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St. Moninna's G.A.C. Killeavy Club News

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Seniors lose out in local derby

In desperate need of a win to alleviate their relegation worries, Killeavy took on Dromintee in a tensely fought local derby last Sunday afternoon in the Memorial Park. Hoping for a good start, Killeavy fell behind to two Dromintee frees before eventually getting on the board with a Steven McDonnell free and a Conor King point. Another Dromintee free was cancelled out by an excellent long range point from Michael Murphy. Dromintee scored their first point from play before McDonnell again had the sides level. Yet another free from Dromintee gave them the edge before a mix up in the Killeavy defence allowed Dromintee to score a simple tap-in goal. Immediately from the kickout, the Killeavy defence gave away another free which was converted to stretch the Dromintee lead to five. Killeavy tried to make some headway but were guilty of some very poor finishing before McDonnell pointed just on the half-time whistle. Killeavy 0.05 – Dromintee 1.06.

Dromintee stretched their lead at the restart but a Niall O'Neill goal was the catalyst for Killeavy's best spell of the game as further points from Gerard Byrne and a fighting effort from Raymond Teggart had the sides level at 1.07 each. Despite the urging from the home crowd, it was Dromintee who took control and three more frees (eight of their first ten points coming from the placed ball) created a gap that the home team were unable to bridge. Indeed Killeavy failed to score in the last fifteen minutes of the game while Dromintee eased to a comprehensive nine point victory.

The situation at the bottom of the table hasn't changed much as all five teams 'contesting' the three relegation places lost last weekend. All five have one match left in the final round of matches which takes place on Saturday 5th September. Killeavy are at home to Harps; Tir na nÓg away to Ballymacnab; Annaghmore away to Dromintee, Carrickcruppen at home to Granemore and St. Paul's away to Maghery. Anything could happen in this last round of fixtures but the bookies odds will be very much against Killeavy, Cruppen or St. Paul's finding the win to lift them out of the bottom three. However, where there's life there's hope and you just never know....

Hurlers exit Championship

A bad day for the club on Sunday afternoon became even worse when our hurlers were defeated by Derrynoose in the semi-final of the Junior championship last Sunday evening. They came into the match as reigning champions having won the title in a thrilling final against Sean Treacy's last October. It all looked very good at the start with Mattie McEvoy scoring in the first minute and Killeavy taking an early five points to one lead. On three occasions in the first quarter, Killeavy had excellent chances for a goal but good goalkeeping or slightly wayward finishing prevented us from getting the major score that our play deserved. Unfortunately it was an opportunistic Derrynoose breakaway goal which was ultimately to provide the difference between the two teams. Level at 0.06 to 1.03 at the break, the second half was nip and tuck all the way with chances and scores at a premium for both sides. A few crucial frees went the way of Derrynoose and Killeavy became desperate in search of the goal that they needed to get them back into the game. Despite throwing everything at Derrynoose and trying all the way to the end, Killeavy just couldn't convert some of their excellent defensive and outfield work into the necessary scores and in the end had to settle for losing their Junior crown on a scoreline of Derrynoose 1.09 – Killeavy 0.10.

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Focus on Championship action this week

Both our senior and junior footballers will be in championship action this week. On Sunday, the Juniors will be major underdogs as they take on Derrynoose who are flying high at the top of Division 3A. Killeavy are limited in terms of selection as we cannot pick anyone who took part in last year's senior championship, ruling out key midfielder James Duffy among others. Despite this, management will still be able to call on experience through the likes of Paul Watters, Finbar Mallon and Kevin McArdle while hoping that the youthful energy and skill provided by Michael Boyle, Daniel Darragh, Cathal Boylan and others will be enough to create an upset.

An early shout also to the seniors who will be playing Crossmaglen in next Saturday night's senior championship quarter-final. A full preview in next week's bulletin.

Upcoming Events

- Sat 15th..... Ulster GAA President Martin McAviney will join with us in a celebratory evening for our All-Ireland Set Dance Championships. Everyone welcome – admission free.
- Mon 17th A week of activities from 10.30am to 2.30pm each day of the Killeavy Summer Camp. All offers of help much appreciated.
- Sun 30th..... Killeavy Family Fun Day with all the regular favourites including the truck run, bouncy castles, stalls, etc.
- November..... Launch of the Killeavy Club History. Please pre-order through Michael McCrink (077 6727 0813); Sean Callan (077 3600 4223); Michael O'Neill (078 4110 2850).
Pre-ordered Book £30
Pre-ordered Book and named sponsorship £100
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Last week's results

Sen Football	Killeavy	1.07	Dromintee	1.16
Sen Hurling	Derrynoose	1.09	Killeavy	0.10
Sen Ladies	Killeavy	0.15	Forkhill	3.06
u14 Football	St. Enda's	3.09	Killeavy	6.09
u12 Ladies	Killeavy	4.09	Tir na nÓg	1.04

This week's fixtures

Fri 14 th	u14 Football	Killeavy v Carrickcruppen	7.30pm
Sun 16 th	u8/u10 Hurling	Blitz in Killeavy	10.00am
Sun 16 th	Jun Football	Killeavy v Derrynoose (Cullyhanna)	3.45pm
Sun 16 th	u12 Ladies	Killeavy v Cullyhanna	5.00pm
Sun 16 th	Sen Camogie	St. Brigid's v Killeavy	
Mon 17 th	u16 Football	Killeavy v Shane O'Neill's	7.30pm
Mon 17 th	u16 Ladies	Carrickcruppen v Killeavy	7.00pm
Tue 18 th	u14 Football	Killeavy v Clann Eireann	7.15pm
Thu 20 th	u16 Football	Dromintee v Killeavy	7.15pm
Sat 22 nd	Sen Football	Cross v Killeavy (in Silverbridge)	6.30pm
Sun 23 rd	Jun Football	Killeavy II v Dromintee II	2.00pm

Lottery News

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There was **NO** winner of the £4,800 jackpot

There was **ONE** Match 3 Winner - £25

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