

# Limerick Chronicle

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Old Christians Notes:

## Great display by senior hurlers

Cloughaun ..... 1-16  
Old Christians ..... 4-6

As the result shows Cloughaun advanced in the senior hurling championship, when they defeated our senior hurlers at the Gaelic Grounds last Sunday by a slender one point margin in an exciting encounter. Old Christians fielded a comparatively youthful side against a star studded Cloughaun side and no doubt augurs well for the future.

Cloughaun, playing with the aid of a strong wind in the first half, appeared to be coasting to an easy victory when they led at half-time by seven points. Old Christians were a transformed team on the resumption, displaying great spirit and composure, had Cloughaun reeling on numerous occasions. Our forwards missed some gilt edged chances of scores in the second half and no doubt can ill afford to squander against such opposition.

Bernie Hartigan made a welcome return to club hurling with a devastating display and scored two great goals that drew both sides level with five minutes remaining. As already mentioned our forwards squandered scoring chances at this stage and as a result Cloughaun held on for a flattering win.

Considering the strength of the opposition this was a magnificent performance from our senior hurlers, especially in the second half with their wholehearted and spirited display that almost created a shock result.

Pat Doherty at centre-back, played a true captain's part and was well supported by L. Bowles, C. Craughan, T. McCarthy and G. Jones in defence. Our midfield pair of C. Carmody and R. Browne were a revelation and on numerous occasions outhurled a highly rated Cloughaun pair. Bernie Hartigan was a constant menace to the opposing defence and was ably supported in the forwards by K. Canty, K. Reales, P. Reales and T. Kennedy, who had a fine game throughout.

**Old Christians** — G. Foley, G. Craughan, L. Bowles, G. Jones, T. McCarthy, P. Doherty, P. Quinlan, R. Browne, C. Carmody, T. Kennedy, M. Costelloe, K. Canty, K. Reales, P. Reales, N. O'Gorman. Subs., B. Hartigan, B. Roche.

Our minor footballers play Mungret in the minor football championship at Clarina next Tuesday at 7.30 p.m.