Kilmeen & Kilbree GAA Club Notes 12/9/16

Juniors bow out of County Championship!

Kilbrin have qualified for a county semi-final against Mayfield, having defeated Kilbree on Saturday evening. In Cloughduv, Kilbree started this affair well with two fine frees by Darragh Coakley. It took Kilbrin a little while to settle. The loss of captain Darragh Coakley due to injury was a huge setback for Kilbree's chances. Kilbrin were very dominant in the later stages of the second half. Kilbree fought bravely and points by Oige Scannell and Kevin O'Donovan kept them in contention. Kilbrin's half back line were outstanding creating many attacking opportunities. A superb goal by Kilbrin's Eoin Sheehan gave Kilbrin a significant advantage. The half time score was Kilbrin 1-7 to Kilbree's 0-5.

Kilbrin's Shane Crowley scored two further points early in the second half. It appeared that Kilbrin would take over completely. However Kilbree fought hard. Great points by Kevin O'Donovan, Martin O'Donovan and Don McCarthy kept Kilbree in contention. Kilbree's backs were superb and absorbed incredible pressure. However Kilbrin were to finish stronger and were victorious on this occasion. The final score was Kilbrin 1-17 to Kilbree's 0-12.

Team: Denis Dullea, Davy O'Donovan, Liam O'Brien, Kevin Keohane, John Clancy, Brian O'Donovan, , Shane O'Donovan, Darragh Coakley (0-2), Ray Collins, Dylan Coffey, Don McCarthy (0-1), Oige Scannell (0-1), Martin O'Donovan (0-1), Damien O'Gorman and Kevin O'Donovan (0-7). Subs introduced: Liam Daly for Darragh Coakley (20) (inj), Shane Scannell for Martin O'Donovan (45) and Michael D Keohane for Damien O'Gorman (50).

The victorious Carbery Junior A hurlers brought the "Flyer Nyhan" cup to Kilmeen National School, last Monday. The children were thrilled to meet the team and hold the cup. There were great scenes of excitement and celebration. It was an occasion that these children will truly never forget.

Camogie

Kilbree U12's qualified for the Carbery "A" final in the past week. They defeated Ballinascarthy on Wednesday evening in Rossmore. The Ballinascarthy side were strong and absorbed the Kilbree pressure well. Scores by Maeve O'Neill and Caoimhe Murphy gave Kilbree a 1-5 lead at half time. Kilbree dominated for much of the second half. Some fine scores by Emily O'Donovan and Kate O'Donovan ensured that Kilbree would be victorious. The final score was Kilbree 4-6 to Ballinascarthy's 0-2.

The final match of this league was played away to Kilbrittain. In wet miserable conditions, this match was low scoring. The final score was Kilbree 2-1 to Kilbrittain's 1-2. This ensured that Kilbree would qualify for the Carbery "A" final, this should be played in the next week.

Team: Heather Brimble, Cara Collins, Kate O'Donovan, Maeve O'Neill, Niamh McCarthy, Emily O'Donovan, Orlagh O'Neill Callanan, Mary Murphy, Rachel Deasy, Margaret Collins, Caoimhe Murphy, Sinead O'Sullivan, Alison Collins, Roisin O'Carroll, Emer O'Connell, Ava Murray, Lucy Collins and Orla O'Donovan.

Congratulations to Mairead Crowley who won an All-Ireland blitz with Cork U14's, last Saturday in Dublin. Mairead and her team were involved in a parade in Croke Park on Sunday, during the All-Ireland Camogie finals.

It has been a successful year for Kilbree Camogie club. The U12 girls won the county and the U14's have won the Carbery championship. The U12 and U14 girls are still involved in other competitions but on Friday the players brought their silverware to Kilmeen National School, to show to their fellow students. It was wonderful for the young children on the school to hold the cups and ask the girls plenty of questions. These girls are superb role models for the younger children in the school.

U16 Football

Kilmeen's U16 footballers played a league fixture against Newcestown, in Rossmore on Thursday night. This was a very evenly matched affair. Scores by Jamie Santry and Jamie O'Donovan in the first half ensured that Kilmeen trailed by just one point at half time. There was very little separating these sides until Jamie O'Donovan and Thomas Tyner scored two great goals in the final quarter of this match. The final score was Kilmeen 4-9 to Newcestown's 0-15.

Team: Mark Tobin, Mark Keohane, Thomas Tyner, Jack Murphy, Cian Murphy, Killian O'Driscoll, Paul Lyons, Brian Deasy, Jamie Santry, Jamie O'Donovan, Cathal Dineen, Sean Crowley, Kieran O'Sullivan and Darren Scannell.

U12 Hurling

The U12 hurlers played their league semi-final against St Oliver Plunketts, in Rossmore on Saturday. This was an exciting game of hurling. Kilbree lead for much of the game but a late flourish by Plunketts brought this tie to a replay. The final score was 3-8 a piece.

This same cohort of players played a hurling challenge against Barryroe, on Monday last. A good start by Kilbree on this occasion made all the difference. Barryroe did finish strongly but did not make up the deficit. The final score was Kilbree 4-10 to Barryroe's 2-2.

Team:

Cillian Twohig, Ethan Jennings, Caoimhe Murphy, Brian Buttimer, Oisin O'Sullivan, Kate O'Donovan, Joe Bailey, Conor O'Sullivan, Rachel Deasy, Ethan Buttimer, Mary Murphy, Micheal Keohane, Gene O'Donovan, Darragh Clancy, Daniel McCarthy, Sam Bailey, Eoin O'Sullivan and Orlaith Kirby.