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St Clarets GFC: The definition of The Big Bang Theory

P Donny gets his bird

Hanna's mobile gym

Penny-wise Claretian James Hanna has been boasting recently about the new low price, High Street gym that he has been using during the off-season.

Hanna, who returned to pre-season training in what he himself has described as: "The best shape of my life", has been telling his St Clarets colleagues all about



Hanna in a hurry: James' s new gym

the low cost health club he has discovered.

Intrigued to find out more, an ace *Echo* reporter followed James one evening, for what was supposed to be a spinning class.

They were surprised when James stepped off the train in his lycra shorts, stopped at the bike rack outside the station, hopped on the first bike he saw on the rack and began peddling furiously and singing "You spin me right round".

Competitive Claretian Paddy Donaghy moved quickly this week to match the most recent addition to Tomas Gilmore's burgeoning transport fleet.

The Echo reported last week (below) how ace attacker Tomas Gilmore has been keeping himself amused recently by flying around the country in his newly acquired helicopter.

Infuriated by the notion that any Claretian player should have a better mode of transport than his, Donaghy immediately contacted a close



A competitive man: Donaghy poses with all of his birds

friend, known only as *Big Roman*, to find out exactly where he could get his hands on a decent bird.

Within days, the Tyrone man took delivery of a newly re-sprayed chopper, previously registered to the KGB.

In a move that has been interpreted as letting Gilmore know that *P Donny* is still the "Big Dog" in St Clarets, Donaghy is said to be in discussions with the London County Board about getting his own helipad built at Ruislip.

Gilmore's Girls Go Gong



Rory's feeling blue

Recently signed Claretian Rory Fitzhenry this week caused a real stir within the club when news broke of his brush with superstardom playing Grouchy Smurf in the Smurf movie *The Smurfs*.

While discussing recent *Echo* stories concerning big Phil Daly's thespian ambitions, Rory let slip about the time he spent in the Smurf village of Júzcar in the south of Spain, filming the movie in 2010.

Rhyming off anecdotes of the time in the company of stars such as Neil Patrick Harris, Fitzhenry passed around pictures of himself and other members of the Smurf family - Drunken Smurf and Hungover Smurf during a family party.



Having a Smurfing good time: Fitzhenry (left) and friends