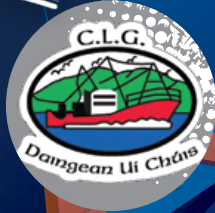




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Championship
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KERINS O'RAHILLY'S

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LEGION V

ST. BRENDAN'S BOARD



RÉITEOIR: Billy O'Shea (Keel)

TOSNÚ: 7pm • Extra Time & Result on the Day



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IONAD: Austin Stack Park, Tralee

DÁTA: Saturday 6th November 2021



MEETING OF DINGLE AND KERINS O'RAHILLY'S TOO CLOSE TO CALL

By **MURT MURPHY**

Dingle v Kerins O'Rahilly's, Austin Stack Park, Saturday November 6th, 5pm

THE 2021 Garvey's SuperValu SFC reaches the quarter-final stage this weekend and when the dust has settled on Sunday evening, only four sides will remain in contention to claim the Bishop Moynihan Cup.

The meeting of Dingle and Kerins O'Rahilly's promises to be an intriguing clash with both sides having very potent attacking units. Dingle hasn't won the county since 1948 though they have gone close enough in recent years to add to their six titles. Last year they were beaten in the opening round so they will be hell bent in now taking advantage of the fact that the champions East Kerry are out of the championship.

Kerins O'Rahilly's last won the Bishop Moynihan in 2002 and also has six titles and were also first round losers last season. So both Pdraig Corcoran and William Harmon will be anxious to make it to the last four in one of the most open championships in years.

The sides had contrasting first round wins with

Kerins O'Rahilly's inspired by Tommy Walsh putting St. Kieran's to the sword with a 1-16 to 0-9 win, while Dingle had to rely on a 59th minute Conor Geaney goal to just get over the line against Mid Kerry on a 1-7 to 0-8 scoreline.

So where are the key battles and where can this game be won and lost? Well it is pretty obvious that Dingle will have to curb the threat of Tommy Walsh who scored six points in the opening round and was almost unmarkable, revelling in a good supply of quality ball. It is difficult to see how Pdraig O'Connor can handle Walsh on his own, so he will have to get help.

Dingle could very well hatch a plan to drop somebody back but from what we know the prospect of Marc O'Connor being allowed play is remote, so the Cats star can hardly repeat his Kieran Donaghy marking job of a few years ago.

But this Strand Road team have a very dangerous attack outside of Tommy Walsh, with Jack Savage, Barry John Keane and Conor Hayes snipers of the highest

calibre if given space while Gearóid Savage is a workaholic. The Tralee side also have a powerful midfield, with David Moran still controlling the skies and Seanie Walsh or Con Barrett able lieutenants and Dingle's Barry

O'Sullivan and whoever starts with him, will have plenty to do to contain the Kerins O'Rahilly's pairing from feeding quality ball to Walsh and his inside line.

The Kerins O'Rahilly's defence is not too shabby either with Ross O'Callaghan, Cormac Coffey and Cian Sayers defending well against St. Kieran's but the Dingle attack will take some watching.

In fact the Dingle attack is probably their strength and it all hinges on the Geaney clan. Kerry star Paul Geaney is playing some of the best football of his career and he could cause Kerins O'Rahilly's major problems. Conor and Niall Geaney are also dangerous forwards and Conor's late goal last weekend was a class finish. George Durrant and Niall Geaney also add to

Dingle's potency up front so the Tralee side's defence will have to be vigilant throughout.

Looking at the Dingle rearguard, it has a solid look about it, with Mikey Geaney adapting well to the centre back position but he also contributes to winning a lot of breaking ball. Matthew Flaherty is a tough customer while Kerry corner back Tom O'Sullivan, will no doubt play his roving role and will be joining the attack when possible.

So this is a game that has so many variants that it is virtually impossible to be come down in favour of one side or the other. However based on the fact that Dingle might be just that bit more battle hardened, a hesitant vote goes to Dingle. **VERDICT:** Dingle.




Referees Review

Covid...short season...similar activity
Thanks to clubs and referees
We just about got by with games played...



- 30 clubs do not contribute to the committee with trained, available and interested referees!!!!
- For hurling league games going forward local referees may not be available - adult and under age.
- At present the existing panel of referees are called on too often. They referee at both adult and underage.

CONCERNS going forward.

