

Cashel Community School December Newsletter

QUARTER FINALS FOR CASHEL SENIORS AS THEY EASE PAST

Cashel Community School ensured their passage into the quarter finals of the Thomais Mhic Choilm cup with a six point win over Rice College Ennis on Wednesday last. In a game that was played in very suitable conditions for the time of year Cashel hit the ground running. Immediately from the throw in Cashel sought to assert their dominance and raced into a three point lead with Stephen Browne, Aaron Moloney and inside forward Aaron Browne raising white flags. Rice College got off the mark with a score from their centre forward but it was the Tipperary men who were firmly on top in the opening quarter. The Cashel inside forward line were finding space and causing problems for the Ennis backs resulting in two more points from a Browne free and another from Riain Quigley. Despite this period of dominance however Cashel were guilty of spurning at least two clear cut goal chances. They did eventually make the breakthrough when Quigley goaled after some good work from full forward Jack McGrath. As the game entered the second quarter the Clare side began to rally and hit 1-2 in a five minute blitz bringing the score line to 1-5 to 1-3. The Cashel men might at this stage have wondered would they rue those missed opportunities. The Cashel response did come courtesy of their dangerous inside line this time Browne with two and McGrath, one firing over points. They continued to finish the half well and goaled though energetic midfielder Aaron Moloney. The accurate Browne managed to raise one more white flag just before the ref's whistle to leave the scores 2-9 to 1-3 at halftime. The Tipperary team started the second as they had the first even down to the same opening scorer in Stephen Browne. The men from the Banner were not going to lie down however and again had 1-2 scored in a frenetic period of play which saw their own full forward line bear fruit leaving four between the sides. The lead was once again extended thanks to the brilliance of Browne slotting three vital points, two from play. The see-saw pattern did not end there however as Rice College once again raised a green flag. The Cashel men would be really put to the pin of their collar when their lead was cut to two through two further points leaving the score 2-13 to 3-8. One thing this Cashel side has shown so far in the campaign however is they have tremendous character. This came to the fore again as their back line thundered out with ball after ball in the closing stages and their forwards did the job at the other end accounting for the last four points to see them run out six point winners. This win was born out of the Tipperary team's greater consistency of work rate throughout the game. The Ennis defenders were chased and put under consistent pressure in possession which denied their forwards quality deliveries. Stephen Browne and the selfless Fearghail O'Donoghue lead the charge in this regard. Their other half line was equally impressive giving Cashel a strong foothold in the opening period and shoring up to see them over the line. Some lung-busting runs from Lorcan Carr and some tenacious defending from Conor O'Dwyer standing out. Overall they were value for their win and will now face either St. Joseph's Tulla or Colaiste Chriost Ri in a quarter final on the second Wednesday in January. Cashel team: Christopher Geraghty, Ben Loughman, Tomás Bourke, Jamie Duncan, Conor O'Dwyer, John Ryan, Lorcan Carr, Aaron Moloney(1-1), Liam McGrath (0-1), Jack O'Rourke, Stephen Browne(0-2), Fearghail O'Donoghue, Riain Quigley(1-1), Jack McGrath(0-2), Aaron Browne(0-9, 3 frees). Subs: Euan Ryan for Bourke, Ben Ryan for O'Rourke, John Marnane (0-1) for O'Donoghue and David Sinclair for Moloney. Also; Jack Curri- van, Páirc Brosnan, Reuben Bourke, Brian Og O'Dwyer, Ciarán Moroney, Mark Casey and Conor Farrell.



On Sunday last December 16th

Shane won the U13 All-Ireland Cross Country Title in Navan. Many congratulations to him for his continuous effort and commitment to the sport.



Cross Country Success

Cashel Community School competed at the Tipperary Post Primary Schools Cross Country in Thurles recently. In the youngest age group, Minor Boys race, Shane Buckley had a great run to win the race. Hot on his heels was Brian Byrne with a super run for second place backed up by excellent running from Patrick Colville in 5th and Dylan Fogarty 11th. The four boys combined to win the team title. Also well done to all the other athletes who competed in the other races on the day. Next up will be the East Munster Schools Cross Country in January.



Junior Camogie Munster semi-final

Our junior camogie team travelled to Pairc Uí Chaoimh Thursday 6th of December last to play Coláiste Na Phiarsaigh. It was one of the toughest battles for the girls in the championship and only 2 points separated the sides at half time. With hard work the CCS girls pulled away and won on a scoreline of 4.9 to 2.11. Four superb goals from Aoibhe Gayson Molloy, Leah Baskin, Rebecca Farrell and Kelli Browne contributed greatly. Aoibhe Gayson Molloy along with Leah Baskin won the battle in the middle of the field which was a significant factor on the day. The impact of the subs that came in was crucial, Anna Fahy was fantastic and got a great score along with Katelyn Downey, Alessia Mazzola, Lily Fahy and the goal scorer Kelli Browne. Cashel will be meeting the winners of Roscrea and Ennis College in the



Godolphin Bursary 2018

Pictured are Mr. Willie Brogan (Godolphin), Ms. Margaret Moore (Deputy Principal), James O'Sullivan Godolphin Bursary Winner, Ciara Devitt (Godolphin) & Mr. John Gallagher (Principal). James was presented with a laptop and an annual stipend of €1500 for four years of third level study.



