

# The Echo

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The Echo: Seven additional minutes.

Sporting thought for the week:

“Talent without working hard is nothing” - Ronaldo

## Colleen Goes Rogue

Claretian coaching guru, Colleen Lynott, was this week at the centre of a massive political scandal, when it was revealed that the Galway-born, mother-of-two has attempted to pro-rogue the London county board in order to force through a controversial piece of legislation.

In a Brexit-style manoeuvre, the



Lynott: gone rogue

current county coaching officer has tried to orchestrate an unprecedented merger between London and her native Galway.

In private conversation with friends, Lynott is reported to have said: “Look, Galway are rubbish, completely useless. Kilkenny have more chance of winning Sam than we do.

“It’s time to take action. My coaching has made a world of difference in London. I want Galway to be the benefactors of my genius.”

As part of her master plan, Colleen this year deployed fellow Galwegian Mark Gottsche back to Galway to take up a role of the Tribesmen’s executive.

“Mark is my little Dominic

Cummings” Lynott is quoted as saying. “He’ll do the dirty work and I’ll come in at the end and deliver.”

In a further part of her strategy, Colleen is said to be considering attempting to convince neighbouring Roscommon to take large chunks of Galway off her hands – areas she sees as “liabilities”.

One area in particular is around Ballygar, the home of former Claretian chairman John Kelly, with Lynott telling one insider: “There’s a complete lack of even the remotest hint of the DNA of a half decent footballer in that area.”

When approached by *The Echo*, Lynott said she was too busy designing Galway’s new green

and white hooped jersey for the coming season to talk to us.



McLoughlin: Waiting the call

In related news, speculation continues to mount as to whether current St Clarets supremo Pat McLoughlin will follow Lynott to Galway, now that Kevin Walsh has vacated the managerial seat.

## Cathal’s Cautionary Tale

Carefree Claretian Cathal Hughes was last week at the centre of a speeding controversy, when Garda in Kildare spotted him whizzing down the E20 from Naas to Newbridge in a wheelchair at 3am.

The incident took place on Sunday morning and Garda video footage shows Hughes, accompanied by an unknown companion, flying



Hughes: heading for Newbridge

down the E20, with Hughes screaming at the top of his voice: “It’s Newbridge or nowhere”.

When a local Garda patrol finally caught up with Cathal, he was asked to perform the straight line sobriety walk. However, Hughes explained that Clarets lads don’t do straight lines, but instead weave intricate, mesmerising patterns.

A female Garda officer then asked Hughes to stand up so that they could breathalyse him, but the Tyrone man refused, insisting that he’d been stuck on the bench so long this season that he’d actually lost the use of his legs.

Official records show that Hughes was let off with a caution, but only after receiving a tow back to his hotel in Naas from the helpful Garda.

## Committed

Claretian Ronan Gaughan has exclusively revealed how he has been conserving energy and avoiding injury as he prepares for his side’s next Championship game .... by getting someone else to lift his glass to his mouth for him (below) #totalcommitment.

