

# SENTINEL SPORT

## Mervue soccer teams in unstoppable form

MERVUE United U-15s travelled to Charlestown in the first round of the Evans Cup. Mervue, with two of their regular players out through injury, still hit the opposition for seven goals and conceded only two.

Captain Liam Keane hit six of them and now takes his tally to 15 goals in five games while James Walsh scored the other. Mervue are now unbeaten this season so far and managers Mike Lydon and Jonjoe Fahy are hoping to keep this successful run going.

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### Mervue tops in thriller

Mervue United 6  
Salthill Devon 5

THE MERVUE and Salthill under 13 sides produced an eleven goal thriller in this Troy Cup game at South Park on Saturday morning which went into extra-time and was excellently handled by referee Noel Lennon.

Des Hardiman gave Mervue the lead early on but Salthill's John Diviney equalised. Hardiman put Mervue back in front once more but the Seasiders were not to be outdone and John Tyrrell put them back on level terms.

Matthias O'Malley struck once more for the Mervue boys, but before the break Salthill's Andy Irwin equalised and the sides were level at 3-apiece at the interval.

Early in the second period Salthill went in front for the first time when Chester Read shot home but Tom Burke levelled matters once again with a good strike for Mervue to bring the game into extra time.

In the added time Alan Dooley scored for Mervue but once again the Seasiders equalised through Andy Irwin. Then as time was running out Mervue introduced super-sub Miko Nolan and he had the distinction of winning the game for them with a good shot in the dying minutes.

Best for the winners were, Alan Curley, Lee Fleming, Dec Furey, Eric Connolly, Ronan Cullinane and Barry Doyle. For a gallant Salthill side, John Diviney, Enda Cunningham, Chester Reid and Andy Irwin were best.

Martin Cullinane, Johnny Delargy and Greg Feeley.

#### Mervue 2 — Salthill 1

In the Premier League Mervue played against newly promoted Salthill in Fahy's Field. Mervue seemed very slow to settle but after thirty minutes Benny Fahy pounced on a loose ball but his shot just skimmed the post. Five minutes later Kevin Fallon was through but he shot wide.

In the second half Mervue dominated and in the 65th minute Irish Junior International Donny Farragher, who received his first cap against the Isle of Man last week, took the ball inside his own half, carried it right into the box before slipping it past the Salthill goalkeeper.

Ten minutes later, Farragher hit the ball from 35 yards and buried it in the bottom right hand corner for goal number two. Five minutes from time a handball by a Mervue defender resulted in a penalty, which was scored by veteran Pete Kelly.

This inspired Salthill into more attacking football but Mervue's defence held solid with James Healy and Owen Shaughnessy outstanding.

Mervue had fine performances from J. Healy, O. Shaughnessy, B. Fahy, G. O'Connor and D. Farragher while Salthill were best served by O. Grouke, O. Neill, Hutchinson, Flaherty and Kelly.

#### Intermediate Cup—Senior Mervue Utd. 1—Ballina Town 0

Mervue United played their first game in the Intermediate Cup on Sunday afternoon in

Mervue against Ballina Town. Surely this game was one of the fastest games played in Senior for a long time with the ball going from one end of the field to the other right throughout the tie.

Mervue deded on playing the very experienced Mike McDonnell up front alongside Mike Farrell leaving regular goalscorer Derek Crowe on the bench. In the first half the teams were very evenly matched with chances coming from both sides. After ten minutes Peter O'Dowd hit a ferocious low drive which just went wide. Ballina also had chances breaking the Mervue offside trap on two or three occasions but Mervue 'keeper Gabby Higgins was off his line quickly to clear every time.

In the second half Mervue seemed to get more possession but with Ballina's defence looking solid there seemed no way through. But in the 75th minute the breakthrough came.

Peter O'Dowd took a throw on the left to Derek Grainger who knocked it back to O'Dowd again. The perfect cross into the six yard box found Gary Walsh who headed into the corner of the net past a helpless Ballina goalie.

Mervue, inspired by the goal, stamped their authority on the game and kept control until the end. This is a great result for Mervue with such a young side and will be hoping for a home draw again in the next round.

Mervue had outstanding players in Derek Grainger, Ger Healy, Gabby Higgins and Alan Joyce.

## Hibernians run riot

Hibernians.....7  
Spiddal.....0

THIS one-sided FAI Mars Under-17 Cup game at Bohermore on Sunday morning, never saw Hibernians in danger of not advancing to the next round of the competition.

After Sean McGlynn put the black and whites ahead on the half-hour mark, which was added to by Lawrence Lawless some minutes later, the result was never in doubt. Spiddal had an opportunity to close arrears but missed a penalty before Anthony Kelly made it 3 nil before this break.

