

Cork Constitution F.C. Matchzine



Ulster Bank League Division 1A

Cork Constitution FC V Terenure College RFC

Saturday 28th February 2015 14.30 PM

The Ulster Bank League returns to Temple Hill on Saturday with last seasons' Ulster Bank League Division 1B Champions Terenure College R.F.C. , the visitors to Temple Hill. We are pleased to welcome Terenure College President, Brian Colgan and his committee members, team and supporters to Temple Hill.

When the two sides met in January two final quarter tries from Gerry Hurley and Tomas Quinlan proved decisive at Lakelands Park as Constitution overcame the challenge of Terenure College to win on a score line 21-7.

Last Saturday in their last Ulster Bank outing, Constitution produced a gritty performance in a typical Munster derby to take four league points with a 6-3 victory away to Young Munster. After a scoreless but very entertaining first half Daragh Lyons put Constitution in front three minutes into the second half before Gearoid Lyons, the Young Munster centre, found his range on the hour mark to equalise. Replacement Tomas Quinlan's winning kick followed from the 22 and try as they might, Munster's were unable to respond.

Reflecting on the game Constitution Coach Tom Tierney considered that although the margin of victory was slim , it was a great result and a fantastic team effort. Clifford Park is a very tough place to get a result and Young Munster as is their tradition played to the very end. It wasn't a day for open rugby and he felt that his team adapted very well to the conditions.

Last weekend second placed Terenure travelled to third placed Clontarf looking for the win that would see them close in on a home semi-final. There was very little between the teams throughout and it was a dubious try by Clontarf late in the second half which proved the difference between the sides.

Commenting on Saturday's game against Terenure College Tom said Terenure are a class side and have enjoyed a hugely successful two years. In that time they won the 2012/13 the Division 2A title and in 2013/14 the Division 1B title as a perfect 18-from-18 record saw them power their way to promotion. Incredibly since February 2013 Terenure won 27 straight All-Ireland League games, a magnificent feat that won't be matched for a long time. Tom is expecting another tough game from Terenure. With only four games to go there are six teams vying for a top four place which shows how competitive the Ulster Bank league is. The addition of the play off's this season has added great excitement to the latter stages of the league. From now on for all teams every game really is a cup final either to claim a top four spot or avoid relegation. Its fantastic for the League and its supporters and should make for very exciting games over the coming weeks.

AIL Pre-Match Lunches

Tony Roche is pleased to announce that he has arranged very popular , entertaining and thought provoking speakers as well as experts in their own fields for the forthcoming AIL Pre Match Lunches.

The speaker for the **Cork Constitution V Terenure College** game on 28 February 2015 is former Constitution player **John Kelly**. The lunch is a fund raiser for the U 13 tour to London this Easter 28th to 31st March.



Growing up in Cork John was an all-rounder, good at everything he tried his hand at from Gaelic football to soccer. However, Cork Constitution was the first sports club he joined as a child and with that began a lifelong love for rugby.

John started his rugby career with Constitutions U 8's and went on to play for U.C.C. Cork Constitution , Munster and Ireland . He represented Munster with distinction on 150 occasions, scoring 34 tries along the way, John was brave, dependable and had a knack of scoring vital tries on big occasions. John won his first AIL league Medal with Constitution in 1999 and was also a member of the Constitution team which bridged a nine year gap when winning the AIL in 2007/2008.

In more than 10 years with Munster John played his part in some classic European performances as Munster emerged as a dominant force on the continent, perhaps most notably in 'the Miracle Match' against Gloucester, when he scored two tries, John played a vital role as the province secured their first Heineken Cup with a 23-19 win against Biarritz in Cardiff and he also started in two other Heineken Cup finals that ended with narrow defeats.

John was not only a mainstay in the Munster side but he also boasts an impressive international record with eight tries in 17 Irish caps, four of which were earned at the 2003 World Cup in Australia. John has the distinction of scoring a try on his debut for both Munster and Ireland.

Married to Grace with three children, John is an Audit Director with Grant Thornton heading up a new unit with the aim of developing the firm's audit and advisory offering. He is the Independent Chairman of Munster's Professional Game Committee responsible for the recruitment and retention of players as well as the hiring of the coaching staff.

Match Day Information

Please note that there is restricted parking in Temple Hill on Match Days. We request that match patrons respect our neighbours by not parking on the double yellow lines outside local housing estates as this causes a traffic hazard.

Cork Constitution members who have paid their subscriptions have free admission to home AIL games.

St Mary's Visit to Temple Hill

On Saturday 31st January the juvenile section from St. Mary's RFC visited Templehill and played a series of games against their Cork Con counterparts. Over 100 boys and some 60 coaches and parents from St. Mary's arrived mid-morning and we had a series of games at U9, U10, U11 and U12 level.



All went well on the day and special thanks to Juvenile Fixtures-secretary, Johnie MacCarthy, for arranging all the fixtures, dressing rooms, referees, etc. etc. After the rugby the boys from both sides acted as a guard-of-honour to applaud the senior teams from both clubs onto the pitch in advance of the AIL game.

In the Investec ad, former St. Mary's star Johnny Sexton tells us he thinks in milliseconds when on the pitch. And indeed it only took the St. Mary's boys a couple of milliseconds to get in line for the chicken goujons and chips which were served up by the Con U11 coaches.

It was a great day overall, despite the result in the AIL game and this long-standing arrangement with St. Mary's RFC continues to be a highlight of the year for the juvenile section of the club.

Thanks to all the coaches involved and the bar staff for their work on the day.

Kevin Fielding

Director of Juvenile Rugby

Cork Constitution F.C. <http://www.corkcon.ie>

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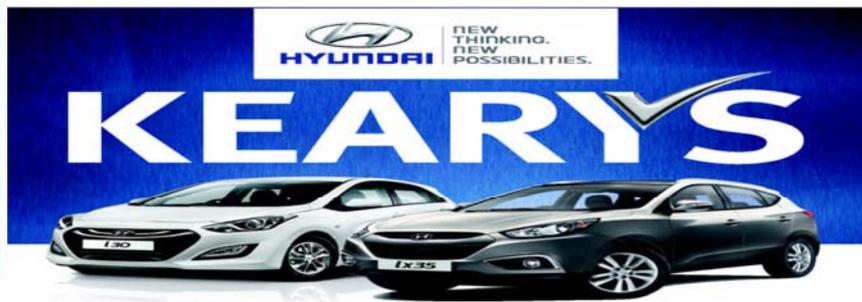
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