

Brian is singing the Blues

WRITER PENS SONG FOR DUBS

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HAVING written a tune for Celebrity Bainisteoir team Brian Brody's now penned one for his other great love.

The songwriter's latest ballad - Dublin Through And Through - is dedicated to the county team which will take on Kerry at Croke Park today.

True blue Dub Brian, 36, said he hopes his ballad will become the song for Hill 16 for ever.

He added: "Songwriting and singing is what I do so when Katherine asked me to write a song for her Celebrity Bainisteoir team I was more than happy to do it.

"The team were a roaring success making it to the final. And they now use the song, The Boys From Dromahair, as their anthem.

"It is still being sung in the pubs and at matches down in Leitrim.



▲ ANTHEM Fan Brian Brody

But I am a big Dublin supporter and I always play a post-match gig in Cassidy's on Westmoreland Street.

"So recently the Dublin fans were asking me about writing a song for us.

"There are so many amazing songs about Dublin already I had to make sure the song I wrote was a good one.

"So when I came up with the line 'In sky and navy blue we're Dublin through and through'

things just went from there." Brian wanted to write a traditional ballad and drafted in an piper to put the finishing touches to the track.

He recorded some demos and then took it to his "biggest critic" - his dad.

Brian added: "He said I had hit the nail on the head. So now I have given it to the Dublin GAA team board and hopefully it will be put on the site as a download to raise money for the team."

Already Dublin Through And Through is catching on among fans who go to Brian's gigs.

He said: "The response already has been great - people have started singing it back to me at the gigs.

"I really wanted to capture the spirit of what it means to be a Dub and a supporter. It's not just for the team, it's for everyone."

And Brian hopes that Dublin Through And Through will be sung from Hill 16 from now on.

He said: "That would be my dream."

Dublin Through And Through

From Ballyfermot's De La Salle
The Old Triangle, The Royal Canal
From Parnell Park, Croker too
Hill 16 remembers you.
James Joyce, Ulysses
One man's day our fair city.
So many songs and stories told
About one great city and all it holds.

CHORUS

In sky and navy blue
We're Dublin through and through
This city that we know
The streets where we've grown
We'll sing your praises for what
you've done
With the help of God
The wars you've won

In sky and navy blue
We're Dublin through and through

You can be so unkind
The streets are filled with drugs
and crime
You can make us feel so mad
About the way things can go so
bad
But that won't stop us loving
you
No matter what you've put us
through
We'll hold our heads up
through the
Bad and good and scream to
the heavens
UP THE DUBS!

