

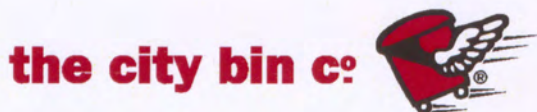


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# *President's Address*

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A Belated welcome to the 2009 Season.

Things are going well in the club under the captaincy of Joe Morrissey and good progress by all teams right down to the schoolboys/Schoolgirls.

A number of special functions have been held, in particular the ball in aid of Special Olympics chaired by now departed (hopefully returning) Dom Rigby. The clubs six a side was well supported. It is hoped that other planned functions will also be supported.

We staged two Friends Provident games, albeit one was rained off without a ball being bowled. We welcomed Alan Delany as our new groundsman and we hope he has a happy time with us. Thanks to all who work behind the scenes and for their work in the other games to be played during this season.

For the remainder of the season I have a few personal wishes which hopefully will ease the pressures for us arising from the current economic conditions. Please support your club and use it as your base, support the functions, pay subscriptions on a timely basis, get new members in all classes, support the captains of the respective teams, our coach Rod Hokin his team and their work in the youth section.

Well-done to all our Representative players and I wish Joe and Annette as our club captains and all the other captains the best for the remainder of the season.

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*Roger McGreal*

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# *Captain's Address*

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Dear Member,

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you Castle Avenue for the 2009 season. It is a great honour to have been elected captain a great family club and cornerstone of the community in Clontarf. I will endeavour to fulfil this position with the integrity and distinction it deserves and to work in your interests and the club's interest during my term of office.



I have been very fortunate to inherit a club in rude health—youth coming through strongly yet tempered by enough age and experience to guide and steer when the waters grow choppy. I must congratulate my predecessor Greg Molins on a job very well done but ask him to stay close by for his always pragmatic and valued opinion.

I am very happy to welcome back Rod Hokin as our club professional for a third season. Rod has been instrumental in so many aspects of the club's recent successes—from the blossoming youth system to the focus and commitment he brings to the 1st XI on a weekly basis—I wish him well and hope he enjoys another fruitful Summer in his second home.

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new groundsman Alan Delany. Alan is another member of the Delany cricketing dynasty (brother of Gerry) and I am certain his hard work and enthusiasm will keep Castle Avenue looking and playing as beautifully as it ever has.

I wish Annette McKeown, captain of the Ladies 1stXI, and the ladies teams the very best of luck for the season, I am very hopeful that the youth policy invested in over the last few years will yield fruitful rewards and a winning season be enjoyed by all.

Finally, to the captains and the players, can I wish you the very best of luck for the coming season. Enjoy it. Never let playing cricket become a chore. In these chastened economic times it is important that we never lose sight of the big picture. Our club is what we make it. Play hard. Support each other. Be strong together as one whole and we will all be better for it.

Yours in cricket

*Joe Morrissey*

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## *Lady Captain's Address*

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Firstly I would like to say what a joy and privilege it is to be Captain of our Ladies First XI this year. I am delighted to have Olivia Golden as my Vice Captain, I would like to thank her for stepping up to the mark and look forward to working with her throughout the season.

We are in division 2 this year with our Second XI in division 3, the main purpose being to bring on the youth in the club. Not only are there talented school girls coming through the ranks on the Ladies but on Friday nights we have a large group of young girls down so hopefully it will not be long before the Ladies will be back up in the First division.

I would like to thank Laura Cullen and Cecily and all the other girls who help out on a Friday night as this is the future of the Ladies cricket club and it is great to see so many girls down enjoying training. It is great to have Rod back coaching us for another season and with his hard work and the girls commitment I know this season will be successful for the Ladies.

I would like to wish Roger the best of luck this year as President of CCC along with Joe and all the other Captains and their teams and hope we can all work closely together in achieving some positive results for CCC.

*Annette McKeon*



*I wouldn't depend on this lot netzer!*



# To South Africa with a score book

*Stella Downes*

**I**t all started on a rainy night in Aberdeen when, as usual after a few after dinner drinks away on tour, talk again turned to wonderful times had in Jamaica/Barbados ... even Guyana. On these occasions I stare morosely into my gin and tonic, my sudden silence reminding all that I wasn't there, missed it all, wasn't brought! Talk swiftly turned to the next World Cup and the fact that the qualifying tournament would be held in South Africa around Easter. I suddenly realised that there was a tiny ray of light on the horizon as the timing would be perfect. All that would have to be done would be to persuade the powers that be that, if a scorer was being brought, then it should be me! Now, having been in this situation before, I wasn't getting over excited at the prospect but the possibility was there and that would keep me going over the long winter months.

The months passed by and that conversation in Aberdeen was a distant memory when I got an email in December asking me if I would be available ... what a birthday present that was! Nothing was confirmed but, by this stage, I was daring to dream and, sure enough, in January I got confirmation that I was to be appointed as the official scorer for the tour. All I had to do was approach the school's Board of Management and off I could go!

Time moved on and the team departed for their pre tournament series of matches. This time I could send "Good Luck" texts with a smile on my face instead of tears in my eyes and a lump in my throat. Arthur Vincent (the "raining" President!) and I would meet up with them in Johannesburg three days before the tournament began.

After much packing, unpacking and repacking I got a call to say that, as part of the official party, I would have no problem with luggage restrictions at the airport so off I set. How wrong can you be? As we weren't actually travelling at the same time as the team, we were told that the usual baggage restrictions would apply. With a heavy heart I loaded my bags onto the belt to discover that they came in bang on the weight allowance and Arthur's were even lighter. There was one problem, however, Claude! This was the name that we had given to the physio's bag that we were due to bring with us as it had been left behind. Now Claude, like the rest of us, was carrying a few pounds but we hauled him up on to the luggage belt and asked how much it would cost to bring him with us. "Sixty euro" was the reply and, as we exhaled sighs of relief, ..."per kilo"! Shock and horror in equal measure crossed our faces as we calculated ...€1200 ... for a bag!! It would have been cheaper for us to book an extra passenger but it was too late for that, so Arthur handed over his credit card (as mine would have looked quizzically at me and said "you must be joking!")

On arrival in Johannesburg our taxi was waiting to whisk us to our hotel and the fact that the doorman was wearing a top hat gave us some indication as to the kind of place we were staying in. We looked far too dishevelled for such a glamorous place and requested immediate showers but, of course, our rooms weren't ready. A plea to Reception saw us being led up to the spa area and we were assured that our bags would follow ... too fancy a spot to be allowed to carry your own bags! I dashed gratefully into a cool shower and emerged to find that I had no bags, except Claude! After much towel clad peeping around the door for assistance, I realised that I was going to have to put on my travelling clothes again and go in search of my bag. Eventually all was sorted and we got a message at Reception to head straight for the ground the boys were playing at, if we weren't too tired, and to bring Claude. The lads were delighted to see us, and Claude got a great welcome as some were already carrying injuries ... and the tournament hadn't even started yet.



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That night we paid our first visit to Mandela Square for dinner. It was a beautiful spot with fountains down the middle and presided over by a massive statue of the great man himself. Over an excellent (and ridiculously cheap!) meal and a few glasses of Chenin Blanc we were given the first bad news of the trip. There was an alcohol ban for the boys and, for the official party, it was "one in, all in". There was to be a breathalyser test each morning on the bus! And here we were, in the home of some of the best wines in the world!! Arthur immediately decided that he would make his own arrangements for travelling to matches but I wouldn't have that luxury.

