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St Clarets GFC: Usain Bolt wanted to join, but he couldn't catch us

You're not the Wan-Kenobi

In Brief

St Clarets defender Paul Davis has this week scrapped plans to re-enter academic life as a professor, after his four-hour lecture on the perils of alcohol abuse failed to inspire his audience.

However, close friend Phelim Kyne is being encouraged to consider life in Parliament, after sleeping through all but five minutes of Davis's delivery.



Davis failing to inspire

Claretian supporters were left shaken by the news that star defender Ricky Daly was considering changing code and taking up American football.

The news broke following the discovery of secret photos of Daly. Either that or he is planning on joining the soon-to-be reformed *Village People* as the native American!



Ricky Daly's secret pic

Emerging St Clarets talent Luke Kelly this week lifted the lid on his secret heart break surrounding his brush with super-stardom in the late 1990s.

The versatile all rounder seemed destined for the very top of the Hollywood tree when he auditioned for the role of Obi-Wan Kenobi in George Lucas' 1999 blockbuster *"Star Wars-Episode One: The Phantom of Menace"*.

Having survived the gruelling selection process it appeared that Kelly, then only four -years old, had beaten off some of the top talent in Hollywood at the time.

"I heard that the likes of Macaulay Culkin and Justin Timberlake had auditioned along with me and they had not been considered suitable"



McGregor: the new direction



Luke Kelly at his custom fitting at Pinewood in 1998

Kelly told *The Claretian Echo* last week when they caught up with him at a bus stop in Ealing Broadway.

"George Lucas had been around to the house and it just seemed a matter of time before contracts were signed" Kelly continued .

"Certainly when they called me out to Pinewood Studios for costume fitting, I think most people would have believed that the deal was done.

"But apparently that's not the way it works in Hollywood" he explained with an air of regret.

" Next thing, we were told that they have decided to go in a

different direction with the Obi-Wan Kenobi character and that Ewan McGregor would be playing the role.

"It's fair to say we were all devastated" Kelly, 19, concluded, before adding ruefully as he stared up The Broadway waiting for the 607.

"It's ironic really, Ewan McGregor started off *Trainspotting*, and now here's me bus-spotting" he joked as he whipped out his Oyster Card..

"Imagine, I could have been in *I Love You Philip Morris*. I would have been so good in that role. It was written for me" he concluded wistfully.

Losing Face

Shares in social networking site Facebook soared this week with the news that St Clarets icon Eamonn "Mossie" Collieran had finally signed up for an account with the global phenomenon.

Such is the public interest in the secret life of the Roscommon / Mayo native, that Mossie had

for several years been banned from joining Mark Zuckerberg's creation, due to the fact that the servers at the company's Palo Alto HQ were not powerful enough to handle the flow of traffic that would have been directed towards Mossie's page.

Traders and shareholders on the NYSE were said to be delighted by the development and shares momentarily rose to over €60

a share - way above the initial offering of \$38.

However, once investors took stock of the friends that Mossie had on his Facebook page, the price started to tumble and is now trading below the \$20 mark.

Zuckerburg is said to be frustrated that such a blue-chip client should have so many close connection of very questionable character.