At the County Board meeting on 15th. May, Blackrock were one of the clubs who forwarded affiliation fees and entered the county championship draw.

Mr.Tom Dooley hon. Secretary read out a letter at the county board meeting on 17th. July from Mr.Horgan, secretary of the Blackrock hurling club, stating that Blackrock would not take any part in this year's championships.

#### **County Senior Hurling Championship**

Round-1

July 22, 1900 Cloughduv Aghinagh w.o. Blackrock

Blackrock withdrew from county championships.

# 1901

# **County Senior Hurling Championship**

Quarter-Final

June 16, 1901 Carrigtwohill Blackrock 5-15 Gortroe 0-0

As the score line suggests, Gortroe were no match for the Rockies. It was the first match ever for Gortroe and although they put it up to their more experienced opponents for the opening ten minutes, the flood gates eventually opened and Blackrock won as they pleased.

Jeremiah Norberg; Patrick Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; James Cremin; Michael Cotter; Dan Buckley; Michael Huff; David Cremin; Denis Kidney; John O'Driscoll; William Huff; Edward Cotter; Michael Hayes; Jeremiah Deasy; D.O'Leary; J.Collins; J.Dorney;

Semi-Final

October 20, 1901

Redmonds 1-15 Blackrock 1-11

From the outset, the packed ground was a welter of excitement as both of these sides turned in a sterling performance. The leather was lashed up and down the field as each team fought for superiority. Very early into the game Jeremiah Deasy was injured and had to retire. Both defences were in superb form, with the result that scores were hard to come by. Redmonds made the better use of their chances and led eight points to four at half time.

The second half was as exciting as the first, but Blackrock were the better team at the start as they hit some good points and made the Redmonds goalie perform some splendid saves. Dan Coughlan was doing the most of the scoring for Blackrock, but even he could not overcome the strong defence of the Redmonds.

Jeremiah Norberg(c); Tom Coughlan; Dan Coughlan; Dan Buckley; Walter Parfrey; Jeremiah Coughlan; Michael Huff; Andy Buckley; John O'Driscoll; Stephen O'Riordan; Denis Coughlan; Michael Hayes; Denis Kidney; Jeremiah Deasy; J.Hayes; D.O'Leary; J.Collins;

Sub:- Patrick Coughlan.

#### W.O'Brien Hurling Tourmament

First Round

May 19, 1901 Turners Cross Blackrock 2-8 Ballincollig 1-8

Teams not listed. Blackrock started off in fine fashion with two early points. Ballincollig shocked them by scoring a goal. From then on it was an even match but the greater experience of the Blackrock men saw them win in the end.

Quarter-Final June 9, 1901 Turners Cross Blackrock 4-10 Doneraile 1-3

Doneraile started off in tremendous form and had two points on the score board before five minutes had elapsed. Blackrock now began to settle and soon scored a point followed by a goal by James Delea. From that point on they had control of the game and won easily in the end.

Patrick Coughlan; Michael Huff; Tom Coughlan; Denis Coughlan; William Huff; Michael Hayes; James Delea; David Cremin; Michael Cronin; John O'Driscoll; William Dorney; Jeremiah Deasy; T.Walsh; D.Collins; J.Murphy; D.O'Callaghan; D.O'Leary;

Semi-Final July 14, 1901 Turners Cross

Blackrock 2-13 Redmonds 2-7

Closely fought game throughout as expected from these two great exponents of the manly game of hurling. The Blackrock forward division were in good form and deserved their victory to the final.

Jeremiah Norberg; Denis Coughlan; Dan Coughlan; Michael Huff; Stephen O'Riordan; Jeremiah Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Edward Cotter; Michael Hayes; John Delaney; John O'Driscoll; Jeremiah Deasy; D.O'Leary; J.Dorney; D.Collins; Michael Brady; J.Hayes;

Final September 8, 1901 Turners Cross St.Finbarrs 3-12 Blackrock 1-9

The contest was a magnificent exhibition of first class hurling, full of exciting and interesting incidents, but played throughout in the best interest of friendliness. St. Finbarrs were the better team and on top in most areas with a better combination against a rather lack luster Blackrock side.

Jeremiah Norberg; Denis Coughlan; Dan Coughlan; Michael Hayes; Tom Coughlan; William Huff; Michael Cotter; Stephen O'Riordan; Michael Huff; Jeremiah Coughlan; James Delea; Jeremiah Deasy; D.O'Leary; J.Collins; Michael Brady; D.Ahern;

### **Michael Deering Tournament**

August 11, 1901

Turners Cross

#### Blackrock 5-7 Limerick Selection 1-4

As part of the fund raising for the Michael Deering Memorial, a match was arranged between Blackrock and a Limerick selection.

Limerick opened the scoring with a point, but soon Blackrock equalized and then took over. At half time Blackrock led three goals and a point to two points. In the second half It remained one sided as Blackrock took control of affairs with an early goal.

Jeremiah Norberg; Jeremiah Coughlan; Dan Coughlan; Dan Buckley; Tom Coughlan; Stephen O'Riordan; James Delea; Michael Hayes; Michael Huff; Denis Coughlan William Huff; Jeremiah Deasy; J.Atkins; D.O'Leary; J.Dorney; Michael Brady;

# **Cork City Harriers Tournament**

Semi-Final

January 12, 1902 @ Turners Cross Blackrock 4-12 Ballincollig 2-2

Ballincollig put up a good display in the first half and only trailed by three points at the break. Ballincollig got all their scores in the first half and could not cope with the relentless pressure of the Blackrock forwards in the second half.

Jeremiah Norberg; Dan Coughlan; Denis Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Dan Buckley; Michael Cotter; Edward Cotter; John O'Leary; Michael Hayes; Stephen O'Riordan; Andy Buckley; Michael Huff; John O'Brien; Jeremiah Deasy; John Kidney; Michael Brady;

inal January 19, 1902 Turners Cross
Blackrock 4-8 St.Finbarrs 5-4

The biggest crowd ever to attend a match at this venue witnessed the most exciting and brilliant of contests. End to end the ball flew as both teams played their hearts out.

For Blackrock John"boxer"O'Leary was the star of the match as he scored goals and points in each half. St.Finbarrs featuring most of the team that won the county championship in 1899 played magnificently all through, and only for the defence of Dan Coughlan, would surly have scored more. Jeremiah Norberg(c); Jeremiah Coughlan; Stephen O'Riordan; Tom Coughlan; Dan Coughlan; Michael Cotter; Edward Cotter; Dan Buckley; Jeremiah O'Leary. Andy Buckley; John O'Leary; Michael Huff; Pat Parfrey; Jeremiah Deasy; John Kidney; E.Downey; Michael Brady;

#### **Hurling Challange**

#### December 19, 1901

#### Blackrock 3-13 Dungourney 0-0

A very disappointing game with Blackrock in complete control from start to finish. The Dungourney custodian had a splendid game and saved his side from further humiliation.

Jeremiah Norberg; Dan Coughlan; Denis Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; John O'Leary; Michael Cotter; Stephen O'Riordan; Denis Deasy; Denis Kidney; Jeremiah Coughlan; Michael Huff; Walter Parfrey; Andy Buckley; Michael Hayes; J.Hayes; Michael Brady; J.Buckley;

### ounty Senior Hurling Championship

### Round-1

#### June 22, 1902 **Turners Cross** Blackrock 3-8 St.Finbarrs 1-10

Played in ideal, if very warm conditions. Both sides fought fiercely right throughout the match. In the first half Blackrock managed the only goal to lead by one goal and five points to six points. Walter Parfrey was the pick of the forwards.

The Barrs started the second half brightly and had three points followed by a goal before Blackrock woke from their slumbers to finish strongly and score a late two goals to advance.

Dan Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Jeremiah Norberg; Denis Kidney; Jeremiah Coughlan; Michael Dorney; Michael Huff; Dan Buckley; Jeremiah O'Leary; Andy Buckley; Edward Cotter; Walter Parfrey; Eugene Cotter; Jeremiah Deasy; S.Murphy; J.Collins; Michael Brady;

#### Round-2

# November 2, 1902 Wilton Blackrock 2-16 Ballincollig 1-5

A perfect day for a championship match. Good field and ideal weather. Unfortunately the match was not as good. While the first half was close, Blackrock led by seven points, they were very comfortable winners by the final whistle.