As soon as the tournament started life fell into a very pleasant rhythm of having a match every second day and spending free time soaking up the sunshine by the hotel pool. The hotel was perfect ... a jaw dropping interior and spacious comfortable rooms. Laundry was collected in the mornings and returned on hangers the following day ... a luxury I could get used to! For the first time in my life, my room was orderly!! The hotel bar was a great place for spotting famous faces as several of the IPL teams were also staying there, as was the Australian squad. I nearly had heart failure when I spotted one of my cricketing heroes, Glenn McGrath, propping up the bar. While sitting by the pool one day with the WAGs there was a great flutter of excitement as we heard a man talking to the pool staff and saying that his team were coming down to the pool for a workout. We assumed that it was the Australians and were looking forward to watching a professional team at work ... well ok then, we were looking forward to some eye candy! Imagine our disappointment when it turned out to be Oman! As it happens, the Aussies did come down for a pool session another day but they only lasted two minutes as the water was icy! The lovely Glenn did appear down on occasions and was always pleasant and friendly. We also shared our hotel with Clint Eastwood, Morgan Freeman and Matt Damon.

Match days were a different matter entirely as our usual departure time was around 7am - another good reason for the alcohol ban! As the games were played in various areas it was decided that a police escort should accompany each coach on its way through the traffic. The level of engagement of our outriders varied considerably - from merely following us along the motorways and doing nothing, to careering along, sirens blazing, arms gesticulating wildly out of squad car windows at any driver slow to move out of the way. The latter trips were great fun as we would leave a scene of chaos in our wake with cars perched on kerbs/medians etc and drivers trying to figure out who the VIPs were who merited such treatment. For the players the bus trip to games was usually a time for quiet contemplation so all were glad of iPods etc to drown out the noise after the novelty of a police escort wore off. The tension on the bus was palpable on the morning of our first game against Scotland as the time for preparation was past and we were about to face our great rivals. The tension only dissipated when William Porterfield cracked the first ball for six into the stands at Benoni.

On arrival at each of the grounds we received a great welcome, with our hosts unfailingly cheerful and helpful. For the first few games I was regarded with suspicion by the Cricket SA scorers who had been appointed to each game, but they thawed out after a while when they realised that it was useful to have someone with them who could recognise the players. This proved especially helpful when shirt borrowing started, as the shirts made for the tournament were badly stitched and were prone to falling apart! It was nice to see familiar faces at some of the grounds and not just the travelling supporters who, as usual, were magnificent, bringing noise and colour to proceedings. In Krugersdorp it was lovely to see the McGeehans, Dave and Sandie, and their kids and it was also in Krugersdorp that I got a real shock during a game when I heard a familiar voice - "ello Stella luv, 'ow are you? You 'aven't changed a bit". I turned to see John Lyon and he hadn't changed a bit either! We only had a chance of a brief chat as I was working but it was great to see him there.

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The Ireland squad was, without a shadow of a doubt, the strongest and best prepared side in the tournament and so there was really only one shock and that was the defeat by Afghanistan. A touch of complacency and a few niggling injuries cost Ireland the game. However, qualification for the World Cup soon became inevitable but the boys wanted more than that - they wanted to win the tournament outright. They had fallen at the final hurdle in the last World Cup qualifying tournament in Dublin and were determined that this time would be different.



*Stella before she became the World famous, well-travelled,  
international score-keeper she is to-day!*

The day of the final at Centurion was an amazing experience and one that I won't forget in a hurry. When you stood in the stand, it felt like you were looking down into a gladiatorial arena. Canada got off to a flier hitting bowlers to all corners of the ground - and then came Trent. When I had arrived in Johannesburg, the first person I saw was TJ, with an ice pack strapped to his hamstring - just a niggle, or so he said. By the time it came to the final he was in considerable pain but he was determined to play. With those fearsome eyebrows knotted in concentration and determination he bowled through the pain barrier to produce his best ever bowling spell for Ireland, 5-14 off ten overs, which also earned him his first Man of the Match award for Ireland. A well deserved century for skipper, William Porterfield, was a fitting way to end the tournament, as he had led from the front from beginning to end. As we all hugged and celebrated on the pitch afterwards, it really was a perfect moment. The bus journey back to the hotel, when we finally left the dressing rooms, was certainly livelier than any of the previous journeys but this may have something to do with the fact that the alcohol ban had been lifted! That night we had a party to beat all parties - all organised by the fines committee!

A trip of a lifetime is, I think, the best way to describe it and success at the end was just the icing on the cake. I can only thank the lads for making me feel so welcome and Scoop for being my right hand man when I was left to score alone. I've been asked by many friends if I would do it again ... hmmm ... let me see ... in a heartbeat!

## Obituary



We extend our sympathies to Sheelah, Jody junior and the other members of the Toner family following the death of Jody Senior on May 9th. Jody was a popular member of the Club and a loyal supporter of all of our events. He also loved his golf and was a member of Royal Tara Golf Club.

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# The Clontarf Fete Committee 1919.



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We are indebted to Ms. Annette Cornier of Celbridge for this photograph which she rescued while clearing out her neighbour's attic.

The neighbour was Mr. A. E. Fulcher who had lived in Clontarf and was a Committee man (standing extreme left). He had two daughters and so the connection with the clubs was broken.

The photograph is remarkable as it's an early example of the co-operation which existed between the Cricket and Football clubs during most of their Histories since 1876. Otto's Carnivals followed!

The families most notable were - Foxall, Killingley (of Gates fame), Thornley and of course, Crawford and Polden.

George Crawford's (Joint Committee Solicitor) father Mr. S. H. Crawford was captain of the Football Club 1901 - 1907 and then President in 1920 - 1921. George's uncle Harry also figures but sadly he died in the early thirties. S. H. Crawford also played Cricket and won a Cap for Ireland. He also figured on a University (Trinity) team that played London Counties at College Park, the great W. G. Grace playing for the visitors. Sam Crawford took his wicket in the second innings.

His eldest son Victor was a well known player, later an International Referee and was President of Clontarf F.C. in 1967 - 1968.

The Polden family connection started when Stan E. Joined the Club in September 1901 and played on the 1st XV for 20 years until 1921. He was Captain in four



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seasons. He played for Ireland against Wales in 1913 and against France in 1913, 1914 & 1920 partnering the great Irish out-half Dicky Lloyd.

He served on Committee from 1906 - 1957, yes 51 years, and after holding many offices he was elected President for the 1926 - 1927 season. He also served on the Leinster Branch, latterly as President (1923) and had time to be on the IRFU for 21 years and was finally IRFU President in 1933 - 1934.

His eldest son Stan (Buddy) Polden having been sent to Wesley College was a fine player and Referee. His son Peter also played with Old Wesley and was President when the Polden Trophy was presented for competition between Old Wesley and Clontarf on an Annual basis.

Clontarf are the current holders of the Polden Trophy.

*E.D.H.D*

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*Sitting*—Mrs. A. E. Fulcher, Mrs. G. H. Dawson, Mr. P. C. Gore, Mrs. S. H. Dunseith, Mr. T. Carson, Mrs. C. Paul, Mrs S. E. Polden.

Mr. R. B. Milne, *Captain of C.G.C.* and Mrs. Milne were unavoidably absent when above photo was taken.

