



Cork Constitution F.C.

Matchzine



Munster Junior Challenge Cup

Cobh Pirates R.F.C. v Cork Constitution F.C.

Sunday 23rd February 2014 14.30 PM

The Paddocks, Cobh

The Munster Junior Cup takes centre stage this weekend with twenty four games down for decision. **Cork Constitution** begin their Munster Junior Cup campaign on Sunday next against **Cobh Pirates**. They will be motivated to go one better than last season when they lost agonisingly 13-16 in the final to **Garryowen**.

This season has been badly disrupted by weather cancellations, and the team have only played nine games to date, winning eight, with one loss to **Highfield** in the Seconds League. However, they avenged that defeat winning the return game 13-5 at Mahon in January.

There are many new faces on this season's squad with just five of last year's team, and there a number of Under 20 players pushing for inclusion. **Eoin O'Donnell**, **Michael Keyes** and **Tomas Quinlan** will be key players in the three-quarters, while **Alan Ross**, **Chris Corkery** and **Dave O'Brien** will bring experience to the pack.

The last meeting with **Cobh** in the Cup was the final in 2006 which **Cobh** won 6-5 at Musgrave Park, when Constitution were captained by J.J. Cahill.

Stan Waldron

Valentines Dinner

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St Valentine's night turned out to be a real treat for those that attended the pre-match dinner at Templehill for the Ulster Bank League Cork Constitution v Dolphin match. The nature of a derby game as an evening event on this significant date combined with the guest speaker presence of Gerald Kean, accompanied by his fiancée Lisa Murphy, appeared to create a particularly buoyant atmosphere at the club.



Gerald, looking the epitome of sartorial elegance, was faced with a challenge when having to follow the very fine opening speeches by our own President, Ian O'Leary and Dolphin's President, Noel Hickey who eloquently combined to promote the club game. However, Gerald took to the task with ease. His ebullient and flamboyant presence was matched by his comfortable style in front of the microphone where he delivered a stream of humorous anecdotes that hugely entertained.

His speech was all the more entertaining as he displayed a tongue in cheek, but honest, self-deprecating theme. Having previously pronounced himself publicly as a Cork Constitution supporter who had played with the club some years ago, he clearly felt the need to back this up with a credible contribution, and on Friday night he delivered in spades. As his speech went on, this well known celebrity managed to turn his audience into the real celebrities as he named, cajoled and elevated several individual members and Con personalities throughout. Unexpectedly, by doing so, Gerald himself seemed to truly become one of us by merging seamlessly into the club, manifesting in him being honoured with full membership even before he finished speaking. Humorous, to the last Gerald electrified the pre-match atmosphere and went on to generously make himself available to his audience for the remainder of the evening. Lisa Murphy complemented Gerald throughout with her own stylish, friendly and charming presence. A memorable occasion - the Valentine's night when celebrity celebrated at home.

Commander Brian

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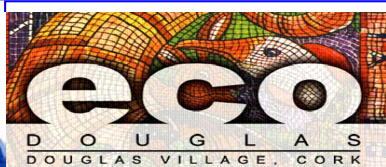
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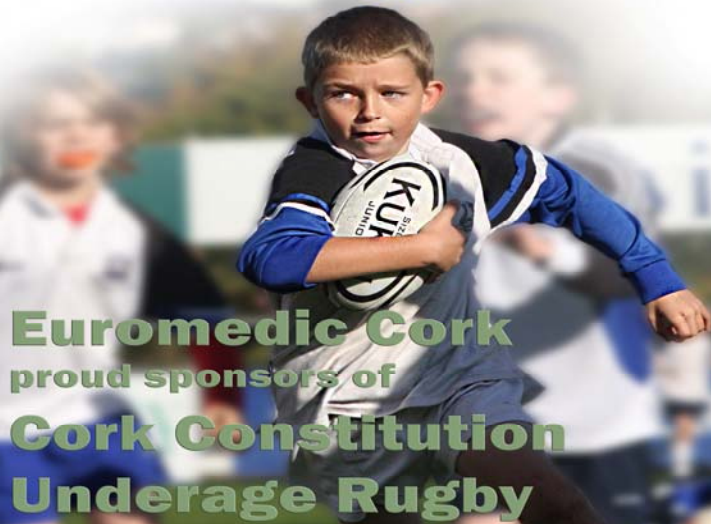
The winners of the **Eco Restaurant** sponsored guess the score prize for the Dolphin game were **Phil Berkeley, Valerie O'Riordan & Eileen Lane** pictured being presented with their prizes by **Ross Dowling**



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