

SENTINEL SPORT



TangleRenmore's Pat Lohan battles for possession with Hibs Martin Devlin during the Connacht Junior Cup final at Terryland Park. Photos Iain McDonald.

Crescent and Old Ground advance in Joe Ryan Cup

WITH the big two having their eyes on their pending Connacht Junior Cup clash, no great surprise when both Hibernians and Renmore were dispatched from the Joe Ryan Cup at the feet of Crescent and Old Ground.

A clash of jerseys resulted in Hibernians having to change

Cunningham Cup Newcastle bound

Newcastle United.....5
Moyné Villa.....2
Newcastle United won this seven goal thriller in Terryland Park last Wednesday. Moyné Villa opened the scoring after ten minutes through Gerry Fahy only for Newcastle to equalise after 15 minutes. Moyvilla regained the lead just before half-time to leave them 2-1 ahead at the break.

In the second half Newcastle took control with Brian Connolly (son of former Galway hurler, Joe Connolly) dominating the midfield exchanges and it was fitting that he scored the equaliser to bring the game into extra time.

The introduction of Sean Hernon proved to be the match winner for Newcastle as he set up Brian Connolly for his second goal and scored two himself. Moyné Villa tried their hardest but found Eamonn Feeney in great form in the Newcastle goal.

Others to shine for Newcastle were David Kelly, Aidan Bradley, Frank Daly and Paddy Mulvihell while Niall Meenehan, Colm Coyle and Sean Kelleghan were best for Moyné Villa.

Referee: Gerry Dooley.

from their usual black and white to a spare yellow kit and while this, no doubt, upset them, Crescent were worthy winners on a 3-2 scoreline.

The went two up early on through penalties from John Corcoran and Ollie Keogh before Paul Langan pulled one back for Hibernians.

A Michael Keogh effort regained their two goal advantage before a Sean Lawless header following a corner reduced it to a minimum again. Chances went abegging at both ends as Crescent held on and in the process became the only side to defeat Hibernians twice this season.

The other surprise was in Shantalla where Old Ground, three up at one stage were comfortable 3-1 winners over Renmore. A Dixie Devlin cracker put them one up at the interval before goals from Senan Smith and a Peter Lynch penalty increased their advantage. A Ciaran Conneely penalty was all a depleted Renmore had to show for their efforts.

Bohemians, whose form slipped away a little of late were never going to be caught unawares in Headford and goals from Willie Doyle, Kevin Joyce, and Des Joyce saw them easy winners over Moyné Villa.

The other outstanding clash saw home side Mervue decisive winners over Salthill Devon. Scoreless at the interval but second half goals from Liam Keane, Alan Corcoran and Ger McGrath saw them run out comfortable 3-1 winners. The Devon effort was put away by Niall Fitzpatrick.

The semi-final line-up now is Old Ground against Bohemians with a local derby clash between Mervue and Crescent.

The Lillis Cup has also reached the final stage and after two testing semi-finals Salthill FC and OLBC will contest Thursday night's final.

Holders FC had to come from a goal down — the first they conceded in five matches — but goals from Mark Kavanagh and Aidan McCafferkey saw them prevail 2-1 over Tuam Celtic.

It was a similar scoreline that saw OLBC despatch Ballinakill and the final should hopefully produce a performance to match the occasion.

Each side has registered a win over the other in the league exchanges with FC, however, proving the most consistent in gaining one of the promotion places.

Newcastle win in shoot-out

Newcastle United.....1 (4)
Corrib Rangers.....1 (3)
Newcastle United captured the Richard Quinn Cup (under 17) after a thrilling tie which saw the teams enter their second period of extra-time in the space of two weeks.

Corrib Rangers struck first after an impressive Rory Hehir free kick beat the Newcastle goalie Glen Hynes from 25 yards. Newcastle regained their composure and put Rangers under pressure with Paul Moran equalising with a looping header. Full time arrived with both teams not giving an inch and extra time did nothing to separate the teams. Captain, Richie Dunne struck home the winning penalty and was presented with the cup after the game by sponsor, Richard Quinn.

Best for Newcastle were Paul Moran, Seamus Donoghue, Richie Dunne and Dara Sheridan while Corrib Rangers had their stars in Ger Walsh, Lee Maher, Kenneth McHugh and Emmet O'Halloran.
Referee: Tom Staunton.
Linesmen: David Daly, Paul McGrath.

