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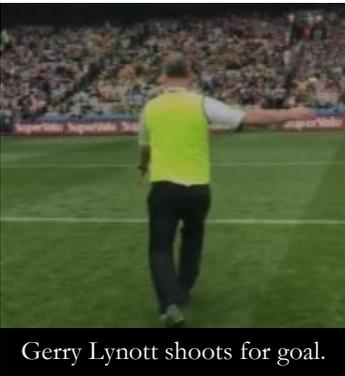
The Echo: The Lynotts—the gift that keeps giving



Mayo's Accidental Hero

Veteran Claretian Gerry Lynott has become an accidental hero in one of the biggest GAA stories of the year.

The 56-year old former St Clarets all-rounder, has become a



Gerry Lynott shoots for goal.

minor celebrity after it was claimed that he was the motivation behind the soon-to-be-announced news of Mayo scoring sensation Andy Moran's decision to reverse his recent decision to retire from inter-county football.

The news that the former Footballer of the Year is considering making a comeback, just weeks after he announced his retirement from the elite game, has been greeted with great cheer throughout the Mayo community, both in Ireland and further afield.

Indeed, such is the excitement, that bookmakers have cut the odds on Mayo winning Sam in 2020 from 1,000,000-1 to 999,999-1.

A source close to the green and red sharp-shooter told *The Echo* that it was the sight of St Clarets legend Gerry Lynott casually knocking over a point in front of the Canal End in Croke Park during a recent half-time kid's exhibition, where Gerry was mentoring a team, that stirred Moran into reversing his decision.

The source told our reporter:

“Basically, Andy has been training away with Mayo for the last few years, not with any hope of ever winning an All-Ireland title, but instead with the intention of being the oldest man ever to score in Croke Park.

“That video, of that Lynott fella, has meant that Andy feels he has no option but to carry on playing for another 19-seasons, so as to reclaim the record for himself.

“He feels it would have been a waste of the last 13-years if he just bowed out and gave up his record without a fight.”

Run Mamma Run

Garda in Dublin were last Sunday involved in a high-speed foot-chase through the street of the city, just as the nation was being comatosed by the low-scoring first half between Galway and Dublin in the All-Ireland ladies final.

The official report of the incident describes how Garda on duty at the game noticed



Kathleen & Colleen in Coppers

that the Brendan Martin Cup had disappeared from the VIP box, while most of the 54,000 people in attendance at the game had fallen asleep waiting for a score.

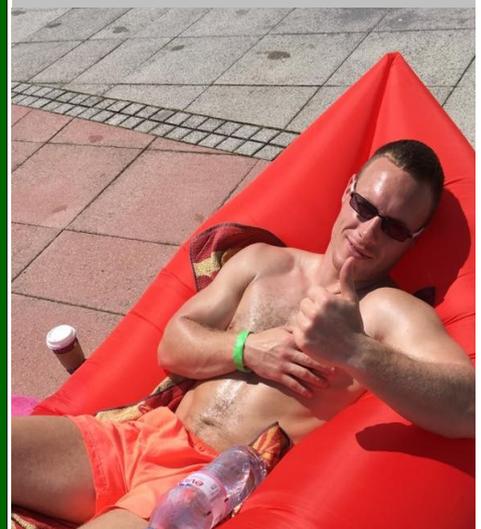
At this point, the report says that two opportunistic females from the west of Ireland, appear to have grabbed their chance to get hold of the Brendan Martin Cup and make away with it.

Garda believe that the pair, named as Colleen Lynott and Kathleen Conneely, both with connections to the Galway area, had decided that the only chance that the Tribeswomen had of bringing the cup west was by stealing it.

However, just as the duo were legging it down Jones Road with the cup hidden away in a Dunnes Store “bag-for-life”, witnesses reported hearing the faster of the two (presumed to be Kathleen) screaming at the top of her voice to the lagging Colleen – “See you in Coppers”.

Within the hour, the pair has been apprehended at the well known inner city hostelry, *Copper Faced Jacks*, a favoured haunt of many All Ireland winning teams.

A Right Pile-Up



Claretian old-boy Patrick Lynott (above) this week thanked his seven Instagram followers for their support, after he had posted a picture of himself after a recent procedure to remove haemorrhoids.

The photo showed Lynott relaxing on the giant inflatable cushion as his tender parts recovered from the invasive procedure.