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Senior Championship

Our quest for senior championship honours is still on course after we defeated neighbours St. Patrick's in a tough encounter in Silverbridge. Spectators expecting the classic encounter of last week were in for a disappointment as conditions dictated the trend of play. Heavy rain prior to, and during, the game left underfoot conditions difficult leading to many mistimed tackles. Rangers won the toss and decided to play up the hill, but it was our opponents who opened the scoring with a well struck point from over fifty yards. Rangers response was immediate, a sweeping movement down the field ended with the ball nestling in the net. Another point from play gave us a three point advantage after ten minutes. The next fifteen minutes remained scoreless as each struggled for control. Over the last five minutes each side scored a point to leave the half-time score, Rangers 1-2, St Pat's 0-3. On the resumption it was St Pat's who was first into their stride and again another point from a free helped to reduce the margin to a single point. Then Rangers enjoyed a period of supremacy but all they had to show for their efforts was 2 points, one from a free and one from play. During this period, they also kicked their first wides.

Our opponents were really warming to the task and throwing caution to the wind launched all out attacks on our goal and over the next 10 minutes, outscored us by 3 points to 1. Having lost our lead and behind by a single point with approximately five minutes left to play, it was then that the team showed its true character. Three great points, 2 from play and 1 from a free left us in front with time almost up. There was just enough time left to allow the Cullyhanna boys to come back for a point to reduce the margin to the minimum.

Final score: Rangers 1-8, St Pat's 0-10. This was a good all round performance by the team and they showed great character when coming back from being one point down to win the game. Our next game is the County Final against our old rivals Dromintee and I'm sure everyone will be aware that we would need an improved performance to carry the day.

Good Wishes

Our good wishes go to Paddy McNamee who is in hospital at the moment and we hope it is not too long until he is out and about again and fit for the final.

Half-Time Draw

The half-time draw for £100 was won by Gabe Murchan from Silverbridge.

Lotto

The lotto jackpot was not won last week and now stands at £1,300 or €2,600.

Crossmaglen Underage Camogie

A great turnout from our underage girls for the Blitz on Saturday at Culloville. The girls all played very well and did the club proud.

Please note that this now ends the Camogie for this season. Training will recommence in the New Year, dates and times for Registration and Training will be announced accordingly.

Many thanks to all the girls for their dedication and commitment all year, and thanks to the parents for their continued support.