Dan Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Andy Buckley; Stephen O'Riordan; Walter Parfrey; Dan Buckley; Michael Huff; Jeremiah Coughlan; Edward Cotter; Jeremiah O'Leary; Denis Kidney; Michael Dorney; Tom Linehan; Jeremiah Deasy; Michael Brady; S.Murphy; D.O'Leary;

#### Quarter-Final

#### January 25, 1903

#### **Turners Cross**

# Redmonds 2-6 Blackrock 0-7

After Blackrock had beaten Redmonds the previous week in the final of the National Monument tournament, they were highly fancied to advance to the semi-final of the championship. Although the pitch was heavy from rain all week, both teams made light of the conditions. Blackrock started brightly with Dan Coughlan, Walter Parfrey and Michael Cotter to the fore they led at half time by two points, six points to a goal and a point. The second half was all Redmonds, but came to an abrupt end ten minutes from time when the ball went wide of the Blackrock goal posts, only for the referee allowing play to continue after Blackrock players stopped, and a Redmonds player tapped it into the Blackrock goal. Blackrock refused to continue and walked off the field. Dan Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Stephen O'Riordan; Walter Parfrey; Dan Buckley; Michael Dorney; Charlie O'Sullivan; Edward Cotter; Jeremiah O'Leary; Tom Moroney; Jeremiah Coughlan; Denis Kidney; Michael Cotter; Jeremiah Deasy; S.Murphy; Michael Brady; Jeremiah Cleary.

## **Barrack Street Band Tournament**

#### Quarter-Final

#### February 2, 1902 **Turners Cross** St.Finbarrs 1-12 Blackrock 3-4

A typical end to end contest between two fierce rivals who fought all through for any advantage over one another. St. Finbarrs were first off the mark, but this was quickly equalized by the Rockies. It was most

exciting for the enormous crowd as both sides exchanged scores. At half time it was level, but on the resumption, Blackrock scored a goal to lead again. St. Finbarrs had most of the play now and began to pick off some lovely points. There was a couple of incidents between a couple of players which the referee sorted out.

Jeremiah Norberg; Jeremiah Coughlan; Denis Deasy; Michael Cotter; Michael Huff; Tom Coughlan; Stephen O'Riordan; John O'Leary; Jeremiah O'Leary; Walter Parfrey; Dan Buckley; Denis Coughlan; Dan Coughlan; William Dorney; John Kidney; Michael Brady; J.Buckley;

### Rev. Fr. Aherne League Of The Cross Tournament

#### March 16, 1902

# Copper Alley, Youghal Blackrock 3-8 Dungourney 3-8

On a good day for playing hurling, a large crowd turned out to witness a most exciting match with both teams giving a tremendous display of all the skills of the game. The lead changed several times, with neither team on top for any period, so evenly were they matched.

Blackrock gained the last score to equalise, thanks to a marvelous forty yard point from their captain Dan Coughlan which went in off the post. Dan Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Jeremiah Norberg; Andy Buckley; Denis Deasy; Stephen O'Riordan; Dan Buckley; Walter Parfrey; Michael Huff; Michael Cotter; Edward Cotter; William Dorney; John Kidney; S.Collins. E.Cantillon; Michael Brady; J.Brady;

#### Replay June 8, 1902 Copper Alley, Youghal Blackrock 2-14 Dungourney 1-6

A large crowd witnessed two very skillful sides play out an exciting first half where Blackrock with the aid of the elements led by a massive ten points. On the changeover, it was thought that Dungourney would make a game of it, but Blackrock continued to hold the upper hand. Dan Coughlan; Jeremiah Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Michael Cotter; Michael Huff; Jeremiah Deasy; Stephen O'Riordan; Jeremiah Norberg; Edward Cotter; Walter Parfrey; Andy Buckley; Dan Buckley; Michael Hayes; John Kidney; William Dorney; S.Murphy; Michael Brady;

# Blackrock / Redmonds / St.Finbarrs Tournament

# April 13, 1902

#### **Turners Cross**

#### St.Finbarrs 1-10 Blackrock 1-4

A very even first half with both teams vying for superiority early on. Blackrock were first to score but could not build on the lead as the St. Finbarrs goalie did herculean service for his side. At four points each at the break it was expected that the second half would be equally close. Blackrock thundered into the game with a goal and a point, but failed to score thereafter as St.Finbarrs quickly added a goal and proceeded to add points at will.

Dan Coughlan(c); Tom Coughlan; Denis Coughlan; Andy Buckley; Jeremiah Coughlan; Stephen O'Riordan; Jeremiah Norberg; Walter Parfrey; Edward Cotter; Dan Buckley; Denis Deasy; William Dorney; Denis Kidney; J.Hayes; E.Cantillon; S.Collins; M.Brady;

#### **Cork National Monument Tournament**

# Quarter-Final

### June 15, 1902 Blackrock 8-16 St. Marys 3-3

**Turners Cross** 

St. Marys tried as best they could in this mismatch. They held their own in the first half as they trailed by seven points, but failed to score in the second half as the Rockies won easily.

Jeremiah Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Stephen O'Riordan; Michael Huff; Denis Deasy; Walter Parfrey; John Madden; Edward Cotter; Jermiah Norberg; Michael Dorney; Denis Kidney; Andy Buckley; William Daly; J.Buckley; J.Collins; J.Twohig; Thomas Tobin;

#### Semi-Final

#### August 17, 1902 Coachford Blackrock 2-5 Ballincollig 0-1

This proved to be an interesting game as Ballincollig really put it up to Blackrock in the second half in particular. Trailing two goals and five

points to a goal and a point at the break, Ballincollig fought hard and gave a good account of themselves. Blackrock with a wealth of experience in their side, were grateful for a sound display by their defence.

Dan Coughlan(c); Denis Deasy; Tom Coughlan; Jeremiah Norberg; Michael Huff; Edward Cotter; Andy Buckley; Dan Buckley; Jeremiah O'Leary; Walter Parfrey; Denis Kidney; Michael Dorney; S.Murphy; J.Hayes; Michael Brady; D.O'Callaghan; S.Collins;

Final January 18, 1903 Turners Cross
Blackrock 4-10 Redmonds 2-7

Redmonds got off to a good start with the first two scores, a point followed by a goal. Blackrock weathered the storm and Walter Parfrey replied with two points as they now assumed control in a low scoring first half, leading one goal three points to a goal and a point. On the resumption, Blackrock scored a quick goal, and although Redmonds replied with two points, Blackrock soon gained control to win out easily. Dan Coughlan; Jeremiah Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Denis Kidney; Stephen O'Riordan; Jeremiah O'Leary; Charlie O'Sullivan; Edward Cotter; Jeremiah Deasy; John O'Leary; Tom Moroney; Michael Cotter; Walter Parfrey; Michael Dorney; S.Murphy; J.Buckley; Michael Brady; Jeremiah Cleary.

# **Evergreen Nationals Tournament**

#### September 28, 1902

#### **Turners Cross**

#### St.Finbarrs 3-5 Blackrock 2-6

Hotly contested game with rarely a point separating the sides throughout the match. It was end to end with great skill from both sides. St.Finbarrs scored a point on the stroke of half time to lead by a point. The second half was also very close and remained so until four minutes from time when St.Finbarrs were awarded a point to lead by two. Blackrock disputed the score and when the referee refused to entertain their argument, they left the field.

Stephen Hayes; Michael Hayes; Michael Cronin; Michael Dorney; Michael Huff; Dan Coughlan; Jeremiah Coughlan; Denis Deasy; Edward Cotter; Eugene Cotter; Dan Buckley; S.Murphy; Michael Brady; E.Brady; S.Collins; D.Hayes; T.Collins.