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*Noel loved travelling around different grounds to watch his favourite sports. Here he is pictured at Chelmsford watching Essex CCC*

## Noel J. Taylor

It was with great regret that Members learned of the death of Noel Taylor in December. Noel was a long time Member and Vice-President of the Club. During his time he was a player, bar manager, bingo caller and music maker as well as being a great supporter at all events and matches.

Noel was also a keen player and follower of sport having played soccer with Sligo Rovers and the famous Loyola soccer team. He played cricket from 1953 to 1963 mostly with the Second XI and in a famous cup match he captained the team in a match against 3 OBU which ended in a tie. He was a feared opening bowler and did take 5 wickets in an innings.

Noël's favourite teams were Arsenal and Middlesex C.C. and having worked at various times in England he watched a lot of football, his ambition was to attend all 92 league grounds and in fact he did achieve at least 80 of these which was some feat.

For the past few years Noël's mobility was affected by a stroke, but having obtained a wheelchair he was a regular sight careering around the city and elsewhere, he was the type not to give in and enjoyed life as much as possible.

As already stated Noel loved Arsenal and with his son and the wheelchair he visited and toured their new Emirates stadium, the tour was conducted by none other than Charlie George.

Noel's music talents were legendary, playing in the Club, local churches and Clontarf Golf Club where he was an honorary member.

We all extend our sincere sympathies to Carole and the family and Noel's memory will live with us all for a very long time

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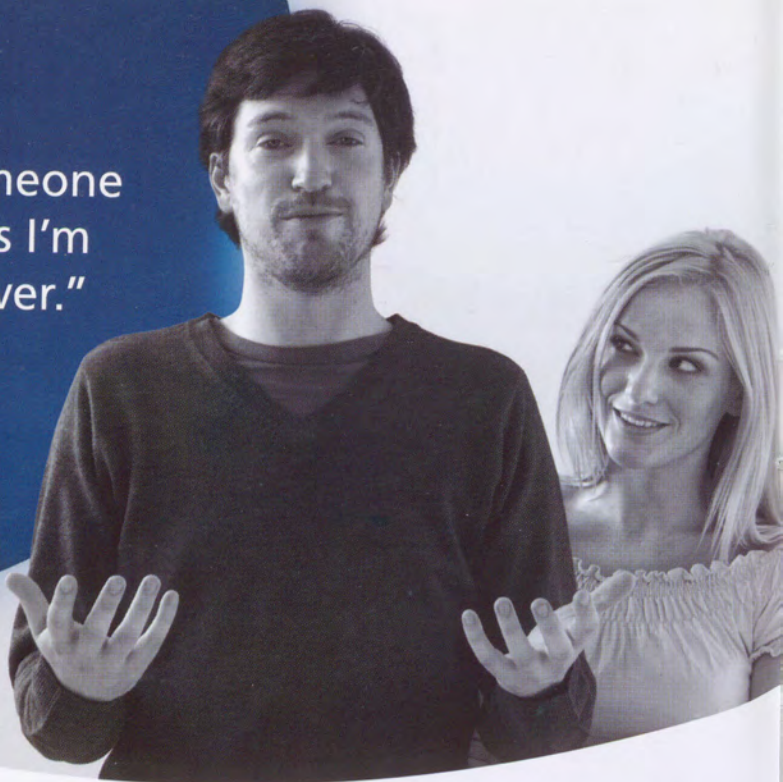
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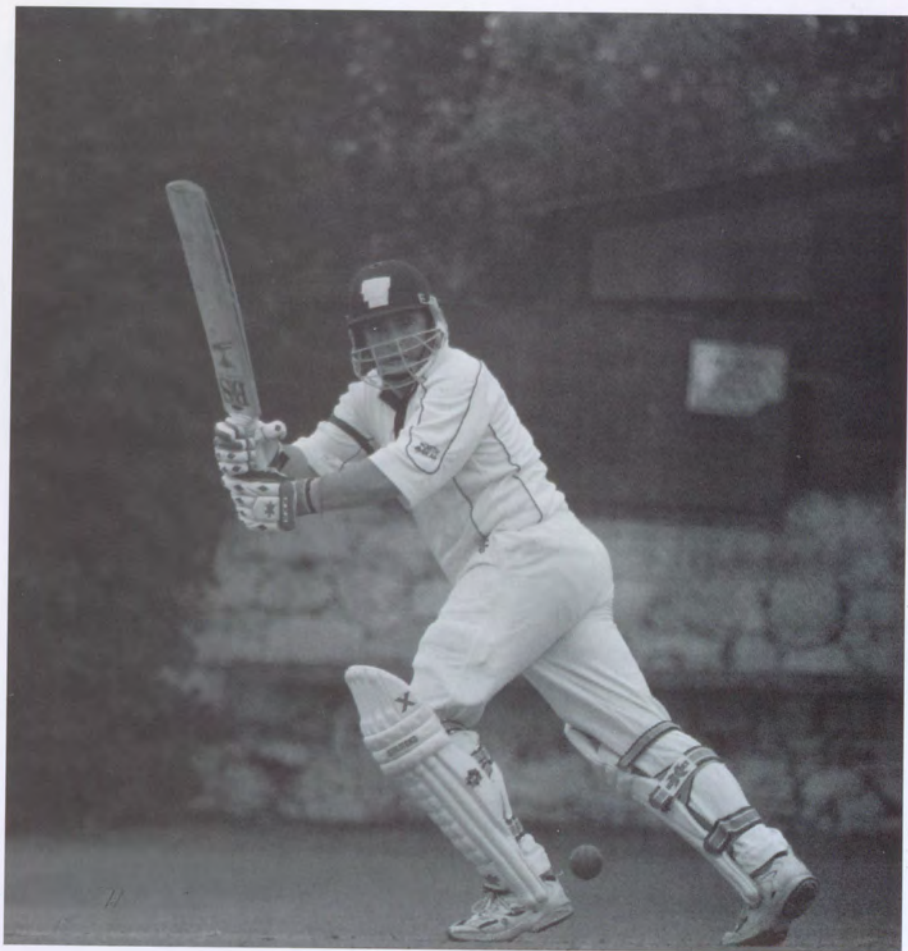
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## D A J Rigby.

Following the second round Antalis Leinster Senior Cup match at Merrion earlier this year, we bade farewell to Dominick Rigby and made a suitable presentation to him. For business reasons Dom had to relocate with his wife to Guernsey and we wish them both well, but hopefully he will wear the red and blue again sometime in the future.

We were delighted in 2003 that Dom, a Scottish International player, chose to play at Clontarf following his move to Dublin. His contribution to the Club was enormous and in his 7 seasons he made 2778 runs from 89 innings at an average of 37.54. In all he made 3 hundreds, all not out, 17 50s which included 3 nineties and 5 eighties, and took 23 catches.

Dom was a great clubman, rarely missed a match and was an inspiration to our young players. His fund raising event with others this year was greatly appreciated not least by our Treasurer.

Dom you will always be welcome at Clontarf Cricket Club.

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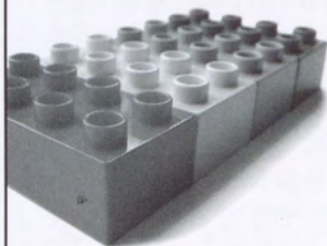
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Two schoolboys teams won their respective cups in 2008. These were the Under 17 who won the Amoroso Cup and the Under 11Bs who won the Claremont Cup.



