

■ EAST KERRY v KENMARE SHAMROCKS

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Fáilte ón gCathaoirleach

ON behalf of Kerry GAA it gives me great pleasure to welcome everyone to our Garvey's SuperValu Senior Football Championship quarter final games in Austin Stack Park and Fitzgerald Stadium this weekend. A special welcome to all the players and management teams, and indeed to all four referees and their respective teams of officials.

Saturday night lights in Austin Stack Park always generates it's own special atmosphere and no doubt the first two games of the weekend should give supporters plenty to cheer about. To whet the appetite, an emerging Feale Rangers side take on the county champions Austin Stacks in the opening game and I am sure that no one in Rock St will take anything for granted in this fixture with the North Kerry side hell bent on getting back centre stage.

The meeting of Dr. Crokes and Dingle is no less intriguing with a youthful Killarney side pitting their talents against one of the most impressive sides in the Group stages. Incidentally, I am sure that everyone will join me in congratulating Dingle's Mark O'Connor on his historic

achievement in winning the AFL Grand Final with Geelong Cats.

On Sunday action the to the moves beautiful setting Fitzgerald Stadium. At first reading, there is a touch of David Vs Goliath about the opening game with a strong Mid Kerry divisional side taking on so called minnows but Templenoe. club side probably

been the surprise packet of the Club and County Championships so far this year and will be keen to add another chapter to what is an intriguing story.

The final game of the weekend will see another side from the shores of Kenmare bay in action when Kenmare Shamrocks take on the might of East Kerry. The divisional side are everyone's favourites in this one but Kenmare have displayed an indomitable spirit to get this far and who knows what can happen! We welcome and thank TG4 for their coverage of not only this game but their excellent coverage of GAA games in general.

With all four fixtures having a "Result on the Day" tag, we could be in for plenty of drama over the weekend. Enjoy the games!

Patrick O'Sullivan

CATHAOIRLEACH COISTE CHONTAE CHIARRAÍ



PREVIEW-**Can Feale** Rangers upset the champions **Austin Stacks?** LEFT: Sean Keane (Feale Rangers). RIGHT: Colin Griffin

By MURT MURPHY

THE opening quarter-final on Saturday evening could set the tone for the weekend and anyone who thinks that this will be a walk in the park for Austin Stacks are not giving the credit that Feale Rangers deserve, as they won all three games in the group stages and finished on top.

So Wayne Ouillinan and Austin Stacks are well aware of the task in hand and will not be taking the Rangers challenge lightly. In fact on championship form this year, Feale Rangers have been more impressive but they know that a club side like Stacks will always raise their game when it comes to the knock-out stages.

Austin Stacks have not been catching pigeons in either the Club Championship or in the Garvey's SFC thus far. But they are where they want to be and that despite their dressing room resembling a M.A.S.H unit at times with so many injured bodies. To lose Joe O'Connor with an ACL injury against Na Gaeil was tough to take but they then lost Brendan O'Sullivan who could provide cover for the injured Joe. But Stacks have a large panel and the lads who thought they might be fringe players this year, now have a chance to prove themselves. Then they have "old man River" returning with Kieran Donaghy starting against Mid Kerry, to give the side experience was a major boost!

But Wayne Quillinan and his management team will be the first to admit that they have not being playing well and their performance against Mid Kerry though they were in the contest for three quarters of the game, was not comparable to the form they displayed last year on the way to Championship glory. Wayne Guthrie is a capable keeper who likes to wander and they have stellar defenders in Dylan Casey, Jack O'Shea, the Shanahan brothers, Paul O'Sullivan and Conor Jordan, Mike O'Donnell may well be partnered by Kerry senior Greg Horan so Austin Stacks will not be weak around midfield. But the Stacks forwards need to fire, with Shane O'Callaghan and David Mannix along with young Conor Horan being the best so far. Sean Quilter has the ability to step up while Michael O'Gara is a player with bags of ability. But the Stacks attack due to injuries is their weakest link, so that will have to change.

(Austin Stacks)

As for Feale Rangers John James Buckley and Billy Lee have worked miracles to bring them this far and their rise from the ashes in part can be explained by the fact that management got a group of mainly young players to buy into a system for a year and they believed that the collective was more important than three or four star performers.