# St.Nicholas Club Benefit Fund – Silver Challenge Cup

#### December 21, 1902

# **Turners Cross**

## Blackrock 4-7 Redmonds 1-9

The match itself was a typical affair between these two keen rivals. Redmonds were first on the score sheet and built up a five point lead before Blackrock got going. At half time Redmonds led by a point, but on the resumption, Blackrock settled to the task and scores came quickly as they put the match beyond doubt. Redmonds to their credit never gave up and scored a few points near the end.

Dan Coughlan; Jeremiah Coughlan; Jeremiah Norberg; Dan Buckley; Tom Coughlan; Jermiah O'Leary; John O'Leary; Michael Cotter; Walter Parfrey; Andy Buckley; Michael Huff; Michael Dorney; Denis Deasy; Denis Kidney; Michael Brady; S.Murphy; S.Collins.

# 1903

#### **County Senior Hurling Championship**

#### Round-1

# September 6, 1903 Glenville Blackrock 3-15 Castletownroche 0-0

Very poor game, Castletownroche fought hard and attacked strongly during the first ten minutes, but failed to score. Once Blackrock settled the scores began to flow and ran out easy winners.

Team not listed: included- Jeremiah Coughlan; Tom Coughlan;

Quarter-Final November 1, 1903 Cobh

Blackrock w.o. Dungourney

A disappointing decision by Dungourney not to play this match. They felt

that Cobh was not neutral territory for the game.

Semi-Final March 6, 1904 Turners Cross Blackrock 0-10 Redmonds 0-3

Blackrock started in strong fashion and had early points from Walter Parfey and John O'Leary. They continued to exert pressure and further points by Dan Coughlan and William Dorney propelled them to a six points to one lead at half time. Redmonds tried hard in the second half, but Blackrock continued to dominate and won in impressive style. Dan Coughlan; Michael Cotter; Jeremiah Coughlan; Eugene Cotter; Tom Coughlan; William Dorney; Jeremiah O'Leary; Walter Parfrey; William Mackessy; John O'Leary; Andy Buckley; Michael Dorney; Denis Kidney; Stephen O'Riordan; Dan Buckley; Michael Brady; Jeremiah Cleary

Final April 11, 1904 Turners Cross
Blackrock 2-8 St.Finbarrs 1-10

Cork Examiner report:-There was an enormous assemblage of patrons in Turners Cross to witness this county final.

Blackrock, who played with a pretty strong breeze and favoured with the incline in the ground, immediately availed of the opening interchanges, and had hard lines in recording the first point. Puck out was not followed up to any great extent, and the Rockies again pressed, but with no more advantage than the first occasion. Play of much the same character ensued for some time, the Blackrock men keeping their opponents well in their territory, but the St. Finbarrs displayed an excellent style of defence. The St.Finbarrs took play once to the Rockies territory, but the effort was result-less as far as scoring was concerned, and the play was returned after a brief period of opposition. After a few desultory exchanges in midfield, the Rockies were awarded a fifty yards puck from which Dan Coughlan scored the first point. The Barrs made a very creditable effort to follow up the puck out, but their endevours were blocked by the Rockies, who took possession of play again, and repeating their aggressive tactics scored a second point which they very soon supplemented with a further minor. By a good combination and in dexterous style of passing, the Rockies contrived to keep play within the Barrs territory, and after a short period again caused the white flag to flutter in their favour. On the resumption there was a re-awakening of energy noticeable in the play of the Barrs and Sheehan nicely passed to Foley, who scored a point. The puck out was followed up by the Rockies, and re-attacking their opponents territory, succeeded in scoring a goal. The ball travelled up and down the field, merit being rather evenly divided on both sides, but after some time the Blackrock players again forced their opponents and Tom Coughlan was instrumental in increasing their margin by another point. Boxer augmented the number of points in a short time afterwards, and though on puck out the Barrs made a well organized attack on the Rockies territory their efforts were repulsed by an excellent defence of the backs. When the short whistle went the teams were on the following terms, Blackrock 1-6, St. Finbarrs a point. Blackrock were away on changing over, and from a sideline passing bout, William Mackessy got a good opening for a score, and he did not let the opportunity go unavailed of without scoring a point. After the puck out, the Barrs returned, and from a neat puck from the quarter line, O'Leary scored a point. The fact that on changing over the Blackrock men had been deprived of the advantage with which they played in the first half hour did not seem to detract from their success as every puck out was well followed up, and seldom without a score. Mackessy was prominent in this connection now and a further goal was added for Blackrock. An energetic dash down the field by the Barrs eventuated in a goal scored for them by Harrington, and the addition of another minor was shortly made. Whilst the Barrs were defending an attack of the Rockies, one of the former team was temporarily disabled, the episode entailing a short delay, and on resuming a splendid opportunity to score was lost by the Barrs backs. Some strong play on the part of the Rockies resulted in a

point being scored by them, after which some efforts by the Barrs to improve their position were well defended by the Rockies backs. The Barrs however, sustained their forcing movement and added two points in creditable succession, and from a side line puck from near quarter way, Harrington got possession and added a further minor. The puck out was stopped, and on repeating their aggressive policy the Barrs made their margin larger by another minor, Sheehan supplementing this, within a brief space by another point. The Rockies being only a goal ahead now, the greatest enthusiasm was manifested amongst the spectators and some very interesting and rapid play ensued. D.Harrington increased the Barrs score by a point, by a well directed stroke from the quarter division of the side line, and very soon after the Barrs were awarded a fifty yards puck, through the medium of which O'Leary totted on another point. Towards the concluding stages of the game when the Rockies only led by a point, some splendid efforts at equalizing was manifest in the play of the Barrs, but their exertions were fruitless, and the long whistle left the Blackrock victors by a point at full time.

Dan Coughlan(c); William Mackessy; Jeremiah Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Stephen O'Riordan; Walter Parfrey; Michael Cotter; Andy Buckley; Dan Buckley; Michael Dorney; Jeremiah O'Leary; John O'Leary; Denis Kidney; William Dorney; P.Shaw; Michael Brady; Jeremiah Cleary;

**St.Finbarrs:-** William Moloney; Denis Harrington; James Harrington; Christy Young; William Sheehan; Denis O'Leary; John Kelly; Chris Nolan; Timothy Foley; Patrick O'Sullivan; Michael Sexton; John Delea; Michael O'Leary; Charlie Punch; Morty Downey; P.Nolan; P.Sheehan;

### **South Infirmary Tournament**

#### April 5, 1903

## **Turners Cross**

#### St.Finbarrs 4-12 Blackrock 4-11

Tournament match arranged to raise funds for the South Infirmary. Both sides are indebted to the staff of this local hospital for their assistance down the years in treating their players as well as their families. The match itself was thrilling from start to finish with hardly a puck of the ball between them all through.

Dan Coughlan; Jeremiah Coughlan; William Dorney; Eugene Cotter; Tom Coughlan; Michael Cotter; Walter Parfrey; John O'Leary; Dan Buckley; Jeremiah O'Leary; Andy Buckley; Larry Flaherty; James Delea; Michael Brady;

### **Lord Mayors Cup**

#### October 11, 1903

# Turners Cross

# Blackrock 4-13 Sarsfields 1-4

Sarsfields tried as best they could, but could not match Blackrock in the finer skills of the game. The first half was the better of the two, as Sarsfields came within six points of Blackrock with a goal just before the break. In the second half Blackrock had matters all their own way Dan Coughlan; William Dorney; Stephen O'Riordan; Denis Kidney; Andy Buckley; Barry Murphy; Larry Flaherty; James Delea; Michael Cotter; Eugene Cotter; Tom Coughlan; Jeremiah O'Leary; Paddy O'Brien; Dan Buckley; D.O'Connell; T.Quirke;

#### **Blackrock / Nils Tournament**

#### April 12, 1903

### Turners Cross Blackrock 6-20 Cobh 0-7

As the scoreline suggests, Cobh were completely out of their debt as

Blackrock won as they pleased.

Dan Coughlan; Jeremiah Coughlan; Stephen O'Riordan; Jeremiah O'Leary; Michael Dorney; Charlie O'Sullivan; Denis Kidney; Walter Parfrey; Eugene Cotter; Edward Cotter; Michael Cotter; Paddy O'Brien; Andy Buckley; Tom Coughlan; Seán Murphy; Jeremiah Cleary; Michael Brady.

