

Rockland have edge in U-10 A final

Rockland4-3
Shannon Gaels3-2

The final of the A division u 10 league was a closely contested affair as both sides experienced periods of dominance. Shannon Gaels were quickly on the board with a pointed free. They soon had the net rattling as a scintillating run by the tenacious Colin Gargan set up Senan Price for a cracker of a goal. Oisín Mathers increased the lead with a spectacular long range point.

The Gaels continued to dominate, but unfortunately they failed to advance the score board. Rockland were slow to find their rhythm, but a long ball from John Hayes was buried in the net by Joseph Henry just before half time to leave two points between the sides. Rockland were vastly improved in the second half mainly due to some judicious switches, plus they used the strong breeze to good effect. They were soon in front as good work by Brian Coughlan set up Patrick Burke for a goal.

However the Gaels came right back as a long delivery from Oisín Mathers was blasted to the net by Fergal Mulally. However for the remainder Rockland assumed control as John Hayes hit two fine long-range points to level the game. Indeed Hayes was also involved in the next score as he linked up well with Ciaran Dalton for him to rattle the net. Both sides traded points before John Hayes capped off a great performance with a goal to kill off any late chances by the Gaels.

ROCKLAND: Liam Red Oates, Tom Crable, Ciaran Dalton, Aidan Boyle, Richard Ryan, John Hayes, Ryan O'Byrne, Colm Shalvey, Liam McCarville, Killian Moore, Brian Coughlan, Oisín O'Malley, Patrick O'Sullivan, Patrick Burke, Joseph Henry. Subs. Oisín Selby, Lauren O'Sullivan, Niamh Healey, Conor Duffy.

SHANNON GAELS: Brendan Ferguson, Oisín Foy, James Kirk, Colin Gargan, Pascal Kavanagh, Luke Corridan, Liam O'Connell, Keelan Mulally, Oisín Mathers, Fintan Corbett, Julian Jamshahi, Rory Duggan, Des Ward, Senan Price, Fergal Mulally. Subs. Ben Quinn, Keelan Kearney, Sean Roche, Aoife Mathers. REFEREE Chris Sheridan.

U-10 GAELS POWER TO WIN IN B DIV

Shannon Gaels.....2-5
New Haven.....0-3
In the B division of the u 10 competition Shannon Gaels had too much power for the New Haven squad. With the Reilly



Eoin O'Brien of Newmarket, left, in action against Alan Mulready of Sixmilebridge in the Clare county final in Ennis. Ireland GAA coverage begins on the back page. INFO@DONALL.FARMER

twins, Orla and Frances, giving the Gaels a great spring board, the Shanes, McKenzie and Lee, along with Dylan Gunning and Roisin Smith had four points on the board at the break. New Haven were getting sterling efforts from Fiona McCormack, Mairead Ryan and Liam Marese, and they were just a point behind, plus they had a goal disallowed. However Shannon Gaels stepped on the gas after the break as Lee and McKenzie bagged two quick goals, while Ciara Reid chipped in with a point. New Haven battled away with Olivia Maxwell being outstanding between the posts, and though Liam Cox always looked dangerous up front, Aidan Haran, Gemma Mooney, Ryan Corrigan and company were steadfast at the back for the Gaels.

SHANNON GAELS: Aidan Haran, Josh Fitzpatrick, Gemma Mooney, Thomas McNamara, Ryan Bazura, Ryan Corrigan, Liam Walsh, Orla Reilly, Frances Reilly, Shane Lee, Shane McKenzie, Ryan Brennan, Dylan Gunning, Eamon Dobey, Roisin Smith. Subs. Ryan Daly, Conor Higgins, Liam McGarvey, Eugene Smith, Laura Motherway, Aoife McDonagh, Ciara Reid, Michael Doyle, Brendan Rooney, Ben Quinn.