They have quality players and three group games have seen improvement in every game. Bryan Sweeney and Cillian Trant will probably start at midfield and up front Barry Mahony has been one of the most impressive players in the Championship. Martin Stack is close to the top of the scoring charts and David and Sean Keane. Shane Stack and young Rory Mahony are all top class performers who will trouble Stacks.

So it is a game fraught with danger for the champions but they know that and are not walking into an ambush. It could go either way but the club side may have an advantage and the motivation to reach the semis and one step away from senior status retention is a huge carrot.

VERDICT: Austin Stacks

DINGLE HOPING TO MAKE THEIR MARK AGAINST REJUVENATED DR. CROKES

By MURT MURPHY

THIS could be the game of the weekend and is eagerly anticipated. Dr. Crokes topped their group on scoring difference and are a much improved side but they are a side in transition. Dingle has been knocking at the door for a number of years and emerged from the "group of death" with honour losing only their final game to mighty East Kerry.

They picked up two injuries to their two best players, Barry "Dan" O'Sullivan and Paul Geaney and they need them fit. But they have the "Cat" back from his AFL Grand Final win and surely Mark O'Connor will start. But how long it takes for him to adjust to the round ball again is the thing but he is a professional athlete so presumably that will not be a problem. Dingle was most impressive in their demolition of Kerins O'Rahillys with the Geaney family, Barry Dan, Tom O'Sullivan and the Flannery's really on fire.

Dr. Crokes are a mix of the old in Brian Looney, Daithí Casey, Fionn Fitzgerald (not so old), Shane Murphy and Kieran O'Leary along with the new in Tony Brosnan, Mark O'Shea, Cian McMahon, David Shaw, Michael Potts and Neil O'Shea. They are tight at the back, solid at midfield and with scoring forwards that could cut loose and destroy a team in double guick time if not watched.

Dingle is a battle hardened outfit who has been around for a few years and they beat Dr. Crokes in the Credit Union League final after extra time. The Crokes could be missing Fionn Fitzgerald and he is the glue that holds the defence together. Another worry for Crokes Management is that they are not killing teams off as is the Crokes way. They were five clear against Kenmare Shamrocks in their last game with as many minutes remaining and had to settle for a draw.

So I think Dingle are on the road longer and with Mark O'Connor giving them a timely boost, they may have just a little too much for this young and improving Crokes side whose day will come but possibly not this year. VERDICT: Dingle



FEALE RANGERS









Aaron O'Connor DUAGH





LISTOWEL EMMETS

LISTOWEL EMMETS

Niall Collins LISTOWEL EMMETS







David Keane

LISTOWEL EMMETS

TARRAT













Martin Stack	
MOYVANE	

Sean Keane	
LISTOWEL EMMETS	

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachaí	45m	Saor Ciceanna
1 Adh Leath					
2 Adh Leath					
Iomlán					



FIR IONAID

- 16. James Barry ST. SENAN'S
- Seanan O'Caoimh DUAGH
- 18. Jamie McVeigh LISTOWEL EMMETS
- 19. Shane Carmody MOYVANE
- 20. Rory Mahony ST. SENAN'S
- 21. Darragh Lynch LISTOWEL EMMETS
- 22. Ted Moloney DUAGH
- 23. Michael Kennedy LISTOWEL EMMETS
- 24. Nigel O'Connor DUAGH
- 25. Ciaran Pierse LISTOWEL EMMETS
- 26. Sean Weir ST. SENAN'S
- 27. Jack McElligott LISTOWEL EMMETS
- 28. Eamonn O'Flaherty MOYVANE
- 29. Sean T Dillon ST. SENAN'S
- 30. Kieran MacKessy FINUGE

BAINISTÍOCHT

Bainisteoir:

John James Buckley; **Trainer:** Shane Kellv: Roghnóirí: Pat Barry, Enda Galvin. Kieran Quirke, Conor Keane, Billy Lee; Maor Foirne: Mike McKenna.

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AUSTIN STACKS







FIR IONAID

Ben Quilter

Sean Ouilter

18. Gearoid Fitzaerald

Adam Curran

Ronan Shanahan

Donaah McKiveraan

Gearoid Sheehan

23. Fiachna Manaan

24. Shane Bastible

25. Conor Myers

Calvin Foley

29. Cian Dillane

30. Rory O'Connell

Bainisteoir: Wayne

Jonathan Conway,

John O'Sullivan.

