredin, Jim O'Dowd, Michael Carmody, Margaret Lacheiner, Paddy Commene, Eamonn Kelly, Bridie O'Flaherty, Theresa Corbett, Ursula O'Connell, Marian

Barry and Irene Malone.

The Clare championships got under way on Monday night when the sixteen first round games in the mens competition were decided while on Tuesday night it was the turn of the ladies to play their first round games. The plate events for both men and ladies gets under way on this Thursday night and the quarter finals in all sections will start on Monday next with the semi-finals on Wednesday and the finals on Friday.

After the finals on Friday (April 13) the C.S.R.A. will hold a buffet dance at the West County Inn at which the presentation of prizes will take place.

The club championships at St. Flannans are now under way and will be run off over the next two weeks.

At the Auburn Lodge the handicap competitions are at the quarter final stages while entries are now being accepted for the club championships.

The way will be clear for the semi-finals in the Clare mens division 3 B and division 4 after this week's games and these semi-finals will take place next week and the teams involved should get in touch with the league secretary Dermot O'Hanlon with regard to the venues for the games.

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By—GERRY S

The last week in July and August will provide children with an experience when St. Flannan's C for a Summer camp organised by a group of Physical Education teachers whom are past pupils of a

Transforming what can be a very boring time—the long school holidays—even for children of such tender years into an experience of a

SQUASH:

Clare squash finals on this Friday

THE Clare squash championships have reached the semi-final stage and the major surprise to date was the defeat of No. 2 seed Tony Lillis by Seamus English in the quarter-final on Monday night. Seventeen-year-old English was in tremendous form and if he can reproduce this display then he must be in with a great chance of taking his first title.

In the semi-final English meets Gerry Bredin, while in the other side of the draw, Tony Lynch takes on the No. 1 seed, Seamus Hayes. In the ladies semi-finals, the holder, Margaret Lacheiner, meets her clubmate Jan Davis, who eliminated the No. 4 seed Mary Carey in the quarter-final, while Betty McMahon will meet Anne O'Dowd in the other semi-final. Bridie O'Flaherty was forced to concede a walkover on Monday because of illness.

All finals will be played on this Friday night at the Auburn Lodge where the programme will commence with the ladies plate at 6.30, followed by the mens plate (7.15); ladies championship (8 p.m.) and mens championship (9 p.m.). Afterwards the C.S.R.A. will hold a buffet/disco at the West County Inn at which the presentation of prizes will take place.

In the Auburn Lodge handicap competitions, the semi-finals have been fixed for Monday next with the finals on Wednesday. The club championships get under way this week and will be run off over the next couple of weeks.

The Clare leagues are now drawing to a close also and the mens Div. IV final will be played on Tuesday next. Still in contention at the time of

writing were Ennis C.B.S. (the favourites), Clarecastle, Newmarket and Lissycasey. The mens division 3B will be completed by the end of April and here again Ennis C.B.S. are the favourites.

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April 1984

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.

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

The A.G. M. Wednesday 9th May, 1984

The Annual General Meeting of the One Mile Inn Squash Club was held on Wednesday the 9th May at 9.00 p.m. There were 14 members present. Apologies from Jan Davis, Michael Howard and Colette Kelly.

The Minutes of the previous A.G.M. were typed up and were given out to all present.

The Treasurer reported a balance of £94.19.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The C.S.R.A. Leagues got off to an early start this year, with a Mens Individual Division 1 and Ladies Division 1 both beginning in September. The One Mile Inn emerged winners in the Ladies with Seamus Hayes coming second in the Mens. Teams were entered in all other C.S. A. Leagues and while all gave very creditable performances none featured in the honours.

The Clare Championships produced some marvelous squash with Seamus Hayes again for the O.M.I. narrowly beaten in the semi finals. Heartiest congratulations to Margaret Lachiner who won her 8th title in the Ladies. It is very doubtful if anyone will beat this record. Congratulations to Anne O'Dowd who reached the semi finals also for the Club.

The Munster Close was surely the highlight of the Squash year. It was extremely well organized by the C.S.R.A. and provided us with the opportunity to see some of the great names in the game in action. The O.M.U. did very well with Margaret Lachiner coming out tops in the Ladies B Section and Jan Davis and Fiona Nugent coming third and fourth in their section. A Team was entered in the Ladies Munster Intermediate League. The Team comprising of Margaret Lachiner, Bridie O'Flaherty Ann O'Dowd, Jan Davis and Caroline McDonnell travelling to Cork to play Highfield and were very unlucky not to have made it to the final being narrowly beaten 3 - 2. On their first outing in this league it was a very commendable performance.

Congratulations also to the Ladies Junior Team who came third in their League in Limerick being just beaten into that place by one point.

At Club Level a new League was introduced. Run in the same way as the Autumn League it should be a permanent fixture in our calendar of event. This year the honours went to a team captained by Tom Malone. The Autumn League a very popular event in the Club, was won by a team captained by Anne O'Dowd.

The Harp, always a very successful event was won by Seamus Hayes for the first time beating Gerry Bredin, Margaret Lacheiner had a fine win over Bridie O'Flaherty in the Ladies.

The format of the Club Championship was the same as last year and was equally as successful. Seamus Hayes won the mens Division 1, Seamus Howard Division 2 and Kieran Browne Division 3. In the Ladies, Margaret Lacheiner won Division 1, Mary Crowely Division 2 and Maeve Lait Division 3. The Annual Social was as usual a great success with 150 in attendance.

Coaching started at the beginning of the season with large attendances at all sessions especially the Ladies. A Special word of thanks to John Costin and Margaret Lacheiner for all their work in this area.

Six Blitz Competitions were held in October, November, December, January, April and May. The Ladder was started at the beginning of the season this year and games were keenly contested right up to its closure in March.

This was ~~the~~ Clubs 10th Anniversary year and to mark the occasion a Special Blitz was run in December. Sponsored by Pat McCarthy Shoes, the night was a great success. All known previous members of the Committee were invited back to take part in a Blitz which was eventually won by Dickie Pynes team. The occasion was also used to make a special presentation to Mary Hennessy in recognition of her hard work and loyalty to the club in the past.

A special word of thanks to all the lady members of the Committee for providing sandwiches for all functions.

The Chairman Seamus Hayes was first to speak up and began by thanking his fellow officers for their great work during the year. The December Blitz which Pat McCarthy shoes sponsored was discussed and that led to a discussion with regards to organizing Blitzes. Eamonn Kelly suggested organizing tickets for all competitions with numbers. Money to be paid for ticket and then number to be placed on sheet. Envelopes to be organized by Committee at start of season.

Ann O'Dowd suggested asking Michael Howard to contribute to cost of 10th Anniversary T-Shirts. This is to be discussed with Mr. Howard later as he was not available to attend the A.G.M.

A suggestion was made to try and limit the number of Blitzes to five in each team. This will create more interest with a lot of people being left out. Also in connection with sponsorship regarding prizes. To change our prizes to sports gear would create more interest. The incoming Committee will have to discuss this as there would be a lot of money involved.

A suggestion was made that a definite night for^a monthly meeting even if nothing is to be discussed.

With regards to the Coaching it started off great but due to more competitions it fell off. There was a fantastic response from Ladies but a very bad response from the Men.

The Autumn League attracted great interest and was a greater success than the Blitzes. Aidan Feore suggested more League Competitions instead of Blitzes as these could go down well with the Sponsors. Seamus Hayes said that there would have to be stricter rules regarding the block booking of Courts for same as last year many night block bookings were not availed of as the competitors played their games beforehand and not on the night in question leaving Courts free for hours.

Michael Howard was not available for the Meeting and a Meeting with him will have to be held soon to discuss various changes which need to be made in the Club. The 2 Courts are in a very bad condition and if he doesn't do some improvements it will have to be put to him at another Meeting.

The following Officers were elected:

CHAIRMAN -	JOHN COSTIN
Vice Chairman -	MARGARET LACHEINER
Secretary-	ROSEMARIE GUTHRIE
Treasurer -	EAMONN KELLY
Club Captain -	BRIDIE O'FLAHERTY

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Tom Malone	Aidan Feore	Michael Carmody	Michael O'Connell
Ger Browne	Jan Davis	Teresa Corbett	Fiona Nugent
Ann O'Dowd.			

Squash Officials Elected

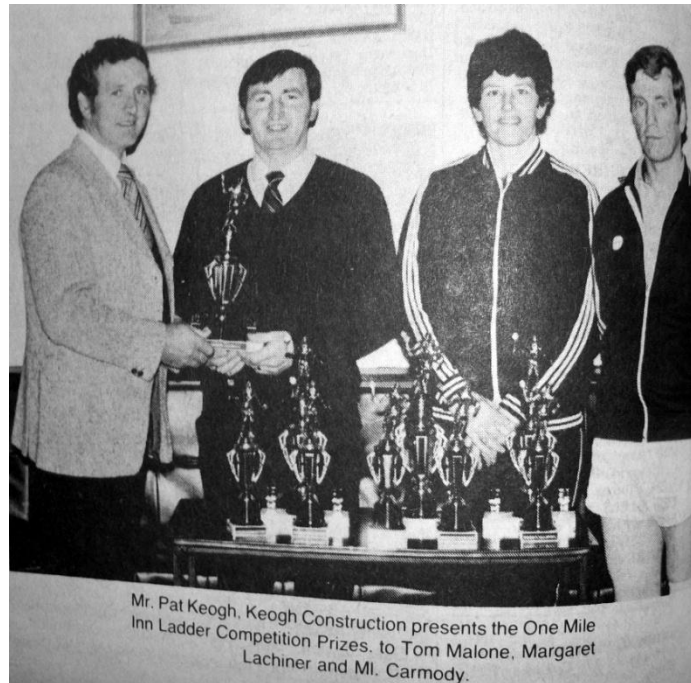
The annual general meeting of the Clare squash rackets assoc., was held on Monday night last at the One Mile Inn when there was a very good attendance. The outgoing officers all presented detailed reports of the years activities and all were satisfied that the state of squash in Clare was very healthy.

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.



June 1984

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Committee

Chairman John Costin (who retired and was replaced by Jim O'Dowd), Vice Chairperson M. Lacheiner, Treasurer Eamonn Kelly (who retired and was replaced by Ger Browne), Secretary Rose Guthrie, Club Captain Bridie O'Flaherty. Committee: T Malone, A Feore, M Carmody, M O'Connell, J Davis, T Corbett, F Nugent and A O'Dowd.

Major Events

Total Membership 125.

Kilkee Golf Club open a new squash court.

Cooraclare G.A.A. open a new squash court.

Kildysart Community Sports Club opens a new squash court.

The CSRA President is **Seamus Hayes** (OMI).

Clare Squash hosts the Munster Open for the first time. The tournament which was sponsored by Clarenbridge Crystal, attracted top players from home and abroad. The finals were held in the Auburn Lodge. The Mens A Title was won by the International John Barrett from Cork.

Margaret Lacheiner wins West County Sports Personality of the Month Award, after winning her ninth consecutive Clare Senior Title.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def T Lynch

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def C McDonnell

Mens Harp Winner S Hayes def Maurice Murphy

Ladies Harp Winner M Lacheiner def A O'Dowd

Mens Clare Champion S English (CBS) def Tony Lynch (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def Caroline McDonnell (CBS)

OMI are R-Up in the Ladies Div 2 Clare League.

The OMI won the Inter Club Knock Out held in De Beers. The team was S Hayes, Joe Griffin, G Browne, Jan Davis and Teresa Corbett.

The OMI are R-Up in the Mens Div 3 League. The team was S Howard, J Griffin, M Griffin, G Browne, Tony Chapman, Aidan Feore and Maurice Murphy.

Seamus Hayes is R-Up in the Div 1 Clare Individual League

Another handicap competition is held. The winners were Gary Casey and Margaret Lacheiner. The runners up were Teresa Corbett and Ken O'Farrell.

The Mens Div 4 Team was John McNicholas, Sean Hayes, Paul Wright, Brendan Slattery, Joe Hickey, Tony Hehir and Gerard Lee.

The Ladies Div 4 Team was Bernie O'Loughlin, M Lernihan, Sheila Keane, Maura Hanrahan, Bernie Lee, Anna Hayes and Margaret Hehir.

Sept. 14-16: Inter Club Team Knock-out.	Clarecastle
Sept. 21: Ladies Division II.	
Sept. 22: Mens Division II.	
October: Coaching available: Contact C.S.R.A. officials not later than Sept. 16. Fee £15 per person for four sessions.	
Oct. 12: Refereeing course at 8 p.m.	Auburn Lodge
Nov. 1: Ladies Indiv. Section A.	
Nov. 3: Mens Indiv. Section A.	
Nov. 5: Ladies Div. IV.	
Nov. 7: Mens Div. IV.	
Dec. 14-16: Inter-Firm: Teams of 5.	Shannon Diamond

CLARE SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION



Jan. 12: Inter-Club Blitz.
Jan. 14: Mens 'Confined' League.
Jan. 16: Ladies 'Confined' League.
Jan. 16: Ladies Div. III.
Jan. 18-20: Munster Open
Championships (prov.).
Jan. 25: Mens Div. III.
Jan. 26: Mens Indiv. B and C
sections.
Jan. 27: Ladies Indiv. B.

Ennis

Feb. 18: Div. I Mixed Team.

March: Concluding stages of
Leagues.

April 9-19: Clare Championships.

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Sept 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.

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.

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.

Oct 1984

Squash leagues advance

BOTH the Clare mens and ladies Div. II leagues are now nearing completion and will be concluded by the end of October.

In the mens competition, there is a tremendous battle for honours between the holders, Ennis C.B.S. 'A' and the One Mile Inn. With both sides having two games each to play, there is very little between them at present. When they met recently the One Mile Inn had a narrow win, but the C.B.S. remain slight favourites to win the competition.

In the ladies Div. II the Ennis C.B.S. team look set for victory following narrow wins over both the Auburn Lodge and the One Mile Inn.

Meanwhile, plans are now being drawn up for the mens and ladies senior individual leagues which get under way in the first week in November.

Activity is in full swing in the clubs with Autumn team leagues under way in both the One Mile Inn and Auburn Lodge clubs.

There will be an important meeting of the C.S.R.A. at Brogan's, O'Connell Street, Ennis on Monday night next at 8.30 p.m. and all members are requested to attend.

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The 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.

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Nov 1984

Squash

Three rounds of the Clare senior mens individual league have been played and to date the only unbeaten players are Seamus English, Tony Lynch and Seamus Hayes. Its generally expected that one of these three will win the title and Lynch remains the clear favourite following his convincing wins to date.

The ladies individual league is also in progress and two rounds have been played.

Nov 1984

Squash Leagues Advance

The Clare squash leagues are now in full swing and at present four competitions are taking place. In the mens div. IV De Beers lead in group 1 from Newmarket while in group 2 the Auburn Lodge team are the leaders from Liscasey A. The top two teams in each group will qualify for the semi-finals.

In the mens senior individual (section 1) league only three players remain unbeaten. They are the favourites Tony Lynch, Seamus English, the Clare Champion and Seamus Hayes. Five rounds of the league have still to be played so there should be great competition in the coming weeks.

In the ladies individual competition Ann O'Dowd is in a strong position after four rounds.

The Auburn Lodge club ran a very successful inter club blitz competition on Thursday night last. Nine teams participated and the winners were in Ennis CBS A team captained by Tony Lynch. In the final the defeated the A team from the host club. After the competition a most successful buffet social was held at which there was a big attendance.

The final of the Auburn Lodge club's autumn league takes place on this Thursday night commencing at 6.30 p.m.

SQUASH:

Senior league title

With just three rounds remaining in the Clare senior mens individual league (section 1) there are only two unbeaten players. Tony Lynch and Seamus Hayes have full points from their matches to date but they face very tough contests in the next three weeks before they clash in the final round of the competition.

There was a surprise early this week when Seamus English lost his unbeaten record to John McEntee who won on a three games to two scoreline. While English faces a more difficult task if he is to win the title following this upset, he is by no means out of the race as he is just three points behind the leaders. He has yet to meet both Lynch and Hayes and victory in these games would put him in a very strong position.

In fourth place and very

much in contention at present is Tony Lillis and he is followed by John McEntee and Danny Liddy.

In the ladies senior individual competition it appears to be a race between Ann O'Dowd and Lil Moyles who are both unbeaten to date. They have yet to meet in the competition in which four rounds remain but they also face some very stern contests and anything could happen yet.

In the ladies division IV team league the Auburn Lodge are unbeaten to date and are now strong favourites to capture the title.

The mens division IV is at the half way stage and at this point De Beers and the Auburn Lodge lead their sections but Clarecastle, Lissycasey A and Newmarket are still well in contention. Two teams from each section will qualify for the semi-finals.

This Friday is the final date for receiving entries for the inaugural inter-firm competition. This will take place at Shannon on December 14, 15 and 16, the original dates fixed. Some time ago it was decided to bring the competition forward one week but this is not suitable and the event goes back to the original date. Entries should be sent to Marie Lynch, secretary C.S.R.A. or any member of the Clare body on or before Friday with a £10 fee. The draw will be made this weekend and the teams will be notified.

At the One Mile Inn club the annual Harp handicap competition, one of the highlights of the season, gets under way this week. The final is set for December 19 and some great games are expected before the final pairing is known.



Boxing Club, winner of the Clare Munster junior boxing last. He also won the Boxer Championships award.

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 Waters 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



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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.





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.

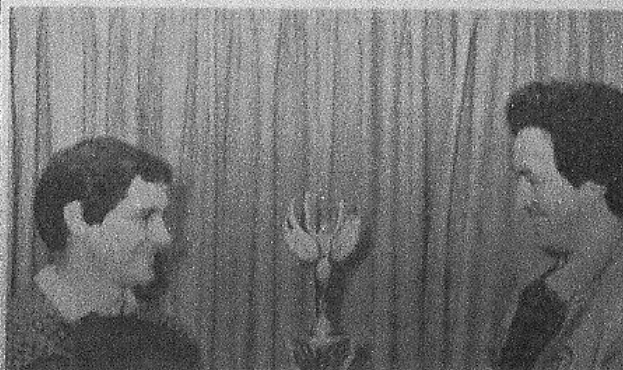
entry. The mens confined league is to go ahead after it had looked for a time that it too would have to be cancelled.

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 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.



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 Hosey 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

Great interest in inter-firm event



FOURTEEN teams entered for the inaugural inter-firm squash competition which got under way on Saturday last. The competition is now at the quarter-final stage and these games will be played on this Thursday night. The semi-finals and final will be on Saturday and the Shannon Diamond club is the venue for all games.

The quarter-final pairings are: De Beers 'A' v Westinghouse; Colaiste Mhuire v A.T.C. Shannon; De Beers 'B' v Boart Hard Metals; Clare Champion v Ennis C.B.S.

Clare leagues are now back in full swing with two rounds of the ladies division III complete. The mens division III gets under way on this Friday night while the mens 'confined' league got under way on Monday last. The senior individual section 'B' and 'C' (Men) and section 'B' (Ladies) get under way this week also. The senior mixed team league will commence in two weeks time and arrangements for this will be made at a meeting of the Clare Association on this Thursday night in Shannon. Also on the agenda for this meeting will be the running of a juvenile league in Clare. The way is now clear for the final of the Newmarket

club's team league. This will take place on Thursday next, February 7 between the teams captained by Betty McMahon and D. J. Meehan. In last Monday's game in the series, Diarmuid Hanratty's team beat Kevin Greene's side. The latter team needed to get full points to reach the final and while the captain, Kevin Greene, beat Diarmuid Hanratty by three games to nil, Geraldine Greene beat Diarmuid Hanratty by three nil, Geraldine Fahy scored a great 3/0 win over John Power.

The One Mile Inn ladder competition, the winner of which will receive a continental holiday, gets under way this week and will run until the end of March. All members will be issued with details of the competition over the weekend and a copy of the rules relating to the tournament will be posted on the notice board. With such a valuable prize on offer it's expected that the competition will arouse great interest.



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

■ 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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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.

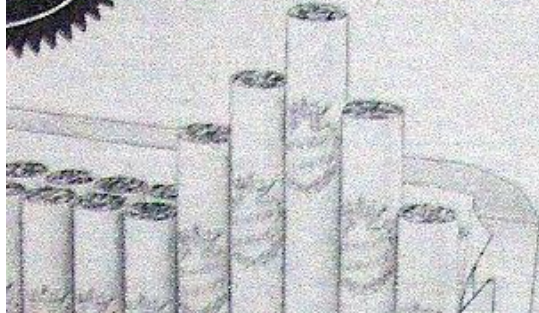
In the other side of the draw the semi-final will be between Seamus English and Jack Keane. On Tuesday night English had a 2/0 win over Eric Hanrahan who was somewhat unlucky not to bring it to a third. In the other quarter final Jack Keane beat John McEtee by two games to one in a very close contest.

Auburn Lodge

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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 proving to be most entertaining and some great games are expected over the next couple of weeks as the battle for the title continues.

One Mile Inn

The One Mile Inn continental holiday ladder competition 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



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.



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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...ous English narrowly failed to get on the Munster team. He went out in the third round to Tony Kelleher of Catholic Institute, who was subsequently beaten in the final.

TITLE FOR FLYNN

● The finals of the Ennis C.B.S. handicap competitions took place on Monday night when Johnnie Flynn, playing at 7, defeated Jack Keane, out 13, in two very closely contested games. In the semi-finals on the previous Thursday, Flynn had ousted Tony Lillis, while Keane ended the hopes of Seamus English. In the ladies final Mary Carey justified her reputation when beating Lil Kierles.

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● The Clare leagues are now at the half-way stage and there are some great battles for the various titles. The leagues will conclude at the end of March.

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CLARE MEETING

● There will be a meeting of the Clare Snash Association on this Thursday evening at the Auburn Lodge at 9.30 p.m. at which, amongst other matters, arrangements for the Clare championships will be discussed. The championships will be played over the first two weeks in April with the finals on April 13, followed by the Association's Annual Buffet Disco at the Auburn Lodge Hotel.

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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 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 of the West County Inn and Ballymotors.

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.

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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.

March 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.

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 who has been struggling over

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, Maureen 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 Maureen 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 Connolly 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 Maureen 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 Farry and Maureen McNicholas did well.

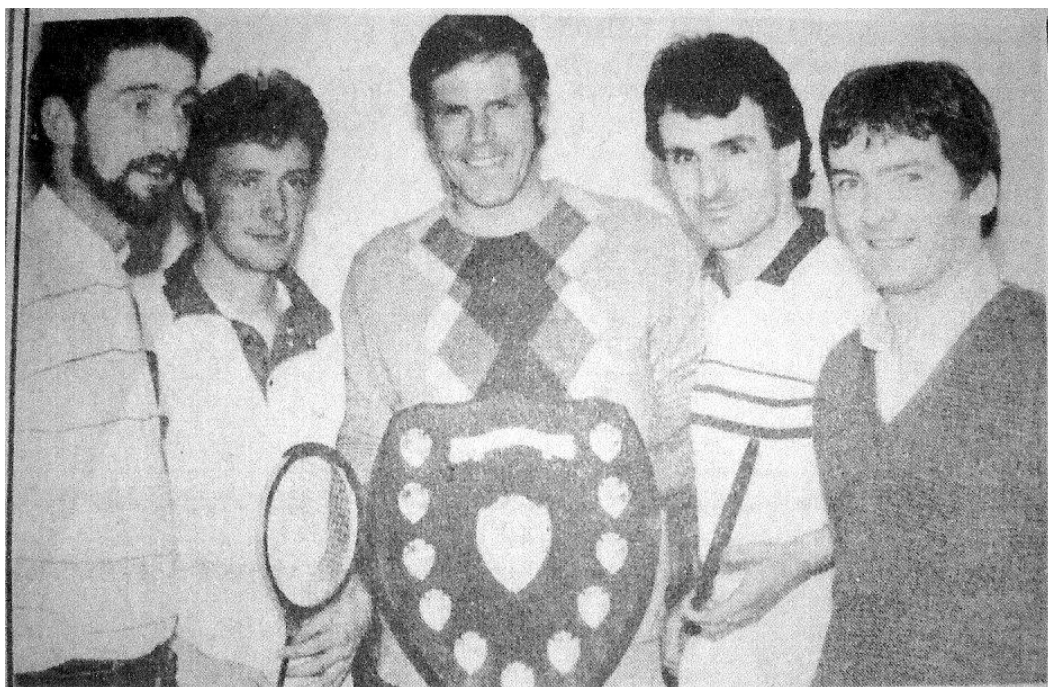
WEXFORD	5-8
CLARE	0-3

After a shaky start in which both teams contributed scrappy play, Wexford settled down to take the upper hand and were 0-6 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 Farry 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. Mary'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.

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■ 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.

April 1985

Sports award for Squash star

The undisputed number one lady in Clare squash, Margaret Lacheiner, won further honour last week when she was named as the West County Sports Personality of the Month award winner for March.

Mrs. Lacheiner of the One Mile Inn club, has dominated competition in Clare throughout the past decade and recently she won her ninth consecutive Clare senior title. In fact she is the only person to have won the Clare ladies Squash championship title and she has set a record which is unlikely to be equalled ever mind surpassed.

At last week's luncheon Mr. John Madden paid tribute to Mrs. Lacheiner on her many outstanding achievements in squash. He spoke of the enormous commitment involved in winning so many prestigious titles and he wished her well in the future.

Mrs. Lacheiner has been playing squash since the first court was built at the One Mile Inn ten years ago. She has won every honour in the game in Clare during that time and has led many One Mile Inn teams to success in North Munster leagues. When the Munster close championships were staged in Clare two years ago Mrs. Lacheiner was in the winners enclosure again after she had beaten fellow Clare player, Betty McMahon in a tremendous final.

In addition to her feats on the court, Mrs. Lacheiner has given much of her spare time to promoting the game in her club and has been an active member of the committee for many seasons.



Mr. John Madden, manag West Co. Inn presents the March sports award to Margaret Lacheiner, with selection committee member P. Considine on right.

May 1985

• 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.

May 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.

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● Pictured after the One Mile Inn championships in April 1985 were (from left): Joe Griffin, Margaret Lacheiner, Michael Howard (One Mile Inn), Seamus Hayes, Teresa Hehir and Kieran Browne.

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Pictured at the presentation of prizes after the One Mile inn handicap competition were (left to right) Donal Moloney, seven-up sponsors, Gary Casey, winner, Margaret Lachiner, winner, Teresa Corbett, runner-up and Len O'Farrell runner-up.

June 1985

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.

June 1985

The A.G.M. Wednesday 25th. September 1985.

The Annual General Meeting of the One Mile Inn Squash Club was held on Wednesday the 25th. day of September, 1985 at 9.00 p.m. Seventeen members were present. The minutes of the previous A.G.M. were typed out and were given out to all present.

The Treasurer reported a balance of £343.06 .

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Membership for 1984/85 was approximately 125. (Approximate as the Membership book was with Mr. Howard who was away).

Sponsorship was received this year for a Continental Holiday and same attracted many new members. After many and varied discussions on the running of same it was decided that a ladder competition would be run and it boiled down to Joe Griffin and Ken O'Farrell with Ken winning the holiday.

The C.S.R.A. ran off a number of Leagues and our congratulations are extended to Caroline McDonnell who won the Ladies Individual Section A and to Ann O'Dowd who was the Runner-Up. Teresa Hehir was the Runner- Up in the B Section. In the Mens Individual Section A Tony Lynch was the winner with Seamus Hayes the Runner-Up. In the Clare Championships Tony Lynch was the Runner-Up in the Mens with Margaret Lacheiner again taking the Ladies Title by beating Caroline McDonnell.

Three Inter-Club Blitzes and one Inter - Firm Blitz were held throughout the year and a team from the One Mile Inn emerged winners against De Beers at one staged in De Beers.

At Club level congratulations are extended to Seamus Hayes who won the Club Championships by beating Tony Lynch in an exciting final and Joe Griffin who beat Jim O'Dowd. Margaret Lacheiner emerged winner against Caroline McDonnell.

7-UP were sponsors for a Handicap in which Gary Casey beat Ken O'Farrell and Margaret Lacheiner emerged winner again against Teresa Corbett.

The HARP Handicap was run off successfully again this year with Maurice Murphy getting to the finals but was beaten by Seamus Hayes. Margaret Lacheiner emerged winner again against Ann O'Dowd.

The Autumn League again attracted great interest with the final competition boiling down to Michael Carmody's team and John Costin's team of which Michael Carmody's team emerged as winners.

Mid -Season a new Chairman Jim O'Dowd and a new Treasurer Ger Browne took up positions following the resignations of John Costin and Eamonn Kelly.

This year our Annual Get-Together was held at the One Mile Inn and the night was a great success. Food , music and spot - prizes were organised by the committee and a great night was had by all.

One very exciting event that was held was the " Cycle " in aid of the Club. The main reason was to raise funds for the Club so as to enable the club to give better prizes for Competitions. Over £300.00 was made from same and a great day was had by all.

Sponsors for Blitzes this year were :-

STUDIO EYEWEAR	7_ UP	HARP
DWANS	COLLINS JEWELLERS	MICHAEL HOWARD
JIM O'DOWD	GERRY BREDIN	

A word of thanks to all Committee Members for their work throughout the year.

The Minutes were proposed by Jim O'Dowd and seconded by Tom Malone.

The Treasurers Report was proposed by Bridie O'Flaherty and seconded by Margaret Lacheiner.

Jim O'Dowd thanked all the Committee especially the Secretary Rosemarie Guthrie and Treasurer Ger Browne for their work through out the year. He also thanked Michael O'Connell for organising the " Cycle " in aid of the Club, which made over £300.00 for the Club.

The matter of the courts being closed every Thursday night while Caberet is on was discussed and same is to be put to Michael Howard.

Seamus Hayes was in attendance and the cost of advertising in the Clare Champion was discussed and he said it would cost approximately £25.00 for advertising. Seamus also spoke about getting some cut glass for prizes and keeping the numbers in blitzes small and maybe increasing the time to 15 minutes. He advised the incoming Committee to be strict with regards to time from the very first Blitz of the season.

The Election of Officers took place and the following were elected:-

CHAIRMAN	Jim O'Dowd	
VICE - CHAIRWOMAN	Margaret Lacheiner	
SECRETARY	Jan Davis	
TREASURER	Ger Browne	
CLUB CAPTAIN	MICHAEL O'CONNELL	
P.R.O.	Seamus Hayes	
COMMITTEE	Tom Malone	Bridie O'Flaherty
	Eamonn Kelly	Teresa Corbett
	Michael Carmody	
	Joe Griffin	

Also attended the meeting were :-

Rosemarie Guthrie

Mary Hennessy

Ann O'Dowd

Aidan Feore

ROSEMARIE GUTHRIE

(Secretary)

ONE MILE INN SQUASH CLUB

CASH STATEMENT 25-9-85

RECEIPTS

Cash at bank 12-9-84	3.95
Mr. Howard	100.00
Studio Eyewear	45.50
T-Shirts & Raffles	104.00
Dwans	50.00
Collins	25.80
Handicap & Autumn League	199.00
Club Championship	52.00
Sponsored Cycle Rally	300.00

880.25

PAYMENTS

C.S.R.A.	241.00
M.S.R.A.	100.00
L.S.R.A.	20.00
Inter-Club 11112	30.00
Trophies (Dwans)	50.00
Mentally Handicapped Olympics	20.00
Clare Champion	31.98
Bank Fees & Duty	16.01
Secretarial	28.20
Cash at Bank 25-9-85	343.06

880.25

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



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



● *Prizewinners at the Munster Close championships held in Ennis in 1983 pictured with Munster President Tim O'Sullivan. Clare players included are Tony Lynch, Tony Lillis, Gerry Neary and John McEntee. Also included is Mrs. Gay Barry of Clarenbridge Crystal, the sponsors.*



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.



● Pictured after the Clare champ'ship finals in 1981 were, from left: Denis Maurer (runner-up), Betty McMahon (runner-up), Josette Maurer, sponsors, Margaret Lacheiner (winner) and Seamus Hayes (winner), now President of C.S.R.A.



● Pictured after the Munster 'Open' finals in 1984 were (from left): John Young, David Gotto, Bob D'Silva, Clarenbridge Crystal, John Barrett and George Okerchiri.

Where the Titles went in 1984 - '85

MEN

WINNERS

Clare Championship	Seamus English
	Runner-Up: Tony Lynch
Clare Plate	Johnnie Flynn
	Runner-Up: Mike Conlon
Div. II League	Ennis C.B.S.
	Runner-Up: De Beers/Newmarket
Div. III League	Ennis C.B.S.
	Runner-Up: One Mile Inn
Div. IV League	De Beers
	Runner-Up: Newmarket
Confined League	Kilkee
	Runner-Up: St. Flannan's
Indiv. Section A	Tony Lynch
	Runner-Up: Seamus Hayes
Section B	Eric Hanrahan
	Runner-Up: Declan Coote
Section C	Johnnie Flynn
	Runner-Up: Kevin McDonnell
Boys Under-12	Phelim Collins
	Runner-Up: Barry Lynch
Boys Under-14	Darren Kelly
	Runner-Up: Cormac Murphy
Boys Under-16	Ger Gleeson
	Runner-Up: Brian Cosgrave

Where the Titles went in 1984 - '85 Season

LADIES

WINNER

Clare Championship	Margaret Lacheiner
	Runner-Up: Caroline McDonnell
Clare Plate	Ann O'Loughlin
	Runner-Up: Kathleen Lenihan
Div. II League	Ennis C.B.S.
	Runner-Up: Auburn Lodge
Div. III League	Ennis C.B.S.
	Runner-Up: Auburn Lodge
Div. IV League	Auburn Lodge
	Runner-Up: Ennis C.B.S.
Indiv. League: Section A	Caroline McDonnell
	Runner-Up: Ann O'Dowd
Section B	Carmel Enright
	Runner-Up: Theresa Hehir
Section C	Geraldine Fogarty
	Runner-Up: Mary Madigan

WINNER

Inter Club Blitz	One Mile Inn
	Runner-Up: Shannon Diamond
Inter-Club Knockout	Auburn Lodge
	Runner-Up: Ennis C.B.S.
Inter-Firm	De Beers
	Runner-Up: Clare Champion

1985/86

Committee

Chairman Jim O' Dowd, Vice Chairperson M Lacheiner, Secretary Jan Davis, Treasurer G. Browne, Club Captain M O'Connell, PRO Seamus Hayes, T Malone, E Kelly, M Carmody, J Griffin, B O'Flaherty and T Corbett.

Major Events

Total Membership is 65 (23 Ladies and 42 men).

A new squash court is opened in Ennistymon, bringing the total number of clubs to 12 in Clare.

The CSRA President is **Seamus Hayes** (OMI).

The Munster Open which was again to be hosted by the CSRA, was cancelled by Munster Squash at very short notice, over a row regarding affiliation fees that were not paid fully by three Clare clubs. This was very disappointing as all the preparations had been completed, and a sponsor secured by Clare Squash.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def G Bredin

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def A O' Dowd

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def S Howard

Ladies Harp Final Ann O'Dowd def Teresa Corbett

Mens Clare Champion S English (CBS) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion **M Lacheiner** (OMI) def C Enright (Auburn Lodge). (Margaret's tenth consecutive title).

