

The Echo: You've got to lose one to appreciate winning one

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will be the final issue of the 2015 season, so make sure to get your stories in to us

by Wednesday.

Weir-d of warning

Several leading Claretians have contacted **The Weekend Echo** in the past few weeks to complain about the behaviour of Tyrone export Lawrence Weir.

Many believe that his attitude has left a lot to be desired, especially after his native county's exit from the All Ireland at the hands of Kerry in August.

Some feel that he has a big chimp on his shoulder!!



Criticised: Lawrence Weir

Bravo Bravo Bravo

Claretian's everywhere were quick to join in congratulating young gun Ryan O'Connell after he landed the role of *Johnny Bravo* in the upcoming movie based on the popular cartoon character.

O'Connell, whose career had hit the buffers after he was forced to disband his group *The Barcode Mondays* following a legal battle, told **The Echo** that the court case was a turning point for him.

"After the court ruling I hid myself away for a while and spent a lot of time looking at the man in the mirror.

"To be honest I didn't like what I saw. I mean, that bar-

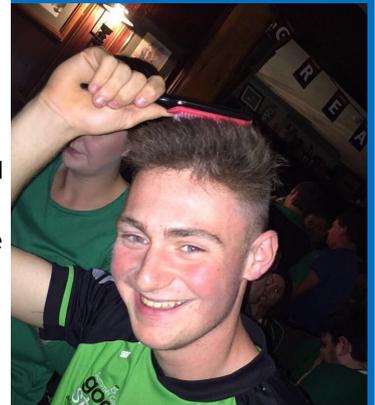
code haircut, it was ridiculous. It was holding me back.

"So I started to take more care with my grooming, and I groomed and I groomed and I groomed, until I had sculptured this magnificent creation" he continued, pointing to his well coiffured head of hair, which leaves him almost unrecognisable from the pre-teen pop idol he used to be.

"As soon as I walked into that audition for Johnny Bravo, I knew I had the part" O'Connell concluded. "The producers just gasped when they saw the sheer gorgeousness of my hair. They didn't even ask me to read any lines. They just handed me the part."



Johnny Bravo (above) Ryan (below)



Fitzie has them under his spell



Healy (above) and Shea (below)



Claretians have been rushing to buy tickets for Cormac Fitzpatrick's upcoming sell-out hypno-therapy tour.

Having completed an on-line course in hypnosis, all-round good guy Fitzpatrick has set about helping friends and team mates with a wide variety of personal issues.

Despite widespread criticism of his techniques by the Institute of Hypnotherapy, due mainly to what they describe as "the excessive use of the sleeper hold", Fitzpatrick is adamant that his methods are working. So far he claims to have helped Kerry man Mike Shea with his Dublin nightmares and *Conehead* Conor Healy with his



fashion issues. However, he does say he has met some resistance from Ricky Daly. (above)

Next year Fitzpatrick is considering registering for the course on how to wake his subjects up.