- Availability and Standards.
- Age Profile.
- Clubs and Recruitment.
- Hurling Games

An Overview – Minor and Adult games

- 4 dual clubs played a total of 150 games. Only provided a referee for 3 games to committee. Exception: Ballyduff provided referees for 70 games.
- 27 other clubs played a total of 470 games. Only provided a referee for 20 games to committee.

Future

- Over the coming months the Co Board/Referees Committee will work with above clubs to help with promotion and recruitment.
- In January the situation will be reviewed depending on progress.
- All clubs should ensure that their existing referees are active.
- Adult team - Adult referee
- Juvenile team - Juvenile referee

DINGLE

1
Gavin H
Ó Corráin

2
Tomás
Ó Súilleabháin

3
Pádraig
Ó Conchúir

4
Tomás
Ó Súilleabháin

5
Maitiú
Ó Flaitheartaigh

6
Micheál
Ó Géibheannaigh (C)

7
Aodán
Ó Conchúir

8
Barra
Ó Súilleabháin

9
Liam
Ó Conchúir

10
Tadhg
de Brún

11
Niall
Ó Géibheannaigh

12
Seoirse
Durrant

13
Conchubhar
Ó Géibheannaigh

14
Pól
Ó Géibheannaigh

15
Dylan
Ó Géibheannaigh

BAINISTÍOCHT:

Bainisteoir: Pádraig Ó Corcoráin.

Roghnóirí: Seán B. Ó Brosnacháin, Shane Ó Ruairc,
Séamas Ó Gairbheith, Liam Ó Conchúir
& Diarmuid Ó Murchú.



FIR IONAID

16. Daithí Ó Conchúir
17. Conchubhar Ó Súilleabháin
18. Micheál Ó Flannúra
19. Tomás Mac a' tSíthigh
20. Cóilín Ó Muircheartaigh
21. Darragh Ó Súilleabháin
22. Pádraig Mac a' tSíthigh
23. Jeaic Ó Súilleabháin
24. Micheál Ó Beoláin
25. Marc Ághas



FIR IONAID

16. Robert O'Connor
17. Con Barrett
18. Shane McElligott
19. Diarmuid O'Sullivan
20. Sean Collins
21. Daniel Bowler
22. John C O'Connor
23. Jerome Daly
24. Conor O'Sullivan
25. Stephen Nix
26. Gearoid Hartnett
27. Gavin O'Brien
28. Patrick Begley
29. Gearoid Dillane

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KERINS O'RAHILLY'S

1
Shane
Foley

2
Donagh
Buckley

3
Ross
O'Callaghan (C)

4
Cormac
Coffey

5
Darragh
McElligott

6
Shane
Brosnan

7
Cian
Sayers

8
David
Moran

9
Tom
Hoare

10
Gearoid
Savage

11
Jack
Savage

12
Sean
Walsh

13
Barry John
Keane

14
Tommy
Walsh

15
Conor
Hayes

BAINISTÍOCHT:

Manager: William Harmon. Coach: Daniel Murphy.
Selectors: John O'Connor, Paul Ryan.
Physio: Katie Costello.
Logistics: Frank O'Connor.



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CAN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING ON OR WILL LEGION STAY IN THE RACE?

By **MURT MURPHY**

Killarney Legion v St. Brendan's Board, Austin Stack Park, Saturday November 6th, 7pm

BACKBONED by seven starters from County Intermediate Club Finalists Na Gaeil, St. Brendan's came good in the second half against Kenmare Shamrocks last weekend and they along with South Kerry were the only District combos to make it through to the last eight.

Killarney Legion were put to the pin of their collar to beat Spa and in a game that required Gaelic football's form of Russian roulette to decide a winner, a penalty shootout that went to sudden death, saw Conor Keane hold his nerve to get his side over the line.

Neither Killarney Legion nor St. Brendan's are noted SFC winners with one title between them and that was way back in 1946 when Legion captured their only senior county championship.

The Killarney side also have a huge incentive to advance and try and make the SFC final as that would guarantee their senior status that is currently under threat. So Stephen Stack and his Killarney Legion players have enough motivation on Saturday evening without even using any perceived frailties in the St. Brendan's line-up.

A huge factor in the St. Brendan's win was the organised way that they got bodies back into defence to squeeze out what on paper appeared to be a potent Kenmare Shamrocks attack, and when the opportunity arose, they attacked with pace and precision in a masterclass of counter-attacking football.

