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Mens 2 XI in action v Corinthians. See full match reports and photos below.

Ladies 1st Match Report

Glenanne vs Trinity 0-1

This Saturday was a much anticipated match with Glens taking on Trinity in Glennane Park. The excitement and anticipation was evident with a huge amount of spectator support. Both teams started off strong and it was clear from the first whistle that this was going to be a battle between the two teams. Starting off into the first half both teams showed their skills with position being relatively even between the teams. Trinity gained a short corner mid-way through the first half, ending in a goal. Not to be disheartened Glens powered through gaining ground and won a number of short corners on both sides of half time, but it just wasn't a converting day for glens. At the half time whistle a quick respite from an intense match allowed both teams to re-group and hit it hard again. Both teams came out with a fierce gusto to try and get a goal but it was not to be gotten. Both teams powered through to the end with neither giving in to another goal, but Trinity took the win in the end.

Ladies 2nds Match Report

Sunday 23 October v Mullingar.

I have EVENTUALLY learnt that it is not always advisable to drink lots of beer and a few gin and tonics on the night before a match. It did not deter me, as I actually started today's game. With no Paul to guide us it was left in mine and Audreys and Sues capable hands. So it was trying to rain on the way down which was not a good omen. How and ever we did not let that upset us. We ended up with a squad of thirteen including yours truly so that wasn't too bad. Expecting an

onslaught from Mullingar we bribed our own umpire with a measley one cola bottle, sorry Paul I wasn't thinking, otherwise you would have had a full packet of them all to yourself. The Glens started off in glorious fashion and we were on the attack from the start. After fifteen minutes I was in need of some oxygen so magnamimously I subbed myself off. Thanks be to God I could hear all my team silently saying. Tee hee hee. Seriously though we played great out there today. It has been reported that our lovely Sue queried the Mullingar umpires decision or lack thereof. Unfortunately I cannot print it on the grounds that the profanities have not actually been invented yet. It went like this, " For bleeps sake are you bleeping well going to bleeping well do any bleeping thing, umpire". It wasn't funny as we were really playing against twelve people at one end of the pitch. That being said, Kate, the ever calm, O'Connor slotted away a lovely corner and we ended the first half a goal to the good. Nicole had a bit of a slip just before half time and the lovely Anne Maguire who had come to support us was sent running for the extra first aid kit. Then she starts complimenting Fiona only to be told it was Kim. Oh well. Angel, Haleigh and Nicole did themselves proud and I hope they are all getting to enjoy the game and more importantly the club. Half time and jellies and Audrey has some inspiring words for the crew and back out we go, well they did as I was not going back on unless it was a critical injury. With Amys boyfriend Michael taking the time for us and adding some lovely little questions like do we do a press?? WHAT !!! What were the team tactics?? Give me a break my tactic was don't faint or collapse and if I managed not to do either I was happy. Mullingar had obviously decided that the only way to stop the Glens was to try the

three person attack and maul. I can guarantee that Auds and Kate and Sinead have a few extra bruises today. Mullingar got themselves a corner and eventually they got a goal. Their manager nearly had a fit as he thought the goal was not given but in fact it was, Paul just had stopped the game and they did not realise this. So one all and its all guns blazing. Can our team tell me what exactly it is they had to do to gain a corner!! If we did not literally fall over with a stick planted in us we were not going to get a corner. The entire team deserved our wee girlie but we had to give it to someone and seeing as I was not allowed give it to myself for my sacrifice of standing on the pitch we awarded it to Miss Calm, Kate. A one all draw felt like a win and we were unlucky not to get a few more goals. Thanks to Nick for the pre match coffee for SOME of the team, humph!! Thanks a million Paul for umpiring today we appreciate it even if we forgot the cola bottles.

Ladies 2nds Match Report

Saturday October 15th 2016 v Clontarf.

Well did you all miss me or more specifically did you miss my epic reports?? Sorry I was away for the first match of the season which we won 4 goals to 2. Audrey McCormack scored a hat trick and Kate O'Connor scored the other one. Unfortunately no-one did a match report so all I can say is they were all brilliant, even without me being there.

