

Kilbree Camogie Notes 15/11/16

“Kilbree U14’s sink Cobh in titanic battle”!

Kilbree U14’s were crowned county champions after a great performance against Cobh, on Saturday. Kilbree got off to a great start with a goal from a free scored by captain Mairead Crowley. Cobh’s response was swift and they scored a goal and point of their own. Kilbree kept their composure and fought hard for every ball. Mairead Crowley’s free taking was impeccable. She also scored two goals before half time. Caoimhe Murphy scored a goal just before half time to put a considerable distance between the sides. The half-time score was Kilbree 4-04 to Cobh’s 1-02.

The second half was a much tougher battle. The Kilbree girls were tested in every area of the field. Kilbree’s defence had to withstand attack after attack. A Cobh goal mid-way through the second half could have turned this final. However Kilbree’s fitness and team work ensured Cobh would only manage to score another two points. Leanne Sheehy made some exciting runs from midfield to keep the pressure off the backs. Sarah O’Donovan was a leader in the defence and drove on her troops to pressurise Cobh. This resolute pressure forced many wides in the second half from Cobh.

There were great scenes of celebration at the final whistle when Kilbree were crowned county champions. The final score was Kilbree 4-6 to Cobh’s 2-4. The girls had added the county title to the Carbery championship title that they won in August. Mairead Crowley was awarded the “player of the match” award. Mairead also received the inaugural U14 championship cup. Mairead has been a truly great leader on the field for this team.

The girls have defeated many strong teams namely, Watergrasshill, Buttevant, Tracton and Brian Dillons in this county championship. It is a truly incredible achievement as the majority of girls on this squad are still under twelve. Thanks to Deirdre O’Leary, Anna O’Neill, Aidan O’Shea, Tony O’Neill and Marie Dorgan for their great work with this team. Thanks to Anna for the fitness coaching she has done with this group, it has made a huge difference in every match.

2016 has been an historic year for Kilbree camogie. The following titles have been won:

1. U14 County Championship
2. U14 Carbery Championship
3. U12 County League
4. U12 Carbery League

Many girls are on many both panels and have won four medals.

Four girls being Mary Murphy, Caoimhe Murphy, Kate O'Donovan and Rachel Deasy have won six medals. They also played with the U12 hurling and football teams that won the West Cork leagues.

U14 panel: Heather Brimble, Cara Collins, Kate O'Donovan, Jessica O'Driscoll, Maeve O'Neill, Sarah O'Donovan, Alice Twomey, Leanne Sheehy, Emily O'Donovan, Rachel Deasy, Mairead Crowley, Mary Murphy, Aife O'Neill, Caoimhe Murphy, Rebecca Hurley, Margaret Collins, Alison Collins, Sinead O'Sullivan, Orlagh O'Neill Callanan and Niamh McCarthy.

Lotto results

There was no winner of this week's lotto jackpot. The numbers drawn were 18, 21 and 25. The lucky dip winners were Andy O'Leary, Tadhg O'Leary and Rita O'Donoghue. Next week's jackpot will be €5,500.