The OMI are winners of Clare Senior Mixed League for the first time. The team was S Hayes, G Bredin, J Griffin, G Browne, M Lacheiner, A O'Dowd and J Davis.

OMI are R-Up in the Div 2 Mens league. The team included J Griffin, J O'Dowd, G Browne, Con Woods and Ken O'Farrell.

Seamus Hayes wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League.

Margaret Lacheiner wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League

The OMI are R-Up in the Inter Club Blitz. The team was S Hayes, M Lacheiner, J Griffin, J Davis, and Teresa Corbett.

The OMI wins the Inter Club Knock Out Competition.

The Autumn League winners were J Davis, G Browne, Joe Hickey, Bernie Griffin, and Seamus Howard. The R-Up team was Joe Griffin, M Lacheiner, Marian Hanley, Darren Kelly and Mary Hennessy.

M Carmody's Team won the Spring League.

A special Holiday Handicap competition is held. The winners were M Lacheiner and G.Browne..

Squash Season

The mens division 2 league is at the half way stage at which point De Beers Newmarket hold a narrow lead from the One Mile Inn. In the ladies division two Killee are going well and must be given a good chance of success.

The senior mixed team league got under way last week when there were wins for the One Mile Inn and the Auburn Lodge. These sides meet this week.

The senior individual mens and ladies leagues got under way this week and promotion and relegation will apply. Each competitor must play one game per week.

Oct 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

Senior Title for One Mile Inn

The One Mile Inn have won the senior team league title for the first time since the competition was inaugurated, three years ago. The competition which is for teams of three men and two ladies, concluded last night, Wednesday but going into the last series of games the One Mile Inn side were the winners. They were the only side unbeaten at that point.

Meanwhile there has been a tremendous battle for the runners up spot. Battling it out for this honour are Ennis CBS A and the Auburn Lodge and going into the last game the CBS were ten points clear. The big question could they pick up enough points to hold on to second place.

The mens Div. 4 team event

Autumn league at the One Mile Inn commences next week while the first competition of the season at Ennis CBS will conclude this weekend.

Good Start to Cross Country

The Clare cross country season got under way at Rynacally on Sunday last with county u. 12 and u. 14 and girls.

The mens Div. 4 team event gets under way on Monday next and nine teams have entered for this competition. It has been divided into three groups of three teams. The winner of each group will qualify for the semi-finals with the fourth place going to the runner-up with the greatest number of points. The semi-finals will be on Dec. 16 with the final on Dec. 18.

All clubs have now been notified of the draw and the groupings are - Sec. 1, Kilkee, Cooraclare, and Lissycasey; Sec. 2 - De Beers, Ennis CBS and Newmarket; Sec. 3 - One Mile Inn, Auburn Lodge and St. Flannans.

Both the ladies and mens senior individual leagues and the ladies div. 2 team competition are continuing. The latter will conclude on Dec. 9.

On the club scene the Auburn Lodge autumn league is now under way and the first rounds will be completed this week. The annual

Nov 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.

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

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 after 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.

● 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

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.

'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, 3. Lissycasey.

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 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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SQUASH

Inter-Club Squash Blitz

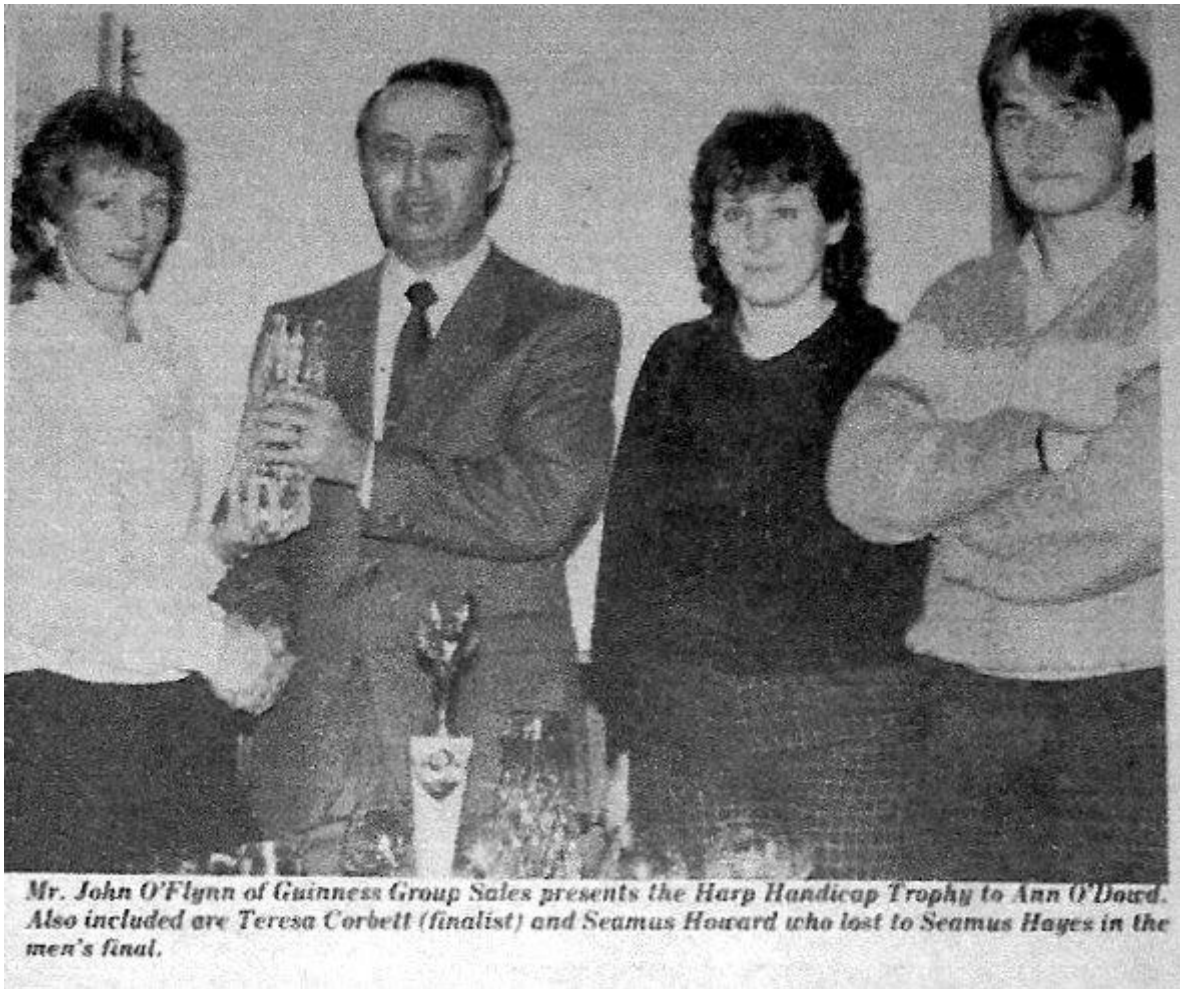
CLARE squash competitions resume this weekend after the Christmas break with the annual inter-club blitz. This event will be staged at the Shannon Diamond Club on Saturday night and involves teams from One Mile Inn (holders), Ennis C.B.S., Auburn Lodge and the host club.

The mens and ladies Div. III leagues will get under way shortly and the draw will be forwarded to competing clubs this weekend. The draw for the 'confined' leagues — a novice competition for beginners — will also take place this weekend.

The senior mens and ladies individual leagues are continuing at present and will conclude in February.

The Ennis C.B.S. club will commence 1986 activities and entries are being taken at present.

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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



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.

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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, Kilkeen 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.



Tommy Clancy of the Sherwood Inn, Ennis, centre presentd the prizes to the winners of the autumn squash league at the One Mile Inn recently. Pictured above l. to r., Bernie Griffin, Ger Browne, Tommy Clancy, Jan Davis and Seamus Howard.

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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

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.

Feb 1986

Three Clare Players on Munster Team

Three Clare players have won selection on the Munster junior teams for the inter-provincial competition in Belfast this week-end. Seamus English will be on the u. 19 side which will be expected to do well. Earlier this season CBS man English travelled with the team to England.

Darren Kelly is the travelling reserve with the provincial u. 16 team while Niall Casey will be at number 5 on the u. 14 side.

The success of these young players is mainly due to the excellent work being done by Jack Keane in particular for juniors in Clare.

On the home front St. Flannans maintained their unbeaten run in the div. 3 league when they pipped the Auburn Lodge on Monday night. In the other game in this section De Beers had a 3/2 win over Lissycasey reversing the result from their earlier meeting. St. Flannans now look set to qualify for the semi-final but any of the other three teams could gain the second qualifying spot. In the other section little separates Kilkee, Clarecastle and Ennis CBS.

Shannon Diamond look set to win the ladies div. 3 title having won all of their games to date.

Entry forms for the Clare champs. will be in all clubs next week. This year there will be a div. 2 competition for both ladies and men and there will be plate competitions in all grades. The closing date for entries is March 4.

The spring league at the One Mile Inn is doing very well and the semi-finals will be played at the end of the month. St. Flannans are also promoting a very successful team league at present.

Both the Auburn Lodge and Ennis CBS will commence their handicap competitions in the coming week and big entries have been received for both events.

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.

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 Tuamgraneys 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

WHO WILL BE THE CLARE CHAMPION?

The Clare squash championship—the highlight of the season for those involved in the sport—gets under way on next Tuesday and will conclude a week later with the finals at the Auburn Lodge on Tuesday, March 25. While the entry must be considered disappointing, a great battle is expected in the various grades and fans of the game should certainly have plenty of entertainment during the week.

Primary Schools Football

The AGM of the Clare primary schools football board was held recently at which the following officers were elected: Chairman, P. J. O'Loughlin, Lisdoonvarna. Vice, do., M. O'Connor, Miltown. Sec., J. J. Crowe, Ennistymon. Treas., M. Brown, Furglan.

This year there will again be 2 competitions for 11 a side and 15 a side teams. The following are the groupings.

11 a side: Section A - Ballyvaughan-Panora, Lisconnor, Inagh, Rahinch, Cloona-Furglan, Carron-New Quay.

Sec. B - Kilkee, Doonbeg, Miltown and Labasheeda-Drumdigas. Two teams from each section will qualify for the semi-finals.

15 a side: Sec. A - Lisdoonvarna, Kilfenora-Kilnaboy, Ennistymon, Naomh Mhuire (Quilty).

Sec. B - Kilrush, Cooraclare-Cree, Kilmihil, Lissycasey-Ballyea, Kildysart.

Two teams from each section will qualify for the semi-finals. The first rounds will be played this week and the finals will be in Cusack Park in May.

Defending champion Margaret Lacheiner will again start as favourite for the ladies crown and it will be a major surprise if she fails to win the crown for the tenth time. This is the tenth year of the competition and Mrs. Lacheiner of the One Mile Inn Club has won the title every year since its inception.

The race for the mens A title is wide open with any one of a number of players capable of winning. Defending champion Seamus English who is chasing three in a row has been seeded number three. He hasn't been all that impressive in recent times but the Munster under 19 player must be given a great chance of becoming the first player to win three consecutive Clare titles.

Beaten finalist for the last two years, Tony Lynch who is seeded number two is another

with strong claims. Former winner Seamus Hayes who has already won the senior league, has been seeded number one for the competition. While the majority feel that one of these three will win the title, Denis Maurer and Tony Lillis who have each won this competition on two occasions, cannot be ruled out.

Details of the draw which this year includes a mens B grade, for the first time, are posted on the notice boards of the clubs giving full details of all fixtures for the tournament.

The Auburn Lodge team of Jack Keane, Denis Maurer, Tony Lynch, Tony Lillis and Seamus Hayes are through to the quarter final of the Munster junior team championship. In the opening round they had an easy win over Castlelyons of Cork at the Cork club's venue. This put them through to the quarter final against Gleneagle of Killarney and this game was down for decision last night (Wednesday) at Killarney.

The popularity of handicap tournaments is evident by the fact that over half of the clubs in the county are presently

running such competitions. The Auburn Lodge's competition should be at the quarter final stage this weekend while the One Mile Inn will commence their second such event of the season next week. The winners in both the mens and ladies sections here will qualify for a holiday and this should ensure lively competition.

The final of the annual handicap event at Ennis CBS will take place on this Thursday night. In Tuesday night's semi-finals Gary Neary defeated Tony Lynch in straight games while Seamus English accounted for Gary Neary. The English-Neary final should be a lively affair. In the ladies final Caroline McDonnell will meet Kathleen Lenihan. In a great semi-final on Tuesday Miss McDonnell defeated Geraldine Fogarty by two games to one while Kathleen Lenihan accounted for Ann O'Loughlin on a similar score.

Both finals will be played on this Thursday night with the ladies game getting under way at 7.30 and it will be followed by the mens final.

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★ Mr. C. Taylor, Resident Director, De Beers, presenting the Clare Squash Div. 1 League trophy to Seamus Hayes of the One Mile Inn. Also in the picture are Joe Griffin, Margaret Lacheiner, Jan Davis and Ger Browne. Missing from the picture are Ann O'Dowd and Gerry Bredin.

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.



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.



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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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Club Championships in Full Swing

The finals of the Auburn Lodge handicap competitions were staged on Thursday night last and provided good entertainment. Marie Lynch sec. of the Clare Squash Assoc won the ladies title when she beat Fiona Nugent, who is treas., of Clare squash. This was an entertaining final in which Miss Lynch's superior fitness proved decisive.

The mens title was won by Seamus Hayes, the holder, who beat Michael Mullins in the final.

The Ennis CBS club champs. got under way this week and the first rounds must be completed by the week-end. The first round of the Auburn Lodges club championship must also be completed this week-end while the handicap competition at the One Mile Inn for a continental holiday will be at the semi-final stage by Monday. The finals of this event are fixed for Thursday of next week.

The final competition of the year in the Clare squash calendar, the annual inter-firm event, will be decided this week-end at the Shannon Diamond club. Again there has been a good entry and the event should prove most exciting. Full details of the competition which gets under way on Friday night, can be had from Betty McMahon.

The annual general meeting of Clare squash will take place on this Thursday night at the Auburn Lodge at 9 p.m. and it is expected that there will be a full turnout of all club representatives. Plans will be made for the 1986-87 season and there should be a lively discussion on the make up of next year's competitions. The annual meeting of the Munster association will be held in Limerick on Saturday at 5 p.m. and all clubs are entitled to send one delegate.

'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.

ETER CONSUMERS

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

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.

New Solicitor Welcomed

Mr. Paul Lynch, Solr., who recently commenced his own practice in Ennis was formally

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Michael Howard of the One Mile Inn congratulates prizewinners Margaret Lacheiner, Bridie O'Flaherty and Ger Browne in the club's holiday competition which proved a major attraction at the club.

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CASH STATEMENT 13-5-1986
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RECEIPTS

	£
Cash at Bank 25-9-85 :	343.00
C.S.R.A. Refunds :	45.00
Cycle Money :	6.50
Blitz :	16.00
Autumn League + Harp	
+ Raffles :	201.00
Affiliation Fees	
from Members :	195.00
7-UP :	75.00

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PAYMENTS

	£
C.S.R.A. :	90.00
M.S.R.A. :	220.00
L.S.R.A. :	20.00
Trophies :	274.00
Bank Fees + Duty :	3.49
Secretarial + Extras :	30.00
Presentations :	51.00
Cash at Bank :	193.07

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(8 trophies, value 40.00 kept over for next year).

May 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.

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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.



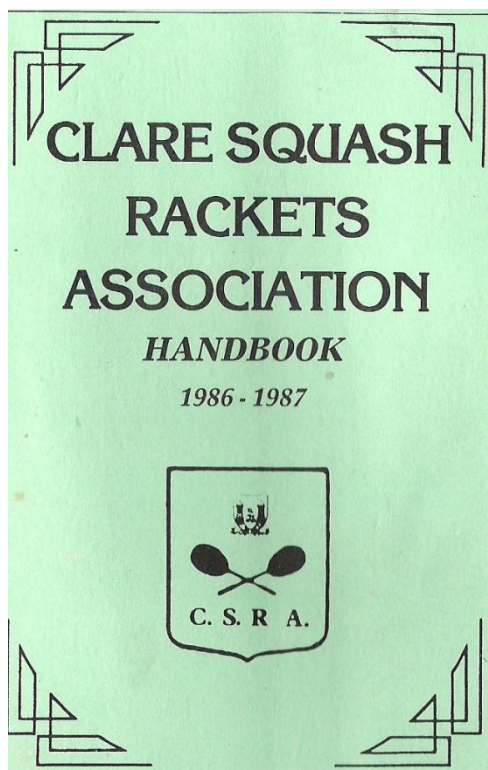
Pictured after the finals of the Ennis CBS championships were (from left): John Costin, Chairman; Martin Coffey, Trustees Savings Bank (sponsors); Seamus English, Dermot McDonnell, Ger Browne, Isobel Stokes, Caroline McDonnell, Kathleen Lenihan, Jack Keane, Gary Neary and Seamus Hayes, President C.S.R.A.

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Prize winners at the One Mile Inn club championship squash finals were l. to r., M. Carmody, T. Malone, A. O'Dowd, M. Howard, prop., M. Lacheiner, K. O'Farrell, S. Howard, Seated - T. Hehir and B. Griffin.

May 1986



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



Winners and runners-up in the many competitions held at the Shannon Diamond Club last season.



Coughlans Garage, Main Opel Dealers, Lissycasey, sponsored a senior squash league at Lissycasey. Pictured at the presentation of prizes were (from left): Seamus Hayes, Caroline McDonnell, Martin Coughlan, Carmel Enright, Tony Lillis and Gearoid O'Sullivan of the Lissycasey Club.



Pictured at the finals of the Clare championships in March 1986 were, Back Row (from left): Sean Heaslip, Declan Coote, Seamus English, Denis Maurer (sponsor), Seamus Hayes, Sean Gleeson. Front Row: Mairead Bergin, Marie Lynch, Carmel Enright and Margaret Lacheiner.

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.



Donal Moloney, Area Representative for 7-Up, presents prizes to the winners of the Autumn League at the One Mile Inn. Included are Michael Carmody, Ann Foudy and Paul Lavin.

1985-86

LADIES

Clare Championship: *Winner* Margt. Lacheiner
Runner-up Carmel Enright
Plate: *Winner* Mairead Bergin
Runner-up Marie Lynch
Div. 1 Indiv. League: *Winner* Margt. L'Facheiner
Runner-up Betty McMahon
Div. 2: *Winner* Ennis C.B.S.
Runner-up Kilkee
Div. 3: *Winner* Shannon Diamond
Runner-up Ennis C.B.S.
'Confined': *Winner* Auburn Lodge
Runner-up St. Flannan's

Div. 1: *Winner* Seamus English
Runner-up: Seamus Hayes
Div. 2: *Winner* Joe Pender
Runner-up Sean Gleeson

Div. 1 Plate: *Winner* Sean Heaslip
Runner-up Declan Coote
Div. 2 Plate: *Winner* Dermot McDonnell
Runner-up: Pat Doran

LEAGUES

Div. 1 Individual: *Winner* Seamus Hayes
Runner-up Tony Lynch
Div. 2: Winners Shannon Diamond/Newmarket
Runners-up One Mile Inn
Division 3: Winners Clarecastle
Runners-up Ennis C.B.S.
Division 4: Winners Kilkee
Runners-up Newmarket
'Confined': *Winners* Kildysart
Runners-up Shannon Diamond

JUNIOR

Boys U-12: *Winner* J. Healy
Runner-up A. Hehir
Boys U-14: *Winner* N. Casey
Runner-up C. O'Shea
Boys U-16: *Winner* D. Kelly
Runner-up M. Torpey
Boys U-19: *Winner* S. Howard
Runner-up G. Casey

Inter-Club Blitz: *Winner* Ennis C.B.S.
Runner-up One Mile Inn

Inter-Club Knock-Out: *Winner* One Mile Inn
Runners-up Ennis C.B.S.
Inter-Firm: *Winner* Shannon Diamond
Runner-up A.T.C. Shannon

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Committee

Chairman Ger Browne, Treasurer J Griffin , Secretary J Davis, Club Captain M Carmody, PRO S Hayes , E Kelly, J O Dowd, T Malone, M Griffin, M Lacheiner, M O'Connell, B O'Flaherty and T Corbett.

Major Events

Total membership was 70 (75 needed to make the Club viable). 12 teams competed in the Clare and Munster Leagues.

In Feb 87 the OMI went on a very successful social weekend to Gleneagles in Killarney. The activities included golf, swimming, tennis, pitch and putt, snooker, cards and squash against Killarney S.C. and the Orchard S.C. from Cork.

In July 87 the Pitch & Putt course is opened again by the squash club. It had been closed for many years. It becomes extremely popular and generated a large revenue for the squash club. Initially it started as a 9 hole course but then became an 18 hole course. The course was maintained by squash players on a daily basis, and held competitions weekly.

The CSRA President is **Seamus Hayes** (OMI).

The Munster Open is held in Clare, and again sponsored by Clarenbridge. Robert Forde wins the Mens A event. Marjorie Burke won the Ladies A event.

Margaret Lacheiner does not compete in the Clare Championships after winning ten in a row.

Darren Kelly is selected on the Munster U-16 team.

Court 1 is replastered with a new heater.

The Club has 70 Members with 12 teams competing in Clare and Munster.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def S Howard

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def A O Dowd

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def S Howard.

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner def T Corbett

Mens Clare Champion Tony Lynch (CBS) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion Caroline McDonnell (CBS) def Betty McMahon (DE Beers)

The OMI retain the Clare Div 1 Mixed League. The team was A O'Dowd, M Lacheiner, D Hassett, S Howard, S Hayes, G Bredin, J Davis and B O'Flaherty.

OMI won the Div 2 Mens League. The team was J Griffin, D Hassett, J O'Dowd, G Browne, Con Woods, A Feore and D Kelly.

OMI are R-Up in the North Munster Div 3 Mens League. The team was J Griffin, D Hassett, J O'Dowd, G Browne, Con Woods, A Feore, D Kelly, J O'Dowd and T Malone.

Seamus Hayes wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League

OMI win the North Munster Ladies Div 2 League title. The team was M Lacheiner, J Davis, A O'Dowd, B O'Flaherty, Teresa Hehir, Teresa Corbett and Mary Hennessy.

The Autumn League winning team was J Griffin, T Malone, M Hehir, E Kelly, T Corbett and M Lait. The R-Up team was S Howard, D Kelly, G Hickey, J Dee, B O'Flaherty and A Killeen.

Darren Kelly wins the Clare U-16 boys title.

Seamus Howard wins the Clare U-19 boys title.

The OMI wins the Inter Club Knock Out Competition.

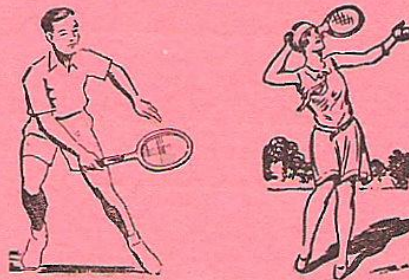
The Team Captains were Mens Div 3 Michael Griffin, Div 4 Paddy Commene, Div 5 G Hickey, Ladies Div 2 M Hennessy, Div 3 Bernie Griffin.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
1986—1987

October—First Monthly Blitz
Fund Raising Cycle
Club Membership Draw
November—Autumn League
December—
Harp Handicap Competition
Christmas Social
February—
Spring League
Handicap Competition
March—
Club Championship

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1986—'87

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house at 11.30 a.m.

Squash Leagues

Wednesday next, Sept. 24 will see the commencement of the Clare squash leagues for 1986-'87. The division one competition will get proceedings under way. The inter club knock out competition will be played on Friday and Saturday Sept. 26 and 27 and the draws for both events will be announced next week.

The annual general meeting of the Auburn Lodge squash club will take place on Wednesday night next, Sept. 17 at 9 p.m. and all members are asked to attend.

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TO BE PAID BY 1st OCTOBER

Signature :

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Senior League

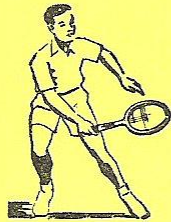
The Clare senior squash league will get under way on Wednesday night next. This will be a mixed team competition, three men and two ladies, and four teams will take part representing One Mile Inn (holders), Shannon Diamond, Auburn Lodge and Ennis CBS.

Six teams will take part in the annual inter-club knockout competition (teams of five) which will be staged on Friday and Saturday week.

Details of the draws for both events will be circulated to the clubs involved this week-end.

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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.

SQUASH

ENNIS TEAM TO TAKE FIRST LEAGUE TITLE

WITH JUST one round of matches to go in the Ladies Division 2 league the One Mile Inn team from Ennis are all set to take their first league title. This team have been travelling in to Limerick for some years now and have always been there or thereabouts at the end of this league. With only the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club yet to play they have built up a lead of 20 pts.

Last Tuesday week the Ennis club easily disposed of the challenge of Vale S.C. from Charleville when they recorded a 19 pts. to 3 pts. win. Results on the night (Vale names first) — Angela Dillon lost to Margaret Lacheiner 0-3; Mary Laphorne lost to Jan Davis 0-3; A. Mortell beat Ann O'Dowd 3-2; Angie Deering lost to Bridie Flaherty 0-3, and Mary McGrath lost to Teresa Hehir 0-3.

In the other match Catholic Institute AC were at home to their old rivals Limerick Lawn Tennis club. Their first encounter was a fiercely contested affair with the LLTC club coming out on top with a 17 pts. to 10 pts. win. On this occasion, however, Catholic Institute had other ideas and turned the tables on their rivals with a 19 pts. to 7 pts. win. Once again Gerda Simington got them off to a good start when she beat Kay Hannon by 3 sets to 1 to extend her unbeaten run. Then Vera McNicholas beat Lonnie Costelloe 3-0 to give them a 2-match lead. The Mary O'Byrne versus Dymphna Tobin match was a highly contested affair going all the way to the fifth set where the LLTC player eventually came out on top. Deirdre Murphy beat the LLTC captain Linda Scully 3-1 and Caroline Dineen beat Nancy McNamara 3-2 in a very entertaining match.

The league table, with one round remaining, reads: One Mile Inn S.C. 87 pts.; Catholic Institute, 67 pts.; LLTC 61 pts.; Vale S.C., 27 pts.

SQUASH

with
JEAN RYAN



The Catholic Institute Division II team, back-row, from left: Dineen, Gerda Simington and Deirdre Murphy. Front-row: Mary O'Byrne and Vera McNicholas.

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dering what she may have done to deserve the quality of opposition she has been coming up against in this League as Team No. 1. Player.

Margaret Lacheiner, who has made the Clare all her own for the past decade almost, proved way too strong for Mrs. McNamara, winning in straight sets 9-0, 9-2 and 9-1. Despite the score-line, Mrs. McNamara gave a good account of herself.

One Mile Inn Captain, Jan Davis, played a Captain's part when she beat L.L.T.C. Captain, Linda Scully 9-0, 9-0 and 9-4 to level the match at 2 games. The final match and decider was between Ann O'Dowd of O.M.I. and Dymna Tobin of L.L.T.C. The term 'Close Encounter' must have been invented for this game. Mrs. Tobin having won the first 2 sets 9-3 and 9-6 lost the next 2 sets to Mrs. O'Dowd 4-9 and 0-9. The final set was often hair-raising - especially for the referee - with Mrs. Tobin eventually coming out on top to clinch the match 9-6 for L.L.T.C. Mrs. O'Dowd despite the disappointment of losing her match had the last laugh when her team were officially declared League Winners - a just reward for consistency throughout many League Seasons.

The L.L.T.C. No. 4., Lonnie Costelloe, kept up the momentum when she beat Bridie Flaherty 9-6, 9-4, 9-10 and 9-5 to give her team a 2 match lead. Next into the ring were Nancy McNamara (L.L.T.C.) and Margaret Lacheiner (O.M.I.) I'm sure Mrs. McNamara is won-

GIRLS U.19
Olivia French (Dublin) beat
Laura Lynch (Galway) 3-0.
GIRLS U.16
Laura Lynch (Galway) beat
Fionnuala McNamara (Curr-
agh) 3-0.
GIRLS U.14
Suzanne Butler (Dublin) beat
Gillian McCann (Ulster) 3-1.
GIRLS U.12
Laura Moylotte (Galway)
beat Ciara O'Connor

ENNIS LADIES TAKE TITLE

Even though things didn't go quite their way last week, the One Mile Inn Club from Ennis won the Ladies Division 2 Title to become this year's first League Winners. In the end they had 9 points to spare over their nearest rival - Catholic Institute A.C.

At the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club, the Ennis ladies found the going hot and the squash very competitive. Teresa Hehir, their ever consistent anchor woman, struggled with an arm injury against Kay Hannon, the L.L.T.C. No. 5. Ms. Hannon showed her no mercy winning the match 9-6, 9-1 and 9-7. The following is the Fixture List for the First Round;

NOVEMBER 18th
Nenagh A .v. Catholic Inst.
L.L.T.C .v. Nenagh B.
Vale S.C. .v. Bye.

At the halfway stage in the mens division four league, Kilkee, Shannon Diamond A and Lissycasey lead their sections closely followed by Ennistymon, Auburn Lodge and Kildysart respectively. It would appear that the semi-finals will come from this group with the One Mile Inn having a slight chance of qualifying.

In the ladies competition, St. Flannan's are the leaders at the half way stage and are now favourites to win the title. Last week they had a hard earned 3/2 win over Ennis C.B.S. who are currently in second place.

The senior individual leagues are proving most interesting. There are two groups of ten in the mens competition with the winners of each section qualifying for the final. The runners-up from each division will meet in a

Great battle for Div. 4 honours

play-off for third and fourth place.

In section A, Seamus Hayes, Jack Keane and Dermot O'Hanlon are unbeaten but they have yet to play each other. Mike Conlon leads group B with full points to date but he has yet to play Denis Maurer and Tony Lillis both of whom have suffered

one defeat.

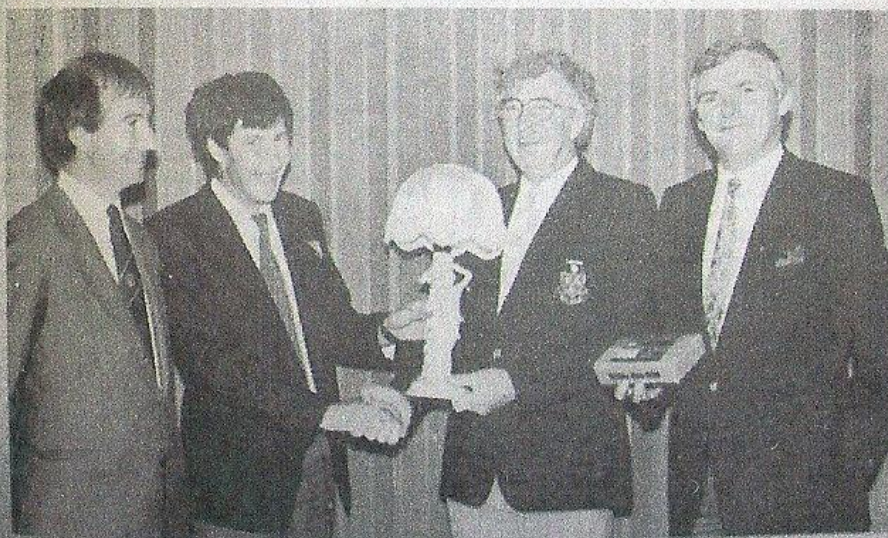
Caroline McDonnell remains the favourite to win the ladies title. The finals will be played on Thursday, December 18 at the Auburn Lodge club.

At the One Mile Inn the highly successful Autumn league will conclude on Tuesday night next when the final will be staged. This competition, sponsored by the Sherwood Inn, has proved extremely popular to date and a great final is expected.

The draw for the annual Harp handicap competition at the club will be made early next week.

This week-end a number of Clare players will travel to Killarney for the Munster close championships. Clare players will compete in the mens B, C and D grades and taking part will be Seamus English, Mike Conlon, Seamus Howard, Ger Browne, Donal Hassett, Joe Griffin while Caroline McDonnell will participate in the ladies competition.

Kilkee have won the ladies division 2 title for the first time. The league will not conclude until next week but the West Clare side, runners-up last year, cannot be overtaken at this point.



Don Moran captain of Ennis Allied Traders golfing society presents the winners prize to Jim Felle. Also in the picture are Noel Pyne capt., Ennis G.C. and John Madden who was second in the competition.

● SQUASH:

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 defeat. 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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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

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.

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'Donnell 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 mens 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.

Squash

There are busy times ahead for Clare squash enthusiasts with four team leagues getting under way next week. The confined (novice) leagues will commence on Wednesday next (ladies and men) and these will be followed by the mens div. 3 (Fri. 16) with the ladies div. 3 on Monday, Jan. 19. Very big entries have been received for all of these leagues which will be run off over the next two months.

Arrangements are now being finalised for the forthcoming Munster open squash champs. which will be held in Ennis, on Feb. 13, 14 and 15. Entry forms should be with all the clubs by the end of next week and its expected by the organising committee that there will be a record entry for this event which is being sponsored by Clarenbridge Crystal.

Arrangements for the annual Clare champs., are also being made at present and this competition will take place at the end of March and beginning of April. The annual inter club blitz organised by the C.S.R.A. will be held before the end of January and all clubs will be notified of the details during the next week.

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Mr. Pat Keaogh (third from right) presents the Autumn League prizes to the winning team at the One Mile Inn. Pictured are (l. to r.) Michael Hehir, Tom Malone, Joe Griffin (capt.), Pat Keogh, Maeve Lzit and Eamon Kelly.

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SQUASH:

Clare squash leagues are again in full swing following the Christmas break and four leagues got under way during the past week. There have been excellent entries for the mens and ladies 'confined' and division 3 leagues and all four events will run over the next eight to ten weeks.

Some of last week's fixtures had to be cancelled due to the inclement weather conditions and clubs should note that these matches will be re-fixed in the coming weeks.

CLARE LEAGUES RESUME

In the mens division 3 on Friday there were wins for Ennis C.B.S., Clarecastle, Lissycasey and One Mile Inn against Kildysart, Auburn Lodge, Shannon Diamond and Kilkee respectively. All games were closely contested and its expected that this will be one of the most closely contested leagues run by the Clare association.

Arrangements are now at a very advanced stage for the forthcoming Clarenbridge

Crystal Munster open championships which take place in Ennis on February 13, 14 and 15. Entry forms have been sent out to all clubs and all players are reminded that the closing date for entries is January 30.

The annual Clare inter-club blitz takes place this week-end and once again a big entry has been received. All clubs have been notified of the draw and arrangements for games and any queries should be directed to Fiona Nugent or Carmel Enright.

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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 J Ennis C.B.S. lead at the half way stage with 50 points from St Flannan's on 43 with One Mile Inn third on 41.

In the confined leagues Ennistymon are going very well in both the mens and ladies sections and remain favourites to win the titles.

● Pictured announcing details for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open Championships at Ennis last weekend were (from left): Denis Maurer, Bob O'Driscoll, Sales Manager Clarenbridge Crystal; Fiona Nugent, Clare Treasurer and Jack Wall, Auburn Lodge.