Semi-Final

August 28, 1904 Turners Cross Blackrock 1-8 Midleton 1-8

A very close and exciting game with both sides putting up fine displays. A

very low scoring first half, saw Midleton led by a goal and a point to a goal. It was no different in the second half as it was score for score until Blackrock crept into the lead near the end only for Midleton to equalize three minutes from full time.

Tom Coughlan; Jeremiah Coughlan; Paddy O'Brien; William Mackessy; Stephen O'Riordan; Charlie O'Sullivan; Seán Murphy; Denis Kidney; Jermiah O'Leary; Larry Flaherty; Walter Parfrey; Michael Cotter; Tom Moroney; William Dorney; Michael Dorney; William Daly; E.Brady;

# Replay January 1, 1905 Turners Cross Blackrock 7-16 Midleton 1-1

A very different game to the drawn match. Blackrock won as they pleased Walter Parfrey scored three goals, with the others shared between William Mackessy, Michael Cotter and Dan Coughlan. The game was as good as over at half time with Blackrock leading six goals and five points to nil.

Dan Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Tom Moroney; William Mackessy; Stephen O'Riordan; Denis Kidney; Paddy O'Brien; Michael Dorney; Michael Cotter; Seán Murphy; Jeremiah O'Leary; Walter Parfrey; Charlie O'Sullivan; Andy Buckley; Larry Flaherty; William Dorney; Michael Brady;

Final January 15, 1905 Turners Cross Blackrock 4-7 Sarsfields 1-2

Another tournament victory for Blackrock, but the patience of both sets of supporters was severely tested as the match eventually started almost two hours later than the scheduled start time. Apart from that, the tournament final was played over a year behind schedule also. Despite these misgivings the game itself was quite interesting, but the Rockies better forward play ensured another win against the Sars.

Dan Coughlan; Seán Murphy; Tom Coughlan; Charlie O'Sullivan; Jeremiah O'Leary; Walter Parfrey; Michael Cotter; Tom Moroney; Larry Flaherty; Andy Buckley; William Mackessy; Denis Kidney; Michael Dorney; William Dorney; Dan Buckley; Paddy O'Brien; Michael Brady;

### **Greater Cork International Exhibition Tournament**

July 9, 1903

### Exhibition Grounds St.Finbarrs 3-14 Blackrock 1-6

The Lord Mayor and members of the committee of the Greater Cork International Exhibition organized a football and hurling exhibition for the many thousands of visitors to the city, most of which had never seen a hurling match before. Even though the ground was uneven, both sides tried their best to display all the artistry of the game. St.Finbarrs opened brightly and had two points up before Blackrock hardly touched the ball. Blackrock never got into the game and St.Finbarrs were worthy winners. Jeremiah Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Eugene Cotter; John O'Leary; Michael Dorney; Jeremiah O'Leary; Michael Cotter; Andy Buckley; Seán Murphy; Stephen O'Riordan; Dan Buckley; Larry O'Flaherty; Walter Parfrey; Denis Kidney; Denis Deasy; Jeremiah Cleary; P.Shaw;

# **Riverstown Tournament**

Quarter-Final

## December 20, 1903

#### Riverstown

#### Blackrock 10-3 Inniscarra 0-1

An understrength Blackrock were far too strong for a scratch Inniscarra team which were only called together on the morning of the match. Dan Coughlan; Jeremiah Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Michael Cotter; Jeremiah O'Leary; Denis Kidney; Michael Dorney; Eugene Cotter; Paddy O'Brien; M.Twomey; G.Sampson; Jeremiah Cleary; T.Quirke;

Semi-Final January 29, 1905 Riverstown Blackrock 4-6 Redmonds 0-5

Blackrock were almost an hour late arriving for the game. Redmonds could have claimed the match, but sportingly decided to play. The first half was even with both teams scoring four points. In the second half Redmonds failed to score, while Blackrock scored their four goals. Dan Coughlan; William Mackessy; Dan Buckley; William Dorney; Larry Flaherty; Andy Buckley; Stephen O'Riordan; Seán Murphy; Jeremiah

O'Leary; Denis Kidney; Paddy O'Brien; Walter Parfrey; Michael Dorney; Charlie O'Sullivan; Jeremiah Cleary; Michael Brady; M.Dorney;

Final January 28, 1906 Riverstown
Dungourney 1-10 Blackrock 2-6

Yet again a massive crowd were enthralled with a thrilling skillful match between these two top sides. Dungourney began as if it was going to be a rout, with all the early scores. Blackrock fought back strongly but still trailed by six points at half time. As the second half progressed, Dungourney again took up the running with the first two scores, before John O'Leary and William Mackessy started a Rockies recovery with a few points followed by a goal. There was some disruption when a point for Blackrock was deemed to be wide and after a long delay the game resumed as Dungourney held out for a one point win. Stephen O'Riordan lodged an objection after the game regarding the disputed point and was successful at the county board meeting.

Stephen O'Riordan; Tom Coughlan; John O'Leary; Denis Kidney; Paddy O'Brien; Denis Duckley; Larry O'Flaherty; Michael Cotter; Michael Dorney; William Mackessy; Andy Buckley; Dan Buckley; William Dorney; Jeremiah Coughlan; Paddy Mehigan; Charlie O'Sullivan; M.Dorney;

Replay May 20, 1906 Riverstown Blackrock 3-11 Dungourney 2-8

After three long years since this tournament was organized, the final was eventually decided. It was estimated that there was over ten thousand in attendance for another eagerly awaited instalment between the top two sides in the county. The oldest of followers could not recall a parallel to match such a marvelous contest. It was up and down the field with amazing skill shown by Jamsey Kelleher, Jim Ronayne, Jim Desmond of Dungourney and equally matched by the likes of William Mackessy Stephen O'Riordan, Tom Coughlan, the Buckley and the Dorneys. Stephen O'Riordan; Tom Coughlan; John O'Leary; Denis Kidney; William Mackessy; Eugene Cotter; Larry Flaherty; Andy Buckley; Dan Buckley; Denis Buckley; Walter Parfrey; Paddy Mehigan; Paddy O'Brien; Michael Dorney; William Dorney; Barry Murphy; J.O'Brien;

#### St.Stephens Day Exhibition

# December 26, 1903 Turners Cross

## Blackrock 1-10 Redmonds 3-3

Very close game throughout with Blackrock the better of the sides. However, Redmonds efforts in scoring goals ensured Blackrock never managed to relax and were pushed to the limit to secure victory. There was an inexcusable delay of over two hours in the starting time due to a dispute between the two teams.

Dan Coughlan; Jeremiah Coughlan; Andy Buckley; Tom Coughlan; Paddy O'Brien; William Dorney; Sean Murphy; Jeremiah O'Leary; John O'Leary; Dan Buckley; Michael Cotter; Michael Dorney; Denis Kidney; D.O'Connor; T.Quirke; Michael Brady; Jeremiah Cleary;

# 1904

#### **County Senior Hurling Championship**

Round-1 Midleton w.o. Blackrock

Blackrock withdrew from county championships.

#### Jermiah Crowley Cup

### January 10, 1904

# Turners Cross Redmonds 2-5 Blackrock 0-9

Mr. Jeremiah Crowley Jeweller, Grand Parade, Cork presented a valuable silver cup for a most interesting and well supported match.

The first half was very even with both sides scoring four points each. Andy Buckley was Blackrock's top forward contributing a number of points, but Redmonds ability in scoring goals proved the difference.

Dan Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Jeremiah Coughlan; Dan Buckley; Jeremiah O'Leary; John O'Leary; Michael Cotter; Edward Cotter; Walter Parfrey; Eugene Cotter; Larry Flaherty; Andy Buckley; William Dorney; Michael Brady; Denis Kidney; Jeremiah Cleary; M.Fenton.

