

Irish Rugby Football Union



IRELAND

UNDER 25

v.

SPAIN

Saturday, 8th September 1990
Thomond Park, Limerick.

Kick-off 3.00p.m.

PROGRAMME
30p



IRISH RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION 1990-1991

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Message from President of the Irish Rugby Football Union

It gives me great pleasure to welcome to Ireland the Spanish National team who are using this three match tour to prepare for their World Cup qualifying tournament in October. This is their first official visit to Ireland and we hope they enjoy their stay and that their rugby will benefit from the experience.

The last decade has seen a great expansion in the worldwide game and greater interchange of fixtures between national Unions.

In Ireland in recent years we have hosted international representative teams from Fiji, Western Samoa, Italy, Romania, Canada and USA as well as traditional visitors Australia and New Zealand and we look forward to the visit of Argentina next month.

Today's match is in Thomond Park, a ground steeped in tradition and now with its new facilities, an ideal venue for representative matches of this calibre. The Limerick public are famous for their enthusiasm for rugby and for the gracious way they receive visitors. I hope that both teams respond to the atmosphere and produce a match worthy of the occasion.

N. J. HENDERSON,
President, IRFU

History of Spanish Rugby — So Far

Rugby arrived in our country in 1921 thanks to one Baldiri Aleu, a young Catalan who had studied veterinary science in the French city of Toulouse where he was smitten very badly by the "oval ball bug".

At the beginning of June in that year and at R.C.D. Espanol's ground in Barcelona the first game of rugby in Spain took place, although both teams Perpignan and Norbonne, were French. The fact that the game was organised as a charity event to raise money for French World War I cripples ensured that a good number of people filled the terraces of the Spanish stadium.

The spectators were overwhelmed by the performances and the following day all the papers covered the event with their reporters emphasising the sheer power and manliness of the game.

Some of Aleu's friends who had sat beside him in the grandstand at the game were so struck by the nobility of the sport that they decided to form a sports club dedicated to the practice of rugby football as well as other sports. In this way 'Unio Esportiva Santboiana', the first rugby club, was formed and one year later it won the first major competition organised in our country.

The enthusiasm of a few men for the game resulted in the building of a proper sports ground on the other side of the river Llobregat over which the players themselves had to build a wooden footbridge to get to the ground on match days!

A few months later, in fact in October, the Natación Atlético club was formed and as more games were played, more clubs came into existence and soon the game of rugby became firmly established in Spain.

In 1923 all the necessary requirements were drawn up so that the Spanish Rugby Football Federation could be established. Its first president could be none other than Baldiri Aleu who on account of the help of the French engineer Michael Reynard and Antonio Garrigosa can be called the father of rugby football in our country.

With the Spanish Rugby Football Federation now a reality games were played with the aim of selecting a national side. Spain's first official taste of international rugby came on March 1st, 1927 when we met the mighty French. As expected, the French side emerged as victors. One year later the Spanish team returned the visit.

The forerunner to the present F.I.R.A. Cup was the European Cup which was contested only once in 1954. The Spanish side took part in that competition. After that there was a great lull in European rugby competitions until 1966 when the F.I.R.A. Nations Cup was introduced. In that competition Spain was placed in Group 'B' until the seventh competition in 1973 Spain moved up into the Premier Group. The following year the present F.I.R.A. Championship began.

The national side thrived in Division One until they dropped in to Division Two only to be promoted the following season. Although they were demoted the following year, in 1985 they gained promotion back into Division One. They lost their place that season but they regained it in the 1987/88 season.

In competitions of this type, in which practically all the European countries with the exception of the British Isles have taken part, Spain has contested a total of 103 games.

However, the growing reputation of Spanish rugby at international level is due to the intense activity of our national side in the last eight years.

Spain has hosted or toured Argentina, England, Wales, Scotland, Zimbabwe and New Zealand. In other words, they have faced the national sides of countries where the best rugby in the world is played.

Likewise Spain has taken part in recent years in the most important and prestigious Seven-a-side competitions such as the Hong Kong and Sydney Sevens.

One of the greatest achievements of the Spanish national side to date has been its qualification last November for the second phase of the World Cup. They enjoyed comfortable victories in Poland, Holland and Belgium.



IRELAND U-25

15. **JIM STAPLES** (London Irish)

14. **JOHN RIORDAN** (Wanderers)
13. **JACK CLARKE** (Dolphin)
12. **VINCENT CUNNINGHAM** (St. Mary's College)
11. **SIMON GEOGHEGAN** (London Irish)

10. **NICKY BARRY** (Garryowen)
9. **ALAIN ROLLAND** (Blackrock College)

8. **PHIL LAWLOR** (Bective Rangers)
7. **KELVIN LEAHY** (Wanderers) *Captain*
6. **KEN O'CONNELL** (Sunday's Well)
5. **MICHAEL GALWEY** (Shannon)
4. **PATRICK JOHNS** (Dublin University)
3. **GARY HALPIN** (Wanderers)
2. **TERENCE KINGSTON** (Dolphin)
1. **RAY WARD** (Blackrock College)

Replacements:

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| 16. Charles Haly (U.C.C.) | 19. Stephen McKinty (Bangor) |
| 17. Brian Glennon (U.C.D.) | 20. Len Dineen (Constitution) |
| 18. Rob Saunders (London Irish) | 21. James O'Riordan (Constitution) |

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SPAIN

15. **FRANCISCO PUERTAS** (Real Canoe)

 14. **JON AZKARGORTA** (Getxo R.T.)
 13. **SALVADOR TORRES** (U.E. Santboiana)
 12. **JORGE MORENO** (C.D. Arquitectura)
 11. **DANIEL SAENZ** (C.D. Arquitectura)

 10. **CARLOS CAMARERO** (Orthez)

 9. **JAVIER DIAZ** (Getxo R.T.)

