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"A thing may happen and be a total lie; another thing may not happen and be truer than the truth."

Man-handled by Murph

Wilma Wilma

St Clarets chairmen, John Kelly was said to be fuming this week as pictures emerged of his son Luke dressed as Wilma Flintstone at a recent party.

The pictures came to light despite instructions from John forbidding senior players from imitating celebrities.

Luke, who is always keen to keep in touch with his feminine side, ignored his father 's request and when challenged, simply locked his dad outside



Luke Kelly as Wilma

the door when John was leaving the milk bottles out on the doorstep.

This of course is not the first time that Luke has ignored his father's wishes as he was caught leading a dance troop last year, despite a ban on all dance activity involving senior players in the club (Issue 29).

St Clarets legend Tony Murphy his week found himself at the centre of a global soccer story.

New Fulham FC owner – American billionaire Shahid Khan, is keen to win favour with locals in west London as he settles at Craven Cottage.

In order to do so, he has suggested replacing the ridiculous Michael Jackson statue outside of the ground with one featuring a local hero.

Having recently read the coverage about London's pursuit of Connacht football glory, Khan decided that he would immortalise a GAA star on the replacement statue.

Knowing nothing about gaelic games, Khan sought guidance and the game was explained to him as a cross between American football and wrestling. He was shown a



The immortal tackle: Tony Murphy wrestling

photo of St Clarets legend Tony Murphy in action to demonstrate this.

"I'm a big wrestling fan, yes sir indeed I am" Khan told The Echo. "And golly-gee, when I saw your guy Murphy wrestling that poor fella to the ground like a young steer, I just knew he was the man for my statue. Yeeha".

Murphy is secretly said to be delighted with the development, but is hoping that the London players don't see the statue before they play Mayo, as his own method of tackling is definitely not like anything detailed in the GAA coaching manuals.

McMahon gets in a muddle

Holiday maker David McMahon was left embarrassed recently while staying at a rather dodgy hotel in the King's Cross district of Sydney.

Before travelling Down Under, Claretian die-hard McMahon had been told by friends that everything is upside down in Oz, and so he figured he'd better sleep under his mattress instead of on top of it.

When he was unable to remove the mattress from on top of him in the morning, he was forced to call room service for help.



McMahon emerges from his upside down sleep