



AGHADERG G.F.C. & BALLYVARLEY H.C. **NEWSLETTER**



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SENIOR FOOTBALL

Bright V Aghaderg 05/10/2008

Aghaderg blew Bright away in this crucial away game. It was Bright who got off to the better start with two quick points in the first five minutes. Aghaderg however started to get a foothold in the midfield area and good ball into the inside forwards saw Eugene Devlin and Cathal Mc Grath level the match with points apiece.

A quick free from Rory Simpson found Paul O'Neill who released James Mc Grath who in turn found the on running Rory Simpson to blast the Reds into the lead for the first time. Rory followed this up with two more points from frees before Cathal Mc Grath won a Bright kick out and went on a 40 metre run and finished with an excellent drive straight between the posts. Aghaderg were well in control at this stage but Bright showed their fighting spirit with two more points to cut the lead to two.

Aghaderg responded immediately and some good teamwork finished with points from Rory Simpson and Stephen Comiskey to stretch the lead once more. Bright hit another point but this was only more false hope for the home team. Cathal Mc Grath hit a 45' to Rory and ran for the return which he received at pace to elude the Bright defence and despatched the ball low over the crossbar. James Mc Grath then hit a fine long-range effort to wrap up the scoring for the first half.

Half Time;

Bright 0-5, Aghaderg 0-10

The second half started promisingly for Bright with a well-taken point after a minute but this was to be their last score until the last minute of the game. Aghaderg just took complete control of proceedings with Rory Simpson finding the target again followed by a long-range effort from Paul O'Neill and then Conor Lavery found himself in

on goal from a poor kick out and fisted over the bar under pressure. Kevin Anderson got in on the scoring act after a nice one two with Paul O'Neill. Next up it was Eugene Devlin who was put through by Andrew Carr only to see his shot for goal graze the crossbar and go over.

Andrew Carr himself was very unlucky not to find the net when his 25 yarder beat the keeper only to come agonisingly back off the post into the keepers' arms.

Bright just had no answer to the waves of attack that were constantly coming at them. Keelin Doyle hit a lovely point off his left boot, which Rory Simpson followed up with two more strikes over the bar. It was Keelin Doyle who hit the last score for the Reds before Bright got a consolation point on the final whistle.

Final Score;

Bright 0-7, Aghaderg 0-19.

This was a very comprehensive victory. There is just one final hurdle to go and an expected win in Ballykinlar this Sunday will seal promotion.

Team;

Paul Mc Grath, Niall Poland, Barry Quinn, Martin Fitzpatrick, Keelin Doyle (0-2), Paul Mc Givern, Thomas Lennon, James Mc Grath (0-1), Rory Simpson (0-7), Eugene Devlin (0-2), Conor Lavery (0-1), Cathal mc Grath (0-3), Paul O'Neill (0-1), Andrew Carr, Stephen Comiskey (0-1).

Subs;

Kevin Anderson (0-1) for Marty Fitzpatrick, Conal Sands for Barry Quinn, Christopher Conlon for Andrew Carr, Jack Devlin for Paul O'Neill, Ciaran Connolly for Stephen Comiskey, Aaron Mc Avoy, Mark Mc Grath.

GAA QUIZ

1. Name the two sets of brothers who played for Armagh in the 2002 All-Ireland Football final.
2. Name the three sets of brothers

who played for Offaly in the 1998 All-Ireland Hurling Final.

3. Name the player who only touched the ball seven times but who scored 2-1 in the 2003 Ulster Football Final.

4. Who won Down's first and only Hurling All-Star

UNDERAGE HURLING

Minor Hurling Championship: 02/10/2008

Mourne/Shamrocks 2-6

St Patricks 2-14

St Patricks minor hurlers sparkled under the lights of Pairc Esler on Thursday night to advance to the semi-finals of the Down Minor Hurling Championship. It was a novel experience to be playing under the floodlights of the County Ground. Paul O'Neill swept them ahead with a point from a difficult angle in the first minute it was clear that the team was focused on the task in hand. Two more excellent points from the free-running Kelvin Magee opened up a comfortable lead as St Pats dominated the midfield exchanges and kept the pressure on the home side. Patrick Macken showed once again that in this company he can supply the cutting edge as he fired over two excellent points from play.

