# The Claretian Echo

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"A lie can travel half way around the world while the truth is putting on its shoes"

## **Goochie Coo**

#### In brief

Friends of recent arrival Darren Mallon are said to be delighted with the news that the Armagh man has landed himself a job as an advertising executive with a leading fast foot company.

On a recent Skype call home, Darren (below) described the position as "entry level", explaining that the company liked people to start on the ground floor (or street in your case Darren!).



Claretian supporters have been rocked by the news that captain Barry Lynch is to head home this summer to play for Kerry.

The news has come like a bolt out of the blue to St Clarets management, who were unaware that there had been any dialogue in progress between Valentia native Lynch and Kerry.

However, *The Claretian Echo* can exclusively reveal that Lynch's "unexpected" call up to the county colours is of no great surprise to him. In fact, it is the end result of a complex cloning experiment that the Kingdom medical team have been toying with in recent weeks.

Following the devastating news that star attacker Colm "Gooch" Cooper would miss the entire 2014 campaign, veterinarian in Kerry, who had previously cloned "Dolly the Sheep", moved to progress their work to the next level.

An advertisement was placed in the weekly Valentia parish bulletin looking for a Gooch wanna-



Skipper Barry Lynch reveals his ginger locks last Saturday.

be. Upon seeing the ad in the on-line edition, Barry immediately applied. Since then, a team of experts set to work building Lynch from the ground up, carrying out extensive refurbishment work on his left leg in particular.

Claretians were unaware of the plot and it wasn't until he appeared at the Clarets match last weekend sporting The Gooch's trademark ginger mop that the news was finally made public. A source close to the Kerry senior team say that they are very excited by the progress the vets have made in cloning The Gooch and are looking forward to welcoming Barry to Kerry training next week.

Meanwhile, St Clarets officials have sent a note to the Kerry management advising them not to expect Barry to turn up on time for training or matches..... as he's never managed it yet in London.

### **Buckley's Fizz**

Concerns are growing over the wild party lifestyle of teen sensation Shane Buckley. The St Clarets Young Player of the Year has apparently allowed his recent call-up to the London senior team to go to his head and last Friday demanded Bucks Fizz for breakfast.

When challenged on this choice by his mother, Buckley is reported to have told her: "Champagne my dear lady is the breakfast of champions... and I am a champion. Now bring me my bubbles, some orange juice.... oh and a straw too."

When approached by *The Echo*, London selector Tony Murphy simply said: "The lads got a real sparkle about him."

Of course he has Murph, he's full of champagne.

