

SIX IN A ROW FOR OLD CHRISTIANS

Old Christians 5-2;

St. Mary's, 0-2

In this final of the Bro. Bourke Memorial Cup (under 13 hurling), Old Christians emerged convincing winners over St. Mary's. The latter, having defeated Old Christians earlier in the campaign, were the pre-match favourites, but at no stage in the game did they look like taking the laurels.

This win by Old Christians ensures that this coveted trophy remains on their shelves for another 12 months. They have won the title every year since the competition began in 1970.

It was a great team effort on Old Christians' part, and they had many outstanding players on view. T. Sheehan at mid-field played a captain's part, and his many dazzling solo runs and long clearances inspired the whole team. Other outstanding players for the victors were, P. Howard, G. Twomey and T. Ryan in the backs, and J. McNamara, J. Hayes and J. Foley in the forwards.

Scorers: J. Hayes (2-0), P. Ryan (1-0), J. Foley (1-0), C. O'Dwyer (1-0), T. Sheehan and J. McNamara (0-1 each).

Team: J. Coughlan; E. Byrnes, P. Howard, D. Frawley, N. O'Brien, G. Twomey, T. Ryan; M. Reddan, T. Sheehan (capt.); P. Ryan, J. McNamara, M. Lynch, J. Foley, C. O'Dwyer, J. Hayes.

Subs.: R. Bourke and T. Costelloe.

As we review this great achievement by Old Christians in winning the trophy for the sixth season in succession it seems a suitable occasion to recall the names of the victorious captains since the competition began in 1970.

1970, Pat Hanrahan; 1971, Kieran Canty; 1972, Francis Brosnahan; 1973, Richard Fitzgerald; 1974, Daniel Fitzgerald; 1975, Tim Sheehan.

The late Bro. Bourke, who was closely associated with the club during his years in Lime-

rick, would be very pleased indeed, if he were still with us to see our young hurlers bringing so much honours to the Club he helped to start. Ar dheis De go raibh a anam.

Under 14 Hurling C'ship

In the County semi-final of this C'ship Ardagh defeated Old Christians by two points in a very closely contested match.

Under 16 Hurling League

Old Christians 4-6

Claughton 4-5

This match played at Rathbane had plenty of excitement. Nor was there anything lacking in skill and determination as both teams played their hearts out up to the final whistle.

Old Christians took the laurels by a single point in the end. The winners had many stars but the foundation for victory was laid by S. Bedford, E. Murphy and F. Brosnahan who ensured that their forwards had a very good supply of the ball. D. Fitzgerald, J. Canty and E. O'Doherty were the best forwards on view and took their chances very well.

Scorers: D. Fitzgerald (3-0); E. O'Doherty (1-1); F. Brosnahan (0-3); J. Canty (0-2).

Team: P. Howard, P. O'Shea, R. Fitzgerald, A. Brown, G. Keane, A. Barrett, S. Bedford, F. Brosnahan, E. Murphy (capt), J. Canty, E. O'Doherty, J. Davern, A. Brown, T. Madden, D. Fitzgerald.

Subs: C. Reddan, J. McNamara.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 29

Under-16 Hurling League:

Ballybrown v. Monaleen, 7 p.m., Clarina, D. Punch.

Patrickswell v. Claughton, 7 p.m., Patrickswell, K. McCarthy.

Na Piarsaigh v. Mungret, 7 p.m., Caherdavin, S. Darcy.