 8. **ALBERTO MALO** (U.E. Santboiana)
 7. **JON ETXEBARRIA** (Getxo R.T.)
 6. **JAIME GUTIERREZ** (C.D. Arquitectura)
 5. **JAVIER CHOCARRO** (C.R. Cisneros)
 4. **GONZALO AMUNARRIZ** (Real Canoe)
 3. **JONADAD DIEZ** (Getxo R.T.)
 2. **SANTIAGO SANTOS** (Liceo Frances)
 1. **JULIO ALVAREZ** (C.D. El Salvador) *Captain*
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Referee:
LEMMING
(British Rugby
Union)

Judges:
N COLE
(Association
Referees)
MAYNE
(Association
Referees)



IRELAND UNDER 25

JIM STAPLES (London Irish)
Full Back — Age 24 — 187cm.
— 89kg. School: St. Mary's
School, Sidcup. *Connacht,*
Ireland Under-25, Ireland B.

JOHN RIORDAN (Wanderers)
Winger — Age 24 — 187cm —
92kg. School: C.B.C. Cork and
Rockwell College. *Munster*
Schools, Under-20, Senior.
Ireland Schools and
Universities.

JACK CLARKE (Dolphin)
Centre — Age 22 — 181cm —
81kg. School: Rockwell
College. *Munster Schools,*
Under 20, Senior. Ireland
Schools, Under 21, Under 25.

VINCENT CUNNINGHAM (St. Mary's College). Centre —
Age 23 — 181cm — 83.
School: St. Mary's College.
Leinster Schools, Under 20,
Senior. Ireland Schools, Under
25, Senior.

SIMON GEOGHEGAN
(London Irish) Winger — Age
22 — 180cm — 85kg. School:
St. Edmund's College, Ware,
Herts. *Connacht, Under 20.*
Ireland Students.

NICKY BARRY (Garryowen)
Outhalf — Age 21 — 180cm —
81kg. School: Crescent College
Comprehensive. *Munster*

Schools, Under 20, Senior.
Ireland Schools, Colleges,
Students. Ireland tours to
France and Canada/U.S.A.

ALAIN ROLLAND (Blackrock College) Scrum Half — Age 24 —
174cm — 73kg. School:
Blackrock College. *Leinster*
Under 20, Senior. Ireland B.

RAY WARD (Blackrock College) Prop — Age 24 —
187cm — 102kg. School:
Blackrock College. *Leinster*
Under 20. Ireland Universities.
Students.

TERENCE KINGSTON
(Dolphin) Hooker — Age 26 —
178cm — 94kg. School: C.B.C.
Cork. *Munster Schools, Under*
20, Senior. Ireland Schools,
Under 25, Senior.

GARY HALPIN (Wanderers)
Prop — Age 24 — 181cm —
112kg. School: Rockwell
College. *Munster Schools.*
Leinster Senior. Ireland Under
25, Senior.

PATRICK JOHNS (Dublin University) Lock — Age 22 —
196cm — 102kg. School:
Royal School, Dungannon.
Ulster Schools, Under 20,
Senior. Ireland Schools,
Universities, Students, Under
25, B.

MICHAEL GALWEY
(Shannon) Lock — Age 23 —
193cm — 106kg. School:
Castleisland Vocational
School. *Munster Under 18,*
Under 20, Senior. Ireland
Under 25, B. Ireland tour to
France.

KEVIN LEAHY (Wanderers)
Flanker — Age 25 — 188cm —
99kg. School: Crescent
College Comprehensive.
Munster Schools. Leinster
Under 20, Senior. Ireland
Schools.

KEN O'CONNELL (Sunday's Well) Flanker — Age 22 —
185cm — 97kg. School: P.B.C.
Cork. *Munster Schools, Under*
20, Senior. Ireland Schools,
Under 25.

PHIL LAWLOR (Bective Rangers) No. 8 — Age 25 —
195cm — 103kg. School:
Newbridge College. *Leinster*
Junior, Senior.

CHARLES HALY (University College Cork) Full Back —
Age 22 — 178cm — 82kg.
School: P.B.C. Cork. *Munster*
Schools, Under 20, Senior.
Ireland Schools, Universities,
Under 21, Under 25.

BRIAN GLENNON (University College Dublin) Centre —
Age 23 — 182cm — 79kg.
School: De La Salle,
Churchtown. *Leinster Schools,*
Under 20. Ireland Schools,
Universities, Students.