#### **Blackrock / Nils Tournament**

#### Semi-Final

# October 30, 1904 Turners Cross Blackrock 0-10 Redmonds 1-3

Very closely fought first half with both sides evenly matched and level at half time. It was a beautiful day for a match but neither team displayed the skills they usually are known for Redmonds failed to score in the second half as Blackrock took advantage to reach the final.

Dan Coughlan; Tom Coughlan; Charlie O'Sullivan; Walter Parfrey; John O'Donoghue; Jeremiah Coughlan; Andy Buckley; Stephen O'Riordan; Larry Flaherty; Michael Dorney; Michael Cotter; John O'Leary; William Dorney; Dan Buckley; Denis Kidney; Michael Brady.

Final November 13, 1904 Turners Cross

Blackrock w.o. St.Finbarrs

The final was for a silver cup presented by Sir Edward Fitzgerald. Unfortunately the match did not take place as St.Finbarrs refused to partake.

# St.Marys Tournament

Semi-Final

April 24, 1904 Turners Cross Blackrock 4-7 Mallow 1-4

Blackrock were worthy winners against a Mallow side that tried hard but were outclassed.

Tom Coughlan; Paddy O'Brien; Charlie O'Sullivan; John O'Leary; Eugene Cotter; Andy Buckley; Dan Buckley; Denis Kidney; William Mackessy; Dan Dorney; William Dorney; Walter Parfrey; Stephen O'Riordan; Michael Dorney; P.Shaw.

Final

March 4, 1906 Turners Cross Blackrock 2-12 St.Finbarrs 0-4

As it was almost three years since these sides met, a huge crowd assembled in the hope of another thrilling encounter. Unfortunately for the neutral and St.Finbarr's supporter it was a very one sided game with Blackrock in control from start to finish with dazzling displays from Mackessy, Coughlan, O'Riordan and the Dorneys.

Stephen O'Riordan; Tom Coughlan; Charlie O'Sullivan; Jeremiah O'Leary; Denis Kidney; Dan Buckley; Larry Flaherty; Barry Murphy; Andy Buckley; Michael Cotter; Paddy Mehigan; William Mackessy; Michael Dorney; Walter Parfrey; Paddy O'Brien; Denis Buckley; M.Dorney;

#### **Lees Club Cup**

Semi-Final

September 25, 1904 Turners Cross Redmonds 9-12 Blackrock 1-7

Team not listed, An extraordinary result as Blackrock were beaten all over the pitch as Redmonds scored at will and the Rockies were unable to penetrate a rock solid defence. Only Walter Parfrey played up to his usual standard.

# 1905

## **County Senior Hurling Championship**

No county championship this year, as 1904 competition is so far behind schedule.

# 1906

# **County Senior Hurling Championship**

Round-1

September 9, 1906 Cork Athletic Grounds St.Finbarrs 4-10 Blackrock 1-12

Blackrock were completely outclassed in the first half as St.Finbarrs ran

rings around them all over the field. Only Dan Buckley and William Mackessy played up to their normal standard. Blackrock only managed four first half points as St.Finbarrs scored three goals and six points. Although Blackrock made a better hand of the second half, there was no denying which was the better side on the day.

Stephen O'Riordan; William Mackessy; Charlie O'Sullivan; Dan Buckley; Tom Moroney; Eugene Cotter; Denis Buckley; Michael Cotter; Jeremiah O'Leary; Andy Buckley; Larry Flaherty; William Dorney; Denis Kidney; Paddy O'Brien; J.Gilleese; J.Murphy; J.O'Brien;

#### **Cork City Harriers Tournament**

# Semi-Final February 4, 1906 Cork Athletic Grounds Blackrock 3-12 Sarsfields 0-4

This tournament was organized to raise funds for the Cross Country Championship which was due to be held shortly. Blackrock had things very much their own way as Sarsfields were most disappointing. Stephen O'Riordan; Tom Coughlan; John O'Leary; Denis Kidney; Larry Flaherty; Andy Buckley; Dan Buckley; Paddy Mehigan; Paddy O'Brien; John Delaney; William Dorney; Michael Dorney; Walter Parfrey; Denis Buckley; Michael O'Leary; M.Dorney; J.Fitzgearld;

# Final April 1, 1906 Cork Athletic Grounds Blackrock 3-9 Redmonds 3-9

Yet another instalment in the great tussles between these two sides. The enormous gathering were well pleased that these sides have to meet again as the finer points of the game of hurling was very distinctly to the fore. Blackrock were slightly the better side but a lapse in the closing stages allowed Redmonds to pull back and level matters.

Stephen O'Riordan©; Tom Coughlan; John O'Leary; Denis Kidney; Larry Flaherty; William Mackessy; Andy Buckley; Walter Parfrey; Denis Buckley; Paddy Mehigan; Michael Cotter; Eugene Cotter; Dan Buckley; Michael Dorney; Paddy O'Brien; Barry Murphy; John Delaney;

# Replay- August 9, 1908 Cork Athletic Grounds Blackrock 3-7 Redmonds 0-2

The much delayed replay takes place two years behind schedule. The first half was very competitive as Redmonds were first to score and pressed hard for further scores. A goal by Andy Buckley settled Blackrock as they built up a five point lead at the break. In the second half it was all Blackrock as Redmonds failed to score.

Tom Coughlan©; Walter Parfrey; William Mackessy; Stephen O'Riordan; Tom O'Riordan; Tom Moroney; Denis Kidney; Andy Buckley; Dan Buckley; Paddy Mehigan; Paddy O'Brien; Barry Murphy; Michael Buckley; Michael Dorney; Michael Kidney; James Flaherty; Jeremiah Lyons.

# Jeremiah Crowley Cup

# February 25, 1906 Turners Cross Blackrock 0-8 Redmonds 0-6

An enormous crowd packed out this popular venue once again to follow these two great rivals. The first half belonged to Redmonds who held Blackrock scoreless. The strong wind was of course a factor, but despite that Redmonds played with great skill and determination. In the second half Blackrock came out in an all out attack and scored an early point, which settled them and although a very low scoring game, it was none the less exciting.

Stephen O'Riordan; Tom Coughlan; John O'Leary; Denis Kidney; Larry Flaherty; Charlie O'Sullivan; Andy Buckley; Barry Murphy; Walter Parfrey; Michael Dorney; Paddy Mehigan; Michael Cotter; William Dorney; Dan Buckley; Paddy O'Brien; John Brady;

#### O'Mahony Memorial Tournament

April 8, 1906

Turners Cross

Blackrock 5-6 Redmonds 0-10

Team not listed

#### South Infirmary Cup

Round-1

# April 15, 1906 Turners Cross Blackrock 2-6 Aghabullogue 0-0

Blackrock struggled to field a team for this match as only eleven were in attendance at the appointed time. Aghabullogue agreed to wait for Blackrock to make up the numbers. As it was late when the match commenced and Aghabullogue had to get the train, it was decided to play only twenty minutes a side, which an understrength Blackrock won comfortably.

Tom Coughlan; John O'Leary; Charlie O'Sullivan; James Flaherty; Eugene Cotter; Walter Parfrey; Larry Flaherty; Michael Dorney; Dan Coughlan; Andy Buckley; Paddy O'Brien; Denis Buckley; Barry Murphy; Michael O'Leary; W.Heffernan; J.O'Brien; J.Fitzgearld;

#### **Munster Feis Tournament**

### August 12, 1906

### Cork Athletic Grounds

#### Dungourney 0-14 Blackrock 1-3

A classy display by both sides with a low scoring first half as both sides only managed three points each. Blackrock's only score, a goal from William Mackessy helped them into a lead midway through the second half. Jamsey Kelleher was in inspirational form, and Blackrock could not match him as he led Dungourney to victory.