*The team that retained the cup*

*Back: A. Cusack, A. Poynter, B. Coghlan, J. Morrissey, E. Randell, E. Delany, R. Hokin.  
Front: S. Islam, A. Darcy, G. Molins, D. Rigby, N. Delany.*

## **Antalis Leinster Senior Cup Final 2008**

The game played at Castle Avenue saw Clontarf defeat North County by 31 runs. Well done to Captain Greg Molins and his team. Clontarf batted first and made 176 runs, Dom Rigby 84, Greg Molins 27, Alex Cusack 20 and a valuable 16 at the end by Niall Delany.

That didn't seem to be a winning total but eventually North County were bowled out for 145 runs with Andrew Poynter getting 3 wickets for 14 runs from 7 overs, Alex Cusack 3 for 30 off 10 overs, Joe Morrissey 2 for 30 off 12 overs, Niall Delany 1 for 22 off 5 overs and Rod Hokin 1 for 16 off 10 overs.

The two highest scores of the day were 27 from Greg Molins and 84 from Dom Rigby which gained him the Man of the Match award.



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*Back: B. O'Sullivan (President), M. D'Arcy, R. Reid, C. D'Arcy, M. Ryan, B. Merrill,  
M. O'Kelly (Manager), R. O'Reilly.*

*Front: J. Coghlan, V. J. Gopal, R. Forrest, K. Spelman, P. Ryan, A. Cullen.*

### **Senior II Cup Final 2008**

Well done to Captain Paul Ryan and his team on winning the Senior 2 Cup Final at Rathmines having beaten Laois by 121 runs.

Clontarf batted first and made a total of 196 runs, A. Cullen scored 67, B. Merrill 41 and C. Darcy 20. They then bowled out Laois for 75, B. Merrill 4 for 23, K. Spelman 2 for 31, A. Cullen 1 for 14 and C. Darcy 1 for 6

Andy Cullen won the Man Of the Match award for his excellent figures both at batting and bowling

### **Cup winners of the future?**

Whilst it is always nice to report on the successes of the senior teams of the club it must be remembered that this is possible as a result of the long years of hard work and dedication of many volunteers within the club who give generously of their time to coach the under-age teams, the senior players of the future. In fact in 2008, both senior cup winning teams had members who were still eligible to play under-age cricket.

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Rod Hokin (Coach)*

*Front: R. Kirk, S. Tormey, R. Forrest, K. Lynsky, C. Mullins*



### *Under 11B League Claremont Cup Winners*

*From left: S. Currie, M. Cafferty, A. Vincent, K. Byrne, K. Mangan, P. Hoy, R. Young, P. Bauer,  
J. Mullins, S. O'Quigley, K. Farrelly*

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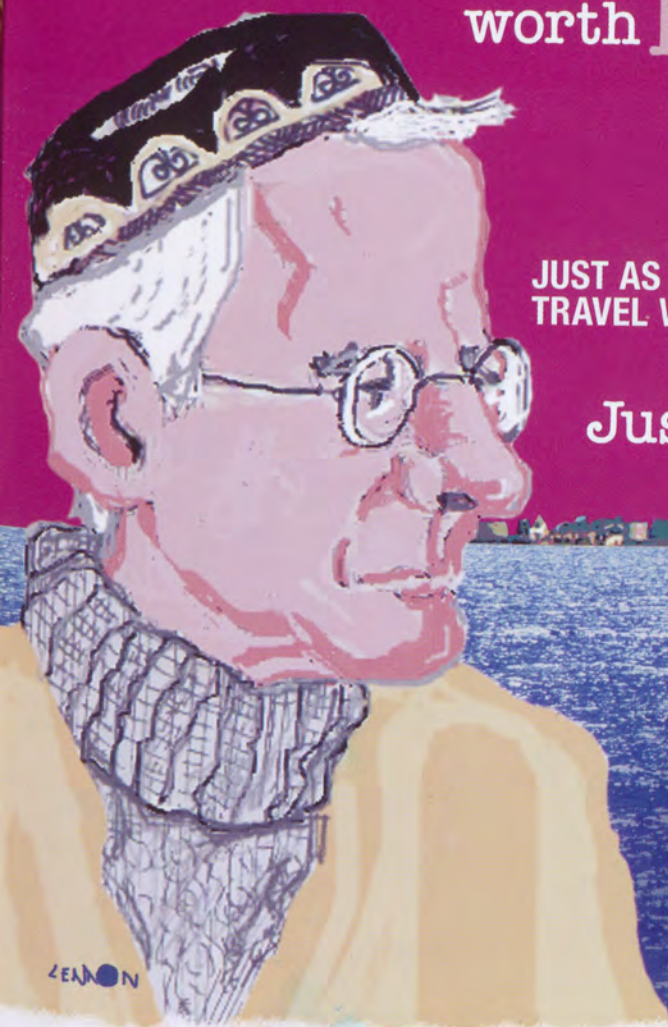


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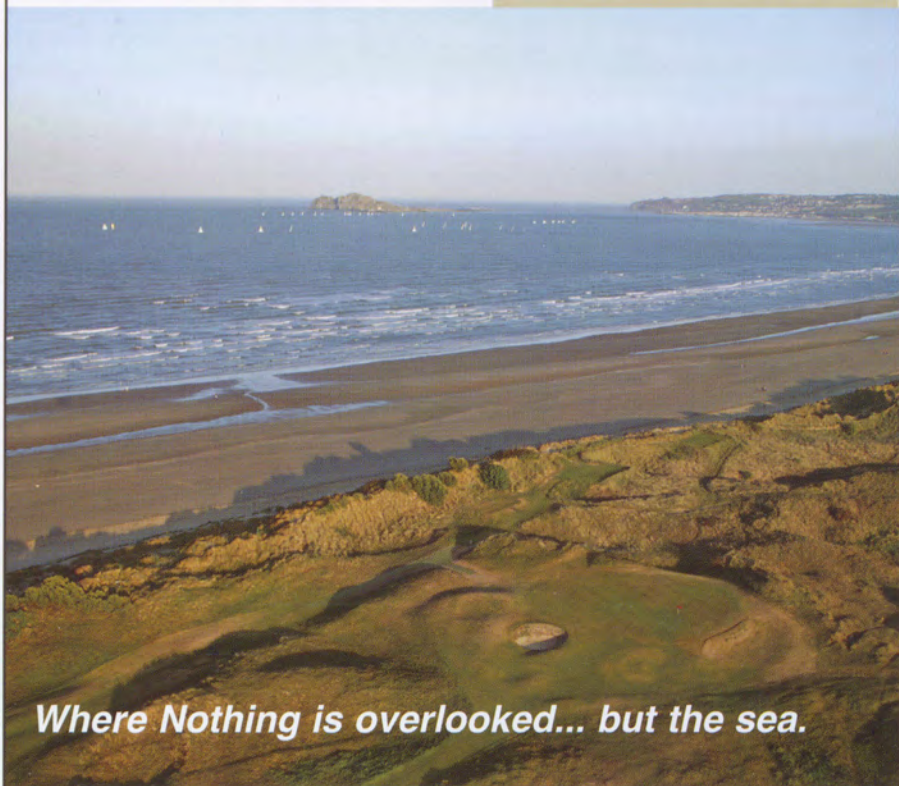


