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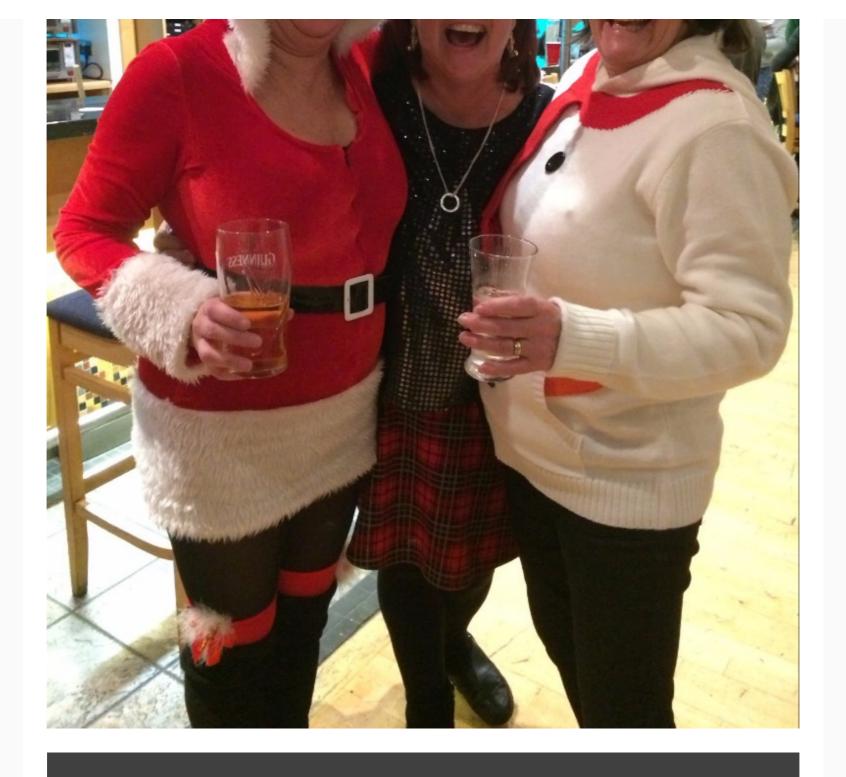
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Results 07.01.2017

Ladies 1sts v Old Alex 2nds in Jackie Potter Cup 2-1 win to Glenanne

Leinster Indoor League 08.01.2017

Greenfields v Glenanne 1-1 Pembroke v Glenanne 2-1 win Glenanne v Railway 1-1 North Kildare v Glenanne 6-0 win

Fixtures 14.01.2017

Ladies 1sts v UCD 2nds in UCD at 4.20pm (Jackie Potter Cup) Ladies 2nds v Genesis in St Raphaela's at 1pm

Leinster Indoor League 15.01.2017 - Columba's College

YMCA v Glenanne 6.40pm Mount Temple v Glenanne 7.20pm

EY League: Mens' Firsts

Final Score: Glenanne 5 Railway Union 4

Scorers: Glenanne Shane O'Donoghue (2) Joe Brennan (2), David Keogh

The Glens pulled off a crucial win against Railway to move the team up to 7th in the table.

Glenanne held much of the possession for the first quarter but were unable to break through a resolute and organised Railway Union Team that worked incredibly hard to close the Glens down. A number of circle entries but not outcome for Glenanne saw the 1st quarter end 0:0

Glenanne played with more patience and composure and seemed to have control of the game but were rocked when a mistake at the back left Mark English to dispatch a powerful tomahawk from just beyond the penalty spot. Thereafter Glens pressed hard and after a couple of failed corner attempts Shane O'Donoghue unlocked the Railway defence with a spectacular flick from

a tight angle. Glens took the lead with a back post finish from Joe Brennan from

Glenanne knew they were in a battle when Railway capitalised on a corner opportunity with the ball staying low past the stranded keeper.

a corner breakdown.

However Glenanne remained as the principle go forward team and after a penalty corner was stopped by a body on the line Shane O'Donoghue dispatched the resulting flick. Almost from the tip off Glenanne exerted a strong press on their right and Railway turned the ball over. Some neat interplay and David Keogh popped up in the circle to make it 4:2 Glenanne looked to be well in control going into the last quarter however Peter Catchpole managed to find a bit of space and a fierce drive beat the keeper's outstretched left foot. However Glenanne had a number of chances on the break and hit the post twice. With corners being repelled by O'Keeffe it was ironic that a misdirect one corner fell to Joe Brennan whose low slap hit deflected off a Railway player high to the net. Spectators may have thought that that was it but when Railway removed their goalkeeper they found space on the right and a slap hit was met at the back post by a Railway stick to bring the score back to 5:4. And so it remained with Glenanne happy to get their 2nd win of the campaign.



