

CORK
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1976 - 2000



The Cork Hurling Club of Boston was formed after a meeting in the Stadium Pub in Allston in early 1976. There were eight people present at this meeting which included Maurice "Sonny" Donovan, Mike Cronin (snr), Maureen Donovan, Peter Moxley, Mike Moxley, Dan O'Neill and Pat Cronin.

Sonny Donovan was elected chairman, a position he held until the early 1990's. 1976 proved to be a fruitful year with the team winning the New England championship at the first attempt. Members of that winning team included Fr. Dan Finn, Nicky Kenneally, Brendan, Mike and Richie Fleming, Noel Dunn, Francis Long, Paddy Crowley, Dan O'Neill, Mike and Pat Cronin.

When the Young Irelands Club went out of existence in 1968, there wasn't a Cork Club in Boston for a few years and most of the Cork Hurlers played for Fr. Tom Burke's. Cork Young Irelands was then formed for a few years and this was the forerunner to the present Cork Hurling Club.

The next New England final contested by Cork was in 1980 when they were runners up to Fr. Tom Burke's. A glorious chapter was to unfold between 1981 and 1984 when three New England championships were captured as well as two North American titles. In 1984, when going for three North American championships in four years, Cork were pipped by Harry Bolands of Chicago in overtime at Dilboy Field by one point. Limericks Mick Quaid driving a close in free inches wide at the end of normal time which would have given Cork the title. Those who played during this period included Brendan and Mike Fleming, Dan O'Neill, Pat Cronin, Denis Cronin, Dave Coleman, Liam Holland, Nick Kenneally (RIP), Paudie Kenneally (RIP), Donie Keneally, Jim Murray, as well as away based players Mick Malone, Denis Desmond, Jerry Dineen, Paul Collins, Sean Farrell, Mick Allen and Seamus Brennan.

Cork contested the next six New England finals, losing in '85, '86, '87 and '89 and winning in '89 and '90. Stars during this period were Denis Walsh (who won an All-Ireland with Cork in 1984), Jim Murray, Jerry Hanley, John O'Neill, Tom O'Neill, Billy Long, Jeff O'Connell, Brendan Searles, Sean Houlihan, Mick Houlihan, Finbarr O'Sullivan, Billy Crowley, Teddy Crowley, Pdraig Desmond and the captains for the two titles were Jim Murray and Tom O'Neill.

The 1990's were not successful as the 80's even though in 1994 Cork rose from the ashes to capture the New England and North American championships in great style. Stars of that team were John Fitzgibbon (1990 All-Ireland winning cork Team and All-Star recipient), Brian Murphy, Billy Long, Denis Keohane, John Fitzgerald (The Marine), Ronan Dwane, Angus O'Grady, Rory Boland, John Casey, Jim Howard, Teddy Crowley and Mick Lynch.

The finals of 1993, 1997 and 1998 were also contested but without success. Cork was awarded the title in 1995 after a series of objections. Prominent club officers during this period included Richard, Peter and Mike Moxley, Kieran Fitzgibbon, John Casey, Brian Rall, Denis Keohane, Aidan Barry, Dave Coleman, John O'Sullivan, Kevin Alcock, Pat and Mike Cronin, Mike Cronin (Jr.), Brian Crowley, Joe O'Driscoll and Jerry Geany.

The Cork Junior Hurling team was also successful in 1998 in the New England championships and unlucky to lose in the North American Finals in Washington.



