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

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Championship Report – All Square in Abbey Park double header

There was plenty of excitement on offer at the championship double header in Abbey Park, Armagh last Saturday evening.

Killeavy's Junior team faced Poyntzpass O'Hanlon's in the opening game. Poyntzpass scored first but Killeavy soon settled and unanswered points from Tom Behan, Paul Watters, Cathal O'Hara and James Duffy had Killeavy ahead 0.04 to 0.01 by the 15th minute. Things got even better for us when a speculative effort by Rory Trainor was missed by the defence and ended up in the back of the net. However, instead of kicking on, Killeavy allowed the 'Pass to get back into the game with three points in a row. Just before the break, Cathal O'Hara pointed to leave the half-time score 1.05 to 0.04.

A Kealan O'Hare point restored the gap to five points but some indisciplined tackling allowed the 'Pass back into it with three pointed frees. Again the momentum swung and points from Tom Behan (2) and Cathal O'Hara had us leading by five with 10 minutes to go. To their credit, Poyntzpass never gave up and scored two points before the move of the game which saw the Killeavy defence split wide open for a game tying goal. Even then, with only two minutes remaining, we thought we had it won when Tom Behan sent over for his fourth score of the game but Poyntzpass earned the draw with a coolly taken 40m free.

The replay took place on Wednesday night but unfortunately there was no report on the match available by the time the bulletin went to print. Suffice to say that Killeavy triumphed on a scoreline of 3.12 to 2.07 and now face St. Patrick's II in the quarter-final with the match scheduled for Carrickcruppen next Monday night at 6.45pm.

In the second half of the double header, Killeavy got off to a great start with the running of Míceál McNamee in particular giving Eire Og all kinds of problems. McNamee scored the opening two points and when Darren O'Hanlon got onto the end of an excellent move to palm the ball to the net, we were good value for a 1.02 to 0.01 lead. Unfortunately we lost our way after that with two many moves breaking down on a massed Eire Og defensive wall. At the other end, Eire Og managed to isolate our defenders one on one and scored five of the next six points with only a Barry O'Hara effort stopping the rot. The addition of Paul Quinn from the sub's bench had an immediate impact when his first touch of the game was to palm home a high ball into the box and Cathal Boylan followed up with a point to leave the half-time score 2.04 to 0.07.

The second half made for very difficult watching as Eire Og continued to pick off scores by utilising a long, high ball into the Killeavy defence. Despite early scores by McNamee and Conor O'Neill, Eire Og stormed into the lead with a goal and five points before Killeavy finally cut off the threat by moving James Donnelly to full back to neutralise the aerial power of the Craigavon side. Three points down with ten minutes remaining, it does say a lot about the character of the team that they dug themselves out of a hole and points from Raymie Teggart, Conor O'Neill and a fistful effort from Barry McKeivitt right at the death saved our blushes on the day.

The replay takes place tonight (Friday) in the Athletic Grounds at 6.45pm. Killeavy will be hoping to learn from the drawn encounter and come up with a strategy to counteract the very effective Eire Og gameplan while still allowing for more of the excellent forward play that was evident particularly in the first half.

Whatever happens on Friday, Killeavy will be back in championship action next Wednesday night – hopefully in a second round encounter against Silverbridge or failing that, in back door qualifier action against An Port Mor. Details of the fixture including venue and start time will be posted on Facebook as soon as they are confirmed.

Another date for your diary is Monday 12th September when our minors face Crossmaglen in the semi-final of the championship. This crunch match is scheduled for 7.00pm in Dromintee.

COFFEE MORNING



Action
cancer
Saving Lives Supporting People

Killeavy Camogs have organised a
Coffee Morning in:
Killeavy Social Club Forkhill Road Newry.
Saturday 10th September
From 10am to 12.00
All in aid of Action Cancer Support.