S&C: Damien Ryall.

Eoin Colgan, Tommy

Quillinan. Roghnóirí:

BAINISTÍOCHT

Nauahton, Mikev Collins.

Physio: Fionan Hallinan.

20. Eoahan Carroll

21. Luke Chester

Colin Griffin



Jack O'Shea



Barry Walsh



Greg Horan



Conor **Jordan**



Michael O'Donnell (C)









Michael O'Gara



Horan



Shane O'Callaghan



Kieran **Donaghy**



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2 Adh Leath					
lomlán					



DR. CROKES







John **Payne**



Neil O'Shea



Michael **Potts**



Mark **Fitzgerald**



Mark Cooper



Evan Loonev









Daithi Casev



Brian Loonev



Tony **Brosnan**

TARRAÍ



Tom **Dovle**



Cian **McMahon**

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachaí	45m	Saor Ciceanna
1 Adh Leath					
2 Adh Leath					
Iomlán					



FIR IONAID

- 16. Brendan Falvey
- Liam Randles
- 18. Kieran O'Leary
- 19. Brian Fitzgerald
- 20. Mikey Casey
- 21. Cillian Fitzgerald
- 22. David Naughton
- 23. Billy Courtney
- 24. Michael Moloney
- 25. Harry Potts
- 26. Paudric Looney
- Paul Clarke
- 28. Chris Doncel
- 29. Sean Fitzgerald
- 30. Gavin O'Shea

BAINISTÍOCHT

Brian McMahon, Luke Quinn, Finian Moran, Vince Casey, Eanna Kavanagh. Medical: Jimmy Galvin, Brian O'Callaghan. Logistics: Matthew Courtney, Denis McMahon. Stats: Cian O'Neill.

Advisor: Stephen Brosnan.

Ballboy: Tiarnan Kavanagh.



FIR IONAID

- Daithí Ó Conchúir
- Ruadhán Mac Cárthaigh
- Darragh Ó Suilleabháin
- Deividas Uosis
- Seán Óa Ó Móráin
- Tadha de Brún
- Brian Ó Dubháin
- Pádraig Mac a'tSíthigh
- Tomás Leo Ó Súilleabháin
- Cathal Ó Bambaire
- Eoghan de hÓra
- Brian Ó Conchúir
- Pól Ó Dubháin
- Mícheál Ó Beoláin

BAINISTÍOCHT

Bainisteoir: Pádraig Ó Corcoráin. Roghnóirí:

Seán B. Ó Brosnacháin, Séamas Ó Gairbheith, Liam Ó Conchúir. Tomás Ó Grifín.



Gavin H Ó Corráin

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DAINGEAN UÍ CHÚIS





Conchubhar Ó Flannúra



Conchubhar Ó Súilleabháin





Niall Ó Géibheannaigh



Tomás Ó Súilleabháin



Barra Ó Súilleabháin





Seoirse Durrant



Marc Ó Conchúir





Ó Géibheannaigh







PREVIEW-

Mid Kerry look too strong for impressive Templenoe

BV MURT MURPHY

MID Kerry face off against surprise packets Templenoe in the first game of a double header at Fitzgerald Stadium with the District side fancied to reach the semi-finals. But it would be wrong to write off Templenoe under Paul Crowley because what they achieved this year in reaching the Senior Club Final is phenomenal considering the size of their little hamlet plus the Spillane mansion.

They have obviously never won the championship but they went very close along with the lads from Kenmare Shamrocks back in the day against Dr. Crokes, so half their side knows about the intensity of SFC knockout fare and they lost to Dr. Crokes in the quarters last year.

But if Templenoe are the surprise packets then Mid Kerry have probably played the best and most attractive football in the Championship thus far, except for the first half of their opening game against West Kerry. Peter O'Sullivan and his management team have given their players a license to thrill. Eanna O'Connor has added stability and leadership to the attack while the pace and accuracy of Liam Carey, Kieran Dennehy, Keith Evans, Fiachra Clifford and Jack O'Connor when introduced, has been a joy to behold.