Stephen O'Riordan; William Mackessy; Patrick O'Callaghan; Tom Coughlan; John O'Leary; Denis Kidney; Denis Buckley; Michael Cotter; Paddy O'Brien; Tom O'Riordan; Barry Murphy; William Dorney; Larry Flaherty; Dan Buckley; Andy Buckley; J.O'Keeffe; W.Heffernan;

#### St.Patricks Orphanage Tournament

#### Semi-Final

# November 18, 1906 Cork Athletic Grounds Blackrock 4-9 St.Finbarrs 3-3

A huge crowd enjoyed a tremendous hard fought game between these two great rivals. The occasion was arranged to raise funds for the St.Patrick's orphanage in Greenmount, and quite a sum was garnered on a beautiful day. Both teams gave it their all, but Blackrock had William Mackessy in magical form and was the main difference between the sides.

Stephen O'Riordan; Tom Coughlan; John O'Leary; John Brady; William Mackessy; Paddy O'Brien; Larry Flaherty; Andy Buckley; Dan Buckley; Denis Kidney; Michael Cotter; Denis Buckley; Eugene Cotter; William Dorney; Barry Murphy; Paddy Mehigan; Tom Moroney.

#### Final

# December 16, 1906 Cork Athletic Grounds Blackrock 5-10 Redmonds 2-3

A huge crowd in perfect conditions, once again came to witness a tussle between these two great rivals. The first half was all that one could ask with only a point separating the sides with some brilliant hurling by both sides. Once the second half began, Blackrock took complete control and with William Mackessy leading the attack they quickly added score after score to stun the Redmonds and the large gathering.

Stephen O'Riordan©; Jeremiah Coughlan; William Mackessy, Jeremiah O'Leary; Tom Moroney; Paddy Mehigan; Larry Flaherty; Denis Kidney; Eugene Cotter; Andy Buckley; William Dorney; Michael Cotter; Paddy O'Brien; Dan Buckley; Barry Murphy; John Brady;

# Medal Presentations:- November 18, 1906 @ Blackrock School

A very pleasant function was held in which medals were presented to the players who were on the successful teams that were victorious in winning the Croke Cup and the Munster Championship with Cork, along with club victories in the Crowley Cup, Riverstown Tournament and St.Marys tournament. A very large gathering of players, committee members and well wishers were in attendance.

### **County Senior Hurling Championship**

#### Round-1

# September 1, 1907 Cork Athletic Grounds Redmonds 3-6 Blackrock 2-3

Over three months since the original fixture, this championship match is eventually played. Originally Blackrock refused to play as some of their players were on an intercounty interfirm team playing a tournament in Dublin. The Cork county board awarded the match to Redmonds. On appeal, the Munster council backed the county board decision. An appeal to central council however was successful and the match finally was fixed.

Redmonds played a number of newcomers and this proved to be a good ploy as the game started at a hectic pace by both sides. Redmonds lasted the pace better and led by six points at the break. It was fast and furious again at the start of the second half as Blackrock reduced the lead to a point, but fitness of the Redmonds would prove to be the difference as they finished strongly to win convincingly.

Stephen O'Riordan©; Tom Coughlan; Tom O'Riordan; Eugene Cotter; Barry Murphy; Paddy Mehigan; Larry Flaherty; Walter Parfrey; Denis Kidney; Michael Kidney; Denis Buckley; Andy Buckley; Michael Cotter; Michael Dorney; Michael O'Leary; James Flaherty; John Murphy;

#### **Cork Athletic Grounds Cup**

# February 24, 1907 Cork Athletic Grounds Dungourney 2-8 Blackrock 1-6

Over five thousand people turned up for this p prestigious one day tournament, but were dismayed when the game was almost two hours late starting. Blackrock were the culprits and Dungourney made them pay as they were annoyed and ready for the fray after practicing while they waited.

Stephen O'Riordan; Tom Coughlan; Larry Flaherty; Denis Kidney; Paddy Mehigan; Charlie O'Sullivan; James Flaherty; Dan Buckley; Michael Dorney; Paddy O'Brien; John Brady; Patrick O'Callaghan; Denis Buckley; William Dorney; Barry Murphy; Andy Buckley; Michael Brady;

# **Nils One Day Tournament**

# April 7, 1907

# Cork Athletic Grounds Redmonds 2-9 Blackrock 1-6

Redmonds got off to a great start as they had the advantage of a gale force wind in the first half and built up a lead of twelve points at half time. Blackrock failed to make the same use of the elements in the second half as Redmonds were deserving winners.

Stephen O'Riordan; Tom Coughlan; William Mackessy; Michael Kidney; Tom O'Riordan; Denis Buckley; Denis Kidney; William Dorney; Andy Buckley; Eugene Cotter; Michael Dorney; Paddy Mehigan; Barry Murphy; Larry Flaherty; John Brady; Michael Cotter; Paddy O'Brien;

# **Mercy Hospital Tournament**

# April 21, 1907

# Turners Cross Blackrock 1-6 St.Finbarrs 0-2

One day tournament of hurling and football to raise funds for the Mercy Hospital. The game itself was a poor one as St.Finbarrs were short many of their star players. The game ended abruptly ten minutes from time when a player from each side resorted to fisticuffs. Within seconds hurleys were thrown away as a general melee ensued which lasted for about ten minutes. The referee awarded the match to Blackrock. Stephen O'Riordan; Tom Coughlan; Tom O'Riordan; Denis Kidney; Michael Dorney; Paddy O'Brien; Barry Murphy; Walter Parfrey; Paddy Mehigan; Larry Flaherty; James Flaherty; Eugene Cotter; Michael Cotter; Denis Buckley; Andy Buckley; John Brady; Michael O'Leary; Sub:- Dan O'Donoughue.

#### **Muskerry Cup**

#### Semi-Final

# June 16, 1907 Cork Athletic Grounds Blackrock 3-15 St.Finbarrs 1-8

A rather easy victory for Blackrock in the end. A very even first half with only a point separating at half time with Blackrock leading. William Mackessy was the star player throughout. A St.Finbarrs player was sent off early in the second half as Blackrock used this advantage to run up a large score.

Stephen O'Riordan; Tom Coughlan; William Mackessy; Michael Cotter; Jeremiah Coughlan; Barry Murphy; Michael Dorney; Walter Parfrey; Eugene Cotter; Paddy Mehigan; Larry Flaherty; Michael O'Leary; Tom O'Riordan; Denis Buckley; James Flaherty; Andy Buckley; Denis Kidney;

# Final July 28, 1907 Cork Athletic Grounds Dungourney w.o. Blackrock

Blackrock refused to play as they were in dispute with the county board after being eliminated from the county championship for refusing to play their championship match on the designated date as some of their players were playing for Cork inter firm team in Dublin on the same day. Blackrock would be successful in their appeal to Central Council.

#### **Midleton Cup**

# November 10, 1907

# Midleton Athletic Grounds Blackrock 4-6 Dungourney 3-8

This cup was presented to raise funds for the erection of a tower and spire for Midleton church. A crowd of over three thousand assembled to witness once again first rate struggle between two very evenly matched sides, with some of the games top players in action. Blackrock started well with the first score, but Dungourney with Jamsey Kelleher in commanding form soon got the upper hand and the scores began to flow. Not to be outdone, William Mackessy and Stephen O'Riordan had the Rockies matching them for scores. Along with these two, Walter Parfrey in goal was outstanding. Dungourney managed to lead at half time by six points, but with Parfrey and Mackessy excelling Blackrock clawed their way back to level matters with minutes remaining. Just when it looked like ending in a draw, Tom Coughlan landed the winner in the dying minute.

Tom Coughlan; Maurice Buckley; Denis Buckley; Andy Buckley; Stephen

Tom Coughlan; Maurice Buckley; Denis Buckley; Andy Buckley; Stephen O'Riordan; William Mackessy; Tom O'Riordan; Michael Fitzgerald; Walter Parfrey; Barry Murphy; Denis Kidney; Paddy Mehigan; Larry Flaherty; Michael Dorney; Michael Cotter; Eugene Cotter; James Flaherty;

# City Hurling Clubs Tournament

#### September 29, 1907

### 7 Turners Cross Blackrock 0-9 St.Marys 0-9

A first class encounter between very evenly matched sides. St.Marys surprised many with this display, and were fully deserving of the plaudits. It was close all through with both sides exchanging the lead, with never

more than a point separating each other throughout.

