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RESULTS: Derrynane /Sneem 0-8 Glenbeigh/Glencar 0-18

It was back in April when Sneem/Derrynane last took to the field in Derrynane when they were unlucky to lose by a single point to a strong Firies team. The team that was out on Saturday night looked a pale shadow of the April team. After the debacle up in Blennerville it was hoped to get a confidence-restoring win here, but instead we got another disjointed and listless performance. The whole forward line, missing the injured Donal Galvin and David Breen, failed to perform on the night, getting only two late points from play and kicking lots of wides. It also took the home team twenty two minutes to register their first score.

Things might have been different if Ronan Hussey had netted in the second minute when clean through, his shot coming back off the inside of the post, this was followed by a succession of wides from the home team. Glenbeigh/Glencar, driven on by Fergal Griffin at centre-half back and with Gavin Grady in sparkling form in attack, then went five points up. In the 20th minute Ian Galvin found himself through and produced a fine save from the goalkeeper though a point might have benefited the home team more. With Brendan Galvin and Adrian Breen beginning to assert themselves at midfield Sneem/Derrynane won three frees, two converted by Joe Corridan and one by A.Breen. The visitors got another in between, leaving it 0-6 to 0-3 at half-time.

Two early points in the second half to Glenbeigh/Glencar were answered by two frees from A.Breen, but the away team got another three in a row. Another fine free from A.Breen from 45 metres and an excellent Hussey point from play reduced the margin to four points, but the home team were completely outplayed for the rest of the game with the visitors scoring a further seven points and Hussey getting one more from play for the home team.

With Duagh gaining a precious point against Mitchels, Sneem/Derrynane now have to get at least a point from their two remaining games against Dromid and Beaufort to avoid relegation from Division Three, and arrest their worrying decline.

Man of the Match: Gavin Grady of Glenbeigh/Glencar

Team: R.White, D.Shea, M.O'Connor, Donal O'Sullivan, D.O'Leary, D.Drummond, A.O'Sullivan, A.Breen (0-4f), B.Galvin, Denis O'Sullivan, Darren Breen, J.Corridan (0-2f), I.Galvin, R.Hussey(0-2), S.McGillicuddy

Subs used: Raymond and Michael White

The pitch was in superb condition, a credit to groundsman Chris Humphreys.

Derrynane's Michael O'Connor was part of the South Kerry minor team that lost a thrilling County Final to Kilcummin by 2-15 to 2-14. Played on a glorious evening in Killorglin, this was a marvellous advertisement for Gaelic football with superb football from start to finish. Well done to a Gary O'Leary inspired Kilcummin who came back from being 2-5 to 0-3 down early on to win at the death, sending their massive support into raptures. Eanna O'Connor kicked some wonderful points for the losers. A small South Kerry support present.

Kerry South U16s, with clubmen Morgan O'Donoghue and Kevin and Eoin O' Sullivan in action, went out of the County Championship on Sunday losing to Kenmare District in Templeoe after extra-time.