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**St Clarets GFC: If you're asking, then I'm dancing.**

## Kelly's got the dancing gene

### Eyes wide shut

Quietly spoken Claretian mainstay Aidan Donaghy was this week revealed to be secretly attempting to break into the stand-up comedy circuit.

The talented defender has been working on his comedy routine in an attempt to gain bookings in the lucrative Las Vegas Comedy Club scene, having been encouraged by his brother Paddy to try his luck.

Paddy, 43, told *The Echo* in an exclusive interview: "Let's face it, he's not much of a footballer, so he might as well try comedy. After all, I've been laughing at him playing ball for the past twenty years."

Aidan tried out his own original material recently to a captive audience of two-year olds, but the response was less than encouraging.

He's said to be considering changing his act to hypnotism.



Donaghy: more hypnotist than comedian

"Devastated, disillusioned and distraught" were the only words that St Clarets chairman John Kelly could muster when confronted with pictures of his son Luke leading his own dance troop at a recent private party.

Having conducted something of an anti-dance witch-hunt within the club earlier in the year, Kelly was convinced that he had managed to get all members of the club's senior team back on track and concentrating their efforts solely on football.

However, as these exclusive pictures of Kelly will show, the



Cossack or Irish? You decide



Luke Kelly leading the Macarena at a recent function with his dance troop

young starlet has been sneaking around behind the back of both his father and his team mates in order to enjoy what he has previously described as: "My absolute passion for dance and movement. My reason for living."

The young trainee civil engineer refused to speak to *The Echo*, but has told friends that no one would ever stop him from dancing and that he couldn't see why he should have to suffer, just because his father couldn't control his own jitterbugging ways.

Guests at the exclusive private function where Luke performed, were said to have been hugely impressed with the way in which Luke led the entire party in a specially choreographed version of the floor filler *The Macarena*.

However, it was his cross-cultural interpretation of Irish and Cossack dancing that left people raving about what one guest described as: "A precious gift to the world of dance, an inspiration. Dancing like that reminds me of Gene Kelly."

## City's ruse to sign Rooney

Up and coming Claretian star Conor Healy his week found himself at the centre of the Wayne Rooney transfer storm.

The young Hayes man, is said to have been spending a great deal of time socialising in Manchester and Liverpool lately.

Meanwhile, Rooney is under increasing pressure from boss Alex Ferguson to change his ways, with Fergie claiming that Rooney has been out drinking until all hours of the morning in Manchester city centre.

Rooney is said to be greatly offended by these accusations and rumours of a fall-out between the two have circulated.

The United player has insisted that he has been at home every night for the past three months, due to son Kia suffering nightmares after watching Rooney's performances at Euro 2012.

*The Echo* can exclusively reveal that in the latest club accounts submitted to the Premier League by Man City, the name of Conor Healy appears on the pay roll,

fuelling speculation that he has been paid by the club to pose as Rooney in order to create a transfer opportunity for the stuttering Premier League champions.



Who's who? Healy and Rooney