**Kilmeen & Kilbree GAA Club Notes 25/3/19**

**“Kilmeen plants for the future!”**

Kilmeen/Kilbree GAA club is spearheading an exciting new initiative to help create a greener, cleaner environment by allocating part of the club’s land for the planting of pollinator-friendly plants and trees. One thousand native trees, including oak, birch, rowan, alder and hawthorn, have been kindly sponsored by Coillte in support of this local project. The project involves children from Kilmeen National School and Kilmeen & Castleventry Community Development Association (KCCDA), providing a unique opportunity for collaboration and partnership in the pursuit of climate action and enhancing Ireland's biodiversity.

Planting on the GAA grounds will take place on Saturday 30th March at 2pm.

Further information on this project can be got from Orla Harrington.

**U21 Football**

The first round of U21 football championship was played against Urhan in Drimoleague on Sunday. Urhan were the much stronger side from the outset in this encounter. Kilmeen would regret many missed chances in the first half. Scores by Kilmeen’s Kevin Keohane and Kieran O’Sullivan in the first half were not enough.

Urhan kept up the pressure in the second half, taking some fine points from play. Kieran O’Sullivan converted some fine free chances for Kilmeen. However, it was not to be Kilmeen’s day. The final score Urhan 2-18 Kilmeen 0-7.

Team: Rory Brimble, Thomas Tyner, Fionnan McCarthy, Jack Murphy, Cian Murphy, Brian Deasy, Cathal McCarthy, Kevin Keohane, Gearoid McCarthy, Colm O’Donovan, Joseph O’Donovan, Cathal Daly, Cathal Dineen, Jamie Santry and Kieran O’Sullivan.

Best of luck to three Kilmeen footballers (Jack Murphy, Cian Murphy and Paul Lyons) in the quarter-final of the U16.5 B Munster football championship. This fixture against Kanturk will be played in the coming week.

The U14 footballers played Clann na nGael on Saturday in Drimoleague. The Kilmeen boys lead from the start and won 4-13 to 3-5, in a very exciting match.

Team:

Ruairi O’Sullivan, Daniel McCarthy, Olan Murphy, Tim Bailey, Darragh Clancy, Sam Bailey, Conor O’Sullivan, Cillian Twohig, Joe Barry, Oisin O’Sullivan, Micheal Keohane, Culann Finn, Jason Murray, Shane Keohane, Ben Barry and Peter O’Sullivan.

**Camogie**

Congratulations to Mary Murphy, Kate O’Donovan, Caoimhe Murphy, Heather Brimble, Rachel Deasy, Jessica O’Driscoll and Niamh McCarthy who were part of the Sacred Heart Secondary School team who received the Carbery GAA Award for January 2019. The award was presented in Scared Heart Secondary School on Tuesday morning. The team was crowned All-Ireland Junior Camogie Champions defeating Midleton in the final. They had previously beaten Midleton in the Munster Final and Enniscorthy in the All-Ireland semi-final. This was a most historic day for the school and clubs associated with this team.

Seven Kilbree girls played with the U15 Carbery camogie team on Saturday in Mallow. They defeated Avondhu and lost to a strong Carrigdhoun side. The girls involved were Maeve O’Neill, Emily O’Donovan, Heather Brimble, Caoimhe Murphy, Rachel Deasy, Kate O’Donovan and Mary Murphy. Congratulations to all involved.

**Lotto**

There was no winner of this week’s lotto jackpot. The numbers drawn were 7, 8 and 38. The lucky dip winners were Stephen Buttimer, Matt & Irene Murphy and Kay & Tom Tyner. Next week’s lotto jackpot will be €1,800.