But injuries have thrown a spanner in the works of the 2020 beaten finalists with Sean O'Brien likely to miss out, the exciting Kieran Dennehy also a doubt plus Mike Breen likely to be allowed start but not finish is a negative.

Templenoe have enjoyed this season despite the number of players departing over the past few years and injuries. They are backboned by their four Kerry players - Tadgh Morley, the



LEFT: Pa Wrenn

(Mid Kerry).

The firepower up front is something that only East Kerry can match with the pace of Keith Evans, Kieran Dennehy and Liam Carey frightening at times and they can all kick points for fun. The Mid Kerry bench is also strong and the likes of Jack O'Connor, Caolim Teehan, Jack Brosnan, Ciaran Kennedy if not starting would make the starting fifteen of most sides in the championship.

Darren Houlihan are capable midfielders.

VERDICT: It is difficult to look past Mid Kerry on all known form and looking at the strength and depth of both sides. But one gets the impression that Templenoe while not suggesting that they will roll over and just let Mid Kerry win, as that is not in their DNA; possibly have bigger fish to fry. If they can beat Kerins O'Rahilly's in the Club Final, and a District side wins the SFC, they could find themselves playing in the Munster Senior Club and that from a club that were playing novice just over a decade ago would be one of the great sporting rags to riches stories! Mid Kerry to win.

EAST KERRY MAY HAVE TO WORK HARD TO BEAT KENMARE SHAMROCKS

By MURT MURPHY

RIGHT to start off, I have not lost my marbles so please don't call the men with white coats to carry me off. My headline is merely suggesting that East Kerry v Kenmare Shamrocks is not the penalty kick that most people are predicting.

It may well turn out that way but I am basing my theory on the way Kenmare Shamrocks will most likely set up and how East Kerry found one team tough to beat this year and that was Spa who played with thirteen behind the ball and counter attacked at pace. What I am suggesting is that Kenmare Shamrocks management will have figured out by now that if you play fifteen against fifteen against a side of the quality of East Kerry, they will shred you and have you on the floor screaming for mercy. But if Kenmare Shamrocks take a leaf out of the Spa manual and set up defensively with lots of bodies behind the ball and try and hit East Kerry on the counter attack, then they will trouble the favourites for outright success this year.

So while East Kerry are raging hot favourites they will get nothing easy from Kenmare Shamrocks who have been a shade unlucky in the Club Championship and now find themselves in relegation to the Intermediate ranks unless they reach the final or beat Austin Stacks in a trap door game if neither reach the SFC final. I certainly do not want Kenmare Shamrocks losing their senior status having watched most of their games this year. They were unlucky against Na Gaeil, losing by a point and having a player sent off. Again against Spa in the second round they grabbed a late equaliser but had Stephen O'Brien sent off after 28 minutes. They then lost at home to Dingle by a point and find themselves in a place they never should be, but lady luck deserted them.

Kenmare manager Jackie Tuohy admitted as much. "We were poor in the county league and club championship did not go to plan. We had lads away in America and other places and you could

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not blame them for travelling as they had been locked up for a couple of years. But they are all back now and they are going well. But we know the challenge we face and East Kerry are the benchmark with a powerful squad. But the boys are very positive and they are going to give it a go. It's going to be a big task but any team with Seanie O'Shea and Stephen O'Brien are not going to be afraid of anything. We have a lot of other very good players as well so we are going to give it a go."

East Kerry manager Jerry O'Sullivan is happy with his team and their progression "The group stages went fine for us as we started off with a big win over Kerins O'Rahillys and then Spa tested our mettle in Fitzgerald Stadium. We then got a tough test in Dingle but came through it. But that is history now and its knockout football from now on and it's where you have to perform to win. When you reach knockout you have to treat every game as your last one and we will give Kenmare Shamrocks the respect they deserve. They will make it difficult for us and we will have to bring our A game."

VERDICT: It could be low scoring but anything other than an East Kerry win would be a shock.



