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SCENE: Search continues

Gangster's victim still not found

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SEARCHES were continuing last night for the skeleton of a man that has lain hidden in a lonely field for almost 20 years.

Gardai have spent several days looking for the remains of the young man who was supposedly killed and buried by Derek 'Bouncer' Hutch, a brother of gangland figure Gerry 'the Monk' Hutch.

Derek Hutch killed himself last February by slitting his wrists after confessing the crime to gardai.

As first revealed in the *Sunday World*, the tormented ex-gangster was wracked with guilt before he succumbed to depression and took his own life.

Murdered

While the victim's family believe the young man fled to England to start a new life, Hutch was able to give detectives exact details of how he and another notorious criminal from Swords murdered the man.

The victim had been released from prison a short time before his death. The two gangsters buried his body after they killed him and the criminal was forgotten about.

According to Hutch he could no longer tolerate the guilt he felt for doing the crime and wanted to clear his conscience.

The convicted rapist had been considered a major criminal figure during the 1990s.



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