The fact that the organising committee has been able to secure such a star-studded entry is proof positive of the high standing of Clare squash and the facilities which are available to squash players in the county. The total entry for the week-end is in excess of one hundred and twenty and on Friday night alone there will be fifty-six (56) first round games. In excess of two hundred games will be played during the week-end with players from Cork, Waterford, Kildare, Dublin, Belfast, Sligo, Mayo, Galway, Limerick and, of course, Clare taking part.

There are four mens grades and the competition in the B, C and D sections should also be extremely keen. There are three grades for ladies with number one seed in the ladies A, Marjorie Burke, also taking part in the mens B grade. In the recent Munster close in Killarney she won the ladies event and was runner-up in the mens B section. She must be given a good chance of capturing both titles.

There are three Clare players in the mens B section, Seamus English, Seamus Hayes and Tony Lynch and all will be hoping for a good run in the competition. Clare's hopes in the ladies B will be carried by Betty McMahon, Caroline McDonnell, Carmel Enright and Fiona Nugent. There are also a lot of Clare players in the other divisions.

The tournament headquarters will be at the Auburn Lodge club and a total of eight courts will be in operation at Auburn Lodge (2), Clarecastle (2), Ennis C.B.S. (2), St. Flannan's College and One Mile Inn. Games get under way on Friday evening at 6 p.m. and continue until 11 p.m. at all venues. Competition resumes at 9 a.m. on Saturday morning and continues at all courts throughout the day.

There will be a disco on Saturday night at the Auburn Lodge and a big attendance is expected at this function. Details of all matches (venues, times, etc.) are posted on the notice boards at the clubs being used and can also be had from members of the Clare Squash Committee.

The first round pairings in the A grades are as follows. Men: Robert Forde, Cheshire v Peter Murphy, Galway; Aidan Kelly, Galway v Brian Croke, Limerick; David Gatto, Belfast v Willie Clancy, Waterford; Andy Cleary, Limerick v Noel Ryan, Dublin; Roger Flynn, Melbourne v Billy Murphy, Cork; Maurice Collins, Dublin v Peadar Kavanagh, Waterford; Michael O'Donoghue, Limerick v Derek Ryan, Dublin; Jim Long, Cork v Willie Hosey, Dublin.

Ladies: Eileen Boland, Tralee v Jean Ryan, Limerick; Winner to meet Marjorie Burke, New Ross; Anita Mylotte, Galway v Barbara Murray, Limerick; Brona Conway, Dublin v Norrie O'Grady, Galway; Jean Singleton, Cork v Ann Downey, Kilkenny.

Meanwhile the Clare leagues are progressing and the way should be clear next week for the semi-finals of the mens division 3 league. Ennis C.B.S. and Clarecastle lead their sections and are certain of qualifying. The One Mile Inn are favoured to be runners up in the C.B.S. but Kilkee are very much in the running. In the other section Shannon Diamond are fancied to qualify but Lissycasey are in contention.

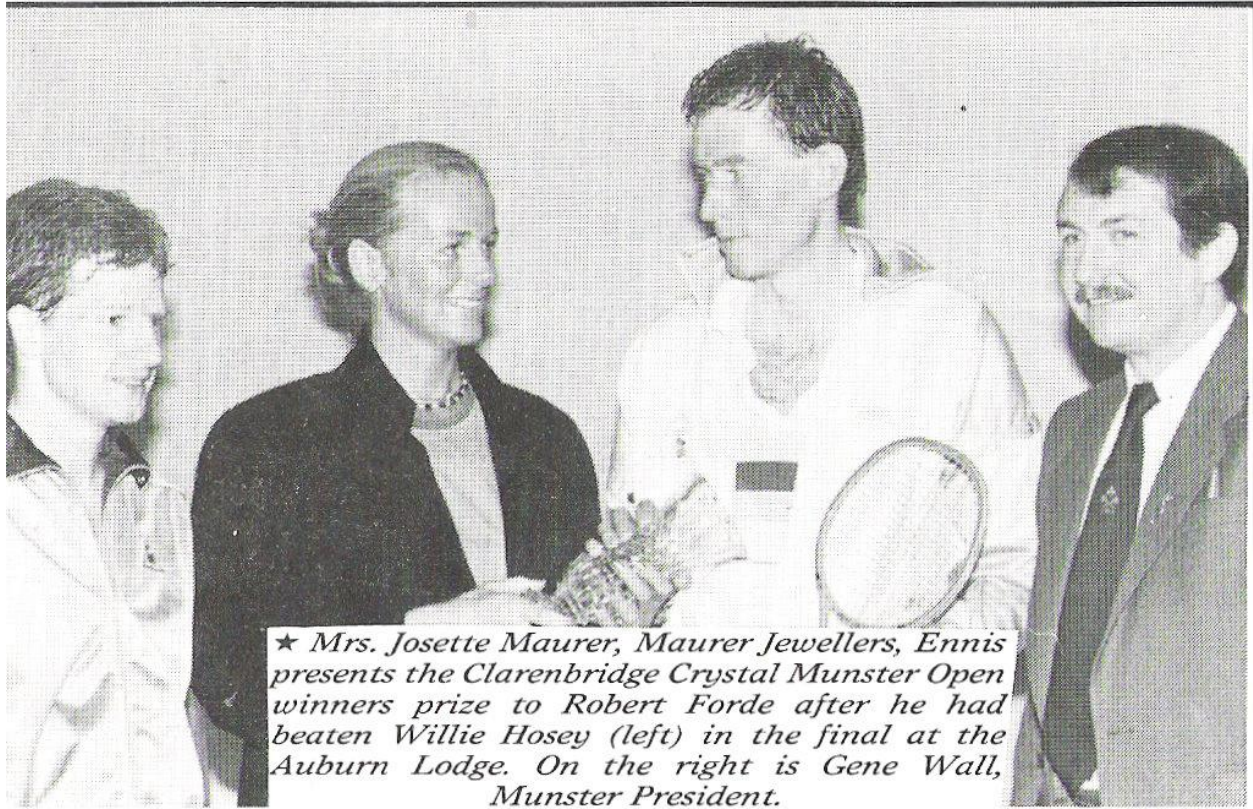
In the ladies division 3 Ennis C.B.S. lead at the half way stage with 50 points from St. Flannan's on 42 with One Mile Inn third on 31.

In the confined leagues Ennistemon are going very well in both the mens and ladies sections and remain favourites to win the titles.



● Pictured announcing details for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open Squash Championships at Ennis last weekend were (from left): Denis Maurer, Boh D'Filva, Sales Manager Clarenbridge Crystal; Fiona Nugent, Clare Treasurer and Jack Wall, Auburn Lodge.

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★ 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.

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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KILLARNEY SQUASH & SOCIAL WEEK-END

27 FEB. - 1 MAR. 1987

(COST: £45.00 PER PERSON SHARING FOR
TWO NIGHTS' BED & BREAKFAST + ONE EVENING MEAL)

I enclose a deposit of £15.00 for the above week-end. The remaining amount - £30.00 - will be paid by Feb. 27.

Signed:

I wish to participate in the following activities during the week-end:

☐ SQUASH

☐ GOLF

☐ PITCH & PUTT

☐ SNOOKER

ONE MILE INN SOCIAL WEEK-END

27 FEBRUARY - 1 MARCH 1987

A G E N D A

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.

Friday, 27 February

8.45 p.m. Squash Blitz
10.30 p.m. Snooker Competition and/or Sing-Song

Saturday, 28 February

10.00 a.m. Golf Competition - Killarney
Other activities include swimming and/or tennis at Tralee Sports Complex, with pitch & putt and/or squash at Gleneagles
4.30 - 7.30 p.m. Squash V. Killarney or Orchard Squash Club
10.30 p.m. Snooker Competition and/or Sing-Song

Sunday, 1 March

10.30 a.m. Pitch & Putt Competition | SLEEP

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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.

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Arrangements are now being finalised for the annual Clare champs., always the highlight of the squash season. This year there will be three sections (A, B and C) for men and two for ladies. This should ensure a huge entry from all grades of players in the county.

Entries must be in by first post on Friday, Mar. 13, as the draw will be made that day. The competitions get under way on Monday, March 23 with the finals set for Friday, April 10 at the Auburn Lodge club. Entry forms will be in all clubs by this week-end.

The annual handicap tournaments at the Auburn Lodge club are presently taking place and once again they are proving a great success. The semi-finals are due this week-end with the final set for early next week.

March 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.



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

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.

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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

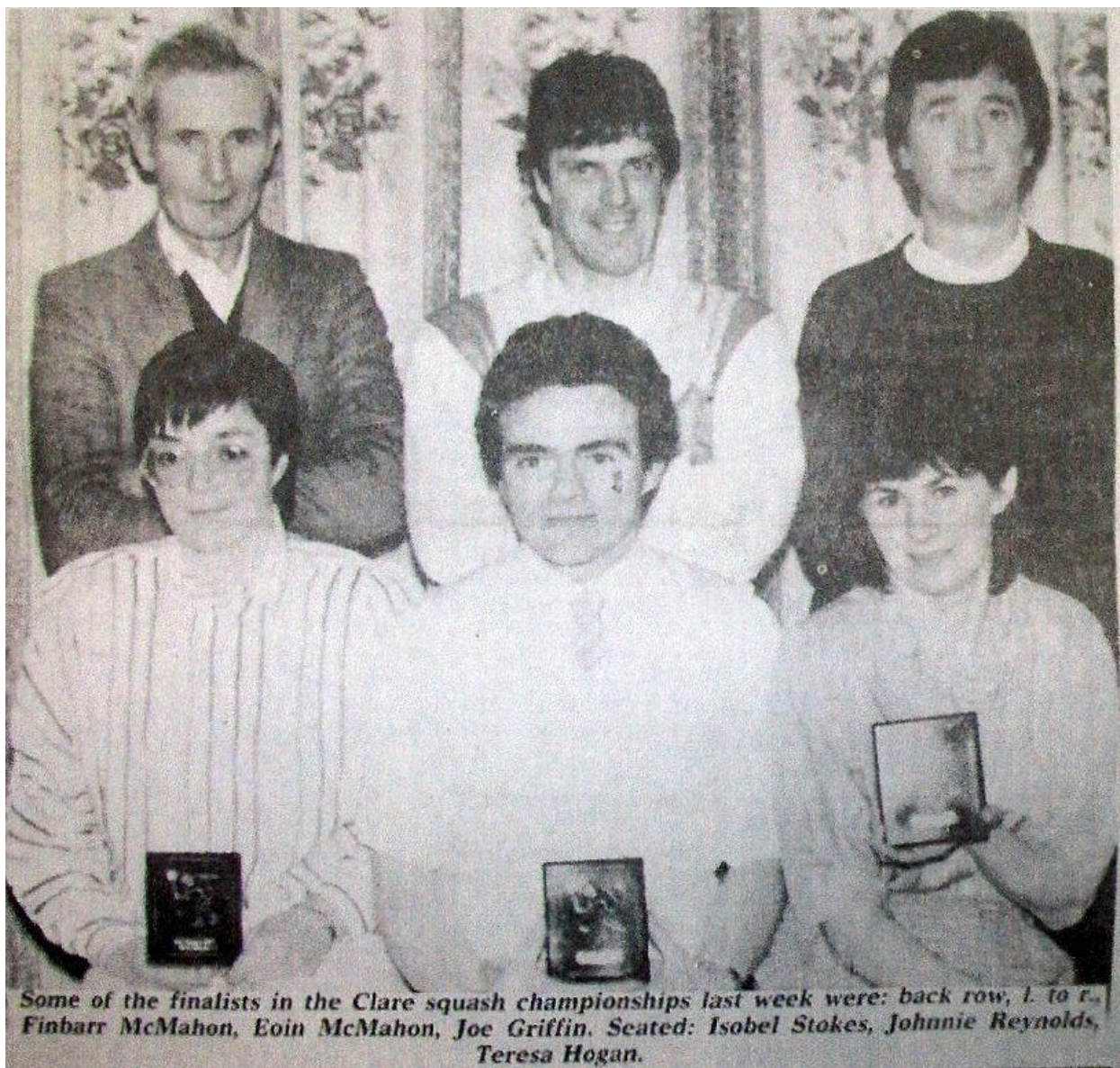
taking part in the champs. should check the draw sheets for details. Fixtures have been made for all grades right through to the finals.

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.

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April 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:

Junior Champs.

The Clare junior squash championships will take place on this Friday and again a very big entry has been received.

The draw is as follows:

U-19, at One Mile Inn: G. Gleeson v P. Broderick, winner to play Seamus Howard; Kieran O'Brien v John Moloney, winner to play Gary Casey; Sean Ryan v Morgan Cahill, winner to play Darren Kelly; Sean O'Shea v Declan Brodie with winner to play Niall O'Reilly.

U-16 (at C.B.S.): N. Cosgrove v C. Sheridan, winner to play D. Kelly; M. Scanlan v R. Liddy; D. Sheehan v A. Butler; N. Casey v D. Moloney; D. McNamara v S. Devitt; R. O'Reilly v T. O'Brien; R. Keane v N. Hogan; F. O'Loughlin v C. O'Shea.

U-14 (at C.B.S.): G. Devitt v C. Warner, winner v D. Ryan; L. Hassett v R. Scanlan; R. Lynch v J. Garvey; L. O'Reilly v G. Howard; P. Collins v P. O'Dea, winner v J. Healy; M. Arkett v H. Gallagher; E. Heaney v S. Gibbons; K. Considine v M. Brookes; L. Crowe v D. Devitt.

U-12 (at C.B.S.): S. Heaney v D. Logue, winner v B. Maurer; S. Keane v D. Cahill; S. Mulvey v D. Lynch; B. O'Connor v G. Byrnes.

Full details can be had from the junior co-ordinator, Jack Keane.

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● Plate finalists at the Clare Squash championships were Back (l. to r.) Seamus Kelly, Lissycasey, Ger Browne, One Mile Inn, Pat O'Shea, Auburn Lodge. Seated: Mairead Bergin, Auburn Lodge, Ann Marie Canny, Ennis CBS and Evelyn Lyons, St. Flannans.

April 1987

SQUASH

A SUCCESSFUL SEASON

THE Annual General Meeting of the Clare Squash Rackets Association will be held at the Auburn Lodge Hotel on this Friday night at 9 p.m.

All clubs have been notified and have been asked to forward nominations and motions to the Secretary. The meeting will review what has been a successful year for the sport in the county. There was an increase in interest and in the numbers playing in the past year after a couple of years when it looked as if numbers were going to drop off.

It's worth noting that a number of the new clubs won Clare titles for the first time this year and this can only be good for the game. It's expected that there will be a big attendance at Friday's meeting. It's expected that there will be a big attendance at Friday's meeting.

The annual Clare junior championships were held at

the Ennis C.B.S. and One Mile Inn clubs on Friday last. Once again there were very big entries for each of the four age groups (U/12, 14, 16 and 19) and excellent squash was the order of the day. All finals were played at the C.B.S. club.

Darren Kelly, a Member of the Munster U/16 team this season, justified favouritism when winning the U/16 crown. In the final he beat the very promising Fergus O'Loughlin from the Clarecastle club. A short time later Kelly was back in action again this time in the U/19 final when he made the favourite Seamus Howard fight all the way. Kelly won the first but it was obvious that he was tired and Howard battled back to take the next three and retain his title.

Dereck Ryan won the U/14 crown when he beat Matthew Arkett in a very enjoyable final. In the semi-final Ryan beat last year's U/12 winner James Healy from Clarecastle. Dereck Cahill won the U/12 title when he beat Gerry Byrnes in the final.

The One Mile Inn club championships are now in full swing and will conclude on Thursday next, April 30 when the finals will be staged. The games will be followed by the club's annual social and presentation of prizes.

The Auburn Lodge championships got under way this week and these will conclude on Wednesday, May 6 when the finals will take place. Meanwhile the annual handicap competition at the Ennis C.B.S. club is in full swing and this will be followed by the club championships.

O'C. MILLS FINED

A FINE of £100 was imposed on the O'Callaghan's Mills G.A.A. Club arising out of the referee's (John Brett) report on the recent U/21 hurling championship tie between the Mills and Scariff at Tulla. Three members of the Mills club, Sean Hehir, Donal and Joe Cooney, were instructed to write letters of apology to the referee.

HUNTER TRIALS AT DROMOLAND

For the second year running, the Irish Pony Club will hold their hunter trial championships at Dromoland. These will take place on this Friday, April 24 commencing at 11 a.m. The course, which was specially designed by John Micklem for last year's championships, has had two new fences added, bringing the total to 24.

JUNIOR TEAM MANAGER

Clooney's Mike Clune was appointed as Manager of the Clare junior hurling team for 1987 at last week's hurling board meeting. Clune, a member of last year's selection committee, was the only nominee for the post. He will appoint his own selectors. Clare play Cork in the first round of the Provincial championship at Buttevant on May 27 or 28.

ONE MILE INN SQUASH CLUB



*Annual
Party*



THURSDAY NIGHT, 30th APRIL, 1987

BUFFET AND PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

ADMISSION, — — £3.00

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.

SQUASH:

HIGH STANDARD

The One Mile Inn club championship finals were decided on Thursday night last. There was a very big attendance for this, the final competition of the season, at the club. Defending champion Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles but the latter only just survived the challenge of Seamus Howard.

Feile na nGael

by Seamus Hayes

The Coca Cola sponsored Feile na nGael, the annual festival of youth hurling in Ireland, will again be hosted in Clare in 1987. Plans are now at an advanced stage for this event which will get under way on June 14 and which will conclude on June 28 when the hurling finals will be decided at Cusack Park. The official opening of the festival will take place at Cusack Park on June 21.

This year's organising committee is under the chairmanship of John Ryan, the co. CLA public relations officer. Mr. Fitzgerald is again the secretary while the treasurer is Gerry McNerney. The chairpersons of the respective committees are - Fields, Parnes and referees - P. J. Flannery; parade - Sean Baker; Programme - Padraig Mac Mahon; Entertainment - Seamus Hayes; Catering - Lily O'Sullivan; Skills - Tim Crowe; Hurling - M. O'Hanlon; Camogie - Mrs. M. Hanly; Schools - Sean Cleary; Mastermind - Oliver Haskett.

At a meeting on Friday last the Executive were disappointed when only seventeen clubs out of 36 were represented. A video of the previous Feile was shown to the present and copies of the video are now available.

Feile official, field official, referee, skills, rep., etc. and completed forms should be returned to the secretary as soon as possible. Clubs are also asked to supply the names of their panels of players - 20 for hurling, 16 for camogie - in the next week as these are needed for the programme.

The next meeting will be on Friday week, May 15, at the West Co. Inn which, incidentally, will be the headquarters for Feile again this year. At this meeting attractive certificates will be available to club representatives for those who provided accommodation for visiting players last year throughout the parishes in the hurling area of the county. All clubs are reminded of the importance of being represented at this meeting.

The Clare final of the Mas-

Howard looked set to win his first title when he served at 8-7 in the fifth game. In fact he had three opportunities at 8-7 but failed to capitalise on this and his more experienced opponent won 10-8 to win the game on a 3-2 scoreline and so take his fourth title in succession and his fifth in all.

In the ladies final Margaret Lacheiner was a decisive winner over Ann O'Dowd, while the ladies plate was won by Collette Kelly who beat Cail Cahill. Joe Griffin justified favouritism when winning the division two title at the expense of Donal Hassett. The other results are as follows: Div. 2 Plate: Darren Kelly bt. M. Carmody; Div. 3: Frank Coughlan beat Michael Clancy; Div. 3 Plate: Eamon Kelly beat Maurice Murphy.

The Sp-ring team league winners were Ber Browne, Margaret Lacheiner, Gary Casey, Donal Cahill, Bridie O'Flaherty and Colette Kelly. The beaten finalists were Darren Kelly, Michael Neylon, Maurice Murphy, Eamon Kelly, Bernie Griffin and Gail Cahill. This competition was sponsored by Seven-Up and Donal Moloney of the sponsoring firm was present to present the prizes.

IRISH OPEN

May 1987



OMI Club Championships May 1987

IRISH OPEN

Squash fans from the county are expected to travel to Blarney this week end when the Blarney Woolen Mills Irish Open Championships will be staged at Christy's Squash Centre. There will be a further eight games on Saturday morning with the semi-finals in both the championship and plate scheduled for Saturday evening. On Saturday afternoon the annual general meeting of the Munster Squash Association will take place at Blarney at 2.30 and will end at 4.30 p.m. when the squash will resume. All clubs are entitled to send one delegate to this meeting. The finals of the Irish Open will be on Sunday.

All of the Irish senior panel will be taking part including Robert Forde, Willie Hosey, Ken Flynn, Noel Ryan, David Gotto, Peadar Kavanagh, etc. The top seed is New Zealand's Stuart Davenport.

May 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.

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



Pictured after the presentation of prizes following recent competition at the One Mile Inn squash club were (l. to r.) D. Cahill, C. Kelly, D. Moloney, area rep. 7-Up sponsors, G. Browne, club chairman, M. Lacheiner and G. Casey.

OMI Spring League Winners June 1987

PITCH 'N' PUTT

THE weekly pitch and putt competition at Ballykilty Manor in Quin was won by Eugene Phillips of Quin on Friday last. The runner-up was P. Sheedy of Shannon. The next competition will be on this Friday.

The first competition at the re-opened One Mile Inn pitch and putt club proved a great success on Tuesday evening last when there was a big entry. The winner with a nett 53 was Gerry Sadlier with Christy O'Riordan second and Eamon Kelly in third place. Margaret Lacheiner won the ladies section from Veronica White.

The committee announced this week-end that there will be a competition every Tuesday at 7.30 p.m.

First Pitch and Putt Competition at the OMI

July 1987

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.

ONE MILE INN CLUB

AFTER a most successful season which included victories in the Division 1 mixed and division 2 mens leagues in Clare as well as winning the North Munster Ladies division 2 title (the mens division 3 team were runners up in North Munster), the club committee is eagerly looking forward to the new season.

As well as the many internal competitions, teams will represent the club in all Clare competitions and this season, much emphasis will be placed on Munster competitions especially in the individual events at both junior and adult level.

With the construction of our new glass back court a huge gallery is expected for our inaugural open graded tournament to be held on November 13 - 15.

Internal competition for the season will include an Autumn team league, the annual Harp handicap competitions, Spring Team leagues, club championships and monthly blitzes. Regular coaching sessions will be organised.

Following last year's most enjoyable outing to Killarney, the club committee is expecting an even larger number to travel for this season's 'week-end away'.

During the summer the club added an 18 hole pitch and putt course and this has increased the number of members. Pitch and putt competitions for the past two months were an outstanding success.

Details of membership fees etc. can be had from any committee member and from Michael Howard, proprietor.

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.

WHERE THE TITLES WENT IN 1986-'87

MEN

Clare Championship:

- Div. 1 Winner: Tony Lynch
Runner-up: Seamus Hayes
- Div. 2 Winner: Joe Griffin
Runner-up: Eoin McMahon
- Div. 3 Winner: Johnnie Reynolds
Runner-up: Finbarr McMahon

Leagues:

- Div. 1 - Individual Winner: Seamus Hayes
Runner-up: Denis Maurer
Third: Jack Keane
Fourth: Mike Conlon
- Div. 2 Winners: One Mile Inn
Runners-up: Ennis C.B.S.
- Div. 3 Winners: Shannon Diamond
Runners-up: Clarecastle
- Div. 4 Winners: Lissycasey
Runners-up: Kilkee
- 'Confined' Winners: Ennistymon
Runners-up: Clarecastle
- Senior Mixed Team Winners: One Mile Inn
Runners-up: Auburn Lodge

Junior:

- Boys U-12 Winner: D. Cahill
Runner-up: G. Byrnes
- Boys U-14 Winner: D. Ryan
Runner-up: M. Arkett
- Boys U-16 Winner: D. Kelly
Runner-up: F. O'Loughlin
- Boys U-19 Winner: S. Howard
Runner-up: D. Kelly

LADIES

Clare Championship:

- Div. 1 Winner: Caroline McDonnell
Runner-up: Betty McMahon
- Div. 2 Winner: Teresa Hogan
Runner-up: Isobel Stokes

Leagues:

- Div. 1 - Individual Winner: C. McDonnell
Runner-up: F. Nugent
Third: T. Corbett
Fourth: A. O'Dowd
- Div. 2 Winners: Kilkee
Runners-up: Shannon Diamond
- Div. 3 Winners: Ennis C.B.S.
Runners-up: St. Flannans
- Div. 4 Winners: St. Flannans
Runners-up: Ennis C.B.S.
- 'Confined' Winners: Ennistymon 'A'
Runner-up: Ennistymon 'B'

- Inter Club Knock Out Winners: One Mile Inn
Runners-up: Shannon Diamond
- Inter Club Blitz Winners: Ennis C.B.S. 'A'
Runners-up: Auburn Lodge

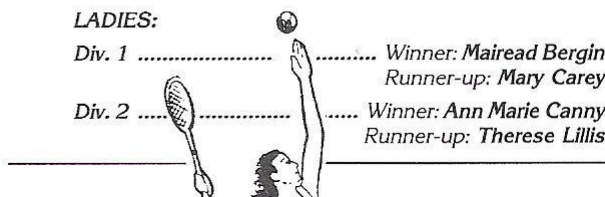
Clare Championship 'Plate' Events:

MEN

- Div. 1 Winner: Joe Pender
Runner-up: Dermot O'Hanlon
- Div. 2 Winner: Ger Browne
Runner-up: Pat O'Shea
- Div. 3 Winner: Seamus Kelly
Runner-up: Zahid Niazi

LADIES:

- Div. 1 Winner: Mairead Bergin
Runner-up: Mary Carey
- Div. 2 Winner: Ann Marie Canny
Runner-up: Therese Lillis





★ *Some of the finalists in the Clare Squash championships last season were, back row (l. to r.), Finbarr McMahon, Eoin McMahon, Joe Griffin. Seated (l. to r.), Isobel Stokes, Johnnie Reynolds, Teresa Hogan.*



★ *Prize winners at last year's Munster Open were Pat Doran, Clarecastle; Gene Wall, M.S.R.A. President; Josette Maurer, who presented the prizes; B. O'Brien, Cork; Larry Byrne, Nenagh; Carmel Enright, Auburn Lodge and Ann O'Dowd, One Mile Inn.*



★ More prize winners at the 1987 Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open were (l. to r.), Joe Griffin, One Mile Inn; Teddy Reynolds, Nenagh; Mike Conlon, Ennis C.B.S.; Peter Hayes, Limerick L.T.C.; Pat Phelan, Waterford; Fiona and Sinead McNamara, Curragh, and Mrs. Josette Maurer.



★ Announcing details of last season's highly successful Munster Open Championships were (l. to r.), Denis Maurer, Bob D'Silva, Clarenbridge Crystal; Fiona Nugent, former Clare treasurer; Jack Wall, proprietor Auburn Lodge Squash complex and Seamus Hayes, tournament director.

C.S.R.A. Gradings for 1987-1988

MENS - Division 1

Gerry Bredin, Michael Conlon, Declan Coote, Paul Costelloe, Seamus English, Tomas English, Sean Gleeson, Joe Griffin, Seamus Hayes, Seamus Howard, Jack Keane, Tony Lillis, Tony Lynch, Denis Maurer, John McEntee, Eoin McMahon, Gary Neary, Pat O'Grady, Dermot O'Hanlon, Joe Pender, Eugene Stretton.

Division 2

Ger Browne, Michael Carmody, Tony Chapman, John Costin, Dan Culhane, Pat Devaney, Pat Doran, Dermot Delaney, Tony Fenton, Aidan Feore, Stephen Flanagan, Donal Hassett, Mick Hennessy, Tom Holly, Eric Hanrahan, Jackie Hynes, Colm Keating, Darren Kelly, Jim Kelly, Gert Lacheiner, John Lynch, Tony Madigan, Tom Malone, Mick Meagher, Michael Meere, Derry Moloney, Michael Mullins, Seanie McMahon, Dermot McDonnell, Kevin McDonnell, Michael Nealon (St. Flannan's), Michael O'Connell, Jim O'Dowd, Ken O'Farrell, John O'Shaughnessy, Pat O'Shea, Gerard O'Loughlin, Mickey O'Sullivan, Paddy O'Sullivan, Niall O'Reilly, Brendan O'Brien, John Stapleton, John Twomey, Con Woods, Christy Woods.

Division 3

Marcus Austin, Don Barrett, Gareth Brown, Noel Crowley, John Culligan, John Coughlan, Frank Coughlan, Jim Casey, Sean DeClair, Gerry Fennell, Jimmy Fitzpatrick, P. J. Garry, Jim Gilly, Michael Griffin, Jimmy Hannon, Michael Healy, Pat Hennessy, John Hehir, Peter James, Noel Kelleher, Paddy Keegan, Michael Keane, Seamus Kelly, Loe Larkin, Pascal Looney, Kieran Marrinan, Martin Moore, Mick Molloy, Finbarr McMahon, Gerry McInerney, Tony McMahon, Frank McEnery, Michael Neylon (Auburn), Johnnie Nagle, Zaid Niaz, Ger O'Brien, John O'Donnell, Roger O'Mahoney, Josie O'Shea, Jimmy O'Dea, Frank Power, Brendan Pyne, John Reynolds, Noel Thornton.

Division 4

Martin Adrian, James Barry, Dave Brockett, Ger Breen, George Casey, Michael Clancy, Gerry Collison, Michael Clancy, Martin Coughlan, Jim Crosse, Jimmy Considine, Paddy Commane, Jimmy Considine, Donal Cahill, Anthony Culligan, Paddy Coughlan, Tony Cronin, Pat Daly, Oliver Darcy, Anthony Daly, Martin Daly, Mike Deasy, John Flanagan, Dick Fitzgerald, Francis Glynn, John Glynn, Kevin Grogan, John Grace, Willie Griffin, Aidan Halpin, Seamus Hanrahan, Pat Hayes, Ambrose Heagney, Andy Hogan, John Hill, Mick Hogan, Pat Keane, Austin Hobbs, Tommy Hehir, Ger Hickey, Michael Hehir, Fergal Haier, Martin Hansbury, John Jones, Declan Kelly, Pat Kenneally, Dave Kenny, Brendan Keane, Michael Kelleher, Joe Keane, Mick Keyes, Mick Logan, Pat Lane, Michael Laffan, Jim Lusk, Michael Melican, Seamus Moore, Pat Murtagh, Kevin Mulcahy, Martin Moloney, Frank Mumane, Michael E. Murphy, Brendan Moloney, Ger McMahon, Brian McNamara, Dermot McSweeney, Brendan McMahon, Frankie McNamara, Tommy McIntyre, David McNamara, John McGuire, John Nolan, F. Normoyle, Frank Nolan, Brian Noonan, Gearoid O'Sullivan, Johnnie O'Loughlin, Tony O'Loughlin, Ger O'Grady, Ger O'Gorman, Fergus O'Loughlin, Dave O'Brien, Frank O'Shea, John O'Connell (Kildysart), Tom O'Donoghue, Pat Power, Liam Power, Patrick Power, Richard Park, Ger Pyne, E. Phillips, Kevin Quinlivan, Mark Reidy, Barry Rynne, Mick Reidy, Colm Ringrose, John Seymour, Phil Shire, Ger Sadlier, Pat Sheehan, Michael Sheedy, Michael Talty, Jim Tubridy, David Timlin.

LADIES - Division 1

Mairead Bergin, Mary Carey, Teresa Corbett, Jan Davis, Carmel Enright, Margaret Flanagan, Marcella Griffin, Teresa Hehir, Teresa Hogan (Shannon), Margaret Lacheiner, Kathleen Lenihan, Mary Madigan, Caroline McDonnell, Betty McMahon, Marie McGuire, Lil Moyle, Bridie O'Flaherty, Ann O'Dowd, Geraldine O'Brien.

Division 2

Francis Browne, Marian Barry, Sylvia Carroll, Ann Marie Canny, Mary Culligan, Bridget Devitt, Deirdre Feely, Bernie Griffin, Maura Hanrahan, Eileen Holly, Marie Hogan, Mary Hennessy, Annette Keane, Evelyn Lyons, Marie Lynch, Therese Lillis, Maeve Lait, Ann Markham, Johan Murphy, Noreen Murphy, Marie O'Rourke, Mary O'Loughlin, Loretta O'Loughlin, Sheena O'Mahony, Celia Reilly, Ann Marie Russell, Isobel Stokes.

Division 3

E. Barrett, G. Benzant, Cathy Bigley, Phil Butler, Mary Cashin, Margaret Conlon, Gail Cahill, Carmel Devine, Francis Devitt, Dorothy Madden, Ita Hallinan, Yvonne Hobbs, Catherine Lane, Teresa McNamara, Mary McMahon, M. Mulqueen, Mary McGuane, M. Murphy, Germaine Noonan, Maureen O'Callaghan, Aine Reidy.

Division 4

Maureen Aherne, Brigid Bannon, Marie Bennis, Marie Browne, F. Chambers, M. Concannon, Carmel Delahunty, Bernie Devereux, M. Franc, G. Greene, Ann Gallagher, G. Healy, Teresa Hogan (Auburn), Patsy Hanrahan, M. Keane, Jane Kelly, Kathleen Kenny, Orla Kiely, A. Leyden, Trish McNamara, Catherine McMahon, Patricia Moroney, D. O'Brien, Betty O'Sullivan, G. Reynolds, Antoinette Ryan, Connie Whelan.

1987/88

Committee

Chairman G Browne, Treasurer S Howard, Secretary J Davis, Mens Captain Joe Griffin, Ladies Captain M Lacheiner, Social Captain Aidan Feore, E Kelly, M Carmody, B O'Flaherty.

Major Events

Total Membership was 74.

A glass Wall is placed behind Court 2 and a gallery for 50 people is built with the profits from the P&P course. A new bar with a separate entrance is built, with a piano and trophy cabinet.

Record numbers play in the weekly P & P competitions.

The first OMI Open is held with a huge entry (60). Sponsorship was obtained from Budweiser for the tournament.

In Feb 88 a group of 30 members had a trip to Bantry. Competitions were arranged in squash, golf, pitch and putt and snooker. It was very enjoyable.

Dermot O'Hanlon (Newmarket on Fergus) is the President of the CSRA.

The Munster Open is held in Clare, and again sponsored by Clarenbridge. There were 140 entries, with over 300 games played over the weekend at 5 clubs. Robert Forde retains the Mens A event. Mary Byrne won the Ladies A event.

There were 92 entries in the Clare Championships.

Mary Byrne comes to the OMI for a coaching session.

A new trophy cabinet is installed at the Club.

Kildysart open a squash club.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def Howard

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def T Hehir

Mens Harp Final Seamus Howard def Michael Carmody. This was a walkover as M Carmody was injured.

Ladies Harp Final M Lacheiner (eleventh title) def Ann O'Dowd.

Mens Clare Champion **S Hayes** (OMI) def Tomas English (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion Carolime McDonnell (CBS) def C Enright (Auburn Lodge)

The OMI retains the Clare Div 1 Mixed League for the third year in a row. The team was S Hayes, S Howard, J Griffin, M Lacheiner, J Davis, D Kelly and A O'Dowd.

