

St Clarets: No last minute own goals here

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Job hunt over for super-nanny Shea



Daly's done his business



Ricky Daly's fall from grace continues as he has been forced to announce the closure of his Bonsai Tree shop *Mr Miyagi's Bonsai Bazaar* in Dunmore this week.

On the same day, Daly (above) posted a jobseeker's ad in *The Echo*, revealing he has experience in hand-to-hand combat, car waxing and talking in riddles.

Murphy's Got A "Special One"

Senior team manager Tony Murphy had journalists scratching their heads as he unveiled new signing Mila the Collie in front of a packed media room at King-shill Ave last week.

Mila, described by Murphy as "a player with a real bit of bite", is seen by many as a direct replacement for stricken "Big Dog" Donaghy, whose broken finger nail looks like taking longer to heal than originally thought.



New signing Mila

However, Murphy sees Mila's recruitment differently, and believes that her arrival could help develop a pack mentality in the team.

"I am a special manager" he began in Mourinho-esque style. "Now I'm giving you a special player.....one with real pedigree.

"I'm a champion and so is she - Best in Class at Crufts in 2013 - fact" he continued, waving a piece of paper above his head in a bizarre parody of Rafa Benitez.

Asked why he was putting so much faith in Mila, Murphy paused, took a sip of his water, paused again, pursed his lips, leaned back in his chair and said: "When the goldfish chases the elephant, it's because he thinks windmills"- a comment that left many journalists looking confused,



Tony Murphy: Bizarre

with some even comparing Murphy's ramblings to that of Eric Cantona.

With the media now totally engaged with Murphy's bizarre performance, PRO Matt Healy advised that time was almost up.

When Murphy was asked what style of play the Clarets would adopt with Mila, he grinned, smiled and said: "Doggy style", at which point Healy called the press conference to an end.

Laid back lothario Lawrence Weir has this week revealed to *The Echo* the secret behind his unparalleled success with the ladies.

"Basically, I'm a pretty silky smooth character" the Tyrone native announced confidently. "I can spin a yarn like no man you've ever met before. I just begin to weave a little web of deceit when I meet someone I'd consider

to be perfect prey, and then I watch as they get themselves all caught up in my web of silky smoothness. After that, it's just a matter of playing with them a little and then spooling them in."

Lawrence however failed to mention what his conquests say when he dresses up in his favourite Spiderman pyjamas.

Weir likes to spool



Cigarette time: Weir relaxes after yet another conquest.