

NIALL McSWIGGAN RIP 2018

Niall “Budda” McSwiggan played in both of Malahide CC’s first ever underage cup successes. In 1969 Malahide (123) defeated Leinster (59) at Malahide to win the Leinster Under 15 AB Robertson Cup. In addition to his agile wicketkeeping Niall scored 16 not out in the Final and played a key role with a partnership of 50 for the 8th wicket with Barry Gilmore. Niall also kept wicket in 1972 when Malahide (112) beat Rush (88) in the Leinster under 19 Cup Final at Cabra Oval. Again Niall contributed to this historical victory with a fine display behind the stumps including a couple of catches.



MALAHIDE CC UNDER 15 1969 - UNDER 15 LEINSTER CUP WINNERS (AB Robertson Cup)
l/r: Phil Sharpe, Roy Smith, Andrew McCarthy, Brendan Mays, Charlie Downey, Shane O'Neill, Barry Gilmore (captain), Niall McSwiggan, Brian Gilmore, Tom McCarthy, AB Robertson, Tom O'Neill

Niall went on to play for the Thirds and Fourths under captains Dougie Keegan and Justin Rodgers.

Niall hailed from the St Margaret’s Road stable of cricketers. His family were steeped in the Club. His father Frank and Uncle Gerry were on the team that played in Malahide’s first ever Senior 1 (Cup) matches in 1939 and 1940. His brother Peter “Twig” McSwiggan was a skilful left arm seamer. And his mother Maureen made the teas for the ravenous junior players.

Niall passed away sadly in Canada. May he Rest in Peace.

Brian Gilmore