

Munster Intermediate Football Club Final

Saturday 28th November 2015 in Killarney

Carrigaline 0-9 St Marys 1-16

Our football team came up short in the Munster final going down to a fine St. Marys team in the final in Fitzgerald Stadium in Killarney. However, the final score line does not do justice to battling performance against a top class Kerry outfit.

Carrig had the strong wind in the first half, but St. Marys were on the scoreboard in the first minute. Barry O'Keeffe opened Carrigs account a minute later with Brian Coakley scoring from a free in the third minute. The teams were level on the 7th minute at 3 points each with Brian Coakley getting our 3 score from play. St Marys found scores easy to come by while Carrig were very reliant on Brian Coakley who had five of our six first half scores. At half time St Mary's led by 8 points to 6 and we had a mountain to climb against the wind.

However Carrig started the second half well With Evan Ryle setting David Drake up for a point in the first minute. St Marys replied but Simon O'Brien had the margin down to the minimum in the 7th minute. St Mary's scored again but the game took a decisive turn mid way through the second half. Carrig had midfielder Kevin Kavanagh wrongly black carded in the 13th minute. However Carrig had a great chance when Brian Coakley set Barry O'Keeffe for a goal chance that would have put us a point ahead but the effort was saved by the keeper and from the resultant clearance St Marys pointed.

A goal in the 20th minute finished any chance of a comeback and St Marys ran out confident winners in the end.

A feature of the game, however was an outstanding display of fielding by Nicholas Murphy in the stadium where he gave many an outstanding display down through the years.

So the season comes to an end and what a season it was. Next years senior championship will be something to look forward to .

Scorers: B Coakley 0-6 (3F), D Drake 0-1, S O'Brien 0-1, B O'Keeffe 0-1

Team: Sean Mellet, Killian Forbes, Peter Roynane, Kieran Kavanagh, Cillian McSweeney, Cian Barry, Shane Griffin, Nicholas Murphy, Kevin Kavanagh, Evan Ryle, Barry O'Keeffe, Eoin Kavanagh, David Drake, Brian Coakley, Simon O'Brien.
Subs Used: David Griffin, Billy Pope, Eoin O'Connor, Killian McIntyre and Matthew O'Reilly.