

Kilmeen & Kilbree Club Notes 20th July 2015

Juniors qualify for County Final!

Kilmeen's junior footballers have set up a clash with Grange in the Junior B Football Championship County Final. Qualification came a little easier than generally expected against Kilbrittain in Bandon on Friday evening. Kilmeen were always the dominant force in this encounter. Kilbrittain were held scoreless in the first half and never really got going. Kilmeen's resilient defence extinguished the opposition's chances when they attacked, with relative ease. Kilmeen's midfield pairing won ball and distributed same very effectively. The forwards were consistent in punishing any unforced errors. A goal from a forty five by James Clancy represented a significant turning point.

There is no doubt that Grange will provide much more stern opposition in the final. The final is set for Friday next 24th July at 6.30pm. All support would be hugely welcome on the night. We wish the players and mentors involved with this team, the very best of luck on the night!

U12 Camogie

Playing in an All-Ireland Camogie blitz in the previous week really stood to the Kilbree U12 Camogie team's county quarter-final against Buttevant. This match was played in Inniscarra on Wednesday evening. The Kilbree girls took the lead early in the match and were completely dominant in the first quarter. However Buttevant were dominant in the second quarter and lead by a point at half time. A goal by Buttevant in the opening minutes of the second half made victory look quite unattainable. The Kilbree girls were four points down with fifteen minutes left on the clock. However, they fought back and worked hard for each other as a team. The final score was Kilbree 4-01 to Buttevant's 2-02. They have now qualified for the county semi-final. This will take place later in August. They will continue to play matches in the Carbery League in the intervening time.

Team: Heather Brimble, Kate O'Donovan, Alison Collins, Mary Murphy, Emma O'Driscoll, Maeve O'Neill, Caoimhe Murphy, Emily O'Donovan, Aife

O'Neill, Sinead O'Sullivan, Orlaith Kirby, Rachel Deasy, Margaret Collins and Orla Kennefick.

U16 Hurling Championship

Kilbree U16's opened their hurling championship with an encounter against Pedlars Cross in Ballinacarriga. In wet soggy conditions the Ballinascorthy lads had much of the possession and scoring chances in the first half. The half time score was Pedlars Cross 1-8 to Kilbree's 0-05. The Kilbree lads started the second half in much smarter fashion. The second half was a much closer, more exciting affair. There was only one point between the sides with ten minutes left on the clock. Kilbree were unlucky not to score a game-changing goal in the last five minutes, the chance being marginally wide. The final score was Pedlars Cross 2-11 to Kilbree's 2-7.

Team: Conor Carmody, Jamie O'Donovan, Sean McCarthy, Cathal Daly, Jack Kingston, Killian O'Driscoll, Thomas O'Sullivan, Eoin McCarthy, Steven Sheehy (1-0), Jamie Santry (1-0), Rory Brimble (0-1), Brian Deasy, Darren O'Mahony, Thomas Tyner (0-6), Conor Hurley, Jack Murphy, David O'Regan and Mark Tobin.

Monster U8 Football Blitz

Kilmeen fielded three teams in a Monster U8 Football Blitz, held in Clonakilty, on Saturday morning. Two U8 teams and an U6 team participated. These teams played Aghinagh, Bantry, St Mary's, Bandon, O'Donovan Rossa and Courcey Rovers. The U6's took part in their own mini blitz. This blitz was a well organised and fun-filled event. It was great for these youngsters to play new teams in a non-competitive environment. The U6 group had their first day out on Saturday. They really enjoyed their first blitz.

Teams: Jonathan Bennett, Cillian Dunne, Ciaran Harrington, Tristan O'Driscoll, Sean McCarthy, Rory Twohig, Gearoid Collins, Darragh Collins, Tadhg O'Brien, Tadhg Callanan, William Young, Mark Collins, Olan Murphy,

Ben Barry, Joe Barry, Howard O'Donovan, Patrick O'Donovan, Donnacha Keohane, Oisin Harrington, James Scannell and Jason Murray.

Cul Camp 2015

The ever successful annual Cul Camp takes place this week in Rossmore. Five days of hurling and football fun await a hundred children. The camp will be visited by James McCarthy (GDA) and a Cork player. This will surely add to the excitement of the week.