And so to todays game. As usual we had the ever present Tim Lyne umpiring for

us, he should definitely get a medal for all the umpiring he does for us. I digress. Can you believe it we had to drop Audrey today as we had 17 players including her, no there's a first, eh. T'was great to see Emma returning today and welcome back to her. There is really not an awful lot to say about today's game except, we were great. Considering Clontarf are a really good team we were expecting the worst. In true Glenanne form we rallied together, played like a team that have been together for ages and never gave up. The first half of the match saw Glenanne attacking on the right and the left, crosses speeding past the defenders and our attackers latching on to some of them. It was nil all approaching half time but on yet another attack from the Glens the ball came into the circle, the Clontarf goalie makes a save and out again it goes and Kate O'Connor gets her stick to it and it goes in off the post. Yipee Glenanne go in one goal up at the break. Jellies are out and the huddle forms. Paul gives his talk and everyone is happy. So the second half begins and we are expecting an all out attack from Clontarf, but we were ready for it. Still the girls are giving it their all and Hannah Morrin takes a shot, and Sinead Aherne sneaks her stick in and pinches goal number two. Clontarf come at us like a ton of bricks and we have defending corners by the handful. Sue is at her best, getting walloped left right and centre. At the same time we were still penetrating up and down the left and right wings. Our newer members Angel, Haleigh and KerriAnn must have thought we were nuts as we had them subbing on and off and putting them left and right. Fair play to you girls you did what was asked and let me just say this KerriAnn instigated a corner, out of which Sinead scored goal number three. Nicole, Kim, Kate, Elsa, Niamh Aherne

and Paula were all tireless in their defending and each and every one of you should be proud of your performance today. Amy, Emma and Hannah all played out of their skins in midfield and then Sinead, Fiona, Gwen, KerriAnn, Angel and Haleigh were tireless in their attack. So what can I say but we won three nil and now have 6 out of 6 points. We are at home next Saturday and then away on Sunday to Mullingar, so let's keep up the training and let's keep enjoying our Saturday matches. Player of the match today was given to Sue but there were many candidates.

Saturday 22nd

Ladies 1's v Trinity 1's in Glenanne Park 0-1

Ladies 2's v Malahide Fingal in Glenanne Park - Postponed

Sunday 23rd

Ladies 2's v Mullingar 1's in Mullingar 1-1



Men's 2nds Match Report Report

Having picked up their first point of the season the week before against

Corinthians, the men's 2's travelled to play a strong Monkstown team in Rathdown on Saturday morning.

We started strongly, earning an early corner but Stu Ronan - who had a good game up top - couldn't convert from second phase.

Monkstown took the lead after about 25 minutes when we were turned over in midfield and the ball was moved quickly to the circle where their forward tapped in at the back post.

Darragh Murphy had a fine game between the pipes in relief of Ian Clarke and we withstood a series of corners before half-time to keep the scoreline at 1-0.

The second half was a better showing overall and we forced a number of corners but as usual couldn't convert.

Town had a good few chances on the break and we were pretty blessed at times but we earned a corner in the last minute and a straight strike was squeezed home from the top. A well-earned 1-1 draw!

Pictures below for men's 2nds

Men's 3rds Match Report

Glenanne V St. Brendan's
Away on Wednesday 19/10/16

Lost 3-0

This was an up hill battle from the start due to lack of numbers and some key players missing. I would like to thank everyone who did play and worked there socks off. We conceded 2 goals in the first half which was partly down to our lack of shape and we got caught on the counter attack, also it didn't help that we had a player send off twice in the first half (Note through no fault of his own). We did come out and play much better in the second half, but conceded late from a short corner.

A big thank you to Alan McLoughlin for coming out to umpire for us, he was fair to both sides, I wish I could say the same about his counter part but I can't .

On the up side we had two new young lads out playing Kyle and Jake who both played great, everyone on the team commented on how well there played and they are more than welcome to come out and play anytime. We are looking for to more Paul's young lads (as we call them) coming out to play for us as they are the future of our club.