OMI are the Div 3 League Winners. The team was Michael Clancy, M Lacheiner, Tony McMahon, Jimmy O'Dea and Michael Griffin.

The OMI are the R-Up in the Mens Div 2 League in a very close final with the CBS. The team was M Meere, G Browne, D Hassett, D Kelly and Con Woods.

The OMI retains the Inter Club Knock Out Competition, for the third year in a row. The team was B Griffin, M Lacheiner, M Griffin, D Kelly, and Seamus Hayes.

Seamus Howard is R-Up in the Div 1 Clare Individual League.

The winning team in the Autumn League was S Howard, M Griffin, Paddy Commene, Kieran Browne, Lil Moyles and Marian Barry. The R-Up team was J Griffin, A Feore, Gerard O'Gorman, Gerry Casey, Teresa Hehir and Collette Kelly.

The OMI wins the Inter Club Blitz title. The team was S Hayes, D Kelly, M Griffin, L Moyles and B Griffin.

Darren Kelly wins the Clare U-19 title.

Seamus Howard is R-Up the Div 1 Clare Individual League

Ann O'Dowd wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League

The Div 4 Mens Team was M Clancy, G Casey, P Sheehan, G Breen, P Commene, P Kenneally and D Cahill.

SQUASH:

SQUASH SEASON GETS UNDER WAY

THE 1987/88 Clare squash season is about to get under way and, as was the case last year, the opening competitions of the season will be the senior mixed team league and the senior individual leagues.

In the team event which is for teams of five (3 men and 2 ladies) the One Mile Inn side will be attempting to win the De Beers trophy for the third year in succession. Four teams will take part in the event which opens on Wednesday week, September 30 and they are The Auburn Lodge, Ennis, C.B.S., Shannon Diamond and the One Mile Inn. It's very much an open affair with any of the four capable of winning the title.

The individual leagues will

get under way next week and these will continue until December when the semi-finals and finals will take place. Again there will be prizes for the first four in each section (men and women).

The Clare Association handbook for the season was launched this week and this season it includes a diary which should prove most beneficial. The booklet contains full details of all leagues and championships for the season, together with the up-to-date gradings. Copies can be had from club officials or direct

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gradings. Copies can be had from club officials or direct from the C.S.R.A. officers.

The Clare Association will again host the Munster open championship this season and these will take place on February 12, 13 and 14 with Clarenbridge Crystal again the sponsors. This competition was highly successful last season and attracted all of the leading players in the country.

On this Saturday, the One Mile Inn Club will take part in an invitation inter-club blitz tournament at the Catholic Institute Club in Limerick.

The Clare Association's annual inter-club knockout competition will take place on Friday and Saturday week at the Shannon Diamond Club. The One Mile Inn are also the holders of this title, having defeated Shannon Diamond in the final last year.

Both the men's and ladies division 1 competitions will get under way at the beginning of October and clubs should now be forwarding their entries to the respective league secretaries.

The Annual General Meeting of the Newmarket-on-Fergus Squash Club will take place on Tuesday night next at the clubrooms at 9 p.m.

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SQUASH:

INTER CLUB KNOCK-OUT

THE CLARE SQUASH season gets under way this week-end when the annual inter club knock-out competition will take place at the Shannon Diamond club. Six teams have entered for the competition with two quarter finals on Friday night. The semi-finals and final will be on Saturday night.



Cyril Lyons, trainer of the Ruan minor team, receives togs and stockings for the side from Tony O'Donoghue.

The senior mixed team league will commence on ext Wednesday. Holders, One Mile Inn, will take on last year's runners-up, Auburn Lodge, at the latter's venue while Ennis C.B.S. travel to play Shannon Diamond.

The senior individual mens and ladies leagues will also get under way next week and all those taking part should have details of the draw by this week-end.

The draws for the mens and ladies division 3 leagues will be made this week-end and these will get under way during the first week of October.

Last Saturday the One Mile Inn took part in an invitation blitz tournament at the Catholic Institute club in Limerick. The Ennis side which comprised of Seamus Hayes, Seamus Howard, Michael Griffin, Margaret Lacheiner and Gail Cahill were pipped by two points by the host club in their section and the Limerick side went on to win what was a most enjoyable event.

Both the One Mile Inn and Auburn Lodge clubs will hold blitz competitions on Tuesday and Wednesday respectively next week. A major coaching programme at the Auburn Lodge will get under way on this Thursday night and this will comprise of a ladder competition for which some very valuable prizes will be on offer. Entries for this competition close this week.

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.

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.

KILLANENA TUG-O'-WAR

on Sunday Next

(25th October)

Commencing 1 p.m. sharp

5-a-side Pub Competition; and Junior, Senior and Ladies' Events.

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Senior League Nearing Conclusion

The div. 1 team (mixed) squash league will conclude this week and the One Mile Inn look set to capture their third title in a row. Going into the second last series of games last week, they held a slender one point lead over Ennis CBS. The One Mile continued on their winning ways last week when they beat Shannon Diamond but the CBS lost out to the Auburn Lodge and the gap at the top is now seventeen points.

The CBS, of course, can still win the title but they face a major task. They meet the One Mile Inn in the last game and must win comprehensively if they are to win this title for the first time. The Auburn Lodge are chasing the runners-up spot but to succeed they must beat Shannon Diamond and hope that the One Mile record a big win over the CBS. It should all make for a

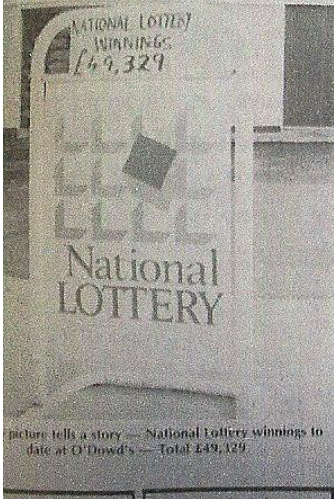
very exciting last round of fixtures.

In the ladies Div. 3, Ennistymon hold a narrow lead at the half way stage from Ennis CBS. These are the two in contention for honours and their meeting in the final game of the competition should prove exciting.

In the mens division 3 its still anybody's guess as to who will make the semi-finals. In section A the One Mile Inn and Ennistymon look to have the best chance of reaching the last four but the Auburn Lodge and Shannon Diamond are very much in contention. In the other section Ennis CBS and Kilkee are the favourites with St. Flannans and Lissycasey the remaining two teams.

The individual leagues are continuing and the way should be clear for semi-finals at the end of November.

O'Dowd's Convenience Store Celebrating 14th Anniversary



Picture tells a story — National Lottery winnings to date at O'Dowd's — Total £49,329

FIVE POUNDS worth of groceries could well be your ticket to **A HOLIDAY IN THE SUN**. For, to coincide with his 14th anniversary, Jim O'Dowd is offering customers at his Turnpike Foodstore an opportunity to win two tickets to the sun. Between now and Saturday, December 19th, a ticket will be issued with each £5 purchase at the store. The draw will take place at 12 noon on December 19th.

During his fourteen years in business at the Turnpike, Jim O'Dowd has seen his business go from strength to strength. O'Dowd's Convenience Store, as it's known, has just had a further extension completed. And convenience is the operative word as O'Dowd's aim to please the customer at all times. Long opening hours, friendly service and a wide range of products are just some of the facilities available at the popular Turnpike store.

O'Dowd's Store opens three hundred and sixty four days a year (Christmas Day is closed). The opening hours are 6.30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Friday, while on Saturday and

Sunday its 6.30 a.m. to 8 p.m. The wide range of services available at the attractive store include coal (half bags), briquettes and coal briquettes, potatoes, cooked meats and cooked chickens. Home baking (Monday to Friday) and fresh fruit and vegetables (daily). As newsmagazines, O'Dowd's provide a wide range of papers and magazines, while they are also Ho gas agents.

In excess of £30,000 in prize money has been paid out to customers at O'Dowd's since the launching of the National Lottery last March. This includes one prize of £10,000. This is certainly one of the highest turnovers of prize win-

ners in the National Lottery draw.

Friendly service is the order of the day at O'Dowd's. Smiling faces, friendly, courteous service and helpful advice is one of the attractions at O'Dowd's. Personal attention is available at all times here. Our aim is to please the customer and with this in mind we have well-stocked shelving making it easier for customers to select products of their choice. We offer as wide a range of products as possible in an effort to suit all needs," commented the proprietor Jim O'Dowd.

Jim O'Dowd is conscious of the fact that his foodstore is

part of the community. He sponsors the local soccer side whose youth's team has won all titles in Clare soccer in the past year. Turnpike Rangers are the dominant youth soccer team in Clare and O'Dowd's are happy to be playing a part in the success of the team.

"We aim to please our customers at all times. That is, for example, why we have counters and not checkouts as it makes for friendly face-to-face contact with the customer", explained proprietor, Jim O'Dowd.

O'Dowd's has just completed a further extension to its Turnpike business. This is surely proof of the fact that business has increased in recent years. The longer opening hours, huge selection of goods and services, brighter decor and friendly service have all played a big part in O'Dowd's Convenience Stores being one of the most popular and successful in the area.



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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-

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ONE MILE INN
OPEN GRADED SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIPS

FRIDAY 20TH - SUNDAY 22ND NOVEMBER 1987

1. E V E N T S : - MENS A, B, C PLATE EVENTS IN ALL GRADES
LADIES A, B

2. ENTRY FEE:- £7.00 (INCLUDES PARTY AND BUFFET ON SAT. NIGHT), OR
£5.00 FOR COMPETITION ONLY

3.

NAME (BLOCK CAPITALS)	PLEASE ENTER ME IN GRADE
ADDRESS	FOR WHICH I ENCLOSE
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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 nistymon 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 squirts. 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.

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.

The details are as follows:

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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).

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OMI Open 1987



Div 3 Champions 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 Gue 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.

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.**

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.

On the home front the division 2 and 4 leagues will commence next week and grat competition is expected.

Ladies Final Decided

SQUASH:

Clare Squash Leagues Resume

The mens and ladies div. 4 leagues get under way on this Thursday night and will continue until the first week in March. The mens competition has attracted a record entry of eleven teams representing nine clubs (Shannon Diamond and Ennistymon - each have two teams). It is divided into two groups (6 and 5) and the top two teams in each will qualify for the semi-finals. In the ladies competition, five teams are taking part and this will also be played on Thursday nights.

The ladies div. 2 has also attracted five teams and this will get under way on Monday night next. The mens div. 2 will have six teams taking part, including two from the One Mile Inn club who are the holders, and this will commence on Wed. next.

The Clare Associations annual inter club blitz will take place on this Saturday at the Auburn Lodge with six teams participating. The One Mile Inn and the Auburn Lodge each have two teams in the competition while Shannon Diamond and the holders Ennis CBS complete the line up. The competition gets under way at 6 p.m. and will be completed by 10 p.m. All clubs have been notified with details of the draw and game times.

Entry forms for the upcoming Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open champs. will be in all clubs at the beginning of next week. The closing date for entries will be Jan. 19 and a huge entry is expected for what should be a tremendous tournament.

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.

Holden 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.

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.

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.

CLARE LEAGUES

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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-



Clare prizewinners at the Clarinbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships in tennis at the week-end pictured with Bob D'Silva of the Sponsors, are (back) Kate Lane and Bridie O'Flaherty. Seated: Evelyn Lyons, Jan Davis, Mary Murphy and Carolins McDonnell.

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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.

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, Moya

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★ This group of championship winners at the Clarinbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships at Ennis at the week-end includes three Clare players. Back: Eric Hanrahan, Ennis, Mick Moylan, Cork, Bob D'Silva, Sales Manager Clarinbridge Crystal, Tom Thornton, Galway. Seated: Mariead Bergin (left) and Anne Marie Russell.

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□ 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

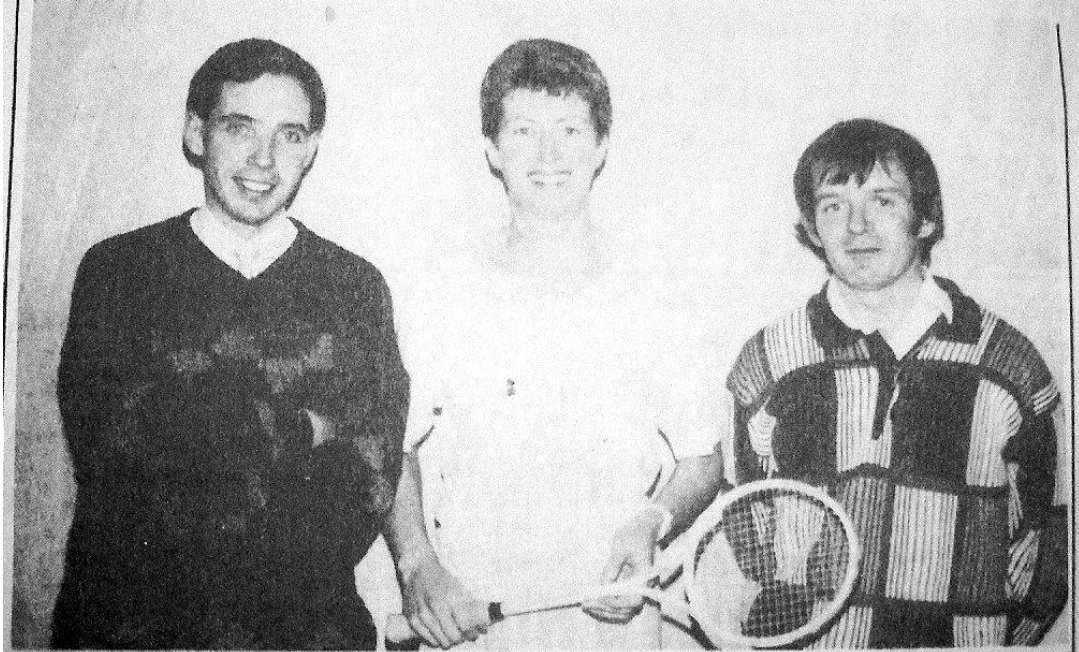
Scariff Community College 0-10
Col. An Spiorad Naomh 1-5

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. 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).



Irish squash international, Mary Byrne, conducted a coaching clinic at the One Mile Inn last week. She is pictured here with Ger Browne, club chairman, left, and Michael Clancy of Clancys garage, Lissycasey, sponsors of the occasion.





Clare squash players who took part in the Munster junior close champs. in Cork recently - Back row, l. to r.: M. Brooks, A. Butler, D. McNamara, J. Keane, Clare squash junior co-ordinator, N. Hogan, B. Healy, C. O'Shea, D. Kelly, Front: S. Gibbons, D. Cleary, R. Connellan, M. Arkett, G. Howard, D. Devitt, R. O'Reilly, and R. Liddy.

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■ **SQUASH:**

CAPACITY ATTENDANCE AT CLARE FINALS



■ Pictured after the Clare squash championship finals at the Auburn Lodge last week were, back row (l. to r.), J. J. Tobin, Stephen Flanagan, Seamus Hayes, Tomas English, Jimmy O'Dea, Dermot McDonnell. Seated (l. to r.), Ann Marie Russell, Caroline McDonnell, Denis Maurer (sponsor), Carmel Enright and Bernie Griffin.

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THE Clare squash championships concluded on Thursday night last when a capacity attendance at the Auburn Lodge witnessed some very lively contests. The Plate finals were decided on Wednesday night and again there was a good attendance.

Caroline McDonnell retained the ladies championship title when she defeated Carmel Enright in straight games. It was expected that this would be a very close contest such was the impressive form of Miss Enright on her way to the final but on the night Miss McDonnell who won her first title last year, was well in control.

In the mens final Seamus Hayes, beaten finalist for the past two years, regained the title after a lapse of six years when he proved too strong for Tomas English who was playing in the final for the first time. Hayes got a great start winning the first game 9-0. He looked set to take the second when he led 8-2 but English battled back to win and level the game. Hayes got on top again in the third which he won 9-3 and he captured the title when winning the fourth 9-5.

Dermot McDonnell made it a great night for the McDonnell family when he won the men's division 2 title beating Stephen Flanagan 3-0 in the final. The ladies division 2

title was won by Ann Marie Russell who has had a tremendous season. In the final she had a 3-1 win over Bernie Griffin. The men's division 3 final was a ding-dong affair from start to finish before J. J. Tobin captured the title with a narrow 3-2 win over Jimmy O'Dea.

Denis Maurer won the mens A plate with a 3-0 win over Eoin McMahon. The ladies A plate title was captured by Kathleen Pyne who had a 3-0 win over Margaret Flanagan. In the mens B plate Jackie Hynes shocked Derry Moloney when winning 3-0 while the ladies B was won by Bridget Kenneally who had a 3-2 win over her clubmate Noreen Murphy. Tony McMahon won the mens C plate with a 3-0 win over Joe Keane.

The presentation of prizes took place at a social evening held after Thursday's finals in the Auburn Lodge. The ladies division 2 league trophies were also presented at this function to St. Flannans (winners) and Ennis C.B.S. (runners-up).

The Auburn Lodge handicap finals will take place this week and two lively games are expected. In the ladies final Carmel Enright and Mairead Bergin will be in action while the mens final will bring Seamus Hayes and Denis Maurer into opposition.

The handicap competition at the Ennis C.B.S. club will conclude this week with the finals on tonight, Thursday. The semi-finals were not decided at the time of writing and the pairings were: Ladies—C. McDonnell v S. Carroll; K. Pyne v M. Flanagan. Men—T. English v K. McDonnell; J. Keane v P. McInerney.

The One Mile Inn, Ennis C.B.S. and Auburn Lodge clubs will hold their club championship competitions over the next two to three weeks with first round games scheduled for next week.

Junior Champs.

The Clare junior championships will take place on

this Friday at Ennis C.B.S., Clarecastle and St. Flannans clubs. There will be boys under 12, 14, 16 and 19 and there will be a ladies section for the first time. In all there is a total entry of ninety and the competitions will be completed on Friday.

The draws are as follows:

Under 12 (all games at Ennis C.B.S.): F. Flynn v S. Tierney (11.45); winner v E. Liddy (12.50); P. McGuire v G. Shanahan (11.45), D. Lynch v T. Dorris (11.45), D. Healy v D. O'Halloran (12.00), V. Strand v C. Hayes (12 noon), A. Meere v J. O'Driscoll (12 noon), F. Sheridan v N. Cronin (12.15).

Under 14 (all games at Clarecastle): D. O'Brien v N. Morgan (10 a.m.) winner v M. Arkett (12.15); T. Quinn v B. Nestor (10 a.m.), D. Malone v D. McLoughlin (10.20 a.m.), J. Reaty v V. Leyden (10.20), A. Garrihy v P. Quinn (10.40), J. Griffin v P. Fitzgerald (10.40), J. Garvey v R. Connellan (11 a.m.), D. Cleary v G. Barry (11 a.m.), P. Garry v S. Mulvey (11.20), A. Cahill v G. Logue (11.20 a.m.), G. Byrnes v R. Woods (11.40 a.m.), D. Cahill v E. Flynn (11.40 a.m.), D. McNamara v S. Heaney (12 noon), D. Frawley v P. Hayes (12 noon), B. O'Rourke v G. Howard (12 noon).

U-16 (all games at Ennis C.B.S.): R. Keane v T. Griffin (10 a.m.) winner v A. Butler (11.15), R. Carpenter v C. Sheridan (10 a.m.), G. Flannery v R. O'Reilly (10 a.m.) winner v S. Gibbons (11.15), D. O'Brien v F. Lancy (10.20), N. Hogan v G. O'Shea (10.20) winner v C. O'Shea (11.30 a.m.), D. Devitt v M. Carmody (10.20) winner v D. Ryan (11.30), L. O'Reilly v N. Casey (10.50) winner v M. Brooks (11.30), F. Moloney v A. Minitier (10.05) winner v R. Liddy (11.50), C. Casey v E. Casey (10.50) winner v B. Healy (11.50).

Under 19 (all games at St. Flannans): P. Daly v F. O'Shea (10 a.m.) winner v D. Kelly at 11 a.m.; S. O'Shea v D. Maloney (10 a.m.) winner v C. Sheridan (11.25), B. Cleary v M. Scanlan (10 a.m.), winner v D. McNamara (11.25), M. Torpey v F. O'Loughlin (11.25).

Girls (all games at St. Flannans): E. Howard v E. Moloney (10.20), J. Frazier v D. Vaughan (10.45), F. Malone v S. Butler (10.45), M. McLoughlin v P. Moloney (11 a.m.).

All of the finals will be played at Ennis C.B.S. and will be followed by the presentation of prizes.



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★ 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.

HIGH STANDARD AT JUNIOR SQUASH FINALS

There was an entry of over ninety for the Clare junior squash championships which were staged on Friday last and which proved an outstanding success. Junior co-ordinator for the Clare Association, Jack Keane had the championships run off smoothly and the competitions produced some excellent games at three venues, Ennis CBS, Clarecastle and St. Flannan's.

Beaten finalist last year, Darren Kelly, captured the under 19 title when he defeated Fergus O'Loughlin from Clarecastle in a lively contest. Kelly, a member of the One Mile Inn club, has been prominent all season and both he and O'Loughlin look to have a very bright future in the game.

Favourite Alan Butler captured the under 16 crown when he defeated the number one seed Matthew Arkett to take the title. Clarecastle's James Healy won the under 12 title when he beat Darren Lynch.

In the ladies competition Patricia Moloney beat Fiona Malone.

The Auburn Lodge club handicap concluded last week when Carmel Enright had a 2-1 win over Mariead Bergin in the ladies decider. In the mens final Seamus Hayes retained the title when beating Denis Maurer.

In the Ennis CBS finals Kevin McDonnell was the

winner of the men's crown when he beat the holder Jack Keane.

In the semi-final McDonnell beat a fancied Tomas English. Caroline McDonnell won the ladies title when she beat Kathleen Pyne.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual general meeting of the Clare Squash Racquets Association will take place on Thursday night next, April 15 at the Auburn Lodge Hotel at 9 p.m. Nominations and motions must be with the Clare Secretary, Maura Hanrahan by this Thursday night. All clubs are urged to ensure that they send delegates to this important meeting which will make plans for the 1988-'89 season.

Meanwhile the One Mile Inn championships are under way and the finals are set for Friday week, April 15 when the club's annual social will be held.



■ Annette Keane from Ennis at the Clare squash function at the Auburn Lodge Hotel last week.

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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.

Holders Retain Titles

There was a big attendance for the One Mile Inn club champ. finals on Friday last. Holders Margaret Lacheiner and Seamus Hayes retained their titles with wins over Teresa Hehir and Seamus Howard. Darren Kelly won the mens div. 2 when beting club chairman Ger Browne in the final while the ladies div. 2 was won by Bernie Griffin who beat Marian Barry. In the mens div. 3 T. McMahon was the winner beating G. O'Gorman.

At a very enjoyable function afterwards the presentation of prizes was made by the proprietor Michael Howard. The

presentation of prizes for the recent blitz sponsored by 7-Up was made by Donal Moloney, area rep., for the sponsors. A most enjoyable social followed.

The Auburn Lodge club finals, sponsored by Harp will take place on this Thursday night. Six finals are down for decision starting at 6 p.m. and it should be a most enjoyable evening. Carmel Enright and Mairead Bergin will meet in the ladies A decider and this will be followed by the mens final in which Tony Lillis or Jack Keane will take on Seamus Hayes. The div. 2 mens final will be between M.

Meagher and D. Barrett.

The finals will be followed by the clubs social evening at which the presentation of prizes will be made including the presentation of the ladder prizes.

Meanwhile Ennis CBS have their champs. at an advanced stage and everything is on target for the finals which will take place on Friday of next Week.

The AGM of the One Mile Inn squash club takes place on this Thurs., at 8.30 p.m. while on Wednesday next the Auburn Lodge club annual meeting will take place at 9 p.m.

April 1988



ONE MILE INN

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RESULTS 1987-'88

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DIVISION	COMPETITION	RESULTS
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Div. 1	Mixed CSRA	Winners
Div. 2	Mens' CSRA	Runners-up
Div. 3	Mens' CSRA	Winners
CSRA	Inter-Club Knockout	Winners
CSRA	Inter-Club Blitz	Winners
Div. 2	North Munster Ladies'	Runners-up

I N D I V I D U A L

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NAME	COMPETITION	RESULTS
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S. Hayes	CSRA Mens' A	Winner
S. Howard	CSRA Snr. Individual League Mens'	Runner-up
A. O'Dowd	CSRA Snr. Individual League Ladies'	Winner
L. Moyles	CSRA Snr. Individual League Ladies'	Runner-up
J. Davis	Munster Open Ladies' C	Runner-up
B. O'Flaherty	Munster Open Plate Ladies' C	Winner
M. Meere	Munster Open Plate Mens' D	Runner-up
	Munster Open Veterans'	Runner-up
D. Kelly	CSRA Under 19 Mens'	Winner
G. Howard	CSRA Under 14 Boys'	Winner
	Member of Under 14 Munster Team	
P. Moloney	CSRA Under 16 Girls'	Winner
F. Malone	CSRA Under 16 Girls'	Runner-up

ONE MILE INN SQUASH CLUB

CASH STATEMENT : 20.04.1988

RECEIPTS

Cash at bank Aug. '85:	£20.95
Fund-raising cycle:	£142.50
Beginners' Blitz:	£35.50
O.M.I. Open Comp.:	£315.00
Affiliation fees from members:	£200.00
C.S.R.A. fees from members:	£140.00
Budweiser:	£100.00
Pitch & Putt:	£350.00
Fees for L.S.R.A. Div. 2:	£40.00
Autumn League:	£45.00
Fosters:	£150.00
Spot prizes:	£45.00
XMas blitz + Buffet:	£145.00
Mary Byrne clinic:	£64.00
Michael Clancy:	£75.00
7-Up:	£75.00
Contributions for presentations:	£45.00
C.S.R.A. refund:	£30.00
7-Up blitz + Club Championships:	£70.00
Michael Howard:	£115.00

£2,202.95

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PAYMENTS

C.S.R.A.:	£266.00
M.S.R.A.:	£200.00
Trophies:	£580.00
Presentations:	£141.00
Pitch & Putt sign:	£120.00
Court 2 subsidy:	£150.00
Spot prizes:	£30.00
Buffets:	£215.50
Eight framed posters + pictures:	£180.00
Trophy cabinet:	£35.00
Mary Byrne:	£115.00
Meters:	£180.00
Cash at bank:	£31.25

£2,243.75

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C L U B I M P R O V E M E N T S : 1986 - 1988

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- NEW GLASS WALL FOR COURT 2.
- NEW GALLERY FOR COURT 2 (CAPACITY 60 PEOPLE).
- COURT HEATERS WITH SPECIAL METERS FOR COURTS 1 AND 2.
- WALLS OF COURT 1 RE-PLASTERED.
- NEW BAR AND LOUNGE, WITH SEPARATE ENTRANCE.
- 3 TROPHY BOARDS SHOWING RESULTS FROM 1974.
- 18-HOLE PITCH AND PUTT COURSE.
- 30 PICTURES OF INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM WINNERS.
- 8 DUNLOP FRAMED POSTERS.
- PIANO, TROPHY CASE, CLOCKS, SIGNS, ETC.

C L U B A C T I V I T I E S 1986 - 1988

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- CLUB BLITZES.
- AUTUMN AND SPRING LEAGUES.
- CHRISTMAS AND END-OF-SEASON PARTIES.
- CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS.
- WEEKENDS AWAY - KILLARNEY AND BANTRY.
- HARP HANDICAP COMPETITIONS.
- PROFESSIONAL COACHING COURSES.
- FUND-RAISING CYCLES.
- JUNIOR AND BEGINNERS' COACHING.
- LADDER.
- PITCH AND PUTT COMPETITIONS.
- GOLF SOCIETY.







SQUASH:

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.

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.

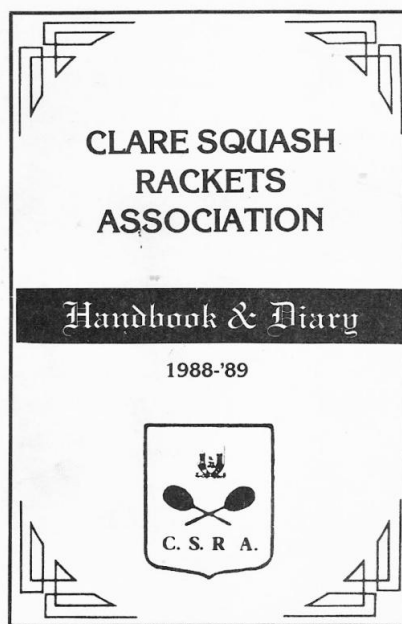
The prizes were presented at the clubs function which took place at the West Co. Inn on Saturday night.

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.



June 1988



1987-'88 WERE THE TITLES WENT

LADIES:

Individual:

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| 1. Ann O'Dowd | 2. Lil Moyles | 3. Carmel Enright |
| | 4. Mairead Bergin | |

	Winner	Runner-up
Div. II	St. Flannan's	C.B.S.
Div. III	C.B.S.	-
Div. IV	Auburn Lodge	Kilkee
Confined	Kilkee	-

MEN

Individual:

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|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Denis Maurer | 2. Seamus Howard | 3. Michael Conlon |
| | 4. Seamus Hayes | |

	C.B.S.	O.M.I
Div. II	C.B.S.	O.M.I
Div. III	O.M.I.	C.B.S.
Div. IV	Clarecastle	Ennistymon
Confined	Ennistymon	Kildysart

MEN:

Div. 1	Winner:	Seamus Hayes
	Runner-up:	Tomas English
Div. 2	Winner:	Kevin McDonnell
	Runner-up:	Stephen Flanagan
Div. 3	Winner:	J. J. Tobin
	Runner-up:	Jimmy O'Dea

Championships:

LADIES:

Div. 1	Winner:	Caroline McDonnell
	Runner-up:	Carmel Enright
Div. 2	Winner:	Ann Marie Russell
	Runner-up:	Bernie Griffin

Plate:

Div. 1:	Winner: Kathleen Lenihan.	R.-up: Mgt. Flanagan
Div. 2:	Winner: Bridget Kenneally.	R.-up: Noreen Murphy

Plate:

Div. 1:	Winner: Denis Maurer	R.-up: Eoin McMahon
Div. 2:	Winner: Jackie Hynes	R.-up: Derry Moloney
Div. 3:	Winner: Tony McMahon	R.-up: Joe Keane.

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.

ONE MILE INN

The One Mile Inn Squash Club, the first squash club to be formed in the County, had another successful season during 1987/'88. A number of team and individual titles were captured by the club.

All division one titles — senior mixed league, inter-club blitz and inter-club team knock out — were won, while Seamus Hayes regained the Clare division 1 mens championship. The mens division 3 title was captured while the club's division 2 team was pipped in the final game by Ennis C.B.S. for the title.

The coaching clinic conducted by Mary Byrne was a tremendous success as were all of the internal competitions run by the club throughout the season. The inaugural One Mile Inn open in November of 1987 proved even more successful than the committee anticipated and this will again take place this season.

The club's annual weekend outing was again a major highlight with a group of thirty travelling to Bantry last February. Already arrangements are being made for this year's event by social captain, Aidan Feore.

The pitch and putt section continues to be a tremendous success with record numbers taking part in the weekly competitions.

The officers for the coming year are: Chairman, Ger Browne; Secretary, Jan Davis; Treasurer, Seamus Howard; Mens Captain, Joe Griffin; Junior Co-Ordinator, Michael Meere; Social Captain, Aidan Deore; Ladies Captain, Margaret Lacheiner.

Details of membership fees, etc., can be had from proprietor Michael Howard or from any member of the Committee.

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.



★ *One Mile Inn, winners of the Clare division 3 mens title last season (l. to r.), Michael O'Connell, Tony McMahon, Margaret Lacheiner, Jimmy O'Dea and Michael Griffin.*



★ *Winners at the One Mile Inn club championships in 1988, were (l. to r.), Seamus Hayes, also winner of the Clare division 1 championship; Darren Kelly, Bernie Griffin, Margaret Lacheiner and Michael Griffin.*



★ 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.



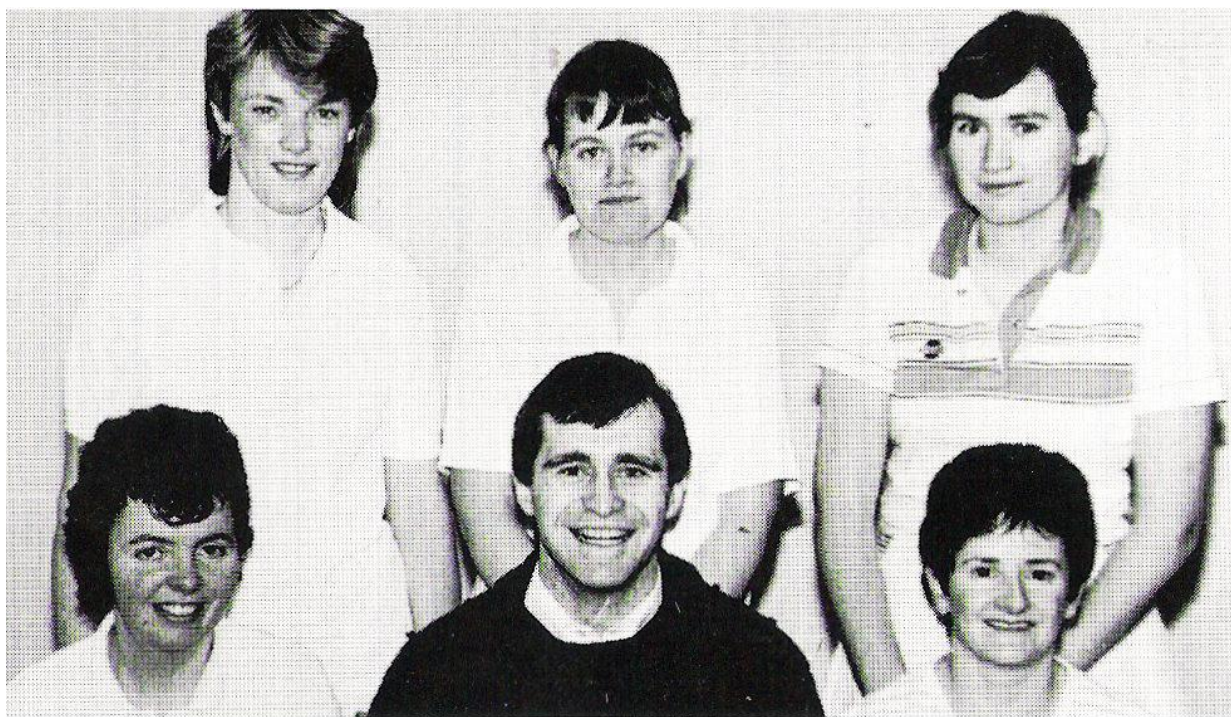
★ Pictured after the Elan sponsored blitz at the Auburn Lodge squash club were (l. to r.), Pat Rutherford, manager, Elan, Shannon; Michael Hennessy, chairman; Annette Mulqueen, Michael Mullins, Cyril Lyons, Maura Hanrahan, Michael Meagher, Pat Doran, Patricia Meagher, Maureen O'Halloran and David Timlin.



