

Carrigaline Hurling & Football Club

U15 Premier2 Hurling League Final

Carrigaline 2-22: Eire Óg 2-8

Saturday November 22nd was the day Carrigaline won the U15 P2 Hurling League on their own turf in front of a large crowd of supporters. The day was ideal for hurling and what a good show was put on by both teams.

Carrigaline started the quicker of the two teams and had two points on the board within three minutes through Dan Greene and Brian Kelleher. Eire Og responded with a goal in the 5th minute through their full forward. This put Eire Og 1 point ahead. A point in the 7th minute by Brian for Carrigaline levelled the scores. Eire Og then had the edge for the next ten minutes but had only 3 points to show for it. Their scores were in the 8th, 10th and 13th minutes. The Carrig defence as a unit, were in a mean humour and giving nothing away easy. All points Eire Og got were hard worked for. Brian got 2 quick points in a row for Carrigaline in the 20th minute to bring the deficit down to 1 point. Eire Og added three more points to stretch their lead to 4 with scores coming in the 23rd, 26th and 27th minute. The last 2 points in the 1st half went to Carrigaline through their half forwards Brian and Sean Desmond. The Carrig midfield of Jack McCarthy and Eanna Desmond were beginning to impose themselves in the middle of the park towards the end of the half. The score at half time was Eire Og 1-6, Carrigaline 0-7, the deficit was 2 points.

Carrigaline made some changes at half time to improve the supply of ball to the forwards. The second half started with a bang as Carrig had 1-4 in the first 10 minutes with a one point response from the opposition. Denis McBarron and Sean Des had two points in the 33rd and 34th minutes followed a minute later with a goal from Jack McCarthy. The points continued to come and 2 more from Eanna Desmond and Jack Mc had Carrigaline ahead by 4 points. From the time Carrigaline went ahead, they piled on the pressure on Eire Og, driving forward with intent and purpose. This team grew in stature for the rest of the second half and with the half backs, midfield and half forwards giving no rest to the opposition; Carrigaline added 1-11 in the final 20 minutes to Eire Og's 1-1. This was a powerful display of hurling by a team only 2 years ago found it difficult to win a match. The scores were fast and furious, a goal by Olin Barry in the 13th minute. This goal had a touch of class attached to it, the sliotar came in, Olin balanced it on his hurley, flicked it over the full back, controlled it on his hurley again before putting it in the back of the net. Points in the 42nd, 43rd, 45th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 52nd, 53rd, 55th, 57th and 58th minutes were scored by Jack Mc, 3, Brian, 4, Denis, 3 and Dan 1 point. Eire Og scored a goal in the 46th and a point in the 56th minutes. Carrigaline ran out winners by 14 points on a score of Carrigaline 2-22, Eire Og 2-8.

Bernie O Mahony presented the Cup to the captain of Carrigaline, Sean Desmond. Sean thanked Eire Og for a good hard match, the coaches and management team of Alan Desmond, Ger Cooney and Anthony Desmond for the work put in during the year and last but not least his fellow teammates who went through the year unbeaten in the league. Sean also thanked the supporters for coming out to support them.

Panel- Niall Fitzgerald, Tomas O Donoghue, Euan Doyle, Ryan O Regan, Sean Fouhy, Jack Kelly, Josh Clifford, Jack McCarthy (1-4), Eanna Desmond (0-1), Brian Kelleher (0-9,2f), Sean Desmond (0-2), Paul Moran, Olin Barry (1-0), Dan Greene (0-2), Luke Boyle, Denis McBarron(0-4), Ian O Donoghue, Mark Healy, Jack Ryan, Sam Donworth and Dylan Cooney.

This was the last hurling match for this team for 2014 but there is still a lot of work to be done as most of this squad will be playing football next week for the U15 Premier1 Championship and League Final against Douglas. Come along and support the lads for this match. It will be a cracker!!