NEW HAVEN: Olivia Maxwell, Kaitlin Moran, Jack Gaffney, Frank Moran, Abe Haxhi, Fiona McCormack, Mike Brandi, Liam Larose, Mairead Ryan, Liam Cox, James Lynch, Kyra Hawkes, Rory McCormack, Colm Ryan, Lily Mackey. Subs. Vincent Brandi, Katie Brandi, Thea Hawkes. REFEREE Chris Sheridan.

BEST GAME ENDS IN TIE

Rockland3-6
Shannon Gaels1-12
The under 12 A final was the best game of the day, if not the year. The teams were deadlocked at fulltime after a pulsating game, and they were still deadlocked after an exhilarating bout of extra time. The youngsters played their hearts

out and out of their skins all through in a very sporting manner as the excitement reached a crescendo.

Though there were some spectacular individual efforts, particularly from Rockland's Jack Healy, Liam McCarville and Ciaran Shalvey, and from Aidan Mooney, Sean Smith and Jason Lee for the Gaels, overall both teams displayed great cohesion. In the first half the Gaels were the dominant team as they led by 0-5 to 0-1 at the break. Indeed they might have been further ahead as keeper Shelby was forced to execute a great save from Jason Lee. Sean O'Connell, Sean Smith and Aidan Mooney were on target for the Gaels, while Emmett Moore had Rockland's score. Both sides traded points after the break, before Jack Healy burst his way past several defenders to blast the ball to the net. However Gaels hit back with 1-2, a goal from Christian Devlin and points from Smith to go six clear.

Then Sean O'Conner and Sebastian Jamshahi traded points before Ciaran Dalton rocked the net for Rockland. A pointed free from Smith after Eoghan Doran was fouled left four between the sides. Jack Healy worked his way in for another goal, after Brian Curtis did the approach work. Healy wasn't finished as he drew a free, which Dylan Shalvey pointed to tie the game. In the period of overtime Oisín Mathers and Jason Lee hit two points, and Jack Kirk denied Jack Healy a goal. Rockland hit two in the second, Liam McCarville set up Sean O'Connor, while another surge from Healy drew a free, which Ciaran Shalvey pointed with the precision and composure of a Maurice Fitzgerald or a Mikey Sheehy to tie a thrilling game.

ROCKLAND: Cormack Shelby, Conor James, Eoin Moriarity, Liam Collins, Sean Lyons, Sean O'Connor, Liam McCarville, Brendan Tarzane, Brian Curtis, Emmett Moore, Jack Healy,

Joe Scanlon, Dylan Shalvey, Ciaran Shalvey, Darragh McDonagh. Subs. John Fitzgerald, Ciaran Dalton, Cian Conroy.

SHANNON GAELS: Jack Kirk, Eamon Kelly, Robert Corridan, Luke Corridan, Páidí Mathers, Sebastian Jamshahi, Luke Duggan, Sean O'Connell, Aidan Mooney, Eoghan Doran, Christian Devlin, Sean Smith, Oisín Mathers, Jason Lee, Julian Ferdman. Subs. Colm O'Shea, Sean Corridan, Julian Jamshahi, Pascal Kavanagh, Senan Price, Des Ward, Oisín Foy, Jack Hogan. REFEREE. Steven Cassels.

SHAMROCK HOLD OFF 2ND HALF COMEBACK

Shannon Gaels4-3
St. Raymond's1-6

Shannon Gaels looked to have this under 12 B title in the bag at half time as they led by 3-2 to 0-1 as Oisín McDonagh and Patrick Tunney had banged in goals. However St. Raymond's mounted a valiant comeback mainly through the defense-splitting runs and scores from James Donovan and Emma Walsh. Still the Gaels remained in command with scores from Madison Formes, Rory Duggan and Charlie McFadden, plus good goalkeeping from Sean Cantillon.

SHANNON GAELS: Sean Cantillon, Ryan Bazura, Keelan Kelly, Brian Kelly, David O'Dowd, Charlie McFadden, Orla O'Reilly, Liam Hyland, Madison Formes, Colin Gargan, Patrick Tunney, Rory Duggan, Brendan Depuy, Oisín McDonagh, Pearse Browne, Subs Thomas Darcy, Dylan Gunning, Frances Reilly, Kevin McGarvey.