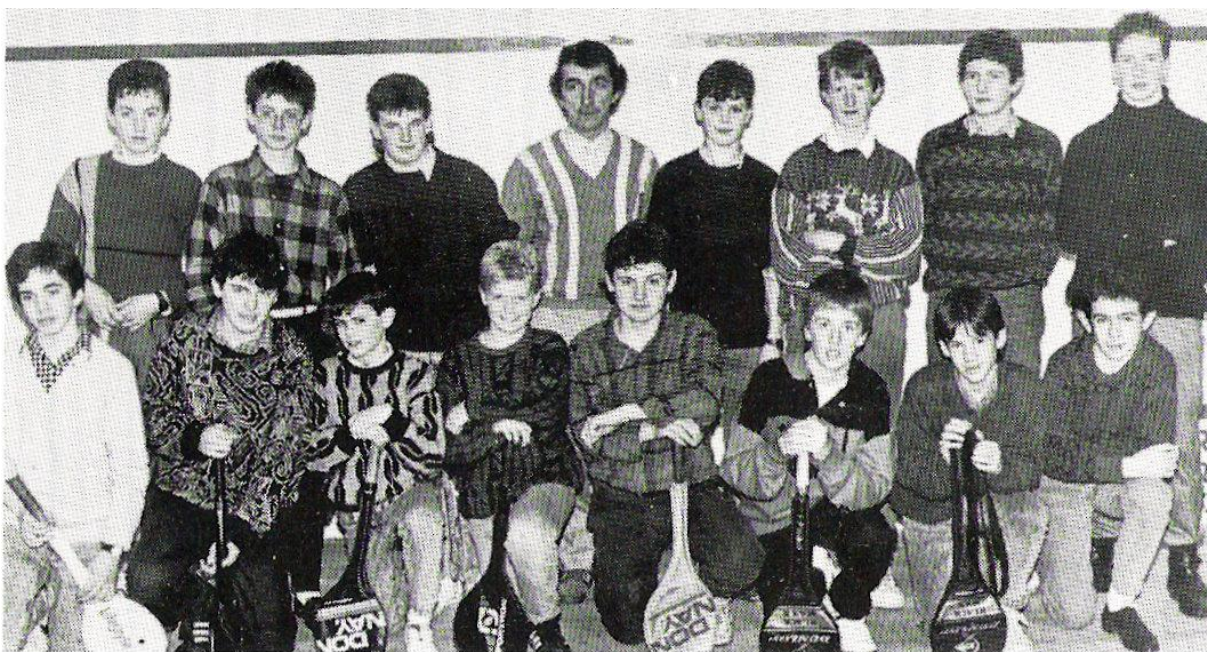
★ Ennis C.B.S., winners of the Clare mens division 2 title last season. Back (l. to r.), Kevin McDonnell, Dermot Delaney, Derry Moloney, Dermot McDonnell. Front (l. to r.), John Costin, Eric Hanrahan and Jackie Hynes.



★ 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.



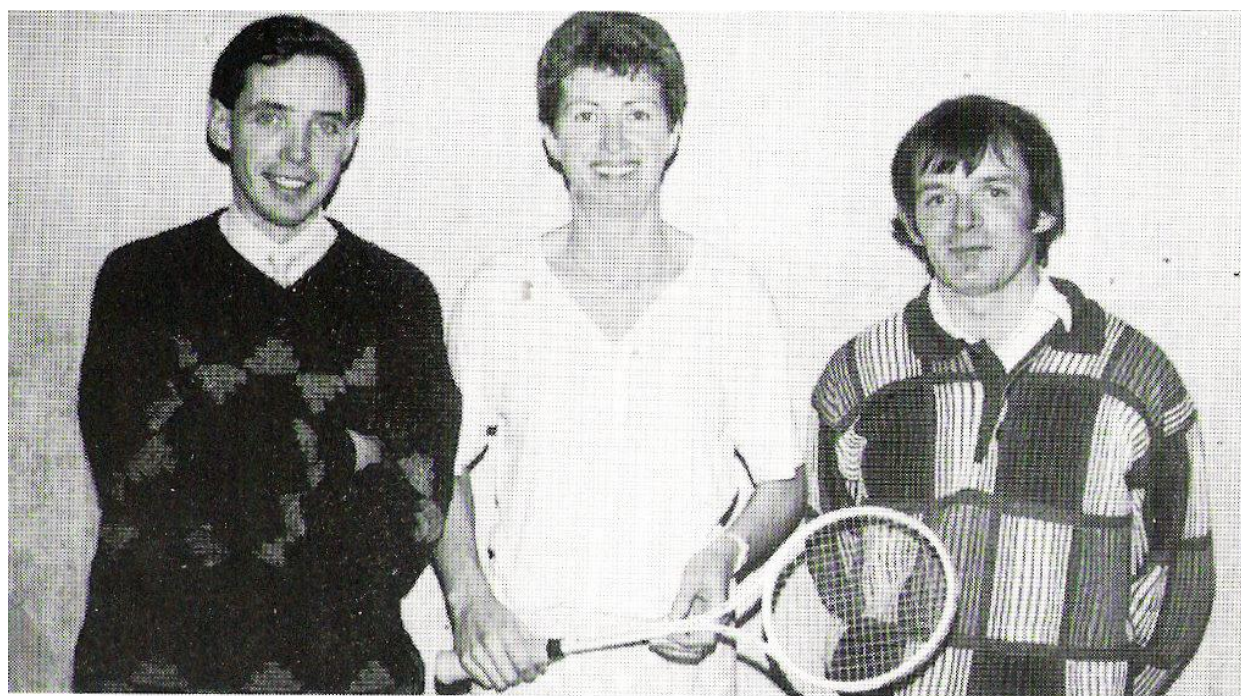
★ *St. Flannan's squash club, winners of the Clare league division 2 title pictured with their coach, John Culligan. Back row (l. to r.), Lorraine Gannon, Deirdre Shalvey, Frances Browne. Seated: Evelyn Lyons, John Culligan and Mary Culligan.*



★ *Clare squash players who took part in the Munster junior close championships in Cork last season. Back row (l. to r.), Michael Brooks, Alan Butler, David McNamara, Jack Keane, Clare squash junior co-ordinator; Neil Hogan, Brian Healy, Cormac O'Shea, Darren Kelly. Front (l. to r.), Sean Gibbons, David Cleary, Robert Connellan, Matthew Arkett, Gearoid Howard, Declan Devitt, Ronan O'Reilly and Ronan Liddy.*



★ Pictured after the Harp handicap finals at the One Mile Inn, were: Back (l. to r.), Seamus Howard (winner), Albert Noonan of Guinness Ltd., sponsors; Margaret Lacheiner (winner). Front (l. to r.), Michael Carmody and Ann O'Dowd (runners-up).



★ Mary Byrne, the Irish Ladies number 1 squash player conducted a squash clinic at the One Mile Inn in February of 1988. She is pictured here with One Mile Inn chairman, Ger Browne (left) and Michael Clancy of Clancy's Garage, Lissycasey, who sponsored the event.



★ Clare prize winners at the 1988 Clarinbridge Crystal Munster Open squash championships at Ennis, included: Back (l. to r.), Eric Hanrahan, Teddy Reynolds (Nenagh), Bob D'Silva (sponsors), Tom Thornton (Galway). Seated: Mairead Bergin and Ann Marie Russell.



★ 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.

1988/89

Committee

Chairman Ger Browne, Treasurer S Howard, Secretary J Davis, Mens Captain J Griffin, Ladies Captain M Lacheiner, Junior Captain M Meere, Social Captain A Feore.

Major Events

The second OMI Open is held, which is again sponsored by Budweiser.

The club has a weekend away to the Downhill Hotel Ballina.

The receipts from the P & P course are still excellent.(£340).

Dermot O'Hanlon (Newmarket on Fergus) is the President of the CSRA.

All the Clare Championship Finals are held in Clarecastle.

The Auburn Lodge closes Court 1.

The Munster Open was held in Christys in Blarney .

Seamus Hayes retires from the CSRA. He had been on every committee since its formation in 1982 and Chairman from 1984 to 1987.

Single OMI club Membership £50, Husband & Wife £65, Family £75.

The Ennis Boys National School sports complex opens with two squash courts and two handball courts, as well as tennis facilities.

The OMI hosts a refereeing course conducted by Martin O'Donoghue, a refereeing instructor from Cork.

The Div 1 Mixed League is opened to teams outside Clare, with Nenagh, Catholic Institute and Limerick L.T.C. entering teams.

The No. 1 court is replastered.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def D Kelly

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def R Hynes

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def D Kelly

Ladies Guinness Final M Lacheiner def R Hynes

Mens Clare Champion **S Hayes** (OMI) def T English (CBS)

Ladies Clare Champion **R Hynes** (OMI) def **C Enright** (OMI)

The OMI won the Div 1 Ladies League. The team was M Lacheiner, Rose Hynes, Carmel Enright, Ann O'Dowd, Mairead Bergin, B O'Flaherty and Jan Davis.

Seamus Hayes wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League.

The OMI are R-Up in the Inter Club Blitz. The team was S Hayes, G Browne, F McMahon, C Enright and C Feore.

The OMI don't win the Div 1 Mixed title for the first time in 6 seasons.

The Autumn League winning team was Dermot O'Hanlon, M Griffin, Finbarr McMahon, Kieran Browne, Jan Davis and Catherine Feore. The R-Up team was M Meere, Michael Mullins, Ger Breen, Ambrose Heagney, M Lacheiner and P Moloney.

Carmel Enright (OMI) wins the Div 1 Clare Individual League. She was also R-Up in the Munster Open Ladies B Championship.

Mairead Bergin (OMI) was R-Up in the Div 1 Clare Individual League.

Regular Blitzes were held.

D Kelly is R-up in the U-19 boys.

P Moloney won the U-16 Girls.

A Meere won the Boys U-12.

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.

SQUASH

ONE MILE INN

- Membership for '88-'89 season now open. Single £50; H. & W. £65; Family £75.
- 2 Squash Courts, Gym, Sauna, Sunbed, Jacuzzi, Pitch & Putt.
- Many competitions. Coaching arranged.

Apply One Mile Inn 065-28969

Sept 1988

■ SQUASH:

OPENING COMPETITION OF SQUASH SEASON

THE new Clare Squash season will commence this week-end when the annual Clare inter club knock-out championship will be decided at the Shannon Diamond Club. This is for teams of five with teams comprising of a man from division 1, 2 and 3 and a lady from division 1 and 2.

Five teams have entered and in the quarter final on this Friday night the holders One Mile Inn will play Ennis C.B.S. B. The winners of this one will meet the host club on Saturday evening in a semi-final with Ennis C.B.S. A taking on St. Flannans in the other semi-final. The final will follow and at a social evening afterwards the presentation of prizes will take place.

Clubs are reminded that entries for the senior individual leagues should be forwarded to the C.S.R.A. by this week-end. Clare President, Dermot O'Hanlon this week announced plans to run an individual league for players over 35, excluding division 1 players. Clubs with players interested in this competition should forward their names to him immediately.

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
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.

Squash Leagues Commence

The Clare squash mens individual league gets under way this week and the competition will comprise of two sections. The top two players in each group will qualify for the semi-finals and the event will be completed prior to Christmas.

The senior mixed team league deferred from last month, is set to get under way

in the next two weeks. It will again be a mixed team event but this season teams will comprise of three ladies and two men. The holders of the title are the One Mile Inn.

Activity in the various clubs is now in full swing with a number of blitz competitions planned for this month. The Autumn team league is set to begin at the One Mile Inn.

The Ennis Boys N.S. sports complex opened on Monday night last, This is an excellent facility with two squash and two handball courts. Its a very central venue and its expected that there will be keen demand for membership.

Meanwhile the C.S.R.A. will host a refereeing-markers course in the near future when Cork official Martin O'Donoghue will be in charge. Only a limited number of places will be available and clubs and individuals interested should contact the Clare President, Dermot O'Hanlon as soon as possible.

The Clare squash association's annual handbook and diary will be available this week-end and there should be great demand for this publication which was welcomed last year. The booklet contains information on all competitions for the season as well as other relevant material.

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.

SENIOR TEAM LEAGUE COMMENCES

THE Div. 1 mixed team league got under way this week with six teams competing. This year the competition is for teams comprising of two men and three women and, for the first time, teams from outside the county will participate.

They are Nenagh and Catholic Institute from Limerick and they will be joined by Ennis C.B.S. A and B, Shannon Diamond and the holders — One Mile Inn.

In the senior individual league the competition is nearing the semi-final stage and the qualifiers should be known at the end of next week. In section one, Seamus Hayes is safely through with full points to date. Chasing the runners up spot are Sean Gleeson, Seamus Howard and Eoin McMahon. Section two is wide open following the surprise defeat of Mike Conlon by Dermot O'Hanlon on Monday night. Pat O'Grady, Joe Pender, Darren Kelly, Jack Keane are all very much in conten-

tion for honours.

Well-known refereeing/marker instructor Martin O'Donoghue, from Cork, conducted a course at the One Mile Inn on Tuesday night. Later in the season he will return to supervise the examination for those who participated. Incidentally, he was accompanied on Tuesday by the Chairman of Irish squash, Tim O'Sullivan.

The One Mile Inn club's Autumn League get under way on Tuesday next. Eight teams will take part in two groups of four with matches on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The top two teams from each group will qualify for the semi-finals and the competition will conclude in early December.

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.

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.

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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.

● 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 Harrigan and Mary Murphy.

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ONE MILE INN

OPEN GRADED SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIPS

FRIDAY 2ND - SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER 1988

1. **EVENTS:-** MENS GRADES A, B, C
LADIES GRADES A, B
PLATE EVENTS IN ALL GRADES
2. **ENTRY FEE:-** £8.00, INCLUDING PARTY AND BUFFET ON SATURDAY NIGHT, OR
£5.00, COMPETITION ONLY

3. NAME (BLOCK CAPITALS): ADDRESS: TEL. (HOME): (WORK): CLUB: TEAM + POSITION: SIGNATURE:	PLEASE ENTER ME IN GRADE: FOR WHICH I ENCLOSE ENTRY FEE (CHEQUES AND POSTAL ORDERS MUST BE MADE PAYABLE TO THE ONE MILE INN SQUASH CLUB) ARRIVAL TIME:
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● 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.

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Plate Winners OMI Open

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.

● 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.

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.

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■ Squash:

SQUASH LEAGUES RESUME

SQUASH competitions are now back in full swing after the Christmas break and over the next six weeks most clubs will have a very busy schedule. The mens division 2 league is nearing completion and here Clarecastle, Nenagh, Catholic Institute and Ennis C.B.S. are in contention for the title.

The division 3 and 'confined' leagues get under way next week for both men and ladies, while the division 4 competitions will commence in February. A new division 1 team league for men is set to start on February 1 and this should prove exciting.

Competition is also in full swing in the clubs with coaching and ladder competitions taking place regularly. At the One Mile Inn Club the prestigious Harp handicap

competition will be getting under way shortly and there should again be huge interest in this event.

The Clare inter-club blitz will take place on January 27 and 28 and a full entry of all Clare clubs is expected. This has always proved to be a most popular event and this year should be no different.

All of the leagues will be concluded before the end of March when the annual Clare Championships will be staged.

Jan 1989

● SQUASH:

TITLE FOR LIMERICK

Limerick side Catholic Institute look set to win the Clare Squash Mens Div. II league title. With two rounds to go they hold a ten point lead and it will be a major surprise if they are caught at this stage.

The runners-up prizes will also go to an outside team as Nenagh are in this position at present. Clarecastle, for so long the leaders of the league, have dropped to third place following defeat in a crucial game in Nenagh last week.

The Mens Div. III league commenced last week and in the first round there were wins for Shannon Diamond and Clarecastle over the One Mile Inn and Ennis CBS respectively. The teams look to be very evenly matched in this league and its anybody's guess as to who will win. The ladies division 3 got under way last week when Clarecastle pipped Ennistymon. The mens and ladies confined (novice) leagues are all set to commence and will be run off over the next six weeks.

On Friday and Saturday week the annual inter club blitz competition will take

place.

The Clarinbridge Crystal Munster open championships are being staged in Cork this year at the end of February. The tournament headquarters will be at Christys in Blarney and its expected that there will be a big entry from Clare for this prestigious competition.

NO PITCH—NO TRIAL

THE unavailability of pitches has brought a set back to the Clare minor football selectors in their quest to begin preparations for the '89 championships.

The first trial game was to have been held next Sunday but the pitch at St. Flannan's college is not available and efforts by the selectors to get another pitch in the region of Ennis have failed. The result is that the trial has had to be deferred for a week, when hopefully, the situation will have improved.

SQUASH LEAGUES ADVANCE

IN the Clare mens division three league Clarecastle are the early leaders following good results in the opening three rounds. This league is in the early stages and it's anybody's guess as to the final outcome. **

The main competition this week-end will be the annual inter-club blitz and a great competition is expected. The One Mile Inn will be defending the title but the hot favourites are Ennis C.B.S. who have dominated division 1 team events in Clare this year.

The draw was not available at the time of writing but the competition will be played on Friday and Saturday nights.

The annual Harp handicap tournament at the One Mile Inn squash club will commence next week and this should again prove to be a major attraction. The number 1 court at the club re-opened this week after repairs and all is now set for a great competition.

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.

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. Flannans 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 Chrissy's in Blarney and has attracted a top class entry for the mens A section which should prove a major attraction.



* 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.

Feb 1989

Alan Meere on Munster Team

Almost thirty Clare players took part in the Munster junior close champs. which were staged at Waterford last week-end. There were Clare players in all boys grades - u. 12, 14, 16, and 18 while, for the first time, Clare was represented in some of the girls events.

Alan Meere from Clarecastle was the runner up in the boys u. 12 and as a result of this success he has been chosen at number 2 on the Munster under 12 team for the inter-provincials which will take place in Dublin on March 4 and 5. In the same grade Darren Lynch from Ennis C.B.S. did very well and finished at number 6.

Fiona Malone from the One Mile Inn club won the girls u. 16 B title which was a great achievement as this is the first time that Clare have had junior girls taking part in competition.

As usual Clare's junior coordinator Jack Keane had a huge entry from Ennis C.B.S. while there were also entries from the One Mile Inn and Clarecastle.

In the New Ireland Assurance mens div. 3 league, Clarecastle hold a one point lead over Catholic Institute at the half way stage. Clarecastle have 61 points with the Limerick side on 60 pts. and a great second half is expected.

After three rounds of the Bank of Ireland mens div. 1 league the One Mile Inn lead with 31 pts. from Catholic Institute A who have 22 pts. Ennis C.B.S. are on 19 but they have a game in hand as have a fancied Nenagh outfit who are on 18 which is the same as Shannon Diamond who have played three rounds.

In the ladies div. 1 league Catholic Inst. have 31 pts. after two rounds while Limerick



Alan Meere, Clarecastle, who has been chosen on the Munster U/12 squash team after reaching the final in the Munster U/12 Championship at Waterford on Sunday last.

L.T.C. are on 17 and Ennis CBS on 15 after the same number of games. Both the One Mile Inn and Nenagh are each on 18 after just one match and must be in with a good chance of victory.

The Clare champs., sponsored by Maurer Jewellers will commence on April 3 and conclude on April 14. Entry forms will be available shortly and must be returned to C.S.R.A. president, Dermot O'Hanlon by March 16.

■ SQUASH:

DIVISION I TITLE FOR CARMEL ENRIGHT

LAST week-end was a busy and successful one for Carmel Enright. On Thursday night last she captured the Clare senior ladies league title when she had a 3-1 win over Mairead Bergin at the One Mile Inn. On Friday she travelled to Cork for the Munster open championships.

Carmel won on Friday night, followed up with two victories on Saturday to qualify for the B final on Sunday. Incidentally she defeated Mairead Bergin on Saturday. In the final on Sunday she came up against Kay Bolger from New Ross and here she had to give best to the Wexford girl. Overall it was a tremendous week-end for the Clare association's treasurer.

In the senior team league the One Mile Inn got back on top in the ladies competition when they had a comprehen-

sive win over Catholic Institute last week. They now hold a slender lead over Nenagh whom they play at the One Mile Inn next week. In the senior mens competition the One Mile Inn's chances of winning were dealt a big blow last week when they were defeated by both Nenagh and Catholic Institute. The lead is now held by Ennis CBS who are unbeaten after six rounds and who remain favourites for the title.

Getting back to last week-end's Clarinbridge Crystal

Munster open championships Clarecastle's Loretto O'Loughlin won the ladies C plate competition. Her clubmate Pat Doran was the runner up in the mens D grade. Ann Marie Russell, Maura Hanrahan (both Clarecastle), Kate Lane and Teresa McNamara (both Ennistymon) failed narrowly in the concluding stages of their respective grades.

Entry forms for the Maurer Jewellers Clare championships have been distributed this week and completed forms must be returned to Dermot O'Hanlon by March 16. There will be A, B and C grades for men and A and B grades for ladies. There will be plate competitions in all grades.

Meanwhile the annual Harp handicap competition at the One Mile Inn got underway this week and there are some very interesting pairings in the first round. All details are posted on the notice board at the club.

In the mens Div. 3 Clarecastle moved closer to the title when they beat Catholic Institute, 3-2 on Monday night. Clarecastle play Shannon Diamond on next Monday and a victory here will give them the title.

SQUASH:

Clare Championship Time Draws Near

With just a couple of weeks to go to the Clare championships, all players are busy preparing for these annual tests which will again be sponsored by Maurer Jewellers. Entries close on March 16 (Thursday next) and must be sent to the C.S.R.A. President, Dermot O'Hanlon. There will be a number of grades for both men and women. The championships start on April 3 and conclude on April 14.

Meanwhile the leagues continue and in the Bank of Ireland mens div. 1 team league, Ennis CBS lead at the halfway

stage with 63 points from Nenagh on 56 with Catholic Institute B next on 49 followed closely by Institute A and One Mile Inn.

In the ladies league Nenagh are on 68 pts., after five games which is two ahead of the One Mile Inn who have 66 but the Ennis club have a game in hand.

In the New Ireland Assurance mens div. 3 team league Clarecastle are in a strong position with 116 pts., with just one game to play. Catholic Institute are in second place with 89 points but they have two games to play. Clarecastle

are warmly fancied to complete the double as they have already won the ladies title.

Meanwhile the annual Harp handicap tournament at the One Mile Inn is in full swing and the second round must be completed by this week-end. The handicap competition at Ennis CBS is also at an advanced stage.

The inaugural team league at the newly opened Ennis boys N.S. concluded this week. It was an outstanding success. Arrangements are now being made for the inaugural club champs., in which there will be a number of grades.

March 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. 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



April 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).



Pictured after the Clare squash champ. finals on Friday night in Clarecastle were, back l. to r.: Tomas English, div. 1 runner up; Dick Fitzgerald, div. 3 winner, Ml. Daffy, div. 3 runner-up; Fergus O'Loughlin, div. 2 winner; Jackie Hynes, div. 2 runner up. Front: Seamus Hayes, div. 1 winner; Carmel Enright, div. 1 rinner-up; Mary Murphy, div. 2 runner-up; Loretto O'Loughlin, div. 2 winner; and Rose Hynes, div. 1 winner.

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.



☆ 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

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.

CLARE A.G.M.

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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 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, Eamonn 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 Mice Club took place on this Thursday at 9 p.m.

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.

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.

ONE MILE INN SQUASH CLUB

CASH STATEMENT : 4.5.1989

Receipts

Cash at bank, April '88:	30.13
Cycle:	90.00
Pitch & Putt:	340.00
O.M.I. Open:	336.00
Budweiser:	200.00
Fees for individual leagues:	47.00
Blitzes + Autumn League:	139.00
Harp + Club C'Ships:	80.00
Deposit for week-end away:	50.00
7-Up:	100.00

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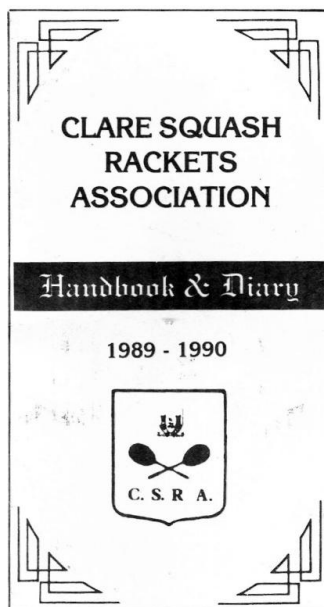
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C.S.R.A.:	288.00
M.S.R.A.:	220.00
Framed posters:	80.00
Set of ware:	30.85
Week-end away deposit:	50.00
Bank charges:	16.95
Trophies + vouchers:	388.00
Buffets + spot prizes:	182.11
Junior transport:	30.00
Interest:	2.75
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May 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

1988/'89 Winners **LEAGUES**

Ladies:

	Winner	Runner-up:
Ind. A:	Carmel Enright	Mairead Bergin
Indiv. B:	Jean Murphy	Mary Murphy
Div. 1:	One Mile Inn	Nenagh
Div. 2:	C.B.S.	Clarecastle A
Div. 3:	Clarecastle	—
Div. 4:	Ennistymon	—
Con.:	S.D.C.	One Mile Inn

Men

Ind. A	Seamus Hayes	Sean Gleeson
Ind. B:	Pat Doran	—
Div. 1:	C.B.S.	Catholic Inst.
Div. 2:	Catholic Inst.	Nenagh
Div. 3:	Clarecastle	Catholic Inst.
Div. 4:	C.B.S. A	Clarecastle
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Knockout	C.B.S. (A)	S.D.C.
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Blitz:	C.B.S. (C)	

One Mile Inn

Jun. Champs.

Girls u. 16	P. Moloney	E. Moloney
Boys u. 12	A. Meere	D. Lynch
u. 14	D. Frawley	N. Morgan

u. 16	D. Devitt	D. Ryan
u. 19	F. O'Loughlin	D. Kelly.

CLARE CHAMPIONSHIPS

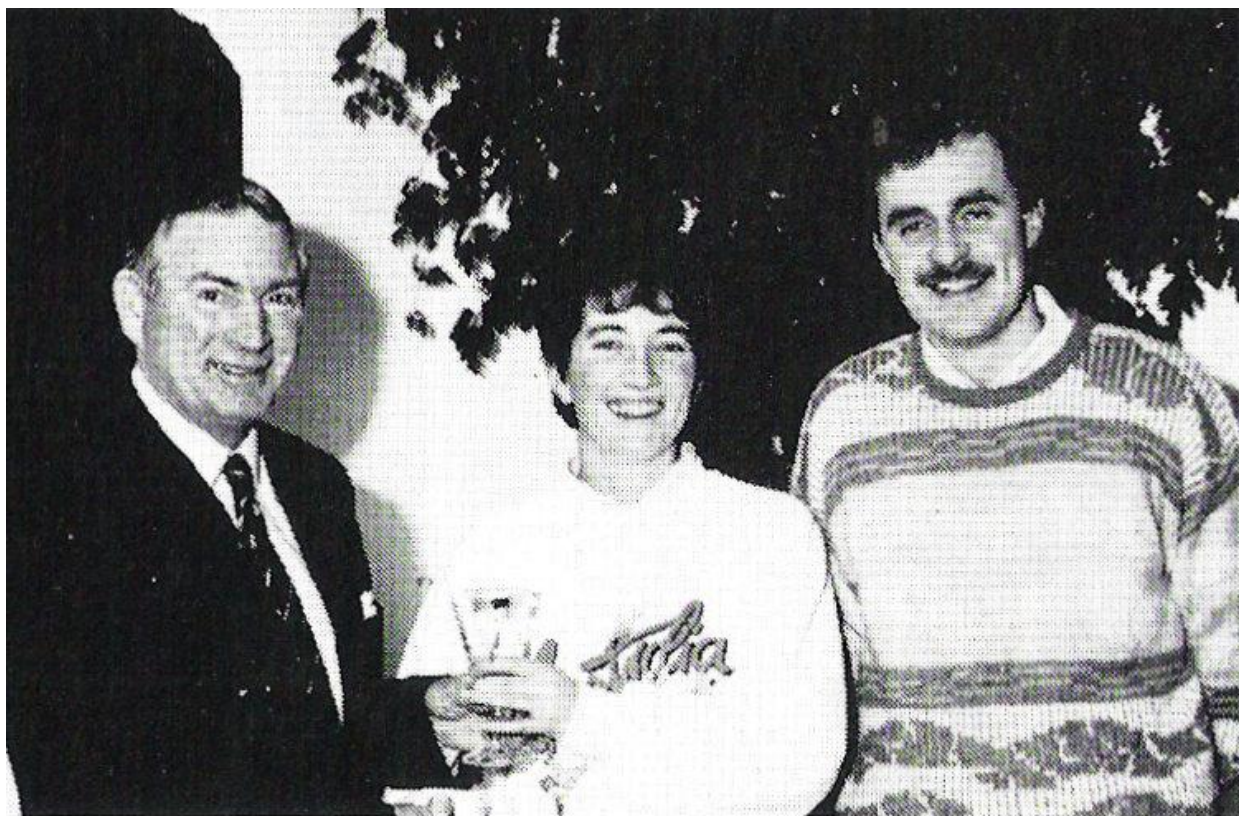
	Winner	Runner-Up
Ladies A:	Rose Hynes	Carmel Enright
Ladies B:	Loretto O'Loughlin	Mary Murphy
Plate A:	Mairead Bergin	Ann O'Dowd
Plate B:	Helen McNamara	Teresa McNamara
Mens A:	Seamus Hayes	Tomas English
Mens B:	Fergus O'Loughlin	Jackie Hynes
Mens C:	Dick Fitzgerald	Michael Daffy
Plate A:	Eoin McMahon	Joe Griffin
Plate B:	Derry Moloney	Eric Hanrahan
Plate C:	Pat Talty	Ambrose Hagney



Dermot O'Hanlon (left), President C.S.R.A. and Denis Maurer (right) of Maurer Jewellers, the sponsors, with the current Clare Division 1 champions, Seamus Hayes and Rose Hynes.



Nenagh, runners-up in the Ladies Division 1 Bank of Ireland league last season. Pictured from left are Gerry Fitzgerald, Bank of Ireland, Nenagh; Colette O'Connell, Cora Coffey, Ann Fitzpatrick and Dermot O'Hanlon, President of the C.S.R.A. Missing from the photograph are Patricia O'Connor and Mary Corbett. (Picture courtesy Nenagh Guardian).



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.



Finalists in a Kerry Co-op tournament at Ennistymon last season. Back (from left): John Reidy, Michae, McGuane, Deirdre O'Brien, Michael Kelleher and Gus Carroll. Front: Noel Lane, Enda Byrt, Mary O'Looney, Adrian Russell and Brendan Doherty.



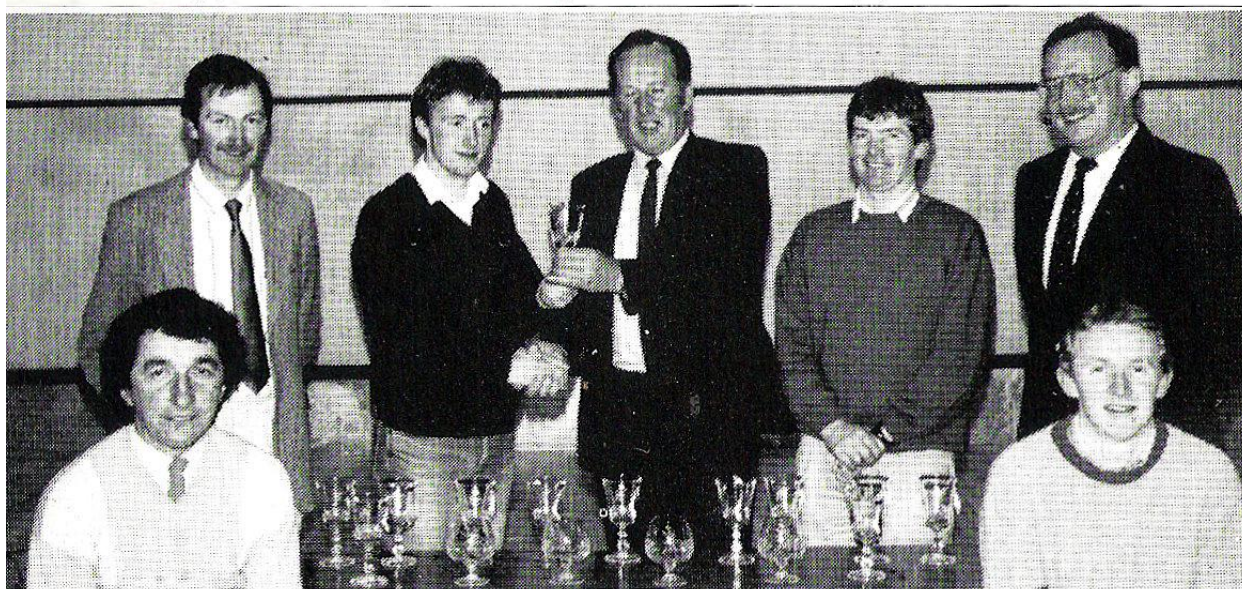
The Clarecastle team, winners of the Clare Division 3 squash league title last season pictured at the presentation of prizes. Back (from left): Dick Fitzgerald, Don Barrett, John O'Shaughnessy, James Healy, Christy Sheridan, Gerry Casey. Front: Pat Rutherford, Dermot O'Hanlon, President C.S.R.A.; Eamonn Kelly, New Ireland Assurance (sponsors); Fergus O'Loughlin, captain and Frank Power.



Supt. Jim Drudy presenting the prizes after the Clare Garda Squash championship finals, which were held at the Clarecastle Squash complex. From left: Garda Martin O'Brien, Ennis, championship runner-up; Garda Larry Donnellan, Shannon, championship winner; Supt. Jim Drudy; Garda Tom Donoghue, Ennistymon, plate winner; and Garda Kevin Moynihan, Ennis, plate runner-up.



The One Mile Inn ladies, winners of the Division 1 League title pictured at the presentation of prizes. Standing (from left), Dermot O'Hanlon, President C.S.R.A., Mairead Bergin, Ann O'Dowd, Margaret Lacheiner (capt.), Gerry O'Brien, Bank of Ireland, Ennis; Carmel Enright, Martin O'Sullivan, Bank of Ireland Regional office. Seated: Jan Davis (left) and Bridie O'Flaherty.



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.



Finalists in the Syntex Ireland Plate competitions last season. Back (from left), Joe Griffin, Derry Moloney, Eoin McMahon, Pat Talty. Front: Mary McNamara, Ann O'Dowd, Teresa McNamara and Mairead Bergin.



Finalists in the Clare Championships last season. Back (from left); Tomas English, Dick Fitzgerald, Michael Daffy, Fergus O'Loughlin, Jackie Hynes. Front: Seamus Hayes, Carmel Enright, Mary Murphy, Loretto O'Loughlin and Rose Hynes.

C.S.R.A. COMMITTEES

1982/'83 - 1989/'90

1982/'83

President Michael Howard
 Chairman Tony Lillis
 Secretary Betty McMahon
 Treasurer Jim O'Dowd
 Committee members: Seamus Hayes, Margaret Flanagan, Denis Maurer, Kyran Hurley, John McEntee, Dermot O'Hanlon, Con Woods.

