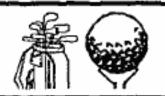
## SENTINEL SPORT







IN CONTROL ... Old Ground's Benny Fahy launches an attack despite the attentions of Renmore's Brendan Lambe during Saturday night's Premier Division clash.

# McDonald's header earns Boys' Club their second Lillis Cup in five years

O.L.B.C.....2 :: West Coast United......1

CONTESTING their fifth Jack Lillis Cup Final in succession, the holders, Boys' Club retained their title as two second half goals saw them come from behind to win at Terryland Park on Sunday.

However, by that stage, the game should have already been beyond their reach as some wayward finishing by the Tullycross based side was to cost them dearly.

## Utd cash in on errors!

Galway United ..... 2 Longford Town ..... 0

GALWAY United ended a fluctuating and ultimately disappointing season on a high note when dismissing bottom of the table Longford Town Strokestown Road on Friday night.

Don O'Riordan's side poor start to the First Division campaign came back to haunt them despite threatening to catch Limerick for the promotion play-off place when the league resumed at the end of February.

United owed their victory in the team's last outing of the league to two mistakes by the home side --- the first coming on 55 minutes when Longford keeper Anthony Keenan gifted Ollie Neary a simple tap-in. Longford's agony was completed just on full time when Chris Malone lost possession to Hyan Lucas who raced clean through

before finding the target.

West Coast United - no strangers to for the majority of the second act as an attacking force.

O'Neill while at the other end, Brendan O'Malley was wide with just Martin McDonagh to

in the area, Kieran Daly's spot kick was firm but ill-directed as a swift counter attack was set in motion following the rebounds from a post. However, Paul Gannon couldn't find a way past before the McDonagh, goalkeeper performed a similar denial minutes later.

A Gannon pass set up Daniel King but his shot lacked power before West through Coast finally got a ereward for all their endeavours. Gannon's break looked to Kearin's, have been foiled by Arthur McWilliams, McWilliams but the rebound Curran, B. O'Halloran, J. fell kindly for the striker as he Curran, Ward, E. O'Halloran. made it 1-0 Connemara side after 32 E. O'Halloran, Nash for Ward. minutes.

## O.L.B.C. AFC

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Four minutes after the success restart, Gannon turned themselves having won the provider as he set up King league abd Cup double in but he chose a subtle Division 2A last season - approach when power was literally played for only 50 required and McDonagh minutes as they were overrun saved. It was their last real

Club took over and after A lively contest ensued Anthony Curran has a header from the opening moments disallowed, they squared as first Club's Jason Curran matters on 64 minutes. Jason was denied by 'keeper, Jim Curran chased a long delivery and played on as the Coast West defence hesitated. His cross was finished to the net by Brian After Curran was upended O'Halloran with a fine header.

Despite some stout defending from Andy Mortimer, Joachim Lydon and Richie Flaherty, the West Coast rearguard breached once more. Devlin struck his 72 minute corner to the far post and P.J. McDonagh responded magnificently the challenge as he rose high and powered a header home crowded goalmouth.

O.L.B.C.: M. McDonagh, Dodd, Daly, Devlin, A. for the Reserves: P.J. McDonagh for

West Coast United: J. O'Neill, Keane, Mitchell, Mortimer, Lydon, Flaherty, M. O'Neill, O'Malley, King, P. The Weekly Forecast winners Gannon, Hurley. Reserves: G. were Colin Gibbons, David Gannon for O'Malley, Keane for King, Sheridan for Hurley. Referee: P. Flaherty.

## Mervue United's u.15s rally gallantly after opening half nightmare in Evans Cup

Mervue United.....2 Leicester Celtic.....5

IRISH Manager, Mick McCarthy and Mervue United boss, Mike Shaughnessy both had similar problems in their most recent outings.

McCarthy saw the error of his ways by the interval after central defenders, Breen and Harte were torn to shreds by Batistuta and Ortega and the replacements ensured a more competent second half performance.

Shaughnessy had to impose a similar type of surgery as a 4-0 interval deficit didn't really tell the whole story. The introduction of Dara Ryan and David Cummins was the beginning of a new revolution and in an outstanding second half performance, Mervue outscored their Dublin visitors by 2-1.

A place in the final of the SFAI U.15 Evans Cup was at stake and any sign of a home capitilation disappeared six minutes after the restart when Derek Heffernan and John Lester's full bodied clash

almost sent the ball into orbit as home spirits were lifted.

By this stage they had already pulled one back after Kevin Fitzpatrick had linked up with Mark Boyle before firing past Forest bound goalkeeper, Barry Roche.

From there until the end, the home side dominated but by giving away four opening half goals by Robert Doherty, Donal Patterson, John Lester and Colm Gargan they just had too much ground to make

Under 15 international "keeper, Roche showed his prowess with superb saves to deny Peter Mernagh (twice), Fitzpatrick and Heffernan (free kick) before Michael Tierney was off target from close range.

Following a Dara Ryan corner

on 68 minutes, Keith Ryan scrambled it over the line to pull it back to 4-2 after which Kieran Boyle was denied by the crossbar with aheader. It was Leicester who had the final say as Aidan O'Keeffe tapped home the rebound after O'Neill had saved

Mervue United: O'Neill, Fitzpatrick, Duffy, O'Gorman, Geary, Heffernan, M. Boyle, Ward, Tierney, K. Ryan, Mernagh, Reserves: D. Ryan for Geary, Cummins for Ward, K. Boyle for Tierney.

Lester's initial drive.

Leicester Celtic: Roche, Dolan, Renwick, Coleman, White, Kerin, Patterson, Lester, Doherty, Delton, Gargan. Reserves: Doyle for Patterson, O'Keeffe for Gargan, Boyle for Kerin. Referee: J. Howley.

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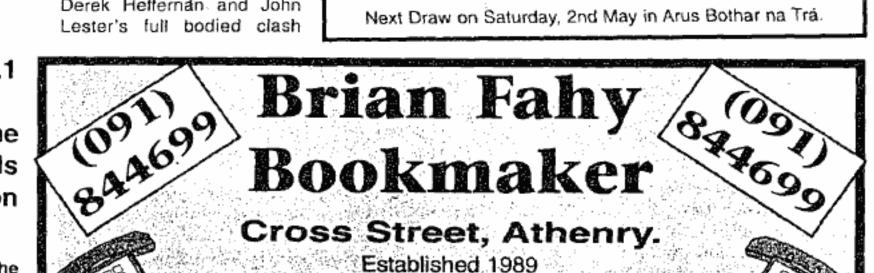
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