The home sides attacks were sporadic and they relied heavily on the free-taking of Paul Sheehan to keep them in touch with the dominant visitors. Three Sheehan frees kept Shamrocks in touch as St Pats painstakingly tagged on the points. St Pats scores may have been few in quantity but they lacked nothing in quality and great combination play and spectacular individual skills produced five more excellent points. Half back Niall Burns soloed forward to slot over from distance and Paul O'Neill added to a long distance free from inside his own half with three classy points from play to push St Pats into a healthy seven point lead. St Pats were looking for that crucial opening goal when Kelvin Magee

soloed through only to see a pile-driver skim the wrong side of the post. **Half time:**

Mourne Shamrocks 0-3

St Patricks 0-10

Shamrocks came out fighting on the restart and an opening goal and two points had the game back in the melting pot as St Pats struggled to get past a strong home half back-line. The ploy to by-pass midfield was reaping dividends for Shamrocks and for a long time the visitors struggled to get back into contention. Two long range points from Paul O'Neill gave St Pats some respite and then midway through the half a crucial three minute spell shattered Shamrocks hopes. In a rare spell of attacking pressure St Pats worked the ball in to the opposition penalty area where Patrick Macken and Niall McAleenan muscled their way through for the latter to force the ball over the Shamrocks line for the crucial goal that changed the face of the game.

Patrick Macken confirmed that moments later when he burst through with the greatest of ease to slam a powerful drive into the roof of the net. That two-goal salvo was the key moment of the game and further points from O'Neill and Magee were the icing on the cake as St Pats sailed through to the next round. A Shamrocks flurry of a goal and a point in the final minutes confirmed the quality and determination of the opposition but were too little too late to make any impression on the final result.

St Patricks now play Bredagh in the semi-finals.

Final Score:

Mourne Shamrocks 2-6

St Patricks 2-14

Team: Mark McAllister; Ryan Haughey, James McDermott, Jamie Murray; Conor McClorey; Kieran Maguire, Niall Burns(0-1); Paul O'Neill(0-8), Sean O'Hare; Ronan McConville, Kelvin Magee(0-3), Martin Connolly; Tony Hegarty, Niall McAleenan(1-0), Patrick Macken(1-2)

Subs: James Kennedy, Chris Martin, Michael Downey, Conor Strain, James Fegan

Congratulations to Damien and Maureen Simpson on the birth of their new baby girl.

SUDOKU CHALLENGE

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8				4			2	
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	9						5	
1		8			2			
2		7				4		
	3			6				2
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WORD SEARCH

County Football Manager Surnames
Carr, Harte, Mc Enaney, O'Dwyer,
Mc Geeney, Mc Donnell, Cassidy,
O'Rourke, Counihan, O'Shea.

m	c	d	o	n	n	e	l	l	e	r	n	e
i	t	c	s	d	k	e	a	n	k	e	a	f
y	e	n	a	n	e	c	m	c	r	y	e	p
i	t	l	n	r	n	u	o	b	u	w	r	a
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c	o	u	n	i	h	a	n	r	n	f	r	e
o	i	p	o	s	h	e	a	u	h	w	e	r
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LOTTO UPDATE



JACKPOT £3650

Draw On 21/09/08

WINNING NUMBERS

15, 16, 19, 27

No Jackpot Winner.

£10 Winner

Colm O'Neill

JACKPOT £3700

Draw On 28/09/08

WINNING NUMBERS

10, 11, 15, 18

No Jackpot Winner.

£10 Winner

Andrew Lavery

JACKPOT £3750

Draw On 05/10/08

WINNING NUMBERS

07, 08, 09, 21

No Jackpot Winner.

£10 Winners

J. Donald, M. Mc Kivergan,

T. Hagan



Charity movie event organised By

Jeff Brown On Tuesday 9th

December 2008 in aid of

The Myasthenia Gravis Association.

The night shall consist of a Film, Raffle, possibly an auction, and certainly some fun on the night.

Tickets Adult £10 / Child £5

Includes Prize Draw Entry.

Anyone interested in supporting the

event can contact Jeff Brown by

email jeffbrown@doctors.org.uk

Next club committee meeting is Monday 13th October @ 8.00pm

Team mentors of juvenile teams

i.e. u10, u12, u14 & u16s

are asked to attend a meeting on

Thursday 16th @ 7.30 to make

arrangements for the juvenile

awards night. It is important that

all teams are represented.

AGM Sunday 23rd November @

2.00pm.

GAA Quiz Answers
1. John & Tony Mc Entee, Justin & Enda Mc Anulty.
2. Joe, Johnny & Billy Doooley, Brian & Simon Whelehan, Gary & Darren Hannity
3. Dan Gordon
4. Ger Mc Grattan

The Club would like to express their deepest sympathies to the entire Lennon family following the sad death of Gus, a founder member of Aghaderg Athletics Club & life long member and supporter of all things sporting; football, hurling and in latter years bowling.