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President Brother Nevin
 Chairman Tony Lillis
 Secretary Betty McMahon
 Treasurer Jim O'Dowd
 Committee members: Dermot O'Hanlon, Caroline McDonnell, Seamus Hayes, Denis Maurer, John McEntee, Kyran Hurley, Joe Pender, Margaret Flanagan.

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1989/'90

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1989/90

Committee

Chairman Ger Browne, Treasurer S Howard, Secretary Jan Davis, Mens Captain Joe Griffin, Ladies Captain M Lacheiner, Social Captain A Feore, Junior Captain M Meere, CSRA E Kelly. Junior Girls B O'Flaherty.

Major Events

Total Membership 41 with 3 juniors.

17 clubs affiliate to the CSRA.

Nearly 90 entries for the Clare Championships. The finals were held in Clarecastle.

Dermot O'Hanlon (Newmarket on Fergus) is the President of the CSRA.

The Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open is back in Clare after a one year absence. Munster Open matches were held in the CBS, OMI, Boys National, St Flannans and Clarecastle (HQ). There was a huge entry with over 300 matches played over the weekend. Willie Hosey the Irish No. 1 won the Mens A title. Brona Conway took the Ladies A title.

The P & P course is handed over to the new P & P committee. It becomes a very successful club for many years running regular competitions.

The Ballina/Killaloe squash club enters the Clare leagues for the first time.

The third OMI open is held. The entry is so large it has to start on the Thursday.

Competitions

Mens Club Champion S Hayes def J Griffin

Ladies Club Champion M Lacheiner def R Hynes

Mens Harp Final S Hayes def D Kelly

Ladies Harp Final R Hynes def M Lacheiner

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def **S Hayes** (OMI).

Ladies Clare Champion **R Hynes** (OMI) def C McDonnell (CBS).

The OMI retain the Div 1 Mixed League after a lapse of a year. The team was S Hayes, D Kelly, M Lacheiner, R Hynes, C Enright, M Bergin and B O'Flaherty.

The winning team in the Autumn League was J Griffin, M Carmody, P Sheehan, M Rooney, A O'Dowd and E Howard. The R-Up team was T McNamara, J Davis, T de Buitleur, M Clancy, F Coughlan and S Hayes.

The OMI were R-Up the Div 1 Ladies League (by just one game). The team was M Lacheiner, Rose Hynes, Carmel Enright, Ann O'Dowd, Mairead Bergin, B O'Flaherty and Jan Davis.

Rose Hynes (OMI) was R-Up in the Div 1 Clare Individual League.

Seamus Hayes (OMI) was the winner in the Div 1 Clare Individual League.

The Inter Club Knock Out Team was S Hayes, G Browne, M Griffin, M Lacheiner and B O'Flaherty.

The Club had teams in Mens Div 1, 2, 3 and 4, and Ladies Div 1, 3, 4 and 5.

Squash Season Opens

The 1989-90 Squash season gets under way next week with the Div. 1 mixed team league which will commence on Wednesday night. The competition will continue on Wednesday's until its conclusion. Four teams will take part and they are Ennis CBS (holders), Nenagh, Catholic Institute and One Mile Inn.

The CSRA's annual inter club knock out competition will be played at Shannon at the beginning of October. The Clarecastle club will hold an open event on the week-end of Oct. 20-22 while the One Mile Inn's annual open will take place during the week-end of December 1, 2 and 3.

Full details of the programme of events for the season will be available next week in the associations annual handbook and diary.

The Newmarket club annual meeting will be held on Wednesday next at 9 p.m. at the Squash Club.

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SQUASH

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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

SQUASH:

Leagues Get Under Way

The division 1 mixed league commenced last week when there were good wins for the One Mile Inn and Nenagh. The One Mile Inn defeated Catholic Institute while Nenagh proved too strong for the holders Ennis CBS who were understrength.

The Clare association's annual inter club knock out competition will take place on Friday and Saturday week at Shannon and entries should be with Dermot O'Hanlon by this week-end.

Entry forms for the Clarecastle open are now in the clubs and these should be returned to Fergus O'Loughlin by Wed., next. The competition takes place for this inaugural event which is being held in conjunction with the Clarecastle 800 celebrations.

The Clare Association's annual handbook and diary is available in all clubs this week-end. This contains full details on gradings, competitions, rules, etc., as well as a diary until Dec. 1990.

Sept 1989

One Mile Inn Lead

After two rounds of the senior mixed team league, the One Mile Inn are the leaders having dropped just two points. They have had wins over Catholic Institute and Ennis CBS and this week they play Nenagh. Victory here would put them in a strong position entering the second

half of the league.

Meanwhile the div. 2 mens and ladies leagues got under way this week and these will continue for the next two months.

At the recent Connacht junior open, Clarecastle's Alan Meere was the runner up in the u. 12 section. He will be playing in the Munster junior open the week-end after next after which the Munster team will be selected. Its expected that Alan will in the provincial side for the second year in succession.

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ONE MILE INN CALENDAR OF EVENTS 89' 90.

OCTOBER

MONTHLY BLITZ , AUTUMN LEAGUE ,
DIV 1 MIXED LEAGUE , DIV. 2. MENS + LADIES ,
DIV. 4 MENS + LADIES , INTER CLUB BLITZ ,

NOVEMBER

BLITZ , AUTUMN LEAGUE ,

DECEMBER

HARP HANDICAP , O.M.I. OPEN ,
XMAS PARTY .

JANUARY

BLITZ . DIV 3 MENS + LADIES , INTER CLUB BLITZ
DIV 5 MENS + LADIES , DIV 1 MENS + LADIES .

FEBRUARY

SPRING LEAGUE , MUNSTER OPEN ,
WEEK-END AWAY .

MARCH

SPRING LEAGUE , CLARE CHAMPIONSHIPS ,
CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS .

ONE MILE INN COMMITTEE 89'90

<u>CHAIRMAN</u>	-	GERARD BROWNE
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<u>MENS CAPTAIN</u>	-	JOE GRIFFIN
<u>LADIES CAPTAIN</u>	-	MARGARET LACHEINER
<u>SOCIAL CAPTAIN</u>	-	ADAM FLORE
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<u>JUNIOR GIRLS</u>	-	BIDIE O'FLAHERTY

O.M.I. MENS PANELS 89'90

TEAM SELECTION TO BE BASED ON LEADER.

DIV. 1

S. HAYES
D. KELLY
J. GRIFFIN
S. HOWARD
D. HASSETT
G. BROWNE

DIV 3

M. GRIFFIN
J O DAWD
A. FLORE
M. CARMODY
M. LACHEINER

R. HYNES
C. ENRY

DIV 4

P. STEEHAN
G. BREEN
A. HADLEY
J. FINDEGAN
G. HOWARD
N. HOGAN
D. CAHILL
M. VAUGHAN
P. CANNANE
P. KENEALLY
M. BROOKS

DIV 5

M. LOONEY
J. MARTIN
P. J. O'GORMAN
R. BRACKEN
T. de BUCKLEIR

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BLITZ**OCT. 20th THURS.****2 ENTRY****TURKEY PRIZES FOR WINNERS****CAPTAINS MUST NOTIFY THEIR TEAM.**

Court 1				Court 2				Court 1				Court 2			
A	V	B	C	V	D	E	V	F	G	V	H				
(CAPT.) S. Hayes 7:40	-	(CAPT.) S. Howard	(CAPT.) J. Griffin 7:40	3	9	D. Kelly	D. Hassett 8:40	11	4	G. Browne (CAPT.)	M. Healey 8:40	12	6	J. O'Dowd	
G. O'Brien 7:50	5	J. Finnegan	P. Cunnane 7:50	4	4	G. Casey	M. O'Leary 8:50	6	12	J. Reynolds (CAPT.) 8:50	M. Griffin 8:50	5	9	M. Mullins	
P. Kennelly 7:50	6	G. Brown	A. Healy 7:50	4	8	P. Stephen	M. Vaughan 8:40	12	11	K. Browne	T. Heagerty 8:50	4	15	G. Howard	
J. Duncan 7:50	3	B. Griffin (CAPT.)	M. Breen 7:50	11	8	J. Davis (CAPT.)	M. Breen 8:50	9	12	A. O'Dowd	C. Enright 8:50	4	15	H. Lachner	
	14	39		22	29			28	39						

Court 1
SEMI - FINAL

9:40	S. Howard			D. Kelly
9:30	J. Finnegan	8	12	P. Casey
9:20	G. Brown	2	10	P. Stephen
9:10	S. Griffin	9	13	J. Davis
9:00				

FINAL

10:40	D. Kelly	15	4	J. O'Dowd
10:30	G. Casey	7	12	M. Mullins
10:20	P. Stephen	8	11	G. Howard
10:10	J. Davis	3	12	M. Lachner
10:00				

Court 2
SEMI - FINAL

G. Browne			J. O'Dowd
J. Reynolds	2	15	M. Mullins
K. Browne	10	14	G. Howard
A. O'Dowd	3	12	M. Lachner

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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-

for Limerick

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.

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.

SQUASH

Title for One Mile Inn

THE senior mixed team league concluded last week with victory going to the One Mile Inn team. Nenagh finished in second place.

The One Mile Inn squad comprised of Seamus Hayes, Darren Kelly, Margaret Lacheiner, Rose Hynes, Carmel Enright, Mairead Bergin and Bridie O'Flaherty.

The presentation of prizes will take place on a date to be announced.

Its expected that the Division I individual league will commence in the next two weeks and will be completed prior to Christmas.

The Division II mens and ladies leagues are in full swing at present while the Division IV competitions have just commenced.

Nov 1989

■ SQUASH:

BIG ENTRY

THERE will be a strong Clare representation at the Club Orange Munster Close squash championships which will take place at the Glen Eagle club in Killarney this week-end.

Amongst those taking part will be Carmel Enright, Maura Hanrahan, Catherine Lane, Teresa McNamara, Frank Reddan, John O'Shaughnessy and Pat Doran. This event has been a tremendous success in Killarney in recent seasons and the organisers have planned a good programme again this year resulting in a top class entry for all grades.

On the home front the various leagues are in full swing with the mens division 4 having commenced last week. This sees the involvement of the Ballina (Killaloe) club in Clare competition for the first time and they started with a good win over the One Mile Inn.

The One Mile Inn Open takes place on Friday, Saturday and Sunday week and entries close on Friday. Club chairman, Ger Browne is in charge and another great competition is expected.

Meanwhile the club's Autumn league is in full swing and the finalists will be known after next Tuesday's games. The final will take place during the following week when the annual Harp handicap competition will commence.

Huge Entry for One Mile Inn Open

The organisers of the One Mile Inn open competition, now in its fourth year, have attracted the strongest entry to date and there should be some tremendous squash at the One Mile club this week-end. Because of the very big entry, the event will get under way on this Thursday and will continue on Friday night, all day Saturday and Sunday afternoon.

Shannon girl Claire Jones who plays out of the Highfield club in Cork is the number one seed in the ladies A. She was beaten in the A final of the Munster close in Killarney last week-end. Claire is a well known camogie player and she has won all-Ireland junior medals with Clare and senior medals with Kilkenny. Nenagh's Patricia O'Connor is seeded at 2 while the field also includes Margaret

Lacheiner, Carmel Enright, Caroline McDonnell and Mairead Bergin.

Young Barry Hession, recent winner of the Clarecastle open is seeded at number 1 in the mens event with Billy Ryan at 2. Also in the competition will be Liam Morrissey, Tim Treacy, Teddy Reynolds, Seamus Hayes, Mike Conlon, Darren Kelly, Sean Gleeson, Fergus O'Loughlin and Jack Keane.

There will also be a mens B and C grades and a ladies B competition. Details of the draw are posted on the club's noticeboard. The event is sponsored by guinness and there will be a buffet function in the club on Saturday night.

The club's autumn league is at the final stage and the final will take place on Tuesday night, commencing at 7 p.m.

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OPEN GRADED SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIPS

FRIDAY 1 - SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER 1989

EVENTS:

- MENS GRADES A, B, C
- LADIES GRADES A, B
- PLATE EVENTS IN ALL GRADES

ENTRY FEE:

- £9.00 including party and buffet on Saturday night, or
- £5.00, competition only

NAME (BLOCK CAPITALS) _____	PLEASE ENTER ME IN GRADE _____
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(WORK) _____	
CLUB _____	
TEAM & POSITION _____	
SIGNATURE _____	

ENTRIES TO:

CLOSING DATE: 23 November.

TOURNAMENT RULES:

- All players must be available to play on Friday night, 1 Dec.
- Punctuality is essential: players over 10 minutes late will be disqualified.

TOURNAMENT REFEREE: Seamus Hayes.

Dec 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:

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.

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.

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.

CLARE SQUASH RACKETS ASSOC.

(C.S.R.A.)

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Bruce Tennell

President

Dermot V. O'Hanlon

Hon. Treasurer

Carmel Enright

The following are the players and the draw for
the Men's Individual League 1989-1990

- (A) Pat O'Sullivan, (B) Michael Daffey (C) Jackie Hynes.
(D) Sean Gleeson, (E) Seamus Hayes (F) Jack Keane
(G) Michael Conlon (H) Ger Browne (I) Dermot O'Hanlon
(J) Eam Mc Mahon

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The following are the players and the draw for
the Ladies Individual League 1989-1990

- (A) Caroline Mc Donnell, (B) Kate Lane, (C) Teresa ~~Mc~~
(D) Margaret Flanagan, (E) Sylvia Carroll (F) Rose ~~Hayes~~
(G) Carmel Enright, (H) Maureen Bergen (I) Teresa ~~Mc~~
(J) Ann O'Dowd.

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.

'Open' Title for Alan Meere



Alan Meere, Clarecastle, winner of the Leinster Open under 12 squash title last weekend.

Clarecastle's Alan Meere scored his biggest squash success to date when he won the Leinster Open under 12 title in Dublin at the week-end. Alan, a member of the Munster team last year has shown great improvement all season and was in great form at the week-end when deservedly taking the title.

At the beginning of February he will return to Dublin for the Irish open and he will start as favourite to win this title. Alan's success confirms the importance of training and he has put in many hours over the past two months getting ready for these events.

Declan Devitt from Newmarket finished in the top ten in a very high standard under 16 event.

Clare squash leagues are now in full swing after the holiday break. The mens and ladies div. 3 and 5 competitions have attracted big entries and all commenced this week as did the div. 1 ladies and mens competitions. The div. 1 individual leagues are continuing also.

Entry forms are being distributed to all clubs this week for the forthcoming Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open championships which will be staged on Feb. 23, 24, and 25. There will be four grades for both men and ladies as well as a veterans section and there will be valuable crystal and cash prizes. All Ennis courts will be used for the competition as well as the Clarecastle complex.

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.

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 Clarenbridge 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.

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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.

THREE MUNSTER JUNIOR TITLES FOR CLARE

THE improvement in standard at junior level of Clare squash was very much in evidence at the week-end when the Munster junior championships were staged at Waterford. After the week-end's competitions Clare have five players on the provincial sides for the forthcoming inter-provincial competitions to be held at Bangor, Co. Down on the week-end of March 2, 3 and 4.

Clare will have three play-

ers on the provincial under-16 side and two on the under-12 team.

Clarecastle's Alan Meere got back on the winning trail after the disappointment of losing at the semi-final stage of the Irish Open a week earlier. He was a convincing winner of the Munster Close title emerging 3-1 victor in the final. Michael Barry of the Ennis C.B.S. club will also be in the Munster side in this age group having finished in fourth position. He will be number 4 on the provincial team.

Declan Devitt of the Ennis C.B.S. club was in tremendous form winning the under-16 title. His clubmates Declan Frawley and Matthew Arkett were in fourth and fifth positions respectively and all three will be in the under 16 side for the championships in Bangor.

Clarecastle's Christy Sheridan won the under-19 B title in Waterford while his clubmate Fergus O'Loughlin finished a highly creditable seventh in the under 19 A grade.

In the Clare leagues the semi-finals of the mens division 3 will take place next week. Ennis C.B.S. and Charleville look set to qualify from

one section while Kilkee and Clarecastle are the likely qualifiers from the other side of the draw.

Clarecastle are also doing very well in the ladies division 3 and they are likely to figure in the contest for the title.

Shannon Diamond are the leaders in both the mens and ladies division 5 leagues.

The individual leagues are set to conclude this week. The ladies title looks set to be between Rose Hynes and Caroline McDonnell who have

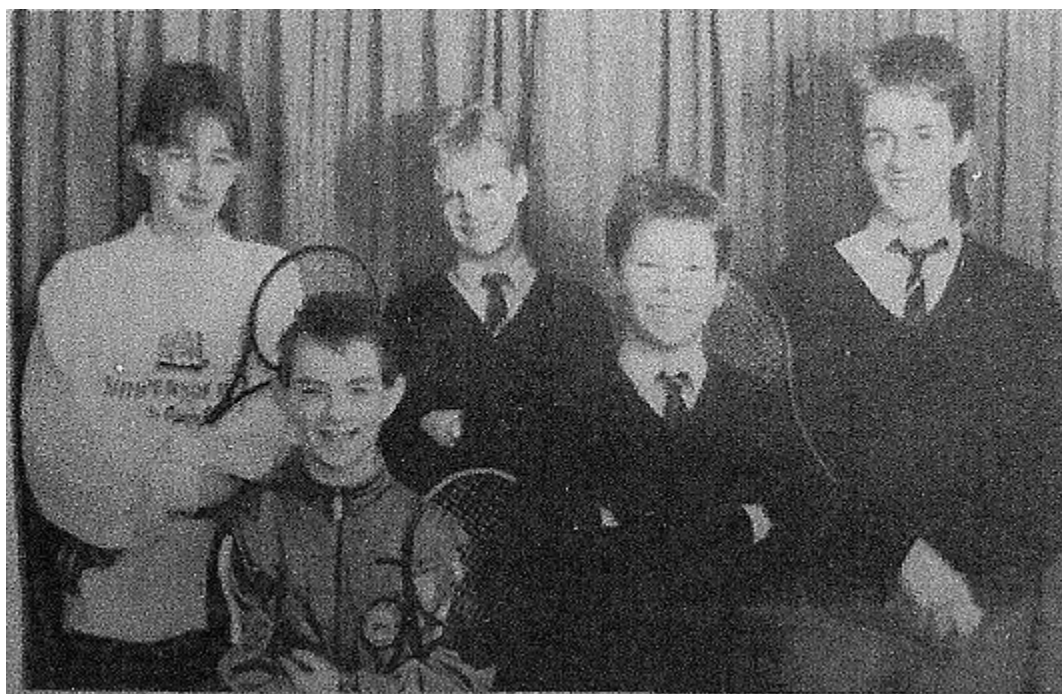
to play. In the mens series Mike Conlon lost his unbeaten run last week-end when he went under in the holder Seamus Hayes who is unbeaten.

The draw for the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open championships will be made this week-end and results should be available to all clubs by Monday. Those who haven't yet entered and wish to play in the competition should contact any of the organisers without delay.

COMMUNITY GAMES

Duke Charles

each county will now



Clare Squash players who won Munster honours at last week-end's provincial champs. in Waterford. Included are Christy Sheridan, Clarecastle, Matthew Arkett, Ennis CBS, Declan Devitt, do. Alan Meere

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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.

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.

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SQUASH:

Clare Successes at Munster Open

There was a lot of Clare success at the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships which were held in Clare last week-end. One hundred players took part in the competition which had a total of nine grades and which produced a very high standard of play.

Games were played at Ennis Boys N.S., St. Flannan's College, Shannon Diamond and Clarecastle which was the tournament headquarters and which hosted the finals.

Carolien McDonnell, Kate Lane, Ann Killeen, Pat Doran, Jimmy O'Dea and Tony Madigan brought championship titles to Clare while a number

of plate titles were also captured. Derek Ryan and Marjorie Croke won the A sections in what was a most successful tournament.

The results relevant to Clare were: Men - B: Barry Hession Limerick beat Fergus O'Loughlin, Clarecastle 3-1. C: Pat Doran, Ennis CBS beat Jackie Keane, do. 3-1. D: Jimmy O'Dea, Kildysart beat K. Kearney, Cork 3-0. Vets: Tony Madigan, Clarecastle beat M. Griffin, One Mile Inn 3-1. B Plate: Mike Conlon, Ennis CBS beat B. Ryan, Limerick. 3/1C Plate: M. Walker, Waterford beat Tony Lillis, Ennis 3-0. Vets Plate: Pat Lorrigan, Kildysart beat Aidan Feoire, One Mile Inn.

Ladies B: Caroline McDonnell, Ennis CBS beat C. O'Neill, Cork. C: Kate Lane Ennistymon beat Sylvia Carroll, Ennis CBS. D: Ann Killeen, Ennistymon beat Gertrude Hogan, Clarecastle. Plates B. Hogan, Kilkenny beat Jean Murphy, Shannon. C: Bernie Griffin, One Mile Inn beat Maura Hanrahan, One Mile Inn. D: B. Killeen, Ennistymon beat M. Marrian, do.

CLARE CHAMPS.

The annual Maurer jewellers Clare championships are set to commence on Monday night next and the draw will be finalised on this Thursday and posted in the various clubs. A good entry has been received and there will be A,

B and C sections for ladies and men. The championship finals are set for Friday week March 22 at Clarecastle.

LEAGUES

The mens division five league final will take place on this Thursday night at the One Mile Inn when Clarecastle take on Shannon Diamond. The semi-finals were played on Monday night at the Boys N.S. complex. Shannon Diamond had to pull out all the stops to score a 3-2 win over a fancied Ennis CBS side. Clarecastle proved too strong for Lissycasey in a match which produced the game of the night with Fr. Willie Teehan pipping Michael Melican on a 3-2 scoreline.

The ladies individual league is at the quarter final stage and these games will be played on this Thursday night at the Limerick Lawn Tennis club. The pairings are - B Murray v T. Hehir; R. Hynes v C. Enright; M. Flanagan v K. Pyne; C. McDonnell v M. Young. The semi-finals and final will take place next week.

CLUBS

The finals of the Clarecastle club championships will take place on this Friday and will be followed by the presentation of prizes for recent competitions including the ladder and handicap competitions, at a function in the clubhouse.

N.A.C.A.:

Veteran Keane Wins Another

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.



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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.

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.

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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.

Championships in Full Swing

The Clare squash championships are in full swing having got under way on Monday night last and they have now reached the quarter final stage. The mens A quarter finals will be decided on this Thursday night at Clarecastle while there will also be games in the ladies A grade. Games are also being played at the Ennis CBS and One Mile Inn clubs.

Tuesday next is set for the plate semi-finals with the champ. semi-finals on Wed. The plate finals will be on Thursday next, Apr. 15, with the champ. finals twenty four hours later. The finals will be followed by a social function and the presentation of prizes at Powers in Clarecastle.

The first rounds of the Clarecastle champs. were played last week. The competition will resume on April 9 and will conclude on April 19. Entries are now being taken for the annual One Mile Inn champs. and names should be submitted without delay. The club is also holding a blitz competition next week.

At a press reception at the Limerick Lawn Tennis club last week, details of an inter firm competition to be sponsored by the D.K.M. group were announced. The competition will take place between April 16 and 21 when thirty two teams will participate. Such is the interest

being shown in the event that its likely that the organisers will receive more than the thirty two teams needed.

Teams will consist of four members, one of whom must be a lady. Players must be directly employed by the firm entering but one guest may be allowed. The tournament director will be Peter Hayes and the tournament referee will be Ken Glennon, well known to the Clare squash public as he was associated with the One Mile Inn club for many years.

Entries close on Monday, April 9 and should be sent to Kieran McEvoy at the Lawn Tennis Club in Limerick.

DIVISIONAL BOARDS

MEANWHILE the setting up of the divisional boards continues this week with a meeting on this Thursday night (March 29). On Tuesday next, April 3 Newmarket will be the venue for the setting up of the South Clare board while a week later, April 10, representatives from the Mid Clare clubs will gather in Toonagh to elect 'their' board.

● 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.

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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Clare Championships Plate Winners



● **Squash:**

No Surprises In Junior Champs

THE annual Clare junior championships, staged on Friday last, once again proved most successful with a high standard in all age groups.

The U/19 final was a thriller between Clarecastle clubmates Fergus O'Loughlin and Robert Fitzgerald. O'Loughlin won a five-setter to complete a double as he had won the Clare mens championship a week earlier.

Top seed, Declan Devitt won the U/16 title beating Matthew Arkett in the final. Fergus Flynn won the U/14 title beating Darren Lynch, while Alan Meere captured the U/12 title beating Michael Barry in the final.

The championships were organised by Clare squash junior coordinator Jack Keane.

The Clarecastle club championships will conclude on this Friday night when all finals will be staged. The semi-final results weren't known at the time of writing but its likely that the mens final will be a repeat of the Clare final between Fergus O'Loughlin and Seamus Hayes. Clare ladies champion, Rose Hynes, is fancied to win the ladies crown.

The club's handicap competition concluded last week with Jack Keane emerging as the winner when beating the holder

Robert Fitzgeralds. Mairead Bergin won the ladies title beating Margaret Flanagan.

The One Mile Inn Championships are at the semi-final stages and the finals here will be on Thursday next, April 26.

There was a disappointing attendance at the Annual General Meeting of Clare squash last week at the West County Inn. A number of clubs were not represented and the meeting failed to elect a number of officers.

A meeting will be held next week and outgoing Secretary, Ann Fennell, who was unanimously re-elected, will accept nominations for positions on the Committee prior to that meeting.

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.

● 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.



OMI Club Championships 1990

1990/91

Committee

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Major Events

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Ger Browne (OMI) is the President of the CSRA.

Clare host the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster Open. Again there was a huge entry. Games were played at the Boys National, St Flannans, Shannon Diamond and Clarecastle (HQ). Derek Ryan and Marjorie Croke took the A titles.

Competitions

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def **S Hayes** (OMI)

Ladies Clare Champion C McDonnell (CBS) def **R Hynes** (OMI)

The club had teams in the Inter Club Knock Out, Mens Div 2, Mens Div 3, Ladies Div 1, Ladies Div 2 and Ladies Div 5.

The OMI win the Plate competition at the Inter Club Knock Out. The team was S Hayes, G Browne, M Griffin, B O'Flaherty and Maura Hanrahan.

The OMI Ladies Div 2 team are R-Up in their league.

The OMI Ladies Div 5 team are R-Up in their League, pipped by one match. The team included Helen Gallery, Liz Howard, A Longworth, Mary Hickey and P Molony.

SQUASH SEASON BEGINS

WITH winter fast approaching indoor games are getting into full gear and the Clare Squash Association's programme gets underway next week.

The mens division 1 team league (teams of 3) will begin on Monday night next and five teams will take part. It is hoped to start the ladies division 1 (teams of 5) on Monday also but this may have to be deferred due to lack of entries.

The mens and ladies division 2 league will start on Wednesday, October 3 and entries are to be submitted to the association secretary Ann Fennell. The annual inter club knock out competition is scheduled for October 5 and 6 and clubs have been asked to submit their entries without delay.

A very full programme of competition is planned for the season with leagues for men and women from division 1 to division 5 inclusive. Juniors will also be catered for.

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For one junior the season got off to an excellent start. Clarecastle's Alan Meere started the Connacht cup under 12 title in Galway last



Clarecastle's Alan Meere, winner of the Connacht u. 12 squash title last week-end.

week. He was a convincing winner of all his games. He now moves to the under 15 grade and his next big outing will be the Munster open which will be in Limerick next month.

Squash in Full Swing

Activities for the new season are in full swing at the One Mile Inn Squash Club. Club competitions got underway last week and on Wednesday night they broke new ground when a game against Nenagh marked their first year's participation in the mens div. 2 league. The annual 'Autumn league and the club's annual handicap competition, highlight of the year, are on the way.

Meanwhile the club's social calendar opens at the One Mile Inn on this Friday night, October 5, Joe Quinn will be playing the music and spot prizes on the door ticket will include one year's free membership of the club.

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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.

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SQUASH:

Leagues Half Way Stage

Both the mens division 1 and 2 team leagues are now at the halfway stage and Ennis CBS are in a strong position to win both. They are the holders of the div. 1 title while they were beaten in a play-off for the div. 2 title last year.

In last week's div. 2 tie an understrength CBS side was fortunate to beat the One Mile Inn but having escaped there, they are unlikely to be caught now. The crucial game will be their meeting with Catholic Institute at the Limerick club's venue this week.

The ladies div. 1 got under way last week when the One Mile Inn failed narrowly to favourites Limerick lawn tennis club. This week the Limerick side will play Ennis CBS who will be having their first outing in the competition.

With the arrival of winter time this week-end activity on the club front will increase with the commencement of the various internal competitions.

Its expected that a big contingent from Clare will travel to Nenagh for the forthcoming Dapp Inn annual open which takes place on Nov. 9, 10 and 11. Entry forms are available in the clubs and there are numerous grades.

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SQUASH:

Limerick Sides Lead

As the mens and ladies division 1 team leagues move past the half way stage, a tremendous battle is developing in the race for the titles. In the mens competition Limerick Lawn Tennis club held a one point lead at the break from the holders Ennis CBS with Catholic Institute and Clarecastle in close contention. After last Monday's games the four are closer to each other and the matches will be very keenly contested in the remaining weeks.

Limerick Lawn Tennis club also lead the ladies div. 1 race

but only narrowly from the One Mile Inn.

In the mens div. 2, Ennis CBS were decisively beaten by Limerick Lawn Tennis club last week and there is now just a point between the sides with two rounds of games remaining.

In the mens div. 3 Ennis CBS are the early leaders but Charleville and Clarecastle are not far behind. Charleville hold a narrow lead in the ladies div. 2 from Catholic Institute. All of these leagues will be concluded prior to Christmas.

This Sunday is the closing date for entering the Nenagh open which takes place on Friday, Saturday and Sunday week. There will be a number of grades and its understood that there will be a big entry from Clare.

SQUASH:

Great Battle for League Titles

A number of the Clare squash leagues will conclude in the next two weeks and going in to the final rounds its still anybody's guess as to who will win. Just one point separated Ennis CBS and Catholic Institute with the Limerick side ahead. Both are expected to win their remaining games when the One Mile Inn and Nenagh provide the opposition. Institute remain slight favourites to win the title.

The ladies div. 1 will conclude next week and Limerick Lawn Tennis club are the favourites to win. The outcome will be decided when they play the One Mile Inn who must win if they are to take the crown.

In the mens div. 1 there is a

tremendous battle for the top spot. Clarecastle powered right back into contention on Monday when they beat the hitherto unbeaten Limerick Lawn tennis club. The Limerick side, still the favourites for the crown face an important tie next Monday when they entertain Ennis CBS who are very much in contention also.

In the mens div. 3 Charleville hold a narrow lead from Ennis CBS and their meeting is expected to be very close. Charleville are also the leaders in the ladies div. 2.

There will be a function prior to Christmas at which prizes for each of these five leagues will be presented and arrangements for that function will be finalised at a meeting of the C.S.R.A. on Wednesday night next.

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 both 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.

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● **Squash:**

LIMERICK DOUBLE

THE mens and ladies division 1 team league concluded in the past week and victory in each case went to the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club. The mens competition was a particularly keen affair before the Limerick side came out on top. The holders Ennis C.B.S. captured second place ahead of Clarecastle.

Meanwhile the mens division 3 and the ladies division 2 leagues are nearing completion and these will conclude in two weeks time. The presentation of all prizes will take place on Wednesday, December 19 at a function in Ennis and details will be announced next week.

The mens and ladies division 4 and 5 team leagues will commence in mid-January and clubs are now preparing their sides for what should be more entertaining competitions.

In the meantime the various clubs will hold their Christmas competitions. The Clarecastle Christmas blitz will be on December 11 while the club ladder is in full swing with the second round under way this week.

At the Munster close championships in Killarney last week-end Miltown Malbay man John Cullen who plays out of the Orchard Club in Cork won the mens B title. In February he will be attempting to complete the double when he will take part in the Munster Open which is scheduled for Ennis.

S NOOKE R BLITZ

O'DONOGHUE WINS

LAST Wednesday's snooker blitz at Dillingers was won by Tommy O'Donoghue who beat Liam Madigan in the final which was decided on the black ball.

Colm Daly won Monday night's final beating Darragh Gough. The competition is run on a handicap system which is proving most popular with all concerned.

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.

SQUASH:

Div. 4 Leagues Commence

Squash action resumes on Monday night after the Christmas break when the mens div. 4 league gets under way. Ten teams have entered for this competition and it has been broken into three groups. There will be two groups of three from which the winning team in each will reach the semi-finals while two teams will qualify from the group of four.

The ladies div. 4 will get underway on Tuesday night next and four teams will be participating.

Entries for the mens and ladies division 5 league close on Wednesday next and must be with Clare secretary, Ann Fennell by that date.

A meeting of the Clare committee next week will finalise arrangements for the senior mixed team league, the inter club blitz competition and a number of individual competitions.

Jan 1991

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.

■ **Squash:**

Clare Championship Dates Finalised

AT a meeting of the Clare Squash Rackets Association last week, arrangements were made for the forthcoming county championships.

These will commence on Monday, March 11 and the finals will be on Friday, March 22. Entries for the competition, which will have A, B and C grades for men and women, close on March 3.

The annual county junior championships [under 12, 14, 16 and 19] will take place on Good Friday, March 29.

The mens and ladies division 5 team leagues will commence next week. Eight teams will take part in the mens event which will be on Wednesdays, while there will be three teams in the ladies league which will take place on Thursdays.

Meanwhile, the division 4 competitions commenced last week and there were wins for

Ballina, Shannon Diamond and Ennis C.B.S. [in the mens event] and for Clarecastle ladies.

The annual inter club blitz will take place at the Shannon Diamond Club this weekend.

Details of the annual inter club mixed team league will be announced next week while arrangements are p-reesently being made for the individual leagues.

On the club scene the final round of the Clarecastle ladder is presently taking place. This competition will conclude on January 31 and games not played by that date will not be considered. Entries for the club's annual handicap competition close on Sunday week, January 27.

■ **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.

SQUASH

Div. IV league reaches half-way stage

WITH the division four league at the half way stage quite a number of the ten competing teams are still in contention for the mens title. Catholic Institute and Shannon Diamond are favoured to win their respective sections and qualify for the semi-finals.

In the four team group from which two will qualify Kildysart hold the lead from Ballina and Lissycasey and all three are still in contention.

In the ladies division four league, Clarecastle are the favourites and hold the lead at the half way stage over Ennistymon A.

The mens division V got underway last week when there were wins for Ennis C.B.S. (3/2 over Ballina), Clarecastle (4/1 over Shannon Diamond A), Lissycasey (4/1 over Ennistymon) and Shannon Diamond B (3/2 over Kildysart).

There was a great start to the ladies division V league with the One Mile Inn scoring a narrow 3/2 win over Ennis Boys National in a match which produced a high standard of play.

The ladies individual league got underway last week-end and will continue for the next six weeks.