U-14 ROCKLAND HAVE IT EASY

Rockland.....2-10
St. Barnabas1-3

Rockland were rarely troubled in the u 14 A league final as they led by 1-6 to 0-1 at the break. Emmett O'Byrne, Thomas Shalvey and Conor Parahas hit the points, while Jo Jo Michalak had the major. Though St. Barnabas stepped up their performance with strong runs from Joe McDauid, the Kennedys and Shane Rafferty in the second half, they made little headway against a resolute defense which was well marshaled by Mike Diskin, Shane Hunt and company. Both sides goaled, Joe Drago for Barnabas, and Cullen McElligott for Rockland, while Conor Parahas was on target with minors.

ROCKLAND: Conor Callan, Austin Skyway, Mike Diskin, Kyle McLoughlin, Kieran Doherty, Shane Hunt, Colin Moriarity, Cullen McElligott, Thomas Shalvey, Jo Jo Michalak, Conor Parahas, Emmett O'Byrne, Kevin Lynch, Tadgh O'Riordan. Subs. Joe McHugh, Jack Kirk, Pat McNamee, Pat Smith.

ST. BARNABAS: Gearoid Kennedy, Mark McMorrow, Mark McNeillis,

Adam Power, Dylan Curran, Kevin Rafferty, Kieran Bratton, Shane Rafferty, D Markilico, Colin Dunn, Joe McDauid, Michael Kennedy, Conor McGourty, Joe Drago, Jack Martin. REFEREE Alan Hearty.

NEW HAVEN'S GREAT START IS CRUCIAL

New Haven4-5
Rockland3-4

A great start by New Haven with goals from Ryan Keeley and Jack Feeney and points from Ryan McCormack set them on the way for the u 14 B title. However good work and scores by Rockland's Katie O'Neill, Aoife McGill, Thomas Glynn and Mary Kate Henry kept Rockland in the hunt to the end.

NEW HAVEN: Seamus Carbin, Liam Holroid, Timmy Forde, Sean Francis Cox, Brendan Donoghue, Tommy Quinn, Declan Ryan, JP McGowan, Ryan Keeley, Jack Feeney, Ryan McCormack, Liam Chazanowski, Mairead Ryan, Adrienne Maxwell. Subs Olivia Maxwell, Liam Cox, Rory McCormack.

ROCKLAND: Ailcen Lynch, Fionnula Ryan, Niall Glynn, Sean O'Neill, Brian Mahoney, Kelly-Ann Henry, Aoife McGill, Katie O'Neill, Ann Marie McGourty, T Wilson, Sean Traenor, Thomas Glynn, Fiona Selby, Mary Kate Henry.

NEW YORK MANAGER

Ian Galvin has been appointed manager of the New York squad. Robbie Moran, Alan Hearty and Mike Stones are his selectors and Paddy Curtis will be the trainer.

PETER MCGUIRE R.I.P.

Peter McGuire, 74, died on Nov. 7 at his home in Carmel, N.Y. He was a native of Grange, Enfield, Co. Kildare. Prior to coming to New York, he had played with the Kildare senior football team. In the Big Apple he played with Kilkenny, Offaly and Sligo, winning a senior championship with the latter in 1972.

When his playing days finished, Peter coached and managed several West-Put Gaels teams. He was a highly regarded footballer, particularly noted for his athleticism, fielding skills, lengthy clearances and rock-solid defending. Perhaps a good indicator of his football prowess was the fact that he was an automatic choice on great New York teams of that era. New York played the National League winners in those years, and he won a league medal against the great Galway team of the three-in-a-row fame.

Peter is survived by his wife Edna, daughters Siobhan, Fionnuala, Roisin and sons Paul and Raymond and their families. The Funeral Mass was at Sacred Heart Church, Southbury, and Peter was laid to rest in Pine Cemetery, Southbury, R.I.P.



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