Tom Coughlan; Larry Flaherty; James Flaherty; Michael Kidney; Michael

Dorney; Michael O'Leary; Eugene Cotter; John Brady; Charlie O'Sullivan; Michael Cotter; Michael Fitzgearld; Maurice Buckley; Patrick Ahern; Walter Parfrey; John Murphy; Thomas Cox; D.Daly;

#### February 16, 1908

#### **Turners Cross**

#### Blackrock 7-8 St.Marys 0-6

A large attendance gathered hoping for a repeat of the drawn encounter. Unfortunately in the intervening five months, St.Marys fortunes seemed to be on the wane as they were completely outclassed on this occasion. Walter Parfrey; Stephen O'Riordan; Tom O'Riordan; Andy Buckley; Denis Buckley; Larry Flaherty; James Flaherty; Michael Fitzgerald; Paddy Mehigan; Barry Murphy; Michael Kidney; Paddy O'Brien; Maurice Buckley; Eugene Cotter; James Barry; Michael Dorney; Denis O'Brien;

#### **County Senior Hurling Championship**

Round-1

# May 24, 1908 Cork Athletic Grounds Blackrock 3-9 St.Marys 0-4

Over an hour later than the scheduled start time the teams went into action. The Blackrock forward division were on song with Andy Buckley to the fore. St.Marys tried hard but could not match the craft or experience of the Rockies.

Tom Coughlan; Stephen O'Riordan; Tom O'Riordan; John Brady; Eugene Cotter; Walter Parfrey; Paddy Mehigan; James Flaherty; Denis Kidney; James Barry; Barry Murphy; Paddy O'Brien; Denis Buckley; Andy Buckley; Maurice Buckley; Michael Dorney; Denis O'Brien.

Quarter-Final

June 14, 1908 Cobh Blackrock v Emmets

Neither result or teams listed.

Semi-Final

October 11, 1908 Cork Athletic Grounds
Blackrock 3-8 St.Finbarrs 0-6

A very large crowd assembled to witness another great tussle between these keen rivals. The first half was very even, with only one point separating the sides. The skill on display was awesome, with neither side bettering the other, no matter how hard they tried.

In the second half, Blackrock started off in whirlwind fashion, with three points from Denis Kidney followed by a goal from Andy Buckley. From here to the end, St.FInbarrs seemed demoralized and Blackrock won out comfortably.

Tom Coughlan; Stephen O'Riordan; William Mackessy; Maurice Buckley; Michael Dorney; Tom Moroney; Larry Flaherty; Tom O'Riordan; James Flaherty; Denis Buckley; Andy Buckley; Denis Kidney; Michael Kidney; Barry Murphy; Paddy O'Brien; John Delaney; T.Egan;

Final October 18, 1908 Cobh Blackrock 4-11 Midleton 2-3

Cork Examiner report:-The final of the Cork County Championship was played off at Queenstown yesterday, when Blackrock crossed camáns with Midleton. The weather was very favourable, a spell of brilliant sunshine making things particularly agreeable for those who were present on the field of play. The attendance was indeed large and it may be stated at the outset that the contest was decided in a perfectly friendly and sportsmanlike spirit. The field was in good condition, and perfect order was maintained throughout. The play during the first half was mostly in favour of Blackrock, who kept up a lively pace and manifested excellent combination. In a comparatively brief space of time they had a goal and three points to their credit. Owing to the fact that Buckley met with an injury there was a temporary cessation of play. On the resumption the Rockies brought the leather along the line in capitol style, and Flaherty centered neatly, Andy Buckley received and sent the ball under the posts for a major score. Midleton now played with great dash, and their combination was much better. Walsh who was playing a good game, gave them an opening they were not slow to avail of, and in quick time they registered a major. Give and take play ensued, and though the Rockies pressed matters frequently and hard, their opponents responded pretty well. Their combination however, was lacking and their pace by now no means as swift as the city men, and their delivery was on the whole slower. They played a really good game though, and with more practice and attention to the scoring line, they should be able to hold their own in hard fought contests in the near future. Owing to the wild hitting and inaccuracy in the extreme forward line they missed a number of almost certain scores yesterday, but practice will doubtless remove these defects. The Rockies too will require to improve on their display yesterday if they seek to win inter county laurels. They too had an inaccurate scoring line, the large number of overs testifying to the wild and

aimless pucking. Though Blackrock won a well deserved victory, the score can scarcely be said to reflect the respective merits of the competing teams.

Tom Coughlan; Walter Parfrey; Stephen O'Riordan; Denis Kidney; Michael Dorney; Tom O'Riordan; Paddy Mehigan; Barry Murphy; Andy Buckley; Tom Moroney; Denis Buckley; Paddy O'Brien; John Delaney; Maurice Buckley; Larry Flaherty; James Flaherty; Michael Kidney;

**Midleton:**- John Egan; Jeremiah Egan; John Deasy; William Fitzgerald; Pat Cody; John Bolton; Michael Twomey; Richard Walsh; Pat Walsh; Pat Williams; James Mc Carthy; John Walsh; J.L.Sullivan; P.Murnane; P.Smiddy; D. O'Donovan; P.Lucy;

#### **South Infirmary Tournament**

Semi-Final

# March 15, 1908 Cork Athletic Grounds Redmonds 3-3 Blackrock 0-9

An incessant downpour spoilt what would have been a possible classic between these great rivals. Due to the conditions a small crowd was in attendance, but despite the conditions both sides played an interesting game. Blackrock were the better side for most of the game, but could not score goals, which is where Redmonds made the most of limited possession by managing to get three goals.

Walter Parfrey; Michael Cotter; Eugene Cotter; Denis Kidney; Stephen O'Riordan; Barry Murphy; Tom O'Riordan; Michael Dorney; Michael Kidney; Denis Buckley; Andy Buckley; Tom Moroney; Maurice Buckley; Michael O'Leary; James Flaherty; Paddy O'Brien; Michael Fitzgerald.

#### **Clonmel C.B.S. Tournament**

May 3, 1908

# Clonmel, Co. Tipperary Blackrock 5-8 Thurles Sarsfields 1-7

A tournament was organized by the Christian Brothers to alleviate the debt on the brothers following the building of a number of schools. Blackrock were most impressive throughout the game as all the household names played to the utmost of their ability. Tom Coughlan; Walter Parfrey; William Mackessy; Denis Buckley; Stephen O'Riordan; Paddy Mehigan; Michael Dorney; Maurice Buckley; Tom O'Riordan; Andy Buckley; Barry Murphy; Michael Kidney; Denis

#### **Marina Accident Fund**

# September 13, 1908

# 8 Cork Athletic Grounds Blackrock 2-10 County Selection 1-2

Two men William Bullman and J.O'Connell were drowned when their boat capsized down by the Marina. A fund was organized for their families and several matches were organized.

Kidney; Larry Flaherty; Denis Barry; Paddy O'Brien; James Flaherty;

This was a surprisingly win easy for Blackrock as it was expected that the county selection would put up a strong challenge. They were selected from Cobh, Ballymartle, Carrigtwohill, Midleton, Passage, Shamrocks, Emmets and Sarsfields.

Tom Coughlan; Walter Parfrey; Stephen O'Riordan; Denis Buckley; Tom O'Riordan; Michael Dorney; Maurice Buckley; Andy Buckley; Denis Kidney; John Delaney; William Mackessy; Tom Moroney; Barry Murphy; Paddy O'Brien; Larry Flaherty; Michael O'Leary; Jeremiah Lyons.

# **Hurling Exhibition**

February 2, 1908

# Cobh

#### St.Finbarrs 1-9 Blackrock 1-8

Blackrock and St.Finbarrs were invited to Cobh to play an exhibition match, with the funds going to help the local club.