Many players from Clare will travel to Limerick this week-end for the Limerick open which will take place at the Catholic Institute club. Meanwhile young Alan Meere will be in Belfast for the junior Irish Open where he will be competing at under 14 level.

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:

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.

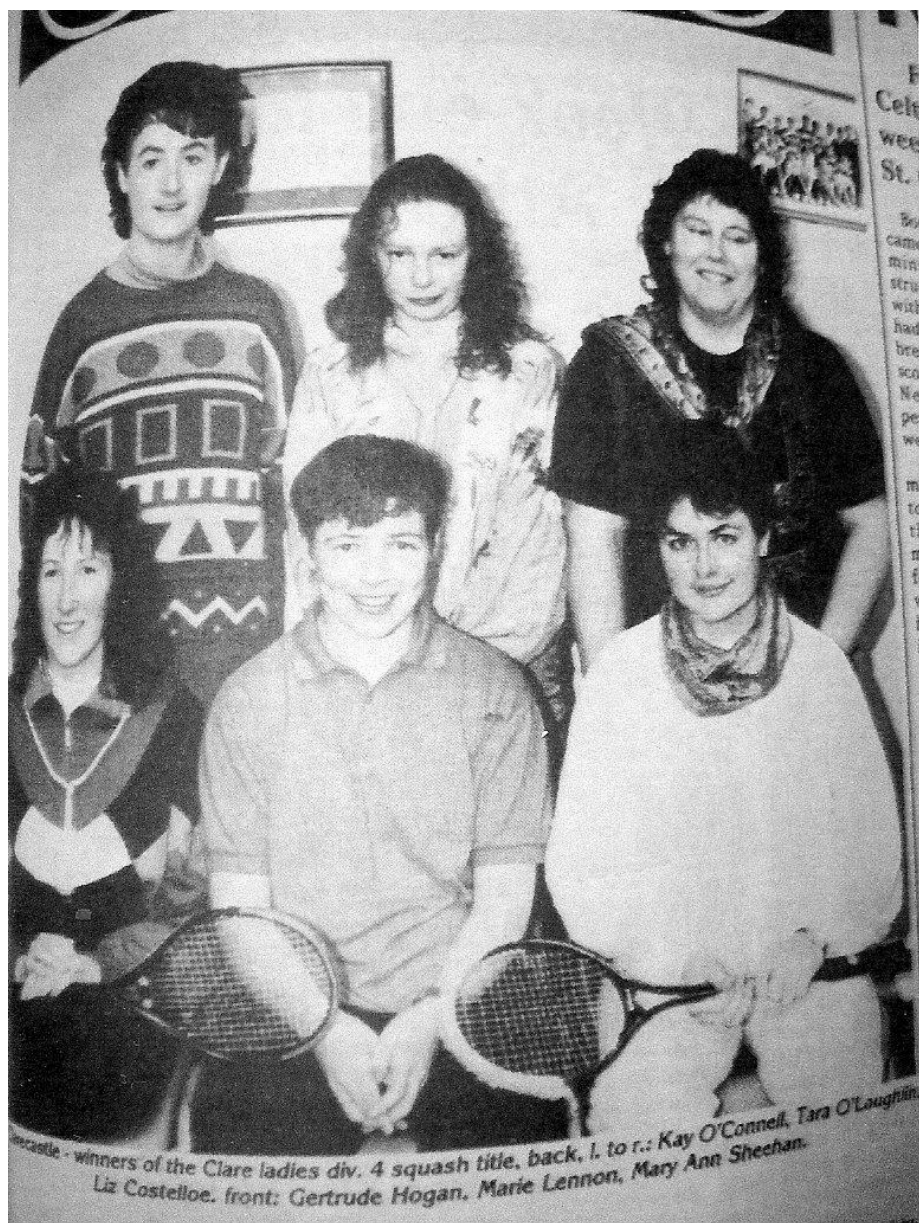
Both the mens and ladies Div. 5 leagues are at the half way stage. In the ladies competition Shannon Diamond are the leaders and are now favourites to win the title. In the mens grade, Ennis CBS top their section following

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:

Leading players in Clare for Munster Open

At a press reception at the West County Inn on Friday evening last details of next week's Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships were announced. The tournament which attracted a record entry to Clare last year, will be based at the Clarecastle complex and another huge entry is expected.

This will be Clarenbridge Crystal's tenth successive year sponsoring the championships and marketing manager Joan Moore said that the company was extremely happy to be associated with the tournament again. She said that the fact that so many of the top Irish players will be participating will ensure that the high level of competition associated with the tournament will be maintained.

The launch was attended by Munster Association Presi-

dent, Jean Ryan from Limerick and Clare President, Gerard Browne who is also the tournament director for the event.

The draw will be made this week-end for the competition which has A.B.C. and D grades for men and women as well as a mens veterans grade.

Meanwhile the internal leagues continue and the mens division four final will be played on Monday next at Clarecastle commencing at 7.30 p.m. In opposition will be Catholic Institute and Shan-

non Diamond who beat Kildysart and Ballina respectively on Monday last.

In the mens division 5 two rounds remain in the league format before the semi-finals which will be on Monday week. Clarecastle and Ennis C.B.S. look set to qualify from their section but all four teams—Kildysart, Shannon Diamond B, Lissycasey and Ennistymon—are still in contention in the other section. Shanon Diamond B are unbeaten and look set for a place in the semi-final.

The ladies division five rests between Shannon Diamond and One Mile Inn who meet in the last game of the league at the Ennis club's venue next week.

Entry forms for the forthcoming Clare championships will be distributed to clubs next week and these must be returned by Sunday week, March 3. The Clare championships get underway on Monday, March 11 and will continue on Friday, March 22.

In Clarecastle the club championship gets underway this week—preliminary rounds to be played by Sunday—while the final of the handicap tournament will be played this week-end.

The Clare ladies individual league is now at the halfway stage and with twenty four participants this competition is proving a great success.

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 Finian 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, Kilkenny.
 - 5th Prize: Michael McInerney, Styan, Kilmihil.
- The Chairman and Committee wish to thank all those who supported this draw.



March 1991

SQUASH:

Clare Successes at Munster Open

There was a lot of Clare success at the Clarenbridge Crystal Munster open squash championships which were held in Clare last week-end. One hundred players took part in the competition which had a total of nine grades and which produced a very high standard of play.

Games were played at Ennis Boys N.S., St. Flannan's College, Shannon Diamond and Clarecastle which was the tournament headquarters and which hosted the finals.

Carolien McDonnell, Kate Lane, Ann Killeen, Pat Doran, Jimmy O'Dea and Tony Madigan brought championship titles to Clare while a number

of plate titles were also captured. Derek Ryan and Marjorie Croke won the A sections in what was a most successful tournament.

The results relevant to Clare were: Men - B: Barry Hession Limerick beat Fergus O'Loughlin, Clarecastle 3-1. C: Pat Doran, Ennis CBS beat Jackie Keane, do. 3-1. D: Jimmy O'Dea, Kildysart beat K. Kearney, Cork 3-0. Vets: Tony Madigan, Clarecastle beat M. Griffin, One Mile Inn 3-1. B Plate: Mike Conlon, Ennis CBS beat B. Ryan, Limerick. 3/1C Plate: M. Walker, Waterford beat Tony Lillis, Ennis 3-0. Vets Plate: Pat Lorrigan, Kildysart beat Aidan Feoire, One Mile Inn.

Ladies B: Caroline McConnell, Ennis CBS beat C. O'Neill, Cork. C: Kate Lane Ennistymon beat Sylvia Carroll, Ennis CBS. D: Ann Killeen, Ennistymon beat Gertrude Hogan, Clarecastle. Plates B. Hogan, Kilkenny beat Jean Murphy, Shannon. C: Bernie Griffin, One Mile Inn beat Maura Hanrahan, One Mile Inn. D: B. Killeen, Ennistymon beat M. Marrihan, do.

CLARE CHAMPS.

The annual Maurer jewelers Clare championships are set to commence on Monday night next and the draw will be finalised on this Thursday and posted in the various clubs. A good entry has been received and there will be A,

B and C sections for ladies and men. The championship finals are set for Friday week March 22 at Clarecastle.

LEAGUES

The mens division five league final will take place on this Thursday night at the One Mile Inn when Clarecastle take on Shannon Diamond. The semi-finals were played on Monday night at the Boys N.S. complex. Shannon Diamond had to pull out all the stops to score a 3-2 win over a fancied Ennis CBS side. Clarecastle proved too strong for Lissycasey in a match which produced the game of the night with Fr. Willie Teehan pipping Michael Melican on a 3-2 scoreline.

The ladies individual league is at the quarter final stage and these games will be played on this Thursday night at the Limerick Lawn Tennis club. The pairings are - B. Murray v T. Hehir, R. Hynes v C. Enright, M. Flanagan v K. Pyne; C. McDonnell v M. Young. The semi-finals and final will take place next week.

CLUBS

The finals of the Clarecastle club championships will take place on this Friday and will be followed by the presentation of prizes for recent competitions including the ladder and handicap competitions, at a function in the clubhouse.

N.A.C.A.:

Veteran Keane Wins Another

Shannon Diamond's 7-a-side

The Shannon Diamond GAA club will host its annual seven a side Gaelic football compt., 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.



Ladies A Winner Marjorie Croke



Mens A Winner Derek Ryan and Graeme Steward R-Up



Mens C Winner Pat Doran. Mens D Winner Jimmy O'Dea.

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Clare winners at the recent Munster open squash championships were, back: Ann Killeen (left) and Gertrude Hogan. Front (left to right): Kate Lane, Bob D'Silva, Clarenbridge Crystal, sponsors and Sylvia Carroll.



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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:



SQUASH

Clare finals on This Friday

The squash season is fast drawing to a close and this week will see the conclusion of the annual Maurer Jewellers Clare Championships. At the time of writing the various grades had reached the semi-final stages and all is set for the finals at Clarecastle on this Friday night.

In the mens A semi-finals holder and favourite Fergus O'Loughlin will meet his Clarecastle clubmate and close friend, Robert Fitzgerald. The other semi-final will bring Mike Conlon and Seamus Hayes into opposition with Conlon seeded to win. In the ladies A the final is scheduled for this Thursday and anything other than a meeting of Rose Hynes, holder, and Caroline McDonnell will be a big surprise and a thriller is expected.

Meanwhile entries are now

is expected.

Meanwhile entries are now being accepted for the annual Clare junior champs. And these must be with Kate Lane, Ennistymon, by this Friday. This year an under 10 grade has been added and with competition for under 12, u. 14, u. 16 and u. 19 players there should be some good squash. These champs. will take place on Good Friday.

The CSRA will run a team competition next week for the Shannon Diamond cup. This will be for a team of seven with teams comprising of players from div. 1, 2, 4 and 5 for men and div. 1, 2 and 4 for women. It will be a knock-out event for Clare clubs and it will be run off over a week.

Entries are now being taken for the annual handicap at the Ennis CBS as well as for the different grades in the club championship.

March 1991

Squash:

Mixed Luck For Title Holders

THERE was mixed luck for the defending Clare squash champions when the 1991 finals were staged at the Clarecastle complex last week.

Fergus O'Loughlin retained the mens A crown when he repeated last year's success over Seamus Hayes. But in the ladies final Caroline McDonnell reversed last year's result when ousting the holder, Rose Hynes, who was chasing a third successive title in succession.

The championships were most successful and produced a high standard of play in all grades. The mens A semi-finals on Wednesday of last week were most entertaining. In the first, O'Loughlin had to produce all his skills to overcome his club-mate, Robert Fitzgerald, in a five-setter. Mike Conlon looked to be set for his first final appearance when he held a 2-0 lead over Seamus Hayes but the latter fought back to win the next three and a place in the decider.

In the ladies championship both finalists easily overcame their opponents in the earlier rounds. Rose Hynes got the start

she wanted when she won the first game in the final but Caroline McDonnell stepped up a gear early in the second game and dominated from here on.

The mens B championship produced some excellent games and ended with Ennistymon's Johnnie Reynolds scoring a tremendous victory. He played, arguably, his best squash to date when defeating Kildysart's Jimmy O'Dea. Michael Brooks won the C title, beating his C.B.S. club-mate, Alan Moore in a final that went the full distance. The ladies B title was won by Bernice Griffin while Maria Lennon won the C crown. The full details are as follows:—

Ladies A: Caroline McDonnell beat Rose Hynes 3/1; **B:** Bernice Griffin beat Teresa Mcnamara 3/0; **C:** Marie Lennon beat Marie O'Connor 3/1. **Mens A:** Fergus O'Loughlin beat Seamus Hayes 3/1; **B:** Johnnie Reynolds beat Jimmy O'Dea 3/

0; **C:** Michael Brooks beat Alan Moore 3/2. **Plate Finals - Ladies A:** Sylvia Carroll beat Margaret Flanagan 3/2; **B:** Gail Cahill beat Gertrude Hogan 3/0; **C:** Ben Killean beat Mary Nagle 3/1. **Mens A:** Michael Daffy beat Declan Devitt 3/1; **B:** Pat Talty beat Eoin McMahon 3/2; **C:** Fiacra O'Dea beat Pat Power 3/0.

The Prizes were presented at a function at the West County Inn after the games on Friday night. Prizes were also presented to the winners and runners-up in the Mens and Ladies Division 4 and 5 leagues which concluded recently.

The annual Clare junior championships for boys and girls will take place on this Friday [Good Friday] in Ennis. Details are available from the C.S.R.A. junior co-ordinator, Kate Lane, Ennistymon or from club officials.

The final competition of the year, a team of seven knockout competition, will be run off next week. Teams will comprise of four men [one each from Div. 1, 2, 4 and 5] and three women [one each from Divisions 1, 2 and 4]. Entries must be with League Secretary, Seamus Hayes by this weekend.

March 1991



Clare Championships 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

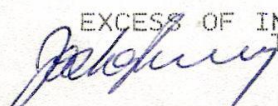
title race at Kilmallock when they were beaten by Cork City. The losers conceded two early goals and at the break trailed on a score of 0-1 to 2-3 having played with the aid of the breeze. Clare showed a marked improvement after the break and were unlucky not to score a couple of goals. The pitch cut 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.

CLARE SQUASH RACQUETS ASSOCIATION.			
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C.S.R.A. BALANCING SHEET 1990/1991			

BALANCE AT END OF 1990	745.05		
INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
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SPONSORSHIP	250.00	INTERCLUB BLITZ	50.00
TEAM ENTRY FEES	1477.00	NENAGH BOND REFUND	50.00
CLUB BONDS	100.00	CLARINBRIDGE CRYSTAL	652.95
CLARE CHAMPIONSHIP FEES	322.50	MAY KEARNEYS FUNCTION	65.00
FINES	30.00	JOSIE O SHEA PRIZES	95.00
		ANNE FENNELL	25.00
SUBTOTAL	2179.00	S.HAYES LEAGUE EX,S	55.00
		A.FENNELL DO.	10.00
		K.LANE. DO.	12.00
		G.BROWNE. DO.	25.00
		GALWAY CRYSTAL	1428.62
TOTAL	2924.05	TOTAL	2468.57
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April 1991

1991/92

OMI Closes

Ger Browne (OMI) is the President of the CSRA.

The Clare Championships have 60 entries

Clare Competitions

Mens Clare Champion R Fitzgerald (Clarecastle) def D Devitt (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion R Hynes (Shannon) def C McDonnell (CBS)

Squash

The new Squash Season is now in full swing and the mens and ladies Div. II team leagues will commence on Wednesday night next.

The Shannon Diamond Club have announced that they will be running a tournament confined to Clare Clubs during the first week in November. There will be A, B and C grades for men and ladies and entries close on October 21.

Meanwhile Alan Meere will be one of a number of juveniles taking part in the Munster junior championships this week-end in Limerick.

Oct 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.

SQUASH:

Div. 2 League at Half Way Stage

The Clare mens div. 2 squash league is at the half way stage and Limerick side Catholic Institute had a narrow lead over Ennis CBS with Shannon Diamond in third place. They are followed by Nenagh and Charleville and so close is the contest that any one of these five can win but Catholic Institute and Ennis CBS look to be the front runners.

The division three league got underway last week and features teams from Ennis CBS, Kildysart, Nenagh and Catholic Institute.

In the ladies div. 2 St. Flannans are unbeaten and lead the competition from Catholic Institute.

At the Nenagh open last week-end a number of Clare players featured prominently. The ladies A final was an all Clare affair with Rose Hynes taking on Caroline McDonnell. A week earlier in the Shannon Diamond competition Rose Hynes was a deserving

3-0 winner. She looked to be heading for a similar result on this occasion when she went 2-0 ahead. However Ms. McDonnell fought back well and scored a great 3-2 win.

The mens B championship also produced an all Clare pairing with Pat Doran beating Jack Keane on a 3-0 scoreline. Mike Conlon and Declan Devitt were the beaten semi-finalists in the

mens A competition which was won by Billy Ryan from the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club.

Incidentally in last week's report on the Shannon Diamond tournament the result of the mens C final was inadvertently omitted. Here young Alan Meere was a deserving winner over Martin O'Brien.

BADMINTON:

Clare Lea

The Clare badminton season is now in full swing, with 5 leagues in operation. This year there are 16 clubs playing league within the county. The following are the teams participating in the various divisions:

Div. 2: Ardnacrusha A, Shannon, Kilrush and Ardnacrusha B.

Div. 3: Kilkishen, An Droichead, Lisdoonvarna, Annaghneal and Scariff.

Div. 4: Section A - Clarecastle, Ennis, Shannon and Killaloe. Section B - Scariff, Annaghneal, Moylish and An Droichead.

Div. 5: Section A - Shannon, Ennis, Shannon Diamond and Kilkishen. Sec. B - An Droic-

head, Killaloe, Annaghneal and Scariff. Sec. C - Coorac-lare, Kilrush, Kilmihil, Moy and Lisdoonvarna.

Div. 6: Clarecastle, Coorac-lare, Kilmihil, Ennis and Scariff.

With 35 teams competing in total, the 91-92 season should prove to be a very active one. All clubs are to have their first round matches played by Dec. 13.

Also on the competitive front the Clare and Shannon cups for mens and ladies 2nd and 3rd div. clubs, will be played in Scariff on Sunday, Dec. 8.

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.



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.

Dec 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

Squash Leagues Resume

THE squash competitive season has resumed after the holiday break and the New year started well for Clarecastle juvenile Alan Meere who finished in fourth place in the under 14 section of the Leinster open in Dublin last week-end.

His next major outing will be the Irish open which will take place at the end of January.

On the home front the Division 4 and 5 (men and ladies) leagues will get under way next week and details of the draw etc. should be available after the week-end. A meeting of Clare squash in the coming week will also finalise dates for the annual county championships which will take place at the end of March.

Jan 1992

Squash Dates Finalised

THE draw for the mens and ladies Division 4 and 5 squash leagues was made at a C.S.R.A. meeting on Monday night. Because of a scarcity of teams the ladies Division 4 and 5 leagues have been amalgamated into one.

All three leagues commence next week and clubs will, by now, have been notified of details of the draw and dates for all games.

Last week's meeting also fixed dates for the Clare championships. These will commence on Monday March 30 and the finals will be on Friday April 10 followed by a social evening and the presentation of prizes.

Squash leagues

With the Clare squash championships set to begin on March 30, the various leagues promoted by the CSRA are now coming to a conclusion. The Div. 4 and 5 mens leagues will be at the semi-final stage next week while the ladies Div. 4 will finish next week with Clarecastle likely to emerge as winners ahead of Ennistymon,

In Clarecastle the club ladder is nearing completion while the club handicap competition is underway the club championships will be held before the Clare finals.

Clare had a big representation at the annual Limerick Open at the Catholic Institute Club last week. Fourteen year old Alan Meere from the CBS club won the mens D section beating Limerick's Gerry Molyneaux in the final.

Feb 1992

● Squash:

Meere Wins Munster Title

THE Munster Junior Close Squash Championship was staged in Cork last week-end and young Clarecastle student Alan Meere, who plays out of Ennis CBS Club, emerged as a convincing winner of the under 14 title beating his great rival John Guiney in the final.

Meere will lead the Munster under 14 team in the inter-provincial series this coming week-end in Galway. Last week-end's victory came just a week after he had won section D of the Limerick Open championship.

Meanwhile on the local league front there was disappointment for Meere on Monday night when the Ennis CBS team of which he is a member, was beaten in the semi-final of the league by Nenagh. The CBS were the favourites to win this tie. The other semi-final also produced a surprise when the favourites for the title, Catholic Institute were beaten by Clarecastle.

The final will take place on Monday night next in Clarecastle and the home side will be fancied to emerge victorious.

In the mens division 5 the semi-finals are set for Wednesday night next, March 11 but the qualifying teams will not be known until the

week-end. Safely through to the last four are unbeaten Ennistymon and they will be joined from their section by either Shannon Diamond or Kildysart. In the other section a number of games have to be played this week before the semi-finalists will be known.

The start of the Maurer Jewellers Clare championships is just three weeks away and entry forms will be in all clubs this week-end. As usual there will be a number of divisions in the mens and ladies sections. The tournament director will be Ger Browne, President of the CSRA.

Tennis Champs.

The Fords Munster Schools tennis championships get under way this week and the first round must be complete

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.



March 1992



March 1992

SQUASH CHAMPS.

Entries for the Clare squash championships close on this Sunday and should be forwarded to Ger Browne, president of the Clare Association. The championships will commence on Monday week and will conclude on Friday, April 10, when the Maurer jewellers prizes will be presented.

March 1992

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

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.

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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BOAT OWNERS

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.

● SQUASH



Clare squash championship finalists pictured after last Friday's finals back l. to r.: Jackie Hynes, Marie O'Connor, Gail Cahill, Bernie Griffin, Liam Frawley, Tony Fenton, Declan Devitt. Front: Mary Ann Sheehan, Rose Hynes, Robert Fitzgerald, Caroline McDonnell.

April 1992

Squash

The annual Clare junior squash championships took place on Friday last in Clarecastle when there was a high standard evident in all grades. John Casey won the boys u. 12 title beating Claire O'Loughlin in the final. Alan Meere captured the u. 14 title beating Sean Enright. The u. 16 title was won by E. O'Halloran who overcame E. Enright while D. Devitt, as expected won the u. 19 title beating D. Malone in the final.

The A.G.M. of Clare squash takes place on this Thursday night at the West County Inn at 8.30 p.m. As a number of the outgoing executive will not be seeking election for another term all clubs have been reminded of the importance of having representatives attend this important meeting.

April 1992

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

1992/93

Jan Davis is Secretary of the CSRA. With her are Mike Conlan and John O Shaughnessy.

Clare Competitions

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def D Devitt (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion R Hynes (Shannon) def C McDonnell (CBS)

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Sept 1992

Squash Leagues Underway

The new squash season is now in full swing with various individual and team leagues taking place. Teams from Clare, Limerick and Tipperary are participating and there should be some great competition before the winners are known.

The mens division 2 and 3 competitions have begun as has the ladies div. 2 while there is also a mens individual competition taking place.

There was a fine double for St. Flannans last week when

they beat Clarecastle and Croom in the ladies and mens div. 3 respectively. In the mens competition Clarecastle overcame Ennis CBS.

Next week the second annual SDC Clare close will take place with competition for men and women in a number of grades. This promises to be another great success and there are valuable prizes on offer in all grades.

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.



Winners at the recent De Beers SDC Clare Closed Squash Championships were [left to right]: Paschal Looney [Mens C], Caroline McDonnell [Ladies A], Maura Hanrahan [Ladies B], Sean Gleeson, Chairman SDC Squash; Joe Bannon, Personnel Manager De Beers; Jack Keane [Mens B], Mairead Cusack [Ladies C] and Seamus English [Mens A].

Dec 1992

● *SQUASH*

Four Clubs Chase Title

THE Mens Division 3 Clare Squash League is proving to be a great contest with just a few points between the leading four teams.

Kildyart, Clarecastle, Catholic Institute and Ennis C.B.S. are neck and neck for the title with four series of games to be played. Kildysart have a crucial tie this week with Clarecastle and whichever team wins here should be in with a great chance. It may well come down to the final game when Ennis C.B.S. travel to Kildysart.

Dec 1992

■ Squash:

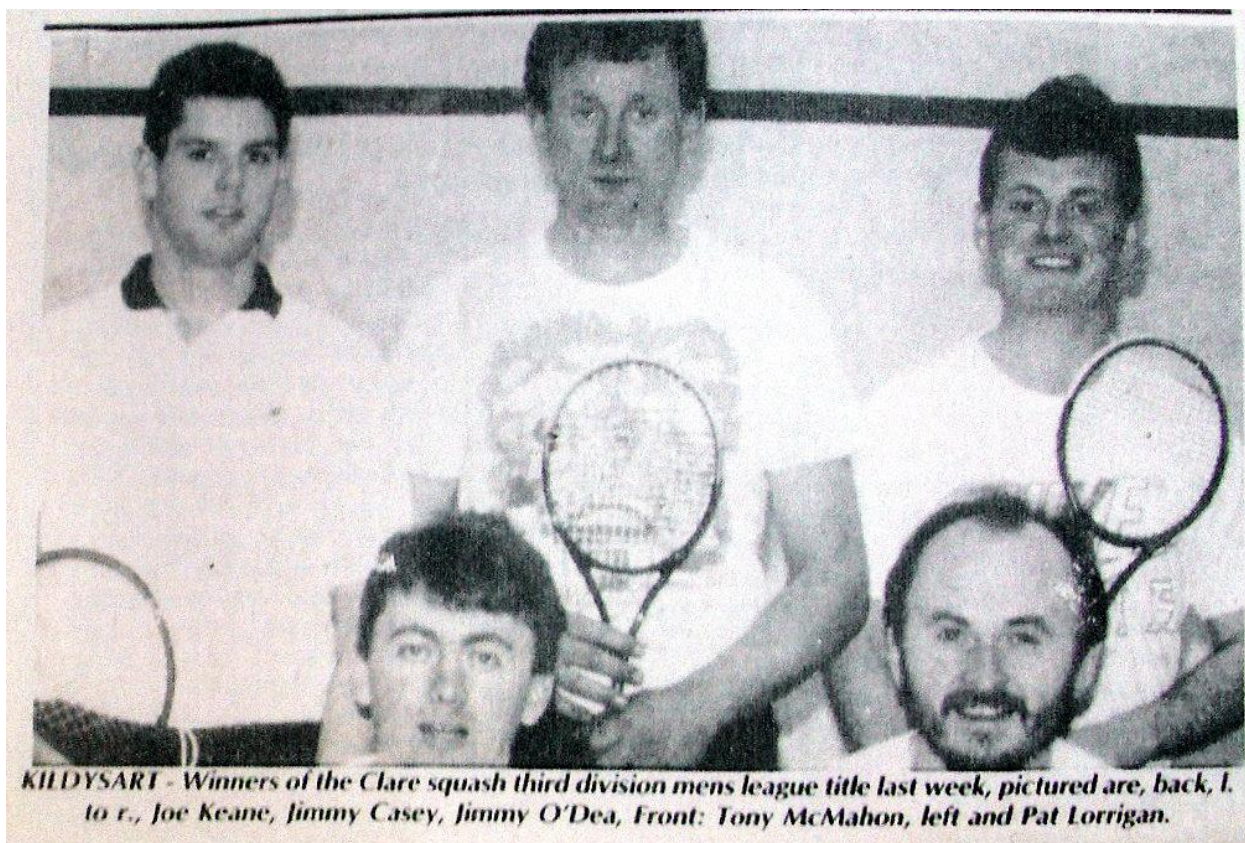
Kildysart's Title

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.

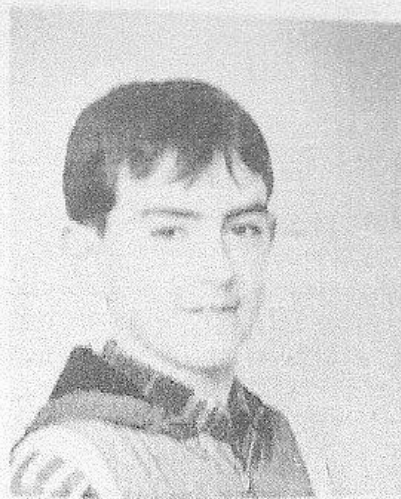
The members of the winning team were Jimmy O'Dea, Jope Keane, Tony McMahon, Jimmy Casey, Pat Lorrigan and substitute Donal Moloney and they were trained by Michael O'Connell.



Jan 1993

Munster Title for Meere

The Munster junior close squash championships were staged in Cork last week-end and following these competitions there are two Clare players on Munster teams for the forthcoming inter provincial championships. Alan Meere from Clarecastle who is playing out of the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club this year, competed in the under 16 competition for the first time this year and he was in great form when winning the title.



Alan Meere, winner of the Munster U-16 Squash Title

In the semi-final he had a tremendous battle with J. Knox from Waterford. This pair have had some great games at under 12 and under 14 levels and last Saturday's match showed that there is little between them with Meere winning on a 3-2 scoreline. In the final he was a convincing 3-0 winner over J. Guiney and will be on the Munster under 16 team.

Declan Devitt who hails from Newmarket finished in fourth place in the under 19 competition and this was good enough to give him a place on the Munster team. Beaten Clare championship finalist last year, Devitt hasn't been able to devote as much time

to the game as he would like this season due to studies.

With the season now advancing attentions will shortly be turning to the club championships and then the county championships which will commence on Monday, March 22 and will conclude on Friday, April 2. There will be A, B and C grades for men and ladies and, as usual these competitions should prove very attractive.

In the meantime a number of team and individual leagues are continuing while the annual inter club knock-out competition is scheduled for the end of this month at Eamts C.B.S. courts.

NACA

● **Squash:**

Inter club knock-out

THE annual inter club knock out competition gets underway on this Friday night at Ennis CBS with three games down for decision.

The semi-finals and final will be played on Friday, March 5. The three winning teams from this Friday, together with the highest scoring loser will qualify for the semi-finals. A match will consist of three games to nine with every point of the three games to count. There will be prizes for the finalists with a perpetual trophy going to the winning team.

Meanwhile entry forms for the forthcoming Maurer Jewellers Clare championships have been distributed to the clubs. The closing date for receipt of entries is March 12 and the championships will commence on Monday, March 22 and conclude on Friday, April 2.

Squash semi-finals

THE Clare Squash inter team knock out competition is underway on Friday last with three first round played at Ennis CBS.

As a result the way is now clear for the semi-finals which will take place on Thursday next, March 4 at the same venue.

Shannon Diamond, the leading qualifiers will play Ennis CBS 'B' while Ennis CBS 'A' will play Clarecastle CBS 'A' and Shannon Diamond are fancied to reach the final.

Entries are now being accepted for the annual Maurer Jewellers Clare championships. The closing date for entries is March 12.

Feb 1993

Squash Semi-Finals

THE semi-finals of the Clare inter-team knock-out competition will take place on this Thursday night at Ennis C.B.S. commencing at 7.30. In the semi-finals Ennis C.B.S. 'A' play Clarecastle with the host club's 'B' team taking on Shannon Diamond. C.B.S. 'A' are fancied to win out the title.

The mens division 4 team league concluded on Monday night when Shannon Diamond defeated Nenagh in the final. The members of the winning team were Mark O'Sullivan, Dan Culhane, John Twomey, Jim Tubridy and Leo Doyle.

At the Limerick Open in the Catholic Institute Club last week-end a number of Clare players did well. Pat Doran from Ennis C.B.S. won the mens 'C' section with Sean Gleeson from ShannonDiamond winning the 'C' plate title. Mark O'Sullivan from Shannon Diamond won section 'E' while Gerry Casey from Clarecastle was runner-up in section 'F'. In the ladies 'A' section Rose Hynes reached the semi-finals.

Attentions are now focussing on the forthcoming Clare Championships, entries for which close on Friday next, March 12. Forms have been distributed to all clubs and these should be returned without delay. The competition gets underway on March 29 and concludes with the finals on April 2.

March 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

Squash Champs. Begin

THE Clare Squash Championships get under way next week with a total of sixty players, male and female, will battle for the prizes on offer.

The draw will be distributed to the clubs on this Thursday and some good competition is expected over the two weeks culminating in the finals on April 2 at Clarecastle.

Holder of the A titles, Robert Fitzgerald and Rose Hynes will be defending their crowns. The ladies' title would again appear to be between Rose Hynes and Caroline McDonnell. The mens title race looks to be the most open for some time with Fitzgerald, Fergus O'Loughlin, Declan Devitt and Mike Conlon all with hopes of capturing the prize.

Meanwhile the Kildysart club, enjoying its best season to date, will stage its championship final on this Friday.

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.

April 1993

Squash:

Clare Titles For O'Loughlin and Hynes

BEFORE a packed gallery at Clarecastle on Friday night last the Clare squash championship finals for 1993 were decided.

Rose Hynes retained the Ladies 'A' title while Fergus O'Loughlin won back the Mens 'A' crown after a lapse of a year when beating Declan Devitt. Both matches were decided in four games.

In the Mens 'B' competition Jackie Hynes, after a number of near misses, won the crown when beating Jack Keane in a fine set decider while Ennistymon's Teresa McNamara won the Ladies 'B' title when overcoming Helen Gallery. Martin O'Brien is the Mens 'C' champion following his win over fellow Garda Larry Donnellan while the Ladies 'C' title went to Kildysart's Christina McMahon who beat her clubmate Bernie Meaney in the final.

The presentation of prizes took place at a social gathering in Woodys after Friday's finals. The prizes for the various leagues, individual and team, were also presented at this very well attended function.

On the club front the Clarecastle championships are now taking place and these will conclude on Saturday week.

The plate finals took place on Thursday night and resulted as follows: Ladies 'A': 1, Lorraine Gannon; 2, L. O'Loughlin; 'B': 1, G. Hogan; 2, L. Costelloe; 'C': 1, M. Cleary; 2, M. O'Looney; Mens 'A': 1, P. Doran; 2, S. Hayes; 'B': 1, J. O'Dea; 2, D. Delaney; 'C': 1, G. Casey; 2, J. O'Shaughnessy.

April 1993



Clare Squash Championship winners and runners-up pictured after last week's finals. Back (from left): Declan Devitt, Jackie Hynes, Larry Donnellan, Jack Keane, Martin O'Brien. Front: Bernie Meaney, Christina McMahon, Fergus O'Loughlin, Rose Hynes, Caroline McDonnell and Teresa McNamara.



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:**

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

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.