Billy Cleary, early in the second half, made it 4 nil and further goals by Mark Flaherty, Cleary again and "man of the match" Christopher Laffey who was superb in his sweeper's role, saw an easy home victory.

Spiddal were clearly outclassed and despite never being in with any chance battled to the end. Paud Naughton ran himself into the ground in their cause.

## Juvenile soccer results

Troy Cup U-13, Castle Knitwear—Salthill 5, Mervue 6. Oranbay 1, Renmore 0.

Evans Cup U-15, Castle Knitwear: Kilmaine 1, Newcastle 7; Galway Hibs 1, Straide-Foxford A 4; Charlestown 2, Mervue 7.

F.A.I. Mars Cup U-17: Mervue 2, Salthill 2; Crescent 1, Corrib Rangers 2; Hibs 7, Spiddal 0.

Galway Bay Seafoods U-13 League: Newcastle 6, Corrib Rangers 1; Mervue 0, Salthill 2; Annaghdown 3, Corrib Shamrocks 2; Oranbay 4, Atheny 0; Oranmore 3, Gort 4; Hibs. 8, Rovers 1.

Jim Murphy Cup U-15 League: Mervue 6, Salthill 5; Newcastle 4, Corrib Rangers 1.

Andy King Cup U-16 League: Hibs 6, Corrib Rangers 1; Newcastle 0, Mervue 1; Salthill 1, Crescent 0; West United 1, Renmore 4.

Richard Quinn Trophy U-17 League: Mervue 9, Atheny 2; Crescent 5, Salthill 2; Corrib Rangers 3, Hibs. 2.

Pepsi Cola Cup U-18 League: Corrib Rangers 6, Mervue 1; Salthill 0, Corrib Rangers 3.

Fixture: Norton Cup U-12: Sunday, Oct. 6 at West Park 2.30 p.m. Corrib Shamrocks v Merville.

## Newcastle's unbeaten record

NEWCASTLE United after four weeks and 19 games kept their unbeaten record intact with two excellent cup wins over the weekend. On Saturday the under 15's had an easy 7-1 win against Kilmaine from Mayo in the Evans Cup.

A feature of the game was a goal scored by the Newcastle 'keeper Adrian Cronin. Alan Long, Ollie Rafferty, Kieran Foley, Colin Hawkins and Noel Rigney (2) completed the Newcastle scoring.

On Sunday, at the Westside the under 13's defeated Achill by 4 goals to nil in the Troy Cup. The scorers were Michael Harty (2), Dara Sheridan (2) and others to shine were Colm McCarthy, Derek Bell and man of the match Ryan Casey.

In the Galway Bay Seafoods (U-13) League, Newcastle had a deserved 5-1 win over local side Corrib Rangers. John Costello, Dara Sheridan, Michael Harty, Evan Quinn and Dara Cox scored for Newcastle. Ronan Walsh from a free kick replied for Rangers.

Newcastle completed the double against Rangers with a 4-1 victory in the Jim Murphy (U-15) League. Anthony Tierney, Shane Murphy, Colin Hawkins and Kieran Foley were on the mark for the winners while Gerry Bowen from the penalty spot scored for Rangers.

Meanwhile the under-14's took both points with a 5-1 win against Salthill at a wet and windy Westside Pitch. Richie Dunne, Dara Sheridan, Colin Hawkins, Paul Conneely and Ollie Rafferty scored for Newcastle and Martin O'Connell scored for the Seasiders.

## Soccer fixtures

### —SATURDAY, OCT. 5—

#### Bank of Ireland FAI Junior Cup—

Shrule, 2.30 p.m. Riverside Celtic v Ballinakill.

Oranmore, 2.30 p.m. Oranmore v Bard Celtic.

Kilcornan, 2.30 p.m. Kilcornan v AIB.

Annahdown, 2.30 p.m. Corrib Celtic v Kilshanvey.

Colmanstown, 2.30 p.m. Colmanstown v MacDara.

Renmore, 2.30 p.m. Renmore v TAC.

Barna, 3.00 p.m. Furbo v Corofin United.

Abbeyknockmoy, 5.00 p.m. St. Bernards v Oranbeg 90.

Mervue II, 11.00 a.m. Crescent United v Aula Rovers.

### —SUNDAY, OCT. 6—

#### Bank of Ireland FAI Junior Cup—

Mervue, 11.00 a.m. Mervue United v Tuam Celtic.

Dangan, 11.00 a.m. UCG v Thermo King.

Craughwell, 11.30 a.m. Craughwell v Dunmore.

South Park, 11.30 a.m. Salthill Devon v Digital.

Jesuits, 11.30 a.m. OLBS v Dynamo Blues.

Bohs. Park, 11.30 a.m. Bohs. v Olde Ground

Kiltullagh, 11.30 a.m. Kiltullagh v Athenry.

Headford, 12.30 p.m. Moyne Villa v Salthill FC.

