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St Clarets GFC: Beware of half truths ... you may get the wrong half!

No business like snow business

Tweet tweet

Claretian boy wonder Liam O'Keefe (below) took to Twitter this week to let friends know that he'd pulled a bird while in London. Of course you did Liam!



Knot so smart

Claretian good guy Stephen O'Donoghue is this week at the centre of a child labour storm as pictures emerged of the team of Umpa-Lumpas he has working for him at home.



There were some emotional scenes at St Clarets training recently when a trio of Claretian Alpine adventurers were re-united for the first time since they were involved in a dramatic rescue.

The triumvirate of off-piste enthusiasts, led by Ricky Daly, and also including Aidan Donaghy and Rory Kerr, were the central figures in one of the most dramatic rescue attempts ever to take place in the Milton Keynes snow dome.

It transpires that Daly and Donaghy headed north to Milton Keynes and while there, the duo met up with new recruit, Australian Rory Kerr, an experienced snowboarding instructor.

Always keen to push the boundaries of common



There's snow stopping Aidan



Daly in distress. Or was he?

sense, Daly persuaded Kerr to take him on the most treacherous of the indoor slopes in the Buckinghamshire indoor ski facility.

Conscious of his own lack of ski-ing ability, Donaghy chose not to join them, and instead retired to the café to enjoy a hot chocolate and marshmallow surprise.

However, just as he settled down to savour his tasty treat, he noticed that fellow Claretian half-back Daly was in some difficulty on the slopes, having apparently been caught in the back draft of the snow blowing machine.

When Donaghy caught sight of Daly, he already appeared to be knee deep in fake snow.

Meanwhile, as ever, Kerr was no where to be seen.

Fearlessly, Donaghy grabbed a shovel and started digging frantically to reach his Claretian buddy.

After fourteen hours of tireless shovelling, Donaghy finally reached the spot where he thought Daly was, only to discover that the Galway man was no longer there.



Picture perfect: Kerr

Donaghy later discovered that when he had spotted what he thought was Daly in trouble, the Galwegian had actually been kneeling in the snow in order to take a picture of Kerr on the slopes.

Kerr and Daly had then spent the next fourteen hours sitting in the bar watching Donaghy dig like a maniac trying to "save" his team mate.