Club Draw

1st Jim Daly
2nd Ultan Waldron
3rd Emma Crossan
4th Nuala Shaw

Club Fee Reminder

Just a reminder that Fees are now due and need to be paid by the end of October in order to avoid a late fee. Fees should be paid on line this year. You will find the MyClubFinance link at the top of the home page on the Glenanne website www.glenannehockeyclub.com. Just a reminder that there is also an Associate Membership Fee that can be chosen for all non playing members.

The Club Draw has been in place for a number of years. There is a chance of winning 4 cash prizes each month. It is €10 for each monthly entry. You can set up a standing order for €10 each month or pay for one full year with cash or cheque. The draw form can be found in the 'Other' section on the website under 'Forms'. This is a great chance for you to win some cash and for the Club to raise much needed funds. Contact any member of the Management Committee if you need further information. Contact information for the management committee can also be found on our website.



Junior Match Report

Unfortunately we had to cancel the Minor B match and Super6's Girls Blitz today against Weston and Notre Dame. Some even very disappointed girls. Just wanted to acknowledge the amazing efforts of two of our young Minor Girls Laura and Tiana who were in GAA championship finals today and whilst the results did not go in their favour, we would like to congratulate them both on getting to the Championship Finals. Looking forward to seeing their speed and skills back on the hockey pitch for Glenanne! Hard luck girls (and parents)!

The boys had two league matches today at home. U14C (6th class boys) played great stuff against Navan, Nathan scored a magnificent goal and was unfortunate not to get at least 3 more. Alas the boys conceded to Navan 1:2. But the team is

getting stronger every match (well done the boys). Great potential- keep it up boys!

Our U14B boys drew 1:1 draw against Suttonians, scored by Kyle Nolan, who by the way helped out the Men's 3rd yesterday as well. Unfortunately they conceded a goal late in the 2nd half and they certainly had their opportunities to score but it just wasn't to be. As with the U14C boys, the lads are building skill and strength with each match, great raw talent in the team and a pleasure to watch young lads develop and grow.

A word of acknowledgement to Paul and Neil who have worked tirelessly with the boys and brought them to where there are. This is no easy feat, we're not talking about developing a team, we're talking about recruiting, retaining and then developing and really building boys teams for the Club, so I hope everyone in the Club will support me in acknowledging the significant contribution the Byrne's are making to the Junior Section as well as the future Men's section. I'm lucky to be working with them. And recently we've had Stuey, David and Gary join us to support the boys development! The Junior Section now has a vibe!

Fiona Hanaphy was recently co- opted as Board Member for Hockey Ireland 16th October 16. She is looking forward to the upcoming year and delighted to be a Board member who has come through the Glenanne ranks.





Under 14 Boys

U14 B

The u14b boys had their second match in Glenanne Park today, tip off was at 2pm against Suttonions. The match started quite scrappy with some misplaced passes and a couple of missed tackles. But the lads seemed to ease into the game and managed to hold the majority of the possession in the first half. Daniel Warren made a great run from 25 to 25 with a nice strike back post but nobody was there to deflect the ball home. Kyle Nolan made a lovely run along the baseline after a nice first time pass from Lennon Mills and slotted the ball past the keeper on his near post. Glens were 1 nil up and shortly after the half time whistle was blown. The second half got underway and Suttonions were on top. They kept flooding down the right side of the pitch but couldn't get past Glens left back Luiz Santos, who put in a man of the match performance. The back four in Sergio, Jake, Liam and Luiz had to make a lot of tackles in the 2nd half but they remained solid. Wayne Kivlehan and Luckman Abbas linked up well

together on the right side of the pitch and a ball was played through to Josh Keoigh who was one on one with the keeper but nothing came from the attack. Suttonions pressure eventually told and they managed to break through the middle of the Glens circle with a few missed tackles the ball managed to slip passed Glens GK Hugh Connors. The match ended 1-1. A great performance by the Glens boys who probably deserved the win.





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