MID KERRY











David Mangan LAUNE RANGERS













Kieran Dennehv

BEAUFORT









2 Adh Leath Iomlán



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FIR IONAID

- 16. Jason Browne LAUNE RANGERS
- 17. Jack O'Connor BEAUFORT
- 18. Caolim Teahan GLENBEIGH/GLENCAR
- 19. Ronan Murphy **BEAUFORT**
- 20. Daire Clearu LAUNE RANGERS
- 21. Liam Smith GLENBEIGH/GLENCAR
- 22. Gearoid Hassett LAUNE RANGERS
- 23. Gavan Horan MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE
- 24. Ethan Coffeu **BEAUFORT**
- 25. David Roche MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE
- **26.** Liam Roche GLENBEIGH/GLENCAR
- 27. Sean Cleary LAUNE RANGERS
- 28. Shane Evans
- **29.** Eoghan Hassett LAUNE RANGERS
- **30.** Ryan Diggin LAUNE RANGERS

BAINISTÍOCHT

Bainisteoir:

Peter O'Sullivan (Glenbeigh/Glencar): Roghnóirí: Gary McGrath (Cromane), Gary Murphy (Milltown/Castlemaine): **S&C:** Shane O'Sullivan: Medical: Amy Phelan. Stats: Liam Doherty.



FIR IONAID

- 16. Michael Hallissey
- 17. Kieran McCarthy
- Cian Hallissey
- Joseph Sheehan
- 20. Martin Reilly
- 21. Colm Breen
- Huah Granville
- 23. Dan Cahalane
- 24. John Moriarty
- 25. Dan O'Connor
- 26. Daniel Crowley
- Conor Murphy
- Donagh Harrington
- Michael Frank O'Connor
- 30. Sean Sheehan

BAINISTÍOCHT

Paul Crowlev. Mike Crowley and Patrick O'Mahony. Logaici: Conor Spillane.

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TEMPLENOE







Brian **Crowley**











Morley

Gavin Crowley (C)







Mark Casev



Josh Crowley Holland





Aidan Crowley



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TARRAT

EAST KERRY























David Clifford

FOSSA











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Adh Leath					
Adh Leath					
nmlán					



FIR IONAID

- 16. Brian Kelly KILLARNEY LEGION
- Ruan O'Gradu KILLARNEY LEGION
- 18. Patrick Darcy **GLENFLESK**
- 19. JAMES O'DONOGHUE KILLARNEY LEGION
- 20. Owen Fitzgerald **GNEEVEGUILLA**
- 21. Paul O'Shea KILCUMMIN
- 22. Conor Herlihu GNEEVEGUILLA
- 23. Padraig Lucey KILLARNEY LEGION
- 24. Padraig Doyle GNEEVEGUILLA
- 25. Sean O'Keeffe **GNEEVEGUILLA**
- 26. Philip O'Leary KILCUMMIN
- 27. Cathal Ryan RATHMORE
- 28. Dara O'Callaghan KILCUMMIN
- 29. Killian O'Sullivan **GLENFLESK**
- **30.** Cian Gammell KILLARNEY LEGION

BAINISTÍOCHT

Jerry O'Sullivan, Arthur Fitzgerald, Seamus Moynihan, Sean O'Leary, Sean Cronin, Eamon Myers.

Physio: Ruth Allen. Kitman: John Sheehy. Liaison: John Dineen.

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KENMARE SHAMROCKS





Dara

FIR IONAID

16. Ray O'Shea

17. Jamie O'Regan

19. Pearse O'Brien

Griffin Wharton

Tommy O'Sullivan (A)

Ruairi O'Sullivan

David Cronin

Cian Hanleu

24. Domhnall Conrou

25. Dylan Wallace

26. Gearoid Doyle

28. Micheál McCarthy

BAINISTÍOCHT

Bainisteoir: Jackie Tuohy; Roghnóirí: Mickey Ned

Palmer, Kieran Moriarty;

O'Sullivan, Timmy

S&C: Fergal Tuohy;

Stephanie O'Sullivan.

Physiotherapist:

Donnacha Whelton

Crowley

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Tommy O'Sullivan



Cian O'Sullivan

Dara O'Shea

James **McCarthy**

Shane O'Sullivan

David Hallissev

Kevin O'Sullivan (C)

10 **Jimmy** Lehane

Sean O'Shea

12 Dan **McCarthy**

Stephen O'Brien

14 **Paul**

O'Connor

15 **Tommy** Cronin

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