UNDER-11 SOCCER 7-A-SIDE FIXTURES

Thursday, June 1 - McDonald's Cup (U-11) - Venue: Mervue

Pitch No. 1	Pitch No. 2
Mervue Utd. B v St. Francis A	Loughrea B v Riverside Celtic A
Moycullen Utd. B v Salthill Devon D	Riverside Celtic A v Oranmore-Maree A
Newcastle Utd. C v Mervue Utd. B	Loughrea B v St. Francis A
Salthill Devon D v Riverside Celtic A	St. Francis A v Newcastle Utd. C
Mervue Utd. B v Moycullen Utd. A	Oranmore-Maree A v Loughrea B
6.30 p.m.	
6.55 p.m.	
7.20 p.m.	
7.55 p.m.	
8.20 p.m.	

Thursday, June 1 - McDonald's Cup (U-11) - Venue: Westside

Pitch No. 1	Pitch No. 2
Renmore A v Salthill Devon A	Newcastle Utd. A v Loughrea A
Salthill Devon B v Renmore A	St. Bernards A v Gort A
Mervue Utd. A v Renmore A	Salthill Devon A v Salthill Devon C
Salthill Devon A v Salthill Devon B	Newcastle Utd. A v Salthill Devon C
St. Bernards A v Renmore A	Mervue Utd. A v Gort A
Renmore A v Newcastle Utd. A	Salthill Devon B v St. Bernards A
Salthill Devon C v Mervue Utd. A	Gort A v Salthill Devon A
Renmore A v Loughrea A	
6.30 p.m.	
6.55 p.m.	
7.20 p.m.	
7.55 p.m.	
8.20 p.m.	
8.45 p.m.	
9.10 p.m.	
9.35 p.m.	

Thursday, June 1 - McDonald's Cup (U-11) - Venue: Renmore

Pitch No. 1	Pitch No. 2
Renmore B v Salthill Devon E	Tirellan Rangers A v Moycullen Utd. A
Newcastle Utd. B v Renmore B	Oranmore Maree B v Salthill Devon E
Moycullen Utd. A v Rovers A	Corrib Rangers A v Newcastle Utd. B
Tirellan Rangers A v Oranmore-Maree B	Renmore B v Moycullen Utd. A
Rovers A v Tirellan Rangers A	Salthill Devon E v Corrib Rangers A
6.30 p.m.	
6.55 p.m.	
7.20 p.m.	
7.45 p.m.	
8.10 p.m.	

Salthill U-16s capture Andy King Cup in style

Salthill Devon 2
Newcastle 0

SALTHILL Devon won the Andy King Cup when they defeated Newcastle in the under-16 league final at Terryland Park recently.

The game was played at a good pace throughout with Newcastle giving their opponents plenty to think about particularly in the opening 15 minutes.

However, they could find no way past a solid Salthill back four where John Diviney and Peter Waldron were in superb form all through, ably assisted by full backs Donal Feeney and Tom Faherty.

But the real difference between the two sides lay in the forward divisions where Hugh O'Loughlin and Mickey O'Malley caused Newcastle a lot of problems.

The deadlock was broken after 19 minutes when Sean Nevin and Stephen O'Gorman combined to set up Allan Beatty whose superb shot gave the goalkeeper no chance.

Salthill were rampant at this stage and it was no surprise when they scored number two five minutes later.

Pearse Scully who was very impressive on the right hand side of midfield beat his

man and sent in a great cross where Mickey O'Malley climbed highest to power home a great header.

Newcastle started the second half in great style. Paul Connaughton twice, Dara Sheridan and Seamus Donohue all had good chances.

Salthill weathered the storm, however, and could have added a third after a great move down the left involving Diviney, Beatty and

O'Malley but substitute Eddie Fitzgerald was just unable to apply the final touch.

Newcastle battled to the end and had great performances from Paul Connaughton, Derek Bell, Allan Dooley and Dara Sheridan.

This was a good all round performance from Salthill with Paraic Lally, Diviney, Waldron, Scully, O'Malley and substitute Fitzgerald particularly impressive.

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Juvenile Soccer Fixture

Wednesday, May 31

Castleconnor Cup (U-13) Semi-Final

Corrib Rangers v C. P. Ajax, 7 p.m. at Westside.