ROB SAUNDERS (London Irish) Scrum Half — Age 22 —
174cm — 87kg. School:
Belfast Royal Academy. *Ulster*
Schools, Under 20. Ireland
Schools, Universities,
Students, Under 21.

STEPHEN McKINTY (Bangor)
Flanker — Age 24 — 182cm —
92kg. School: Bangor
Grammar School. *Ulster,*
Scottish Universities.

LEN DINEEN (Constitution)
Prop — Age 23 — 189cm —
103kg. School: Crescent
College Comprehensive.
Munster Schools, Under 20,
Senior. Ireland Schools.

JAMES O'RIORDAN
(Constitution) Hooker — Age
25 — 180cm — 87kg. School:
C.B.C. Cork. *Munster Schools.*
Connacht Senior. Ireland
Universities, Under 25.



SPAIN

JULIO ALVAREZ (C.D. El Salvador) — Capt. Prop. Age 29, Height: 1.84m. Weight: 98kg. 43 Caps.

JAVIER ALDUCIN (S. J. De Luz) — Prop. Age 30. Height: 1.77m. Weight: 97kg. 4 Caps.

JAVIER AGUIAR (Liceo Frances) — Hooker. Age 24. Height: 1.81m. Weight: 93kg. 14 Caps.

ASIER ALTUNA (Bayona) — Prop. Age 22. Height: 1.85m. Weight: 105kg. 11 Caps.

GONZALO AMUNARRIZ (Real Canoe) — Lock. Age 24. Height: 1.90m. Weight: 101kg. 9 Caps.

JON AZKARGORTA (Getxo R.T.) — Centre. Age 27. Height: 1.74m. Weight: 70kg. 46 Caps.

CARLOS CAMARERO (Orthez) — Stand-off. Age 29. Height: 1.79m. Weight 79k.

JAVIER CHOCARRO (C.R. Cisneros) — Lock. Age 29. Height: 1.92m. Weight: 102kg. 18 Caps.

JAVIER DIAZ (Getxo R.T.) — Scrum-half. Age 28. Height 1.67m. Weight: 64kg. 39 Caps.

JONADAD DIEZ (Getxo R.T.) — Prop. Age 21. Height: 1.80m. Weight: 98kg.

JON ETXEBARRIA (Getxo R.T.) — Flanker. Age 29. Height: 1.88m. Weight: 92kg.

OSWALDO ESCOFET (C.N. Montjuic) — Centre. Age 21. Height: 1.76m. Weight: 77kg.

CARLOS GARCIA (Olimpico R.C.) — Centre. Age 27. Height: 1.91m. Weight: 85kg.

JERONIMO HERNANDEZ-GIL (C.D. Arquitectura) — Scrum-half. Age 22. Height: 1.71m. Weight: 70kg.

JAIME GUTIERREZ (C.D. Arquitectura) — Flanker. Age 22. Height: 1.82m. Weight: 80kg. 14 Caps.

MARCO A. JUSTINIANO (Ciencias Sevilla) — Lock. Age 24. Height: 1.94m. Weight: 106kg. 12 Caps.

ALBERTO MALO (U.E. Santboiana) — Flanker/No. 8. Age 26. Height: 1.93m. Weight: 96kg. 21 Caps.

HECTOR MASSONI (U.E. Santboiana) — Flanker/No. 8. Age 27. Height: 1.89m. Weight: 88kg. 11 Caps.

JUAN MAZARIEGOS (C.D. El Salvador) — Scrum-Half. Age 26. Height 1.73m. Weight: 72kg.

JORGE MORENO (C.D. Arquitectura) — Centre/S-O. Age 29. Height: 1.80m. Weight: 76kg. 29 Caps.

ISIDRO OLLER (U.E. Santboiana) — Wing. Age 27. Height 1.79m. Weight: 78kg. 17 Caps.

FRANCISCO PUERTAS (Real Canoe) — Fullback. Age 26. Height: 1.80m. Weight: 80kg. 41 Caps.

DANIEL SAENZ (C.D. Arquitectura) — Wing. Age 23. Height: 1.83m. Weight: 82kg. 1 Cap.

SANTIAGO SANTOS (Liceo Frances) — Hooker. Age 29. Height: 1.72m. Weight: 76kg. 38 Caps.

SALVADOR TORRES (U.E. Santboiana) — Centre/Wing. Age 33. Height: 1.70m. Weight: 70kg. 54 Caps.

JAVIER TORRES (Ciencias Sevilla) — Fullback. Age 22. Height: 1.85m. Weight: 84kg.

GORKA URRUTIA (Getxo R.T.) — Wing. Age 21. Height: 1.80m. Weight: 75kg.

Gerard Murillo, Coach
Alfonso Feijoo, Selector
Evello Salazar, Manager
Pedro Uriarte, Assistant Manager
Jose L. Peña, Official
Fernando Bagazgoitia, Referee
Victor Marlet, Doctor
Joseba Geijo, Physiotherapist
Roger Borderie, Medic.



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