Friends Of CCS GAA Scholarship 2018

On Thursday morning last the winner of the First Year Boys hurling scholarship in Cashel Community School was announced as Oisín O Donoghue. This scholarship is put together by the GAA Support Group with the help of sponsors such as Rock Catering, Uniform World, Parents Association, O Neill's and the Board of Management. Oisín received a sports and educational package including books, food, travel costs, study, uniform and tracksuit as well as insurance and hurleys. Oisín was the outstanding candidate in a competition among his peers in First Years. The scholarship is awarded to a student who excels in all areas of school life and who shows leadership on and off the field. Congratulations to Oisín, his family and club, Cashel King Cormacs.



Cashel C.S bridge fifteen year gap to clinch McGowan title

The senior footballers of Cashel Community School and Thurles CBS played out an exhilarating County A football final in torrential conditions on Monday night in Golden. The large crowd were entertained from start to finish in what was a pulsating clash where it must be said all players involved contributed to a fantastic spectacle played in the most testing of conditions. As the wind swirled and the rain became heavier the honesty skill and commitment shown by both sets of players illuminated this dark December night. Thurles began by looking to run the ball from deep as they were against the wind and started to ask questions of the Cashel backline. They earned themselves the game's opening score courtesy of a free from the boot of Paddy Creedon. The sides were level when Cashel's dangerous inside forward Riain Quigley opened the West school's account with a fine score from play. Quigley was again on target to notch the second score of the game and wing-forward Liam McGrath gave the Cashel side an early three points to one lead. The deficit was cut at the end of the opening ten minutes, once again from a Creedon free. At after this initial burst of scores both sides struggled to penetrate the oppositions staunch defences. For an eight minute spell neither side could register a score, the tight marking and excellent positioning shown Tomás Bourke at fullback for Cashel putting a halt to the Thurles charge. Cashel themselves were finding scores hard to come by as the CBS began to filter back and form a resolute defensive screen in front of their own goal. Cashel remained patient and began to work the ball wide across the pitch stretching the Thurles rear-guard. The concluding ten minutes of the half saw this tactic bear fruit as the Cashel men plundered 2-3 without reply. Quigley finished a sublime solo move cutting in from the left, leaving three defenders in his wake and finishing with his weaker right foot to find the corner of the Thurles net leaving Conor Stapleton with no chance. This goal was followed by two further points from play at the end of some patient build up play Quigley again on target and wing forward Jack O'Rourke contributing the other. The game's second goal came courtesy of a fine team move in which wing back John Ryan showed all his class to find McGrath who showed nimble footwork to finish from close range. McGrath followed up with a score from play as Cashel began to find their flow and a way through the sticky Thurles defence. Another Creedon free kept Thurles barely in touch but a huge score from out the field by Aaron Moloney crowned a dominant end to the half from the West Tipperary men, 2-7 to 0-3 at halftime. The second half was a far tighter affair and Thurles now backed by the strong wind began to edge their way back into the contest. Three points without reply to start the second half gave them hope, two from play and another from the reliable Creedon. Cashel had failed to make a mark on the scoreboard for the first ten minutes but extinguished all hope for Thurles accounting for the next two scores, one a vital goal from McGrath after some fine work again by Jack O'Rourke and a point from the tireless Aaron Browne, leaving the score line 3-8 to 6 points heading into the final quarter. The teams exchanged scores as both teams began to tire and the benches began to play an important role. This was evident as substitutes scored for both teams, Darren Flood for Thurles and Brian Og O'Dwyer for Cashel. Quigley tagged on his final score of the night from a free to finish with 1-4. Cashel owe thanks to their staunch defence who limited their opponents to three points from play during the contest. This was exemplified by two great saves made by their keeper Jack Currivan during the final quarter. It must be said Thurles never threw in the towel and raised a green flag courtesy of a Devon Ryan penalty after 27 minutes of the second half. This would prove to be the final score as Cashel held on for a famous victory, their first McGowan title in fifteen years. Cashel team: Jack Currivan (Golden), Mark Casey (Cahir), Tomás Bourke (Boherlahan), David Sinclair (Golden), John Ryan (Boherlahan), Conor O'Dwyer (Cashel), John Marnane (Rockwell Rovers), Lorcan Carr (Kickhams), Fearghail O'Donoghue (Cashel), Liam

McGrath (Clerihan) 2-02, Aaron Moloney (Cashel) 0-1, Jack O'Rourke (Clerihan) 0-1, Jamie Duncan (Kickhams), Riain Quigley (Moyle Rovers) 1-04, Aaron Browne (Kickhams) 0-1. Subs: Reuben Bourke (Kickhams) for Sinclair (20), Brian Og O'Dwyer (Rosegreen) 0-1 for O'Donoghue (40), Jack McGrath (Cashel) for O'Rourke (45), Kevin Cleary (Rosegreen) for Marnane (45), Ben Ryan (Kickhams) for Ryan (55), Niall Quaid (Boherlahan) for Cleary (b/c 55) Also; Chris Geraghty (Rosegreen), Euan Ryan (Boherlahan), Niall Hogan (Cashel), Conor O'Brien, Kevin Gayson Molloy (Cashel), Ciarán Moroney (Feathard), Luke Kevin (Boherlahan), Adam Ferncombe, Páirc Brosnan, James Murphy, Darragh Leacy, Ben Loughman, Daniel Moloney, Stephen Browne and Cian Bargary (inj) Thurles CBS team :Conor Stapleton, Jack Hickey, Frank Hannifin, Brian McCabe, Kevin Hayes, Kieran Costello, Peter Melbourne, Diarmuid Meaghar(0-1), Jack Taylor, Devon Ryan, Bill Maher, Paddy Creedon (0-5, 3 frees) Brendan Looby, John Kirwan, Martin Bergin. Subs used: Darren Flood (0-1) for Bergin, Ryan Walsh for Looby, Paddy McGrath, Stephen Ferncombe, Jack Ryan.