**CORK HURLING TEAM OF BOSTON
1982 NEW ENGLAND & NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONS**

Back Row (L to R): J. Geany, J. Russell, J. Murray, L. Holland, G. Dineen, D. O'Neill, M. Allen, J. Harrington, P. Cronin,
T. Horgan, D. Coleman, M. Cronin (Jr.), S. Lombary(?), J. O'Brien (Manager)
Front Row (L to R): D. Desmond, L. McDonagh, M. Fleming, B. Fleming, S. Farrell, S. Brennan,
B. Lombard, T. Kelly, J. O'Neill



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**SENATOR TED KENNEDY WITH MEMBERS OF
THE CORK HURLING TEAM OF BOSTON, 1982 NEW ENGLAND AND NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONS**

L to R: Sean Farrell, John O'Brien, Timmy Morgan (partly hidden),
Sonny Donovan, John Russell (partly hidden) and Mickey Allen



CORK HURLING TEAM OF BOSTON

1976 NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONS

Back Row (L to R): P. McCarthy, S. O'Donovan, J. Maunsell, N. Kenneally (RIP), P. Crowley, T. Philpott, J. Murphy, J. O'Brien, D. O'Neill, M. Dwyer

Front Row (L to R): J. O'Donovan (RIP), L. Holland, B. Fleming, J. Quane, F. Long, M. Fleming, J. Fahy



CORK HURLING TEAM OF BOSTON

1981 NEW ENGLAND & NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONS

Back Row (L to R): J. Russell, S. Donovan, D. O'Neill, P. O'Leary, D. Kenneally, D. Coleman, P. Collins, J. O'Brien (Manager)

Front Row (L to R): L. McDonagh, R. Donovan, M. Fleming, P. Cronin (Captain), D. Cronin, M. Lyons, B. Dineen, J. Donovan, Jerry Geaney



CORK HURLING TEAM OF BOSTON - 1983

Back Row (L to R): S. Donovan, J. O'Donovan (partly hidden), J. Greally, M. White, M. Kilcoyne, M. Cronin, M. Fleming, D. O'Neill,
L. Holland, M. Cronin, D. Murphy, K. McCann, P. Cronin, M. Allen, J. Russell

Front Row (L to R): M. Fleming, B. Fleming, B. Stanly, J. Foley, A. Brown, M. Fleming, D. Coleman, T. Mullane



CORK HURLING TEAM OF BOSTON

1984 NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONS

Beaten in O.T. in the North American Championship Final

*Back Row (L to R): J. Russell, S. Donovan, Fr. D. Finn, A. Brown (Captain), K. O'Driscoll, D. O'Neill, J. Greally, K. Twohig, D. Malone
J. Sheehan, T. Crowley, K. McCann*

Front Row (L to R): M. Fleming, D. Coleman, D. Cronin, C. Coughlan, J. O'Brien, B. Fleming, J. Murphy, M. Quaid, G. Geany



CORK HURLING TEAM OF BOSTON

1989 NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONS

Back Row (L to R): Sonny Donovan, Derry O'Regan, Tom Carr, Jim O'Brien, Liam Leahy, Ger Hanley, Finbarr O'Sullivan, Pat O'Callaghan,
Ted Corkey, Garry Hanley, Mike Cronin (Manager), Peter McAuliffe

Front Row (L to R): Brendan Searles, Jim Murray, John O'Neil, Tom O'Neill, Denis Walsh, Sean Houlihan, Padraig Desmond



CORK SENIOR HURLING TEAM OF BOSTON

1994 NEW ENGLAND & NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONS

Back Row (L to R): Brian Murphy, Steven Sheedy, Aungus O'Grady, Tom McElroy, John Fitzgibbon, Tony Kirwin
Front Row (L to R): Billy Long, Florrie O'Brien, Rory Boland, Donnocha Hurley (Captain), Denis Keohane, Teddy Crowley, Mick Lynch

CORK'S SUCCESS STORY

Senior Hurling Team

	<u>New England</u>	<u>North American</u>
1976	Champions	
1980	Runners Up	
1981	Champions	Champions
1982	Champions	Champions
1984	Champions	Runners Up (in OT)
1985	Runners Up	
1986	Runners Up	
1987	Runners Up	
1988	Runner Up	
1989	Champions	
1990	Champions	
1993	Runners Up	
1994	Champions	Champions
1995	Champions (awarded)	
1997	Runners Up	
1998	Runners Up	

Junior Hurling Team

1997	Runners Up
1998	Champions
1999	Runners Up