Ballyconneely, 12.30 p.m. West Coast United v Hibs.

Moylough, 2.30 p.m. Moylough v West United.

Banks, 2.30 p.m. Bank of Ireland v Portumna.

Loughrea, 2.30 p.m. Loughrea v College Colts.

### —RESULTS—

Bank of Ireland Brod Trill Premier: Bank of Ireland 1, Hibs 4; Moyne Villa 1, Crescent 2; Renmore 1, Bohs 1; Mervue

United 2, Salthill Devon 1; West United 3, Kilcornan 1.

Bank of Ireland 2nd Div: Moylough 6, West Coast United 0; Tuam Celtic 3, Thermo King 0; ULBC 3, St. Bernards 3.

Bank of Ireland 2nd Div: Digital 3, Corrib Celtic 2; MacDara 5, Furbo 2; Athenry 1, Loughrea 1; Portumna 1, Kiltullagh 1.

Olympic Sports 3rd Div: Ballinakill 1, Riverside Celtic 4; Bard Celtic 2, TAC 1; Kilshanvey 0, Aula Rovers 1; Colmanstown 3, AIB 2; Oranbay 90 2, Corofin 2.

## Boys' Club are back

O.L.B.C.....3  
ST. BERNARD'S.....3

PLAYED at the Jesuit pitch on Sunday morning, Boys' Club can feel hard one by to come away with only a point. Indeed, Boys' Club took the lead on three occasions with Ray Ryan scoring twice and Damien Nelson finding the net with a bullet of a header.

However all credit to St. Bernard's for keeping in the game with two goals from Liam Doyle and another in the last minute from Michael Collins. This was a highly entertaining game played in great conditions and the large crowd that turned up saw some great football.

Best for Club were Sean Callaghan who made some great saves on his first game for club, T. Molloy, M. Kerins, J. J. Healy and M. McDonagh. M. Warde and Tony King did well when introduced.

Best of a battling St. Bernard's side were L. Doyle, M. Collins, G. Blake, D. McCormack and D. Kelly.

Referee G. Murphy controlled the game with great efficiency.

## Man. City proves best in Renmore 7-a-side League

THERE was an exciting climax to the Renmore 7-a-side soccer competition for juveniles under 12 years which was held in the Lurgan Park Estate. Five teams had battled it out in the previous weeks and the first game down for decision was a play-off for a place in the semi-final between Fergus Myles' (Leeds United) and David Gilmore's (Man. United) with the captain of the latter team scoring the only goal of the game, a penalty in the last minute.

The first of the semi-finals saw Liverpool take on the competitions underdogs Barcelona. Liverpool had the better of the early exchanges with Brian Gilmore and Alan O'Boyle both seeing shots come of the upright. Nevertheless Barcelona through Martin Place and Conor Kavanagh, fought doggedly and kept their side in touch, forcing the game to penalties which they duly won by 3-2.

In the second semi-final favourites Man. City led by Niall Gilroy had no difficulty in disposing of Man. United with Darren Dulgnan scoring the all-important goal early in the second half. An interesting final ensued with the pairing of Barcelona and Man. City.

Defences, however, were to be the feature of this game. For Man. City Billy McDonnell, David Lyons and Greg Hayes did an excellent job in containing Barcelona's deadly duo of Martin Place and David Walsh while at the other end Patrick Gralton and Conor Kavanagh were in fine form.

Unfortunately, the final whistle came all too soon resulting in both sides being deadlocked and a penalty shoot-out was necessary to decide the winner. Ronan Nolan and Darren Dulgnan both converted for Man. City while Barcelona only goal was scored by Martin Place.

Mr. Bernard Shapiro, Hon. President of Renmore AFC presented the trophies to the winners Man. City and medals to all who participated. David Gilmore received the top goalscorer award and Martin Place was the recipient of the overall player of the tournament award.

Footnote: Renmore schoolboys committee wish to thank the residents of Lurgan Park for having the pitch in excellent condition for the finals and also for the refreshments provided for all who attended.

## Supporters Club trip to Elland Rd.

THE GALWAY branch of the Leeds United Supporters' Club are travelling to Leeds this weekend for United's home fixture with Sheffield United this Saturday.

This is the club's first official trip of the season and will incorporate their 'Player of the Season' 1990-91 function on Saturday night.

Among the guests from Leeds United who will be attending the function will be Lee Chapman, Branch 'Player of the Season', David Batty, Gary Speed and Glyn Snodin.

During the night a cheque will be presented to former Irish international Jim Beglin who recently had to quit the game due to injury, and who will have a testimonial v Liverpool later in the season.

For details of further trips and how to join the branch, intending new members should contact Branch Secretary Gerry McDermott, Phone 57833 or write to 28, Barry Avenue, Mervue, Galway.

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