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# Clontarf Batting Averages

Name	Career	Matches	Innings	Not Out	Most	Runs	Average	100s	50s
A. C. Botha	1994-2000	142	136	27	133*	5461	50.10	7	38
M. P. Rea	1989-1994	83	80	9	114	3339	47.02	1	32
T. Fourie	2000-2003	80	76	8	129*	2864	42.11	6	20
R. H. C. Waters	1967-1969	46	45	5	120*	1496	37.40	2	9
D. A. J. Rigby	2003-2008	94	89	15	108*	2778	37.54	3	17
D. A. Vincent	1981-2001	314	301	31	161	9508	35.21	13	49
A. McClean	1985-1996	177	162	32	121	4505	34.65	4	27
A. Cusack	2003-2008	94	85	18	103*	2304	34.38	1	17
N. C. Mahony	1938-1963	195	197	21	110*	5904	33.54	4	41
L. C. Jacobson	1944-1960	149	147	11	103*	4023	29.58	4	17
G. L. Molins	2001-2008	117	86	19	108*	1973	29.44	1	9
R. O'Reilly	1992-2008	232	206	36	89	4847	28.51	1	27
W. J. Moynan	1945-1955	121	119	20	122	2745	27.72	3	12
J. B. Bunworth	1962-1989	299	289	39	128*	6745	26.98	7	33
E. A. McDermott	1963-1993	539	485	55	130*	11583	26.93	10	59
J. D. Caprani	1937-1951	141	144	23	119*	3027	25.01	1	20
B. MacNeice	1986-2001	225	166	38	81	3148	24.59	1	12
N. P. Grier	1966-1988	388	349	34	103*	7063	22.42	3	34
J. Fitzpatrick	1986-1995	129	100	18	77	1797	21.91	1	6
S. B. McMullan	1954-1971	190	182	14	98	3510	20.89	1	17
P. Prendergast	1981-1999	166	152	10	108	2885	20.31	1	14
B. P. Bergin	1975-1994	280	236	46	83	3825	20.13	1	14
M. A. Carroll	1953-1977	209	190	20	124	3342	19.65	2	10
J. Daly	1984-2000	176	127	9	110*	1914	19.53	1	6
G. J. Morgan	1930-1942	137	134	8	104*	2360	18.73	2	7
I. Synnott	1992-2008	155	121	19	63	1867	18.30	1	7
F. J. Carroll	1957-2001	462	355	90	109	4843	18.27	2	7
J. M. Nolan	1968-1987	259	226	63	67*	2948	18.08	1	5
E. d'H. Dexter	1944-1964	155	147	15	94	2372	17.96	1	11
A. W. D. Spence	1956-1989	247	217	23	74*	3323	17.12	1	10
L. P. Hughes	1959-1987	370	286	41	103	3900	15.91	1	9
J. W. Hill	1935-1960	203	187	31	119	2481	15.90	2	3
G. M. Carroll	1950-1964	128	114	13	72*	1518	15.02	1	4
D. A. Sweeney	1954-1968	108	106	7	77*	1427	14.41	1	4
D. F. Fitzgerald	1933-1952	164	136	32	81*	1466	14.09	1	7
J. J. Ledwidge	1920-1934	163	150	20	69	1699	13.06	1	3
P. J. Bourke	1936-1952	194	173	9	91	1954	11.91	1	1
A. R. White	1920-1943	215	197	31	87*	1709	10.29	1	2
E. H. Bodell	1944-1976	350	231	57	49	1720	9.88	1	1

Qualification: 1,400 runs in Senior League and Cup competitions since 1920 (excluding All-Ireland competition).

\*Not out.

## Clontarf Bowling Averages

	Career	Matches	Wickets	Runs	Average	5 Wkts in innings
G. A. Tyndall	1923-1934	105	148	1488	10.05	8
E. N. Seymour	1922-1931	79	129	1333	10.33	8
S. A. Martin	1932-1935	38	108	1224	11.33	6
J. G. Aston	1920-1928	77	155	1795	11.58	8
W. C. Pemberton	1925-1950	94	264	3190	12.08	21
J. J. Ledwidge	1920-1934	163	211	2661	12.61	11
J. M. Sweeney	1925-1931	65	102	1340	13.13	5
G. A. Kirwan	1961-1992	391	1033	14295	13.83	55
J. W. Hill	1935-1960	203	609	8624	14.16	48
T. J. Dunne	1931-1944	115	191	2706	14.17	15
R. J. Furley	1936-1963	86	179	2561	14.30	11
A. R. White	1930-1943	215	108	1577	14.60	5
E. H. Bodell	1944-1976	350	786	11699	14.88	48
L. P. Hughes	1959-1987	370	600	9567	15.94	25
D. C. O'Kelly	1965-1979	76	121	1956	16.16	6
M. R. Bunworth	1968-1988	240	407	7215	17.72	18
D. F. Fitzgerald	1933-1952	164	214	3819	17.84	12
A. C. Botha	1994-2000	142	261	4295	16.45	6
A. Cusack	2003-2008	94	148	2734	18.47	—
V. F. Savino	1953-1969	182	217	4080	18.80	5
M. J. Delaney	1965-1990	223	345	6537	18.94	15
N. P. Grier	1966-1988	388	359	7021	19.55	16
P. M. Murphy	1968-1977	87	100	2101	21.01	3
D. A. Vincent	1981-2001	314	141	3012	21.36	1
K. Spelman	1996-2008	122	188	4121	21.92	3
G. L. Molins	2001-2008	117	142	3247	22.56	2
T. Fourie	2000-2003	80	119	2665	22.39	1
L. B. McMahon	1931-1949	152	130	2948	22.67	4
J. Barry	1989-2001	142	136	3103	22.81	—
B. MacNeice	1986-2001	225	316	7392	23.39	9
J. Fitzpatrick	1986-1995	129	181	4324	23.88	3
F. O'Mahony	1987-1994	103	136	3376	24.82	5

*Qualification:* 100 wickets.

## Clontarf Results against other Clubs Leinster Senior League and Cup since 1920

From Year	Club	Played	Won	Tied	NR	Drew	Lost
1941	Carlisle	55	27	1	1	14	12
1981	CYM	47	32	—	1	4	10
1920	Dublin University	96	47	—	—	18	31
2005	Laoise	1	1	—	—	—	—
1920	Leinster	165	54	1	3	36	71
1953	Malahide	110	45	1	3	17	44
1926	Merrion	151	74	—	2	41	34
2004	Munster Reds	5	2	—	3	—	—
1990	Nth. County	26	15	—	2	—	9
1957	Old Belvedere	92	43	—	1	25	23
1920	Pembroke	178	64	1	2	39	72
1920	Phoenix	161	47	2	3	31	78
1920	Railway Union	137	87	—	3	17	30
1995	Rush	27	15	1	2	—	9
1983	The Hills	41	23	1	2	4	11
1934	Y.M.C.A.	143	63	1	1	32	46



## Wicketkeeping

	Career	Matches	Caught	Stumped	Total
F. J. Carroll	1957-2001	462	368	134	502
P. J. Bourke	1936-1952	194	73	82	155
J. Daly	1984-2000	176	115 *	26	141
A. Hancock	1994-2002	129	107	21	128
R. O'Reilly	1992-2005	201	105 †	12	117
J. A. Bell	1953-1966	121	68	20	88
R. Maybury	2001-2006	87	73 ‡	13	86
C. P. Stuart	1921-1942	144	51	22	73
L. C. Jacobson	1944-1960	149	47	11	58