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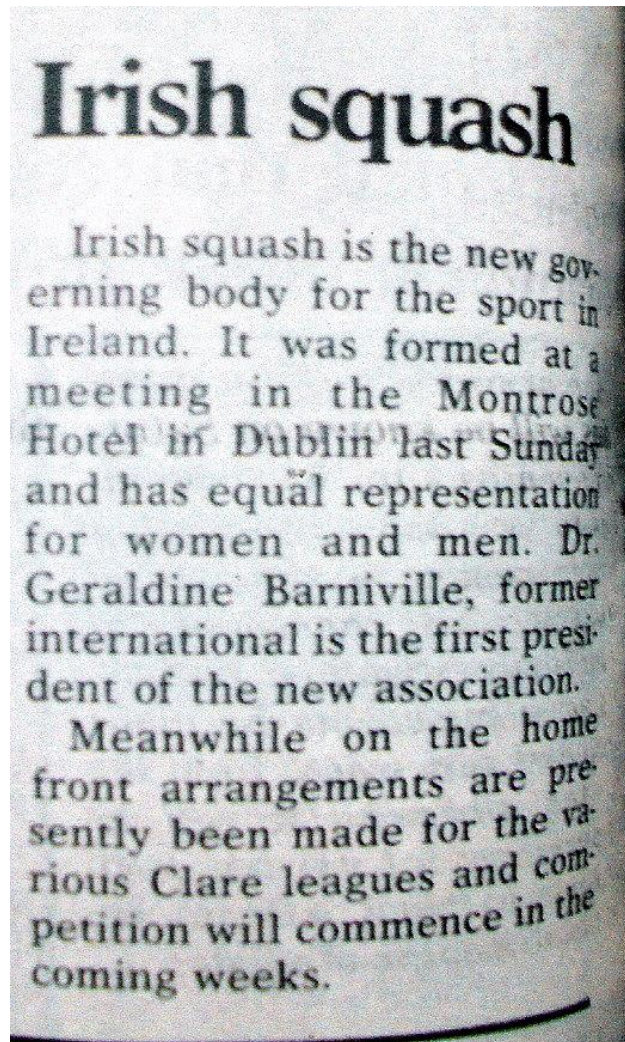
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Jan Davis is Secretary of the CSRA. With her are Mike Conlan and John O Shaughnessy.

Clare Competitions

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def R Fitzgerald (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion L O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def M Flanagan (CBS)



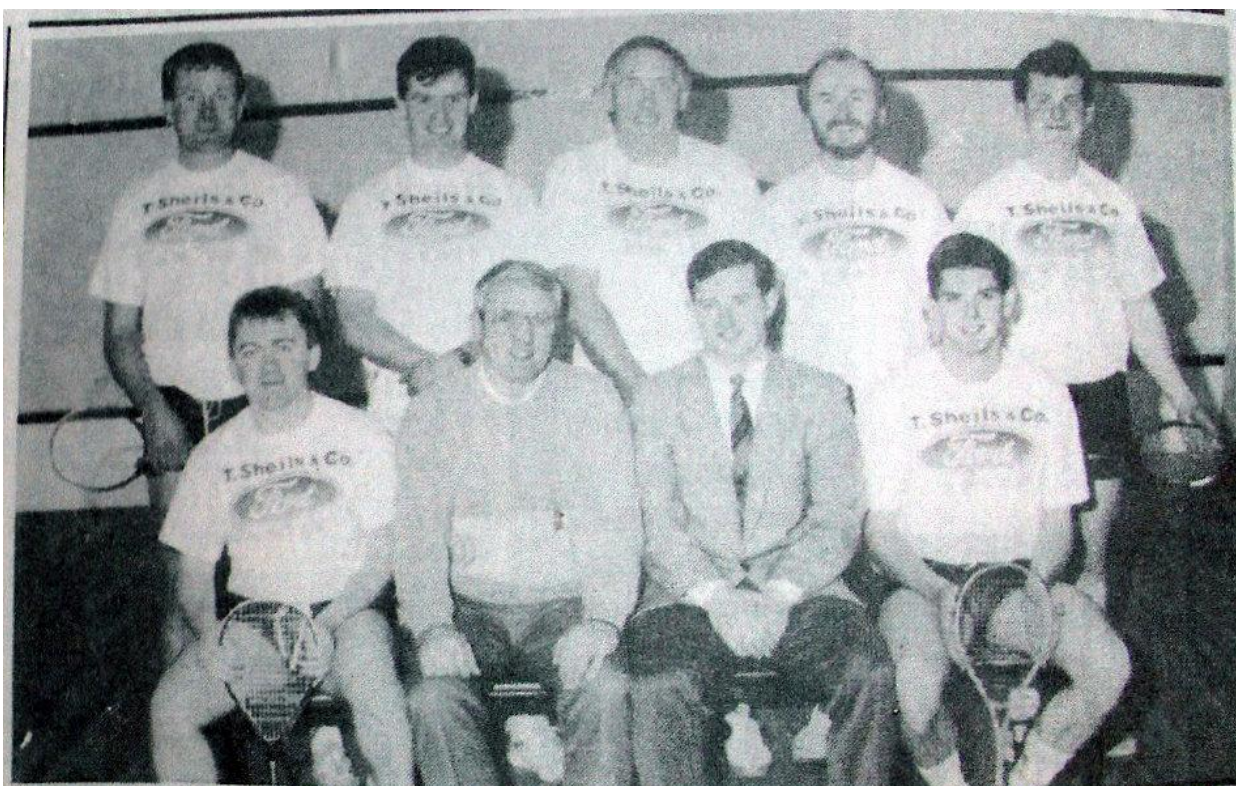
Sept 1993

Impressive O'Loughlin

After a slower than usual start the squash season is now getting into full swing. The Nenagh open took place last week-end and it resulted in an excellent win for Clare champion Fergus O'Loughlin who won the premier mens title.

Alan Meere, also from Clarecastle, won the mens A plate title. Both Mike Conlon and Pat Doran also competed in the A section.

On the local front the mens division 2 league was deferred when only two teams had entered. The committee hope to get this event under way shortly and they are also confident that other team leagues will commence in the near future.



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.

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

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).



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.

● *Squash:*

CLARE WINNERS IN LIMERICK

THERE was a big Clare entry for the annual Carling sponsored Limerick open squash tournament at the Catholic Institute club last week-end. Clare competitors did quite well at the tournament winning a number of titles.

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county while the top club awards went to Leevale (Track & Field), and Thurles Crokes (Cross country). The Clare winners were Orla O'Mahoney (Marian), Colm O'Doherty (North Clare) and Brian Liddy (Marian).

The guests were treated to a feast of traditional music and dancing by young people from North Clare and the evening concluded with a Disco.



tymon last week were from left: S. T. Slattery, Munster sec., Orla O'Mahoney, Marian A.C.

Husband and wife Noel and Mairead Cusack from Kildysart scored a double. Noel won the mens F section while Mairead was victorious in the ladies D grade.

Kildysart's Jimmy O'Dea reached the mens D final where he lost to his cousin John O'Dea who had beaten Kildysart's Joe Keane in the semi-final.

In the plate section Clarecastle's Alan Meere was beaten in the mens B final while there were also prizes for Pat Sheehan (Clarecastle) and John O'Shaughnessy (Ennis C.B.S.).

On the domestic front the mens division 3, 4 and 5 and the ladies division 4 leagues are now in full swing with games every week. In the mens division 3 competition Ennis C.B.S. are fancied to capture the title while they are also in contention for division 2 honours. This league will conclude this week-end when Catholic Institute will travel to play Kildysart. The result of this game will determine the league winners.

A number of clubs are running off their ladder and handicap competitions at this time in the lead up to the annual Clare championship which will take place next month.

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.



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.

SQUASH:

Clare Championships

The annual Maurer Jewellers Clare squash champs. will commence on Monday, April 11 and will conclude on Friday, April 22. There will be mens and ladies A, B and C grades (numbers permitting) and entries close on Thursday next, March 31.

Entry forms have been sent to all clubs and a huge entry is expected for this, the highlight of the Clare squash calendar.

Meanwhile the biggest entry to date has been received for the annual junior champs. and these will take place on Thursday, March 31 and on Good Friday, Apr. 1. The champs. take place at Ennis CBS, Ennis National School and Clarecastle and details of the draw for each grade are posted in the clubs.

The Kildysart club championships conclude this Friday when all finals take place. This year's competitions have again proved most successful and there have been a number of surprises to date.

Friday's finals will be followed by the presentation of prizes at Ann and John Cahill's bar.

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:

Underage Championships A Great Success

THERE was an excellent entry for the Clare underage squash championships which took place at three venues on Friday last.

John Casey scored a great double when he won both the under 14 and under 16 titles. Full marks to Margaret Flanagan who organised the championships and who devotes many hours every week to coaching the young players.

The results are as follows:
Girls, 1, C. O'Loughlin, Clarecastle; 2, J. Reynolds, Clarecastle. Boys, U-10, 1, D. Flanagan, Boys National; 2, J. Corry, do. U-12, D. Flanagan, Boys National; 2, D. Woods, do. Plate: 1, A. O'Loughlin, Clarecastle; 2, O. Judge, Boys National. U-14: 1, J. Casey, Boys National; 2, C. Plunkett, Clarecastle. Plate: 1, D. Gannon, St. Flannans; 2, G. Guilfoyle, Boys National. U-16: 1, J. Casey; 2, P. Quinn, Clarecastle. Plate: 1, B. Keogh (Clarecastle); 2, G. Power, do.

Meanwhile the annual Clare adult championships will get underway next week and will continue until Friday, April 22 when the finals will take place. The draws will be available in the various clubs on this Friday.

The Kildysart junior championships sponsored by Michael Michael's supermarket concluded on Friday last. In the under 12 section M. Moloney beat B. O'Sullivan on a 3-1 scoreline while G. O'Donnell won the under 14 when beating C. McMahon 3-0. The competitions were organised and run by club secretary, Brendan McMahon who gives much of his time to coaching the underage players in the club.

Clare Championships Commence

THE Clare squash championships which has three mens and two ladies sections got underway on Tuesday last and will continue throughout next week with the finals taking place on Friday, April 22.

All matches will be played in Clarecastle and the finals will be followed by a social evening and presentation of prizes at May Kearney's.

The mens A competition promises to be one of the most exciting for some time with a number of players very much in contention for honours. Holder

Fergus O'Loughlin will start as slight favourite but former winner Robert Fitzgerald is understood to be playing very well. Mike Conlon was in sparkling form in the Connacht open in Galway at Easter, getting to the final of a very strong B division and he will be hoping to win the crown for the first time.

Declan Devitt, a finalist in the past, will be Conlon's opponent in the opening round while Munster U/16 player Alan Meere is considered by many to have a very good chance in his first year competing in this division.

Ladies A title holder Rose Hynes will play in the mens C section due to the lack of entries for a ladies A section. Rose, who played for Munster this year will be expected by many to do well.

In Kildysart the club handicap is in full swing and second round games are being played this weekend.

The Clarecastle club championships will take place next week, after the Clare competitions have concluded.

SQUASH:

Clare Finals on This Friday

The Maurer jewellers Clare squash champs. will conclude this Friday night at Clarecastle. There were no major surprises in the early rounds and all the seeded players came through as expected to the semi-finals which were not decided at the time of writing.

The attendance have been down on previous years but CSRA officials are confident that there will be a full house for the finals on this Thursday and Friday. After Friday's games there will be a social evening at May Kearneys where the presentation of prizes will take place.

Meanwhile the annual handicap competition at Kildysart is now at the quarter final stage and these games take place this week-end.

The Clarecastle club championships will be run off during the coming week and there should be some great competition here.

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 today'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-

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).

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.



Pictured after the Clare squash championship finals last week were, back (l. to r.), Tony Fenton, Joe Keane, Robert Fitzgerald, Fergus O'Loughlin, Larry Donnellan, Mickey O'Sullivan. Front (l. to r.), Margaret Flanagan, Loretto O'Loughlin, Denis Maurer (sponsor), Christina McMahon, Maura Hanrahan.

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.

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

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

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.

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Jan Davis is Secretary of the CSRA. With her are Mike Conlan and John O Shaughnessy

Clare Competitions

Mens Clare Champion F O'Loughlin (Clarecastle) def A Meere (Clarecastle)

Ladies Clare Champion Teresa Deasy def Mairead Cusack (Kildysart)

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.

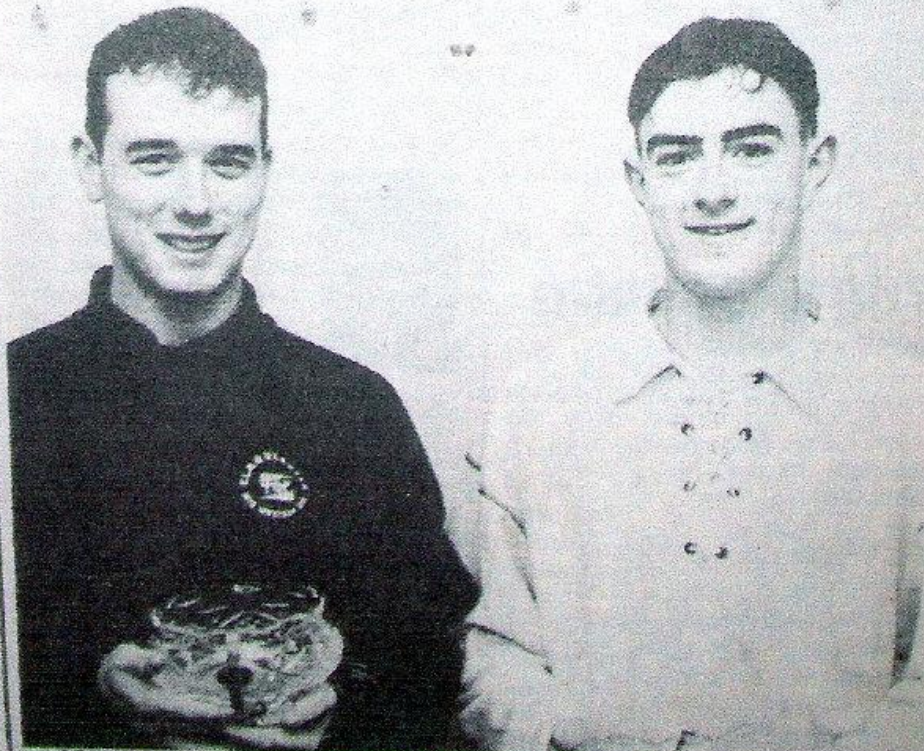
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● SQUASH:
Nenagh 'Open'
For Alan
Meere

THERE was an all Clarecastle final at the Nenagh squash club's open last week-end. Alan Meere and Fergus O'Loughlin qualified for the final of the A grade and it turned out to be a cracking contest.

O'Loughlin went into a 2-0 lead and all indications were that he would repeat his Clare championship semi-final win over teenager Meere. However the Munster underage player staged a great rally to level the game at 2-2. When O'Loughlin served for the game at 8-5 in the fifth it looked to be over but Meere refused to give in and he rallied to score a memorable 10-9 win.

The final of the A plate was an all Ennis C.B.S. affair with Mike Conlon proving too strong for Pat Doran.



Alan Meere (right) who beat Fergus O'Loughlin (left) in the final of the Nenagh Open Squash championship last week-end.

O'DOWD'S CONVENIENT STORE

Celebrating 21 Successful Years

O'Dowd's Convenient Store at the Turnpike in Ennis is celebrating 21 years successful trading this week. Proprietors Jim and Ann O'Dowd have just completed further extensions renovations and refurbishment, which have given them more room to manoeuvre with extra storage space and refurbished offices, although the shop floor space still stays the same.

During his 21 years retailing, Jim has seen the business grow from strength to strength through the loyal support of his customers, efficient and personal service from himself and staff members and last but not least for the quality and value for money for which O'Dowd's is renowned. Known far and wide as 'the luckiest shop in Clare' O'Dowd's has the highest lottery ticket winnings in the county with, in excess of £612,000 paid out in winnings since the launching of the National Lottery.

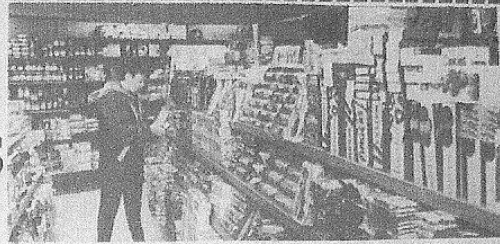
NEW SERVICE

O'Dowd's have just embarked on a brand new initiative. French Cuisine service for the supply of Baguettes, French sticks, sausage rolls and delicious croissants, coupled with a 7-day week home baking service offering fresh scones, apple tarts, and home made bread.

O'Dowd's Convenient Store has become renowned for the quality of the potato - 'every one a ball of flower' - and is now one of the largest

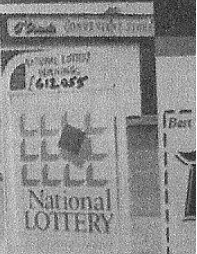
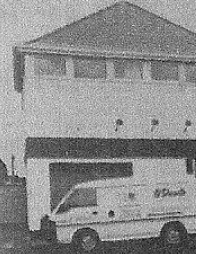
potato retailers in County Clare. Jim has always been conscious of the fact that his local store is part of the community and with courteous service and helpful advice the order of the day at O'Dowd's the result has been a success story. But as he points out, "It's the loyal customer who, at the end of the day has made the store the success story that it now enjoys".

O'Dowd's Convenient Store is open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Friday and 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturdays and Sunday.



(Prop.) Jim O'Dowd and Mary McMahon, staff member, serving a customer.

★ Congratulations to Jim and Ann on their 21st Anniversary from



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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.

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

■ *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.

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● SQUASH:

ANOTHER TITLE FOR MEERE

AS the squash season draws to a close there was another notable success for Clarecastle's Alan Meere last week-end when he won the prestigious O'Malley Cup in Limerick. This is an annual competition for members of the Limerick Lawn Tennis Club from which Meere now plays. In the final he proved too strong for the experienced Michael Moore and won in straight sets.

In the Div. IV team league the half way point has been reached and Kildysart are very much in contention following their win over CIE Limerick last week. The Div. II league will reach the half way stage this week and Catholic Institute from Limerick are fancied to win as they are unbeaten to date.

Entries for the annual Clare



ALAN MEERE

championships should be sent to Clare secretary, Jan Davis immediately. The exact dates for the event are available in all clubs.

March 1995

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.

SQUASH:

O'Loughlin Retains Clare Title

Holder Fergus O'Loughlin retained the Clare mens A squash champ. title at Clarecastle on Friday night when he had a 3-2 win over his fellow Clarecastle competitor Alan Meere. This was a tremendous final which took one hour and fifteen minutes and in which both players showed a high level of fitness.

O'Loughlin dominated the first game to take the lead but Meere hit back quickly to level and he then took the lead when winning a long third game. Meere went into an early lead in the fourth but then O'Loughlin produced some tremendous play to tie up the match at 2-2. The hol-

der played his best squash for some time when racing into an 8-9 lead in the final set. Meere battle back but the gap was too great and O'Loughlin went on to win the title for the fifth time.

In the ladies A final Teresa Deasy who had knocked out holder Loretto O'Loughlin in the semi-final went on to win the title for the first time when beating Mairead Cusack from Kildysart. Kildysart's Jimmy O'Dea won the men's B final when he had a 3-1 victory over Martin O'Brien.

The other results are as follows: mens A plate Declan Devitt beat Tony Fenton 3-2; mens B plate Pat Talty beat Joe Downes; mens C champ. J. J. Tobin beat Ger O'Gorman; Mens C plate Joe Whelan beat Christy Woods. Ladies A plate Helen Gallery beat Liz Costello.

The presentation of prizes took place at a function at Howleys Inn after the finals. The prizes for the various team leagues were also presented at this function.

► 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).

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SQUASH SEASON OPENS

The Clare squash season has resumed and in the coming weeks the various leagues will get underway. Clubs wishing to take part in any of the leagues should get in touch with Clare secretary Jan Davis without delay.

The Clare league secretary will also be glad to hear from clubs wishing to arrange coaching for their members.

Nov 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.

SQUASH

A first Clare title for Alan Meere

CLARECASTLE was the venue on Friday night last for the finals of the Clare squash championships. The competition went on throughout the week and the top seeded players came through to contest the deciders before a good attendance.

Two years ago the O'Loughlins from Clarecastle scored a great double in the mens and ladies A grades. They were attempting to repeat that performance at Friday's

finals and went very close to achieving this record.

Holder of the mens A title Fergie O'Loughlin from Clarecastle met his neighbour Alan Meere in a repeat of last year's final and this match again went the full distance and produced a fine standard of play.

Teenager Meere was very much in control in the early stages of the match and while there were some great rallies before the opening score came, Meere was always on top and won on a 9-0 scoreline. He maintained the upperhand in the second though it was noticeable that O'Loughlin was doing much better but Moore won on a 9-5 scoreline to take a 2-0 lead.

When Meere went 4-0 ahead in the third game it looked as if he would win the title in straight sets but O'Loughlin had other ideas and he fought back to deservingly take this game on a 10-8 scoreline after Meere had served for the

match.

O'Loughlin was on top in the fourth which he won comfortably to level the match 2-2.

The fifth was well contested also and for a while it looked as if Meere might have to withdraw as he complained of cramp. In fact the game stopped to allow Meere receive attention. He resumed and finished strongly to win on a 9-5 scoreline and take the title for the first time.

In the ladies final Loretto O'Loughlin came out on top against Lorraine Gannon. The Clarecastle girl deserved her victory in a match which produced some good play. Loretto's sister Claire contested the plate final which was won by Kildysart's Christina McMahon.

The mens B title also went to Clarecastle with Liam Frawley beating Joe Downes. In the B plate final the evergreen Jackie Hynes defeated Shannon's Larry Donnellan.

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FROM BEAM TO BOARD

Interest in squash is at an all time low By Seamus Hayes

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One of the major debates at present concerns the decline in popularity for the game of squash. In less than twenty years the game in Clare has moved from a position where there were fifteen clubs providing twenty three courts to a situation where just three clubs from the county participated in Clare leagues last season. The decline isn't confined

to Clare as the numbers playing the game have dropped alarmingly across the country. Squash was at its peak in the mid to late seventies when, so great was the demand for entry to clubs that there was a huge waiting list. Indeed people regularly travelled twenty to thirty miles a few times a week just to get a game. It's fair to say that there was

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In addition there were the annual County championships, in which Margaret Lacheiner was never beaten in ten years of competition, the championships still continue but in recent years the total entry for all divisions has been as small as thirty.

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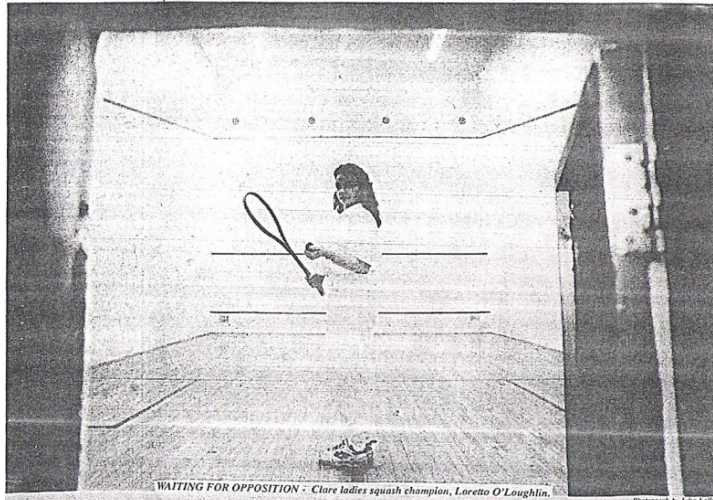
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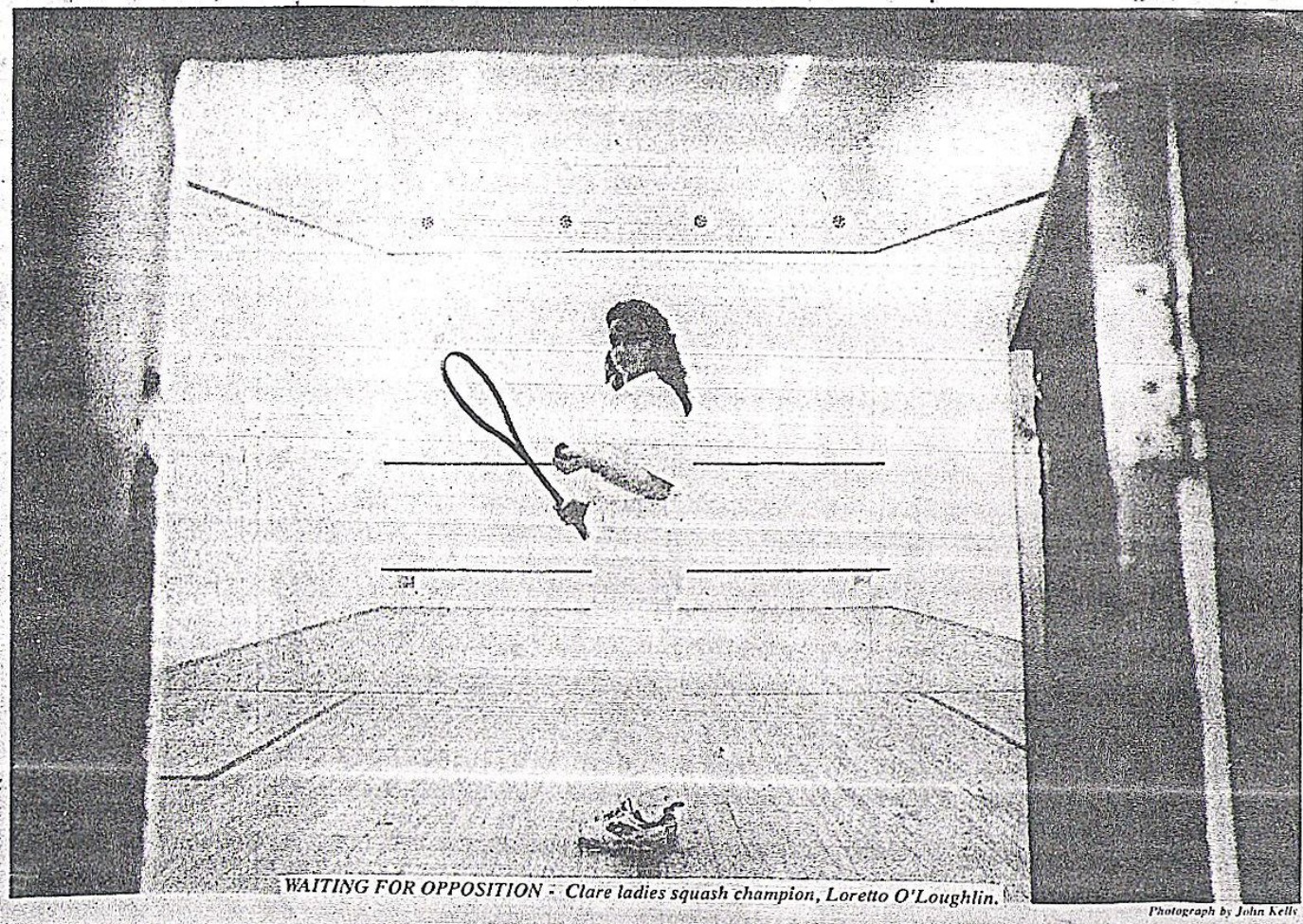
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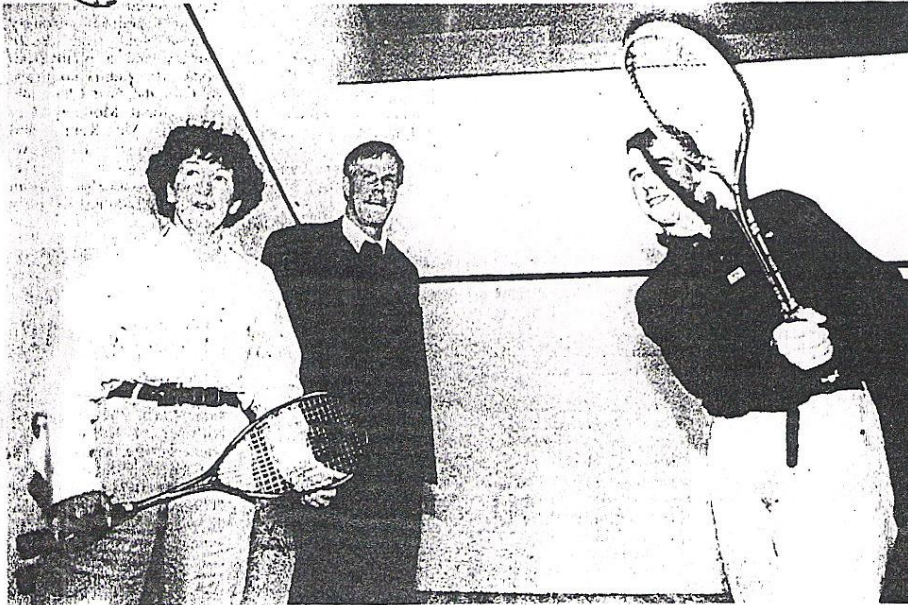
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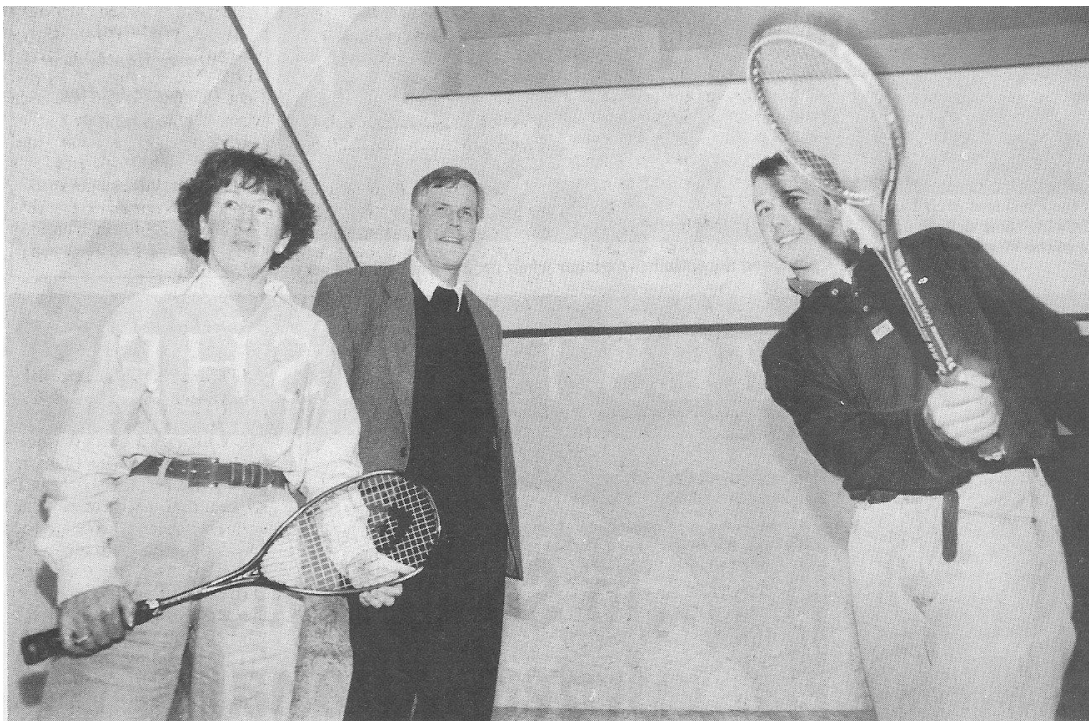
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Club Belies Decline in Squash

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 is 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

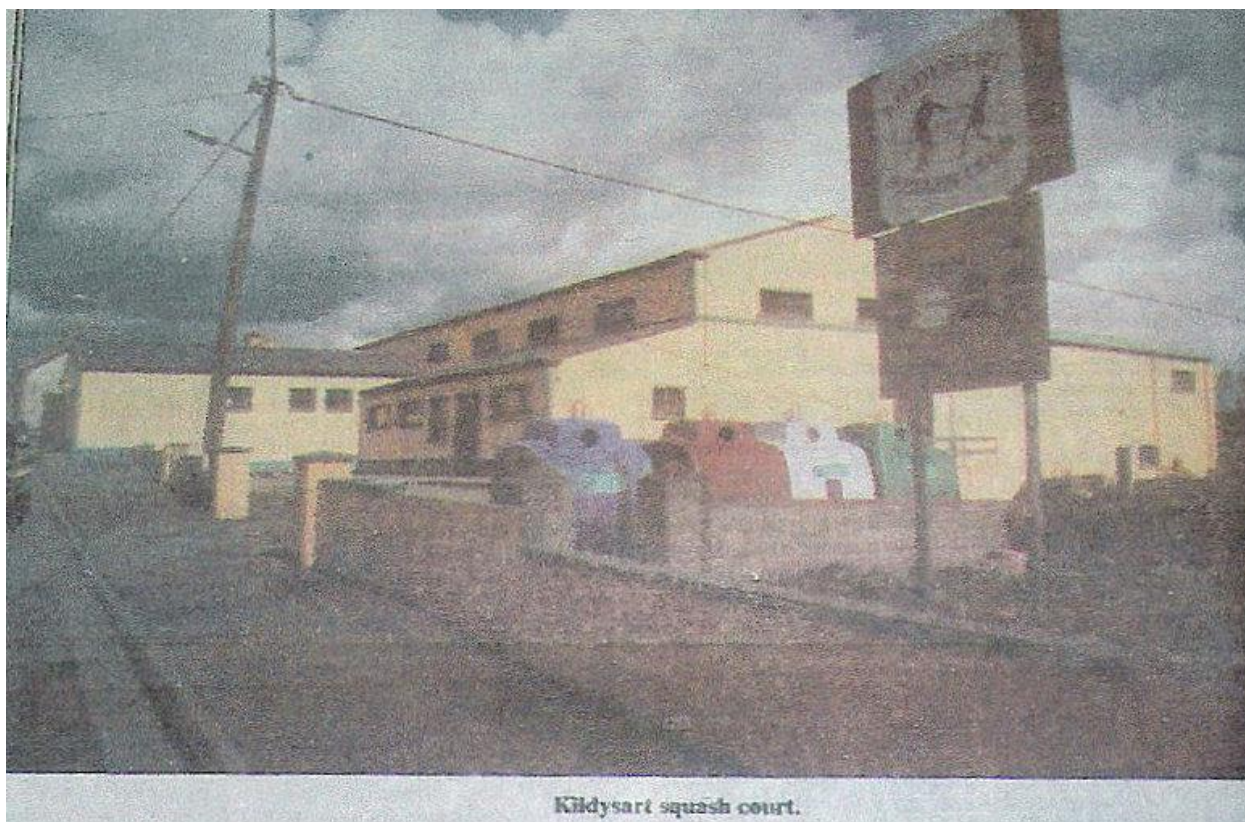
members who retired, emigrated or moved elsewhere.

Four years ago achieved its most recent success. Seamus Hayes capt defeated Catholice 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

Anyone for Squash ?

In the late seventies and throughout the eighties, it was next to impossible to arrange a game of squash, such were the numbers playing the game.

At one time, there were twelve active clubs in Clare providing a total of eighteen courts. And Clare clubs were quite successful winning North Munster titles on a regular basis.

A number of Clare players won inter Provincial caps which some were honoured at National level.

Towards the end of the

eighties, numbers playing the game started to dwindle and in recent years only a handful have been playing the game in Clare. Only four clubs are now active and these include Ennis C.B.S. where, in recent times, numbers playing the game have been on the increase again.

In an effort to gain further support, members of the club will be available between 7 and 8p.m. each evening from Monday to Friday next week (December 3 to December 7 inclusive) to explain the rules of the game to anyone interested in taking up the sport.

Coaching will be provided for anyone interested and an open invitation has been issued to all, men and women, to come along to the club next week.

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