Tom Coughlan; Stephen O'Riordan; Tom O'Riordan; Andy Buckley; Denis O'Brien; Maurice Buckley; James Flaherty; Timmy Murphy; James Barry; Barry Murphy; Michael Dorney; Walter Parfrey; Michael Kidney; Patrick Ahern; Michael Fitzgerald; J.Chambers;

### **County Senior Hurling Championship**

#### Round-1

### May 9, 1909 Carrignafoy, Cobh Blackrock 5-13 Midleton 4-8

Blackrock appeared to have this game won coming up to half time as they led by fourteen points, only for Midleton to score two goals just before the break. Once again the Rockies started strongly and extended their lead before Midleton began to fight back. Blackrock's experience proved to be the difference, as Midleton were the fitter team and finished both halves very strongly.

Tom Coughlan; Walter Parfrey; William Mackessy; Larry Flaherty; Paddy O'Brien; Christopher Hayes; Denis Buckley; Maurice Buckley; Michael Kidney; Paddy Mehigan; Stephen O'Riordan; Barry Murphy; Denis Kidney; Michael Dorney; Tom O'Riordan; Andy Buckley; John Delaney;

# Quarter-Final June 6, 1909 Cork Athletic Grounds Blackrock 5-14 St.Finbarrs 2-6

Torrential rain on the morning of the game resulted in a small attendance as well as a very slippery pitch. The players had difficulty in holding their footing and there was several falls and slips at crucial times. Blackrock had the better of play from start to finish as St.Finbarrs failed to cope with the underfoot conditions.

Tom Coughlan; Walter Parfrey; William Mackessy; Barry Murphy; Michael Dorney Tom O'Riordan; Michael Kidney; Denis Buckley; Paddy O'Brien; Stephen O'Riordan; Larry Flaherty; Denis Kidney; Andy Buckley; Paddy Mehigan; Christopher Hayes; Tom Moroney; John Delaney.

# Semi-Final July 4, 1909 Cork Athletic Grounds Dungourney 5-8 Blackrock 2-8

A large crowd gathered for this most important fixture as the top two teams in Cork set out for battle. Once again Jamsey Kelleher, ably assisted by his club man Jim Ronayne were in top form and Blackrock were unable to cope with their powerful presence. The Rockies had their own stars in Tom Coughlan, Walter Parfrey, Denis Kindney and Paddy Mehigan.

Dungourney led by a goal at half time and although Andy Buckley opened the scoring in the second half for Blackrock, Dungourney's ability in scoring goals proved the main difference in the end.

Tom Coughlan(c); Walter Parfrey; Denis Kidney; Michael Dorney; Barry Murphy; Denis Buckley; Larry Flaherty; Stephen O'Riordan; Christopher Hayes; William Mackessy; Tom O'Riordan; Michael Kidney; Paddy Mehigan; John Mehigan; John Delaney; Paddy O'Brien; Andy Buckley.

# Silver Challenge Cup

# March 7, 1909

# Cork Athletic Grounds Redmonds 1-10 Blackrock 1-7

A bitterly cold afternoon, with a strong wind spoiling the game. Neither team seemed to be any great form for this match and mainly just went through the motions, before Redmonds with a late surge got in for a goal and a point in the last few minutes.

Tom Coughlan; Walter Parfrey; Barry Murphy; Christopher Hayes; Andy Buckley; Jeremiah Lyons; James Flaherty; Tom O'Riordan; Michael Kidney; Denis Kidney; Michael Dorney; John Delaney; Denis O'Brien; Patrick Ahern; John Mehigan; John Coughlan;

# **Killarney Tournament**

# May 30, 1909

# Killarney

#### Blackrock 4-7 Kenmare 0-2

This tournament was organized to raise funds to build a library for the Franciscan church. The weather was very poor with torrential rain, spoiling the day as well as the matches that were organized. Blackrock, who were not at full strength had an easy win against a poor Kenmare side that failed to score in the first half.

Tom Coughlan; Walter Parfrey; John Delaney; Christopher Hayes; Denis Barry; Michael Kidney; Patrick Ahern; Maurice Buckley; Tom Moroney; Dan Dorney; William Dorney; Michael Dorney; Paddy O'Brien; James Barry; John Murphy; Jeremiah Lyons; N.Mullins;

### **Kickhams Tournament**

#### June 13, 1909

# Jonses Road, Dublin Dublin Selection 0-8 Blackrock 2-8

Blackrock were invited to Dublin to play their county selection who were preparing for the All-Ireland senior hurling final against Tipperary. The play was lightening fast, with the ball at time flying from goal to goal without ever hitting the ground. Blackrock had the better of the first half and led by eight points Dubln fought back strongly but could not pierce the Rockies defence to get near the goal.

Tom Coughlan; Walter Parfrey; Stephen O'Riordan; Barry Murphy; Denis Kidney; Michael Kidney; Denis Barry; Andy Buckley; Larry Flaherty; Tom Moroney; Michael Dorney; Paddy Mehigan; John Delaney; Denis Buckley; John Coughlan; Paddy O'Brien.

### **Mogeely Church Fund**

#### August 8, 1909

# Carrignafoy,Cobh Dungourney 8-12 Blackrock 6-7

This clash was arranged to raise funds to build a church in Mogeely. The result was that over eight thousand people turned up to witness another great tussle between two of Cork's best teams.

The match itself was all it could be, with the ball travelling from one end of the field to the other with amazing skills displayed from both sets of players. It is no exaggeration to say that every one of the players played to the highest standard, and the huge throng enjoyed every minute. Dungourney, as they had done in the county final, succeeded in the goal scoring stakes and deserved their victory.

Walter Parfrey; Tom Coughlan; Barry Murphy; Maurice Buckley; Denis Kidney; Larry Flaherty; Tom O'Riordan; Michael Dorney; Paddy Mehigan; William Mackessy; Christopher Hayes; Paddy O'Brien; Stephen O'Riordan; Andy Buckley; Michael Kidney; Jeremiah Lyons; Jeremiah Cleary;

#### St.Michaels Hall Fund

#### September 26, 1909

# 9 Cork Athletic Grounds Blackrock 3-10 Dungourney 0-14

Blackrock were the better team from start to finish as Dungourney appeared to have an off day. Of course Jamsey Kelleher played to his usual high standard, but found few on his side capable of assisting him. However, on the Blackrock team they had several on form, especially William Mackessy, Denis Kidney, Michael Dorney and Andy Buckley. Tom Coughlan; Andrew Fitzgerald; Andy Buckley; Michael Kidney; Denis Kidney; William Mackessy; Tom O'Riordan; Stephen O'Riordan; Maurice Buckley; Denis Buckley; Paddy O'Brien; Michael Dorney; Barry Murphy; Larry Flaherty; Jeremiah Cleary; S.O'Sullivan;

# **Marina Accident Fund**

#### November 22, 1909

#### Cork Athletic Grounds

#### Sarsfields 1-8 Blackrock 1-7

An extremely close affair as Sarsfields defeated Blackrock for the first time ever. It was a victory they dissevered as they held on close to Blackrock all through and led also on a number of occasions.

The last five minutes was most exciting as up and down the field the ball flew and both sides scored two points each.

Tom Coughlan; Michael Kidney; Andrew Fitzgerald; Stephen O'Riordan; Walter Parfrey; Maurice Buckley; Andy Buckley; Barry Murphy; Michael Dorney; Denis Kidney; William Dorney; John Mehigan; John Madden; Con Ronayne; John Walsh; Thomas O'Sullivan; J.Tobin;

## J.Walsh Accident Fund

October 25, 1909

#### Shanbally

Blackrock 4-12 South East League Selection 1-6

A deserving fund raiser was organized by the South East League teams to raise funds for Mr.J.Walsh of Ballymartle who was seriously injured in a championship match earlier in the year. A large attendance ensured that the receipts were gratefully accepted by his family. The South East team consisted of players from Ballymartle, Tracton, Passage, Emmets and Shamrocks.

Blackrock were the masters throughout with their clever combination outclassing the men of the south east.

Tom Coughlan; Andrew Fitzgerald; Barry Murphy; Christopher Hayes; William Dorney; Thomas O'Sullivan; Maurice Buckley; Jeremiah Lyons; Michael Dorney; Denis Kidney; Paddy O'Brien; John Madden; Andy Buckley; Charlie O'Sullivan; Con Ronayne; John Walsh; R.O'Keeffe;