Ladies Match Report

Saturday 17th December v Pembroke So what can I say eleven able bodied and very willing ladies stepped onto the pitch today. No subs, not even me. We have been struck with illness and injuries and old age (me). Not to worry, Paul even with a BIT of a hangover was trying to tell people where to play and what to do. We started off with only 9 players but the other two were there just getting undressed. A little bit unsteady and we're off. After about ten seconds we had ten on the pitch and then another minute just as Pembroke were awarded a corner we were up to full strength. Unfortunately Pembroke scored off this corner and devastation hits the manager and coach. Not to let this upset us we rallied ourselves and I think I can safely say that Serena has a few more burn marks on her thighs. She literally was throwing herself all over the place. Anna I think was injected with quick speed power as she ran and ran and ran all day. Elsa, one of our sick players came up to support and was heard to say that she should have brought her gear. Thanks Elsa, the gesture was genuine and appreciated. We really were trying everything and we got a few short corners in the first half, unfortunately the ball just would not go into the Pembroke net. Half time and yes it's the usual jellies and chit chat. Tired but not down our eleven gladiators stepped back out onto the pitch. Half time umpire change. Paul Kennedy took over from Dave, thanks Dave. Our eleven gladiators stepped bravely back on the pitch but no matter how hard we tried today we just could not put the ball in the back of the net. Our usual group of supporters were there aka Alice, Belle, Eunice and it looked like the entire Raeside clan. I know there was another man there but sorry I am not sure who he was other than he was definitely cheering for us. I think Serena's dives warranted her a place on the player of the match award but today Emma got hold of Annie or whatever her name is. I keep saying this but the entire squad were great. If we had of had a

sub or two on the line I reckon we would have clinched the game. Goes to show how important the subs bench is. Oh well, that's it until next year. Paul Kennedy thanks a million for doing the second half of the match, cola bottles will be in your Christmas stocking.





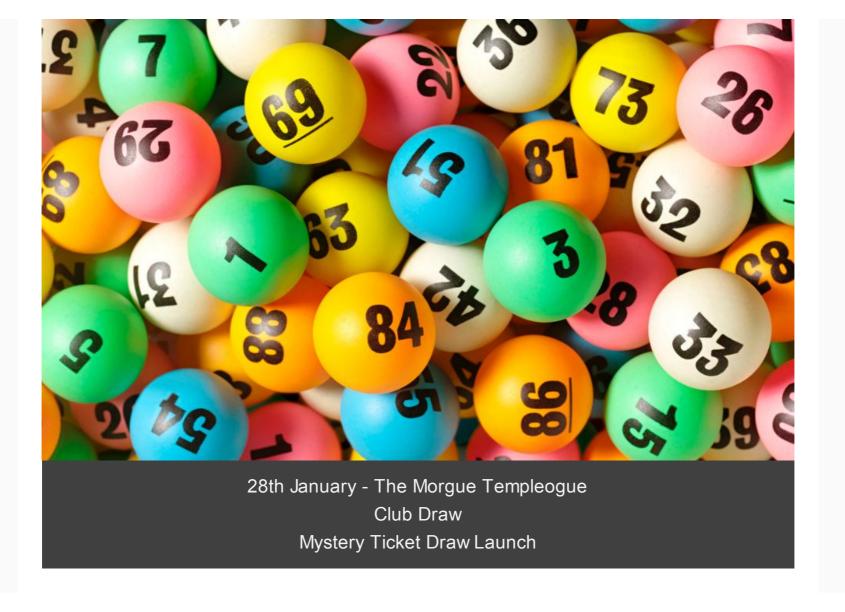
Match Report: Glenanne 2nds 4 TRR 3rds 3

Scorers: Mick McGuinness, Stu Ronan, John Steward, Karl Kelly

The first game back after the Christmas break for the Seconds was a tight affair in the Railway cup against TRR 3rds. The match started brightly for the Glens who went 2 goals up early in the first half. However the experimental half court press being employed by the Glens looked like it needed a bit of tweaking and before the half time the score was 2-2.

The Glens started the second half strongly, and things improved at the back, with less clear openings for Rovers. With several players away / unavailable for the match there were tired legs midway through the half, with no substitutions available until late in the game. Strong performances from Joe Brennan at the back and Stu-Ronan dipping into his bag of tricks up front kept the Glens pushing forward and it wasn't long before they were in the lead again, pulling out to a 4-2 lead. Rovers got one back late in the game but the Glens were able to see the game out.

A good performance overall, even with a few shaky moments at the back. TRR 2nds are the opponents in the next round on the 29th of Jan.











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