

# Cork Constitution F.C. Matchzine



## Ulster Bank League Division 1A

### Semi Final

#### Cork Constitution F.C. V Young Munster R. F.C.

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2016 14.30 PM**

Spectators are in for a treat at Templehill on Saturday when Cork Constitution host Young Munster in a mouth-watering all-Munster Division 1A semi-final.

Another close encounter is in the offing as the two sides meet for the third time in league action this season, it's two clubs with rich traditions, it's Cork versus Limerick, and it promises to be an intriguing tie.

Cork Constitution's maximum return against Galwegians in a tense 26-16 win saw them leapfrog Young Munster into second place in the final table. Aaron Spring, who ran in his fifth try in as many games, and centre Niall Kenneally, who picked off an intercept in midfield, both scored in the closing stages.

Constitution's Brian Hickey realised his side had gotten out of jail. "Defensively we were very poor. Our set-piece has fallen away a bit and we need to get working back on that again. Now, we're at home to Young Munster, but that won't make much difference because they will travel with great support and they've already beaten us down here.

"Munster's have a very proud history for well over a 100 years and the geography of where it is on or whether it is a semi-final will not make any difference."

Young Munster are the form side in Division 1 A, back in September they were in tenth place however since the appointment of David Corkery as coach they have improved with every game and with 12 wins since his appointment are through to the play-offs for the second consecutive year.

David Corkery is looking forward to the semi-final in Temple Hill "This club has won only one AIL title in more than 25 years (2003) and they're better than that. Con had better be prepared because we're coming. We beat them by a point in the last minute of our two games so far so there's no reason why we can't do it again."

The game promises to be a tense affair and while supporters of both clubs may find the tension too much to handle it's definitely a game for neutrals to enjoy and savour.

### Match Day Information

Everyone is welcome at Temple Hill for what promises to be a cracking game.

Admission: €10 for adults, OAP & students €5 and all children under the age of 16 have free admission.

**As this is an All-Ireland Semi-Final Cork Constitution membership cards are not valid for entry.**

There will be stewards to assist patrons and to ensure that the event runs smoothly and safely, please respect their requests.

There will be no car parking in Temple Hill on Saturday. We request that patrons respect our neighbours by not parking on the double yellow lines outside local housing estates

### Bank Of Ireland Munster Junior Cup

#### Cork Constitution F.C. V Richmond R. F.C.

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2016 14.30 PM**

Cork Constitution meet Richmond on Sunday with a place in the Munster Junior Cup Final against Young Munster as the prize for the winners.

In their quarter final match away to Galbally, Constitution had to dig deep as Galbally were only moments away on two occasions from qualifying for their first Munster Junior Cup semi-final, but a never say die Cork Constitution side battled to the finish to emerge 11-8 winners after extra time.

A Jack O'Mullane penalty gave the Co. Limerick side a 3-0 interval lead. John Poland levelled with a penalty for Constitution but a try from Tony Henebry looked enough to send Galbally through until Constitution's Dave Fitzgerald sent the game into extra time with a try two minutes from time.

With the end approaching of extra time and Galbally ahead on the first try rule Poland stepped up to kick a last minute winning penalty to send Constitution through to the semi-finals.

Richmond upset the odds when beating a strongly fancied Cashel side away by 26-19, this thriller went right down to the final minutes. Trailing 12-26 Cashel put in a storming finish, a converted try leaving just seven points between the teams but Richmond's held firm for a famous away victory.

As this is a Munster Branch fixture Cork Constitution membership cards are not valid for entry.



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## Fraser McMullen Final



Cork Constitution won the Fraser McMullen Under 20 Cup at Portlaoise RFC on Sunday, with a decisive victory over UCD.

The first half was a tentative affair as both sides assessed the challenge on hand. Constitution were showing an advantage at scrum-time, and were controlling their own ball well at lineout. Constitution took an early lead with a penalty from John Poland after just four minutes. UCD missed a penalty chance on 10 minutes, but took the lead with a try in the 23rd minute, when Callum Lawson put full back Mathew Gilsenan in at the posts. O'Donnell added the extras for the lead 3-7.

Poland missed a penalty opportunity, before Constitution scored a great try when second row Sean O'Leary went over in the corner after a storming run. Poland missed the difficult conversion, but Constitution went in at half time with an 8-7 lead.