\* includes 10 in the field

† includes 25 in the field

‡ includes 3 in the field

## Catches

	Career	Matches	Catches
N. P. Grier	1966-1988	388	143
E. A. McDermott	1963-1993	539	141 *
D. A. Vincent	1981-2001	309	112 †
J. B. Bunworth	1962-1989	299	87
J. M. Nolan	1968-1987	259	85
B. P. Bergin	1975-1994	280	81
V. F. Savino	1953-1969	182	77
L. P. Hughes	1959-1987	370	75
M. A. Carroll	1953-1977	209	72
B. MacNeice	1986-2001	215	65
A. McClean	1985-1996	177	64
A. C. Botha	1994-2000	142	62
J. D. Caprani	1937-1951	141	61
G. A. Kirwan	1961-1992	391	55
J. J. Ledwidge	1920-1934	163	53
G. J. Morgan	1930-1942	137	53
L. B. McMahon	1931-1949	152	53
A. R. White	1920-1943	215	52
E. H. Bodell	1944-1976	350	51
I. Synnott	1992-2008	155	50

Qualification: 50

\* Includes 15 catches as wicketkeeper.

† Includes 9 catches as wicketkeeper.

## 1000 Runs and 100 Wickets by Clontarf Players

	Runs	Wkts.
J. G. Aston	1125	155
E. H. Bodell	1720	786
A. C. Botha	5461	261
A. Cusack	1770	115
T. J. Dunne	1016	191
D. F. Fitzgerald	1466	214
J. Fitzpatrick	1797	181
T. Fourie...	2864	119
N. P. Grier	7063	359
J. W. Hill	2481	609
L. P. Hughes	3890	600
J. J. Ledwidge	1699	211
G. L. Molins	1524	119
B. MacNeice	3148	316
V. F. Savino	1127	217
E. N. Seymour	1303	129
G. A. Tyndall	1181	148
D. A. Vincent	9508	141
A. R. White	1709	108

# Clontarf International Players

Name	Year	No. Caps
J. G. Aston	1909-1925	6
E. H. Bodell	1954-1959	6
J. P. Bray	2005	13
J. D. Caprani	1948-1956	6
A. W. Cooper	1954	2
S. H. Crawford	1903	1
A. Cusack	2007-2008	35
F. M. Filgas	1948	1
W. E. Haughton	1947-1953	5
J. W. Hill	1946-1951	14
N. B. Hool	1947-1957	13
L. P. Hughes	1965-1978	13
L. C. Jacobson	1947-1959	12
D. T. Johnston	2004-2006	49
G. A. Kirwan	1983	2
G. H. McCormack	1908	1
E. A. McDermott	1981-1982	8
N. C. Mahony	1947-1953	9
G. J. Morgan	1934	1
W. C. Pemberton	1923-1928	4
M. P. Rea	1988-1995	51
D. A. J. Rigby†	2004	1
E. N. Seymour	1927-1928	3
M. H. Stevenson	1951-1964	11
D. A. Vincent	1986-1991	21
R. H. C. Waters	1968-1969	11

† Represented Scotland

D. A. J. Rigby is unique in that he represented a country other than Ireland while playing for Clontarf.

## International Tit-Bit

In July 1948, four Clontarf players were in the (then named) Gentlemen of Ireland team which played the Gentlemen of Scotland team in Glasgow. The players were N. C. Mahony, L. C. Jacobson, J. W. Hill and N. B. Hool. The G.O.I. won the match by 118 runs.



## Best Recorded Clontarf Batting Partnerships

Wkt.	Year	Runs	Opponents	Batsmen
1st	1990	205*	Old Belvedere	D. A. Vincent–P. Prendergast
2nd	1985	218*	The Hills	D. A. Vincent–N. P. Grier
3rd	2006	227*	The Hills	D. A. J. Rigby–D. T. Johnston
4th	1991	120	Carlisle	A. McClean–J. Daly
5th	1982	163*	Dublin University	N. P. Grier–J. M. Nolan
6th	1995	95	Carlisle	R. O'Reilly–B. MacNeice
7th	2006	155	Rush	A. Poynter–R. Reid
8th	1970	100	Y.M.C.A.	A. W. D. Spence–F. J. Carroll
9th	1970	80	Y.M.C.A.	F. J. Carroll–E. H. Bodell
10th	1960	88*	Pembroke	V. F. Savino–J. A. Bell

\*Unfinished

## Centuries Scored by Clontarf Players up to 2008

D. A. Vincent.....	14
E. A. McDermott.....	10
A. C. Botha.....	7
J. B. Bunworth.....	7
T. Fourie.....	6
L. C. Jacobson.....	4
D. T. Johnston.....	4
N. C. Mahony.....	4
A. McClean.....	4
N. P. Grier.....	3
W. J. Moynan.....	3
D. A. J. Rigby.....	3
F. J. Carroll.....	2
M. A. Carroll.....	2
B. Coghlan.....	2
R. Hokin.....	2
G. J. Morgan.....	2
A. Poynter.....	2
R. H. C. Waters.....	2
H. R. Aston.....	1
J. Bray.....	1
J. D. Caprani.....	1
A. Cusack.....	1
J. Daly.....	1
A. D'Arcy.....	1
T. K. Gleeson.....	1
J. W. Hill.....	1
L. P. Hughes.....	1
G. L. Molins.....	1
P. Prendergast.....	1
M. P. Rea.....	1
R. T. Ruddock.....	1

# Clontarf Players who led the Provincial Averages

## BATTING

*Marchant Cup first presented in 1921*

			Runs	Av.
1930	E. N. Seymour	won Marchant Cup	337	37.44
1944*	N. C. Mahony		526	37.57
1945	W. J. Moynan	won Marchant Cup	400	40.00
1948	W. E. Haughton	won Marchant Cup (also played with Dublin University)	354	70.80
1952	N.C.Mahony	won Marchant Cup	534	59.33
1959	L. C. Jacobson	won Marchant Cup	492	49.20
1968	J. B. Bunworth	won Marchant Cup	676	61.45
1978	J. B. Bunworth	won Marchant Cup	784	56.00
1991	M. P. Rea	won Marchant Cup	687	57.25

\* Scores in knock-out cup ties were not included in the Marchant Cup until 1946. In 1944 P. J. Quinn (Phoenix) won the Cup on league only figures with N. C. Mahony second. With cup matches included the positions were reversed.

