

2nd September 2010
South Kerry Junior Championship

RESULTS: Derrynane 1-6 Sneem 2-8

Derrynane played Sneem in the South Kerry Junior Championship in Derrynane on Saturday. The home team were short some seasoned players, but the younger lads who replaced them performed very well. Derrynane opened the scoring with a Morgan O'Donoghue point from play after a good passing move involving Shane Mac and Cormac Breen. Sneem were soon on level terms, with a nice point from Ray White. Another solo run by M.O'Donoghue ended in him being fouled in the square and he took the penalty himself, sending Mark Drummond the wrong way. Rocked by this, Sneem went on the attack, but great defending by Ian Casey, Kevin Fitzmaurice and David Mac, kept them at bay. Luck then shone on Sneem when a long ball into the Derrynane goal came back off the crossbar to an inrushing forward who found the net to make it 1-1 to 1-1. Two quick Sneem points followed, one an excellent score from distance from Ray White. Then a good move, started in defence by Shane O'Donoghue, was carried on by Cian Boland who fed M.O'Donoghue who kicked a great score. Sneem replied with a Mike Sullivan free. Next, a fine piece of fielding by Ian Casey led to Michael White bringing it up the field, where Mike Crawley took it on and fed M.O'Donoghue who kicked the last score of the first half. 1-4 to 1-3 to Sneem.

The darkening evening was transformed to an Aviva-like brightness by the Club's new floodlights which lit up the sky in splendid fashion for the restart. Sneem were first off the mark with a free to go two up again, but back came the home team with a Shane Mac point after collecting a pass from Anthony Casey. Two Sneem frees put them three up before M.O'Donoghue reduced matters with a long-distance free after a foul on Shane Mac. Another Sneem free made it 1-8 to 1-5 at the halfway mark. More good defending by the home defence of M.White, S.O'Donoghue, Kevin O'Sullivan and Muiris Rayel (on for the injured Ian Casey) kept Sneem at bay, before another M.O'Donoghue point cut the deficit to two. Much as the home side tried they could not find the scores before Sneem got a last minute goal to take the gloss off the home side's effort with a final score of 2-8 to 1-6.

A clean, sporting contest was very well refereed by Paul O'Sullivan of Piarsaigh Na Dromida.

Team: John Galvin, Kevin O Sullivan, Ian Casey, Kevin Fitzmaurice, Shane O'Donoghue, Michael White, David McGillicuddy, Cormac Breen, Shane McGillicuddy, Morgan O Donoghue, Mike Crawley, Cian Boland, Damien Casey, Mark Wilson. Anthony Casey.
Subs used: Muiris Rayel