John Poland added a penalty on the hour mark, and the decisive score came 10 minutes later when Constitution's scrum, which was by now dominating, forced a penalty try from a 5 metre scrum. Poland's conversion was a formality, and Constitution were 18-7 to the good.

Jamie Murphy kicked a penalty for 21-7, and when Constitution forced another 5 metre scrum, scrum half Poland scored an unconverted try for 26-7. UCD had a player sin-binned in the 70th minute, and Jamie Murphy scored a try two minutes later, which Poland again converted for 33-7.

In the final minutes of a thoroughly enjoyable contest, Sam Kennedy for Constitution and Will Connors for UCD scored tries, to close out the scoring and leave Constitution as champions on a 38-14 score-line.

Greg Barrett and Gordon Black of the IRFU were on-hand, to present the Fraser McMullen trophy and medals to Constitution captain Rory Horgan, and team members.

## Donal Walsh Memorial Cup Final

### Cork Constitution F.C. V Young Munster R. F.C. Saturday 23 K O 16:30 Venue to be Confirmed

This week end Cork Constitution play Young Munster in the final of the Donal Walsh Memorial Cup . This is a repeat of last years final which was a close contest between two very good sides.

The venue is yet to be confirmed , please consult the Cork Constitution or Munster Branch websites for further updates.

## Dave Dineen Cup Semi Final

### Waterpark v Cork Constitution, Ballinakill,

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2016 12.0 PM

On Sunday the Cork Constitution J2 team travel to Waterpark in the semi-final of the Dave Dineen Cup.

Last Sunday Constitution defeated Dolphin at Templehill to book their place in the semi's. They led 14-0 at half time with Captain, Cormac Fouhy and Simon Barry scored first half tries, with Barry also kicking the conversions. Doug Abbott added a try in the second period, while Simon Barry and Gary Brooks both kicked penalties.

### CORK CON FAMILY FUN DAY SATURDAY 30th April 2016

- Finals of the Street Leagues with medals and President's Trophy award;
- Presentation of the 'Stephen Long Trophy for U9s', 'Ned O'Connor Trophy for U11s' and the 'Fred Casey Trophy U13s'
- End-of-season party with finger food & Bateman Cup Final on TV
- Wet Sponge Throwing; Tug-of-war competition; Crossbar challenge; on the main pitch.

Shop is now closed on Saturday's.

### Coach to Bateman Cup Final Saturday 30th April 2016

For the trip to Galway Ulster Bank have kindly sponsored a supporters coach including match ticket for Cork Constitution members.

If you wish to avail of this offer please place your name on the list on the notice board in the club house. The coach will be filled on a first come , first served basis.

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### Pitchside Hoardings

Our Pitchside Hoardings are a valued source of income to the Club and a number of spaces are available for the coming season.

If you are interested in becoming a Hoarding Sponsor please contact Fiona Burke at 021 4291960 or e-mail [info@corkcon.ie](mailto:info@corkcon.ie)

### Cork Constitution Am Am

The Am AM will take in Douglas Golf Club on Friday 22 April 2016. The AM AM event has been on our Calendar for quite a number of years now and as well as providing our members and friends with an enjoyable sporting and social occasion it is also a very valuable source of funding for the Club.



Details of the event are as follows:

- Date: Friday 22 nd April 2016
- Venue: Douglas, Cork
- Teams: 3 Person Teams of Gents or Ladies.
- Subscription: €270.00 per team including meal.

If you are unavailable to play you may wish to consider sponsoring a Tee for a € 100 or Green at a cost of €50.

Please contact the following to enter a team or sponsorship. Don Mullins, Ralph Keyes, Conor Clune, Pat O'Keeffe, Declan McGinn, Jessica Mullins.

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**Cork Constitution FC**

Upcoming Matches:

- 27/04/2016 CORK CONSTITUTION F.C. V BALLYMORICH RFC, U.S.L. 2:30pm - H
- 27/04/2016 Cork Constitution V Lansdowne, A Friendly 4pm
- 28/04/2016 Cork Con B.V Highfield, Derrinhy Cup Final, Woodleigh Park 3:00pm
- 28/04/2016 Cork Con B.V Delphini, H.L. H. 7:30pm

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