## BOWLING

*O'Grady Cup first presented in 1937*

			Wkts.	Runs	Av.
1920	O. Smith		27	200	7.40
	(also played with Civil Service)				
1926	E. N. Seymour		35	254	7.25
1927	E. N. Seymour		26	225	8.65
1928	E. N. Seymour		18	169	9.38
1948	N. B. Hool	won O'Grady Cup (also played with Dublin University)	41	453	11.04
1950	J. W. Hill	won O'Grady Cup	36	416	11.55
1982	G. A. Kirwan	won O'Grady Cup	82	890	10.85
1983	G. A. Kirwan	won O'Grady Cup	67	554	8.26

## ALL ROUNDERS

*Samuels Cup first presented in 1963*

			Batting		Bowling		Ct.	
			Runs	Av.	Wkts.	Runs		Av.
1927	E. N. Seymour		275	27.50	26	225	8.65	*
1930	G. A. Tyndall		170	24.28	18	99	5.50	*
1994	A. Botha	won Samuels Cup	733	48.86	42	666	15.85	*
2001	T. Fourie	won Samuels Cup	849	60.64	27	537	19.88	10
2005	T. J. Johnston	won Samuels Cup	464	46.40	34	522	15.35	12

\* Catches were not taken into account in this category until after 1994

## WICKET KEEPING

			Ct.	St.
1926	F. E. Buxton		7	3
1929	F. E. Buxton		3	4
1933	C. P. Stuart		6	6
1941	P. J. Bourke		12	18
1948	P. J. Bourke		5	5
1968	F. J. Carroll		15	9
1971	F. J. Carroll		26	7
1973	F. J. Carroll		22	6
1983	F. J. Carroll	won Hopkins Cup	24	5
1991	J. Daly	won Hopkins Cup	21	11
1992	J. Daly	won Hopkins Cup	20	3

## CATCHES IN OUTFIELD

1930	E. W. Hall		8
1936	T. J. Dunne		10
	G. J. Morgan		10
1947	W. J. Moynan		7
1952	H. A. Buttimer		9



# HIGHS & LOWS

## BEST BOWLING

- 10 S. Devitt (U 14) v Malahide, 1956  
10 Paddy Monaghan (5ths) v Old Belvedere, 1963  
10 Michael McTiernan (2nds) v CYM, 1987

### *Others of note*

- 9 for 36 E. Bodell (1sts) v Pembroke, 1950  
9 for 77 B. McNeice (1sts) v YMCA, 1990  
Also 9 wickets G.A. Tyndall (2nds), R. Ferguson (3rds), M. Browne (3rds)  
E.N. Seymour took 7 for 1 in 7.3 overs (6 maidens) v Trinity, 1926

## BEST BATTING

- 173 Paul Ryan (3rds) v Leinster 1998 (137 Balls 3 Sixes & 27 Fours)  
170 David McGeehan (3rds) v Leinster, 1994  
161 D. Vincent (1sts) v YMCA, 1992

## MOST WICKETKEEPING DISMISSALS

- In a season F.J. Carroll 1971 - 33 (Caught 26, Stumped 7)  
In a game P.J. Bourke 1949 - 5 (Caught 1, Stumped 4) v Dub. Univ.  
F.J. Carroll 1988 - 5 (Caught 3, Stumped 2) v CYM  
A. Hancock 2000 - 5 (Caught 5) v North County  
J. Bray 2005 - 5 (Caught 5) v Pembroke  
R. Forrest (Jnr.) 2006 - 5 (Caught 5) v Phoenix

## MOST WICKETS IN A SEASON

- 82 G.A. Kirwan (1sts) 1982 (record for non-professional in Leinster)  
*Others of note*  
54 P. McCready (2nds) 1992  
53 M.J. Delaney (2nds) 1984

## MOST RUNS IN A SEASON

- 1126 T. Fourie (1sts) 2003  
951 D. Vincent (1sts) 1985  
920 A. Botha (1sts) 1995

### *Others of note*

- 538 A.W.D. Spence (3rds) 1984

## FASTEST 100

- J. Boyd under 30 mins on 3/6/1911 v Co. Kildare (inc 4 x 6s and 16 x 4s)  
H.R. Aston 100\* in 90 mins (15 x 4s) v Leinster 1924  
D.A. Vincent 100\* in 65 mins 76 balls (2 x 6s, 15 x 4s) v Railway Union 1998  
G. L. Molins 108\* in 72 mins 52 balls (11 x 6, 5 x 4) v. The Hills 2004  
T. Johnston 107 in 73 mins 68 balls (4 x 6, 12 x 4) v North County 2004  
T. Dickenson 116\* in 55 mins 40 balls v Wexford Wanderers 2006

## LOWEST SCORES

- 4 Schoolboys v Leinster, 1927 (3 byes and 1 run from the bat)  
12 1sts v Phoenix 1936

## HIGHEST SCORES

- 379 3rds v Leinster 1998  
366 1sts v Railway Union 1957  
363 for 9 1sts v Merrion, Cup Final, 1995  
338 for 6 1sts v YMCA, Cup Final 1992

## MOST DUCKS IN A SEASON

- 8 Peter Duggan 1985

## ALL-IRELAND CUP

This competition, which was inaugurated in 1982 involves clubs in the Leinster Cricket Union, Munster Cricket Union, Ulster Cricket Union and the North West Cricket Union. Initially, matches which could not be completed due to weather, were decided on a bowl-out. Clontarf were involved in three such deciders, winning one and losing two, all in Castle Avenue. Currently, weather affected matches are re-fixed to the ground of the visiting team in the initial match.

To date, Clontarf have played 53 matches in this competition, winning 26 and losing 27. The final was reached in 1990 when Clontarf lost to Lurgan by 73 runs. In 1998 Clontarf lost the semi-final by 2 runs to Ballymena. In 2004 Clontarf lost the semi-final by 8 wkts to Strabane.

*The principal statistics are:*

### BATTING

	M	Inn.	N.O.	H	T	Av.	100's	50's
B. Bergin	18	14	3	54	270	24.54	—	1
B. Coghlan	12	12	1	100	228	20.72	1	1
A. Cusack	13	12	0	96	383	31.91	—	3
J. Daly	17	14	4	38*	215	21.50	—	—
J. Fitzpatrick	9	7	1	90	218	36.33	—	2
N. P. Grier	10	7	1	84*	234	39.00	—	1
D. T. Johnston	8	8	0	120*	328	82.00	1	2
B. MacNeice	23	18	3	67*	249	16.60	—	1
A. McClean	20	17	1	66	247	15.43	—	1
E. A. McDermott	24	19	2	40	289	17.00	—	—
G. L. Molins	16	12	0	65	308	25.66	—	3
R. O'Reilly	19	19	2	100	548	32.23	1	2
P. Prendergast	14	13	—	88	281	21.61	—	2
M. P. Rea	11	11	1	70*	385	38.50	—	3
D. A. J. Rigby	13	13	2	98	529	53.81	—	4
I. Synnott	19	17	3	77*	253	18.07	—	1
D. A. Vincent	31	28	1	101*	724	26.81	1	4

### BOWLING

	M	Wkts	Runs	Av.	5 wkts/ Inns
J. Barry	18	16	485	30.31	1
A Cusack	13	23	407	17.69	1
J. Fitzpatrick	9	10	222	22.20	—
N. P. Grier	10	11	249	22.63	—
G. A. Kirwan	18	30	638	21.26	—
B. MacNeice	23	25	471	18.84	—
G. Molins	16	22	485	22.04	—
D. A. Vincent	31	22	584	26.54	1

*Qualification:* 200 runs or 10 wickets



# TROPHIES WON BY CLONTARF SENIOR TEAMS

Year	Teams	Trophy
1898	1st XI	Irish Junior Cup
1905	1st XI	Irish Junior Cup
1924	2nd XI	Intermediate Cup
1926	1st XI	Senior League
1928	2nd XI	Intermediate Cup
1941	3rd XI	Junior League
1943	1st XI	Senior Cup
1944	2nd XI 3rd XI	Intermediate Cup Junior Cup
1946	3rd XI	Junior Cup
1950	1st XI	Senior Cup
1954	2nd XI	Senior II League
1957	4th XI	Junior League
1958	3rd XI	Intermediate Cup Irish Junior Cup
1960	2nd XI 3rd XI	Senior II League Intermediate Cup
1961	1st XI 2nd XI	Senior League Senior II League
1964	5th XI	Minor Cup
1965	1st XI 2nd XI 5th XI	Alan Murray Cup Senior II Cup Minor Cup
1966	5th XI	Minor League Minor Cup
1968	3rd XI	Intermediate Cup