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Snippets

Armagh Camogs play Carlow in the All Ireland Junior Final on Sunday 11th September in Croke Park. There will be two busloads of supporters leaving Killeavy to cheer them on to what we hope will be a historic victory for Armagh camogie. There are just a few spaces still available which can be booked by contacting any of our camogie coaches.

Congratulations to Karen McVerry and her team who won the Killeavy Treasure Hunt last Friday night. There was a great turnout of thirty seven cars for the fiendish clues set by the Phillips' brothers. Thanks to all who took part.

There was also a very good turnout for the Fun Day on Sunday with the little ones in particular enjoying the fairground rides and other attractions. It takes a tremendous effort to put this day on but the organising committee can be well pleased with the results of their efforts.

For those wishing to up their Irish Language skills, Southern Regional College have a two year Level 5 Diploma which aims to bring students to a high level of competence in spoken and written Irish. The course is delivered over two evenings per week and you can find out more by contacting John McCaul at 0300 123 1223.

Finally, we wish every success to St. Michael's Drama Club who will be taking over the big hall next weekend for their production of the Irish comedy Last Orders. Tickets @ £10 still available from Fionnuala on 077 8968 0670. Break a leg everybody.

St Michaels Drama Group
Killean Presents



An Amateur Production Of
Last Orders

Lottery News

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There was **NO** winner of the £3,300 jackpot
There were **FIVE** Match 3 Winners - £25 each

NAME	ADDRESS	SELLER
Bernie Somers	Millvale Road	Mickey McCrink
Donnacha Trainor	Forkhill Road	Seamus Coyle
Cathy Larkin	Ulsterbus	Terry Byrne
Gerard Mallon	Low Road	Gerard Mallon
Annie & James Coyle	Upper Fathom	Louis Coyle

Promoter Prize – £25 – Donal McEvoy
Prize money this week **£150** Next Jackpot

£3,400

Volunteering in Sport

There was a big night in the Wellington Park Hotel, Belfast on Wednesday night for a seminar on volunteerism that was jointly hosted by Ulster GAA, the IRFU and the IFA. Star of the show was Irish Rugby international Craig Gilroy who spoke of the effect that volunteers had had on his rugby career and his own efforts at club level and for the Concern charity in Sierra Leone. The chairman of Ballinamallard FC spoke of their award winning schemes for rewarding volunteers while other speakers, including the Minister for the Community Paul Givan MLA delivered addresses on various aspects of volunteerism.

Following on from our recent Club Maith Platinum award, the GAA had asked Killeavy to present a case study on how we utilise volunteers within the club. Vice chairman Michael O'Neill was volunteered for the job and referred to the success of the Goldmark initiative, to the loyal band of lotto checkers that give up an hour or two on a Sunday night and to the tremendous work being done across the club by coaches, committees and fundraisers, even mentioning the u10s playing their part in the dressing room clean up rota. One really noticeable part of the evening was the similarity in approach between ourselves and the rugby and soccer fraternity. All in all an excellent event with the Killeavy contribution being recognised in this tweet from the St. Enda's club in Omagh. Translation: Interesting evening with Killeavy GAA tonight.



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Aug 31

Oíche suimiúil leis @KilleavyGAA anocht.



Last week's results

Sen Football	Killeavy	2.09	Eire Og	1.12
Jun Football	Killeavy	1.10	O'Hanlon's	1.10
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u16 Football	Carrickcruppen	0.13	Killeavy	1.07
u14 Football	Carrickcruppen	1.02	Killeavy	3.27
u14 Hurling	Keady	W	Killeavy	L

This week's fixtures

Fri 2 nd	Sen Football	Killeavy v Eire Og (Athletic Grounds)	6.45pm
Mon 5 th	Jun Football	Killeavy II v St. Patrick's II (C'ruppen)	6.45pm
Tue 6 th	u14 Football	Killeavy v Crossmaglen (Dromintee)	7.00pm
Wed 7 th	Sen Football	Next round of the championship	TBC
Thu 8 th	u16 Football	Killeavy v Clan na Gael	7.00pm