## TROPHIES WON BY CLONTARF SENIOR TEAMS

Year	Teams	Trophy
1969	1st XI	Senior Cup
	2nd XI	Senior II League
	3rd XI	Intermediate Cup
	4th XI	Junior League
1970	1st XI	Alan Murray Cup
	2nd XI	Senior II Cup
	3rd XI	Irish Junior Cup
	5th XI	Minor Cup
1971	1st XI	Beckett Cup
	3rd XI	Intermediate Cup Intermediate League
1972	1st XI	Senior League Alan Murray Cup
	2nd XI	Senior II League
1973	1st XI	Alan Murray Cup Beckett Cup
	2nd XI	Senior II League Senior II Cup
	3rd XI	Intermediate Cup
1974	2nd XI	Senior II League
1976	4th XI	Intermediate League
	5th XI	Junior Cup
1977	1st XI	Wiggins Teape League <i>(shared - Leinster, YMCA)</i>
1978	1st XI	Wiggins Teape League
	2nd XI	Senior II Cup Senior II League
1979	1st XI	Wiggins Teape League
	2nd XI	Senior II League
	5th XI	Junior League
1980	1st XI	Wiggins Teape League <i>(Shared - Leinster)</i>
1981	2nd XI	Senior II League



## TROPHIES WON BY CLONTARF SENIOR TEAMS

Year	Teams	Trophy
1982	4th XI	Intermediate League
1983	2nd XI	Senior II League
1984	2nd XI 4th XI	Senior II League Whelan Cup
1985	3rd XI	Middle Cup
1986	1st XI 3rd XI	Wiggins Teape League Middle Cup
1987	1st XI	Wiggins Teape League <i>(Shared - YMCA)</i>
1988	1st XI 2nd XI	Wiggins Teape League Senior II Cup Tillain Cup
1989	1st XI	Alan Murray Cup
1990	1st XI 3rd XI 6th XI	Wiggins Teape League Middle Cup Minor Cup Junior B League
1991	1st XI  3rd XI	Belvedere Bond League Wiggins Teape League <i>(Shared - YMCA)</i> Middle League
1992	1st XI  2nd XI 4th XI	Senior Cup Belvedere Bond League Senior II League Intermediate Cup
1993	2nd XI	Senior II Cup Senior II League Tillain Cup
1994	1st XI  3rd XI 4th XI	Wiggins Teape League Alan Murray Cup Middle Cup Intermediate Cup

## TROPHIES WON BY CLONTARF SENIOR TEAMS

Year	Teams	Trophy
1995	1st XI	Senior Cup Belvedere Bond League
	2nd XI	Tillain Cup
1996	1st XI	Senior League
	2nd XI	Senior II Cup
1997	3rd XI	YMCA Salver
	5th XI	Junior 'C' League
1998	1st XI	Senior League (Section B)
	4th XI	Whelan Cup
1999	1st XI	Senior League
2000	1st XI	Senior Cup Senior League
	5th XI	Minor Cup
2001	5th XI	Minor Cup
2003	1st XI	Senior League (Section B)
2004	1st XI	Leinster Senior Cup
	4th XI	Intermediate Cup
2005	1st XI	45 overs League
	2nd XI	YMCA Salver
	5th XI	Minor Cup
2006	2nd XI	Tillain Cup
	3rd XI	Middle B League
	5th XI	Junior C League
2007	1st XI	Leinster Senior Cup Senior League (Section A)
	4th XI	Intermediate B League
2008	1st XI	Leinster Senior Cup
	2nd XI	Senior 2 Cup



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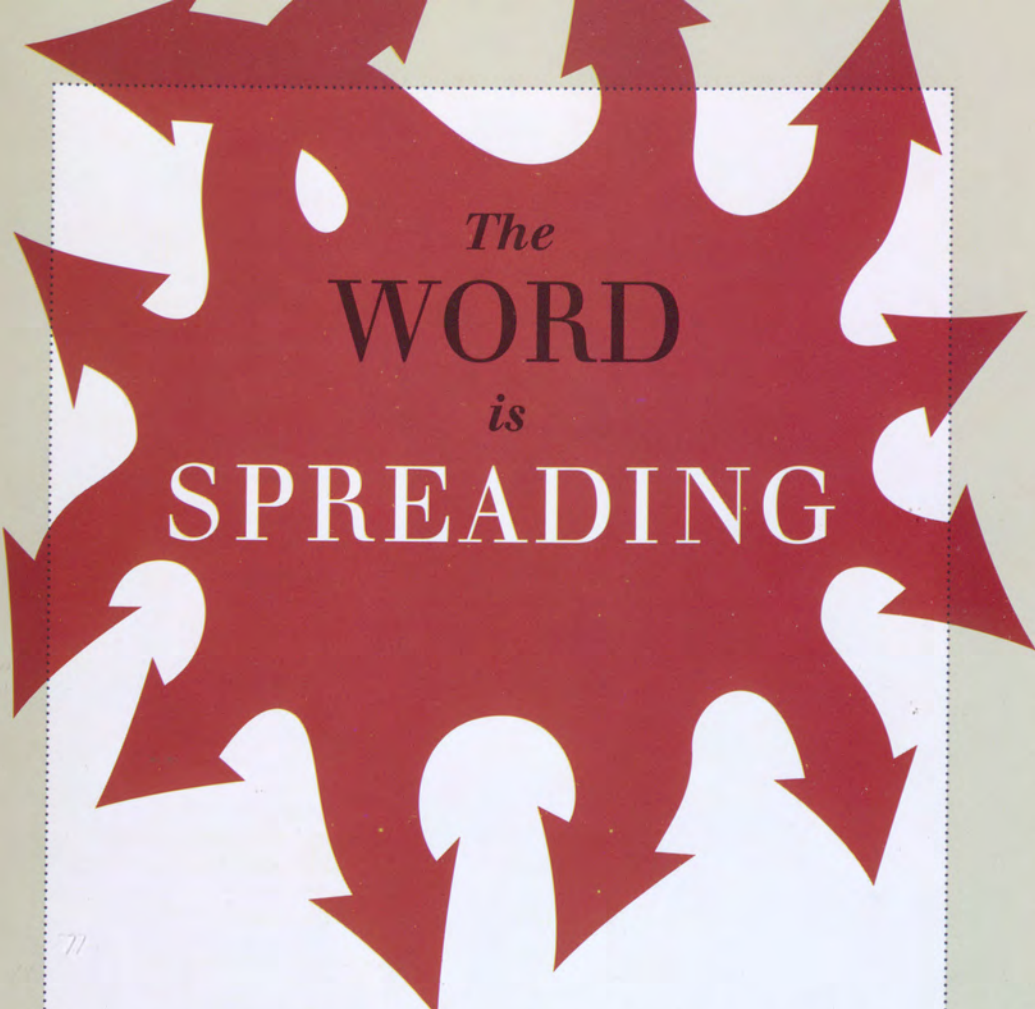
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