Andrew Barry, who was Man of the Match, plays that quarterback role brilliantly emerging from the pocket and joining the attack at every opportunity. Indeed the three Barry brothers - Jack, Andrew and Fergal are key players in this St. Brendan's set-up.

But it's at midfield that St. Brendan's hold their trump cards with the Kerry pairing of Jack Barry and Diarmuid O'Connor and Legion's Jamie O'Sullivan and Jack O'Neill will have to be at their best to break even there. One would imagine that Brian Kelly might well be using the short kick-out strategy to neutralise the Barry/O'Connor influence and that will mean that St. Brendan's may have to apply a high press. But players like Dan Goggin, Alan O'Donoghue, James Duggan and Fionan Mackessey have pace to burn but it's a strategy that carries risk.

Eoghan O'Brien is a huge asset to the District side as he has a booming long kick-out that

can find his men out the field. Killarney Legion will want more from their attack and players like Conor Keane, Eoghan O'Sullivan and Ryan O'Grady have the ability to hurt St. Brendan's. William Shine is young but cannot be given room while James O'Donoghue may not be the force of old due to his nightmare injury woes but he is still a lethal finisher.

But St. Brendan's have tenacious defenders in Damien Burke and Enda O'Connor along with the experience of Trevor Wallace and there are few tougher than Thomas Kearns, a Wicklow native.

The Killarney Legion defence looks more solid with Jonathon Lyne back on duty and Kieran Slattery might not be flashy but he works so hard for the team and he is a very good man marker. Peter O'Sullivan and Cian Gammell are young and pacey and Brian Kelly is a top class keeper, so it's

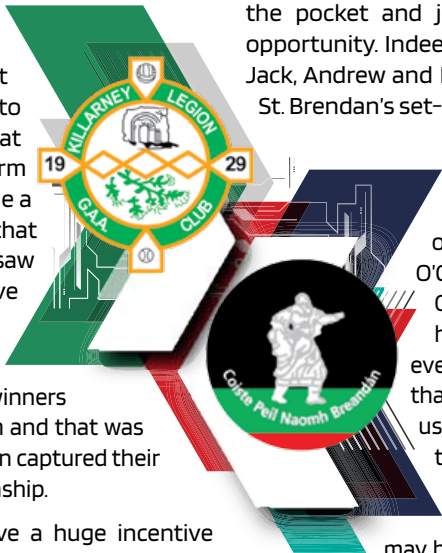
hard to find fault with the Killarney side's defence.

It is difficult to know what starting six forwards Donal Rooney will choose because players like Mikey Kelliher and Michael Walsh came off the bench and did well so there is no shortage of talent to pick from. St. Brendan's have gone close over the past few years without making the final but they were the only side to beat East Kerry in their two year reign as champions. Last weekend's game will also have brought them on.

But Killarney Legion are a club side brimming with talented players who if they turn it on, can be a hard to team to beat and as I stated at the start, they have a huge motivation to do well this year.

So again it's a game that could go either way but St. Brendan's Kerry players at midfield might just tilt the result in their favour.

VERDICT: St. Brendan's.



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KILLARNEY LEGION



1
Brian Kelly (C)



2
Chris Davies



3
Danny Sheahan



4
Cian Gammell



5
Peter O'Sullivan



6
Podge O'Connor



7
Kieran Slattery



8
Jack O'Neill



9
Padraig Lucey



10
Eoghan O'Sullivan



11
Conor Keane



12
Denis Sheahan



13
Jamie O'Sullivan



14
Ryan O'Grady



15
Finbarr Murphy

BAINISTÍOCHT:

Manager: Stephen Stack. **S+C:** Pat Flanagan.

Coaches: Sean Culloty, Karl Dillon.

Selectors: Thomas Lyne, Enda Walshe, Peter O'Leary.



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FIR IONAID

16. David Gleeson
17. Rob Leen
18. Darragh Doherty
19. Mark Heffernan
20. Kieran O'Donoghue
21. Damien O'Sullivan
22. Sean MacCarthy
23. Cathal Sheahan
24. Darragh Fleming
25. William Shine
26. Tomás Moriarty
27. Shaun Keane
28. Padraig Enright
29. Luke O'Donoghue



FIR IONAID

16. Devon Burns (Na Gaeil)
17. Kieran Dwyer (St. Pat's)
18. Micheal Walsh (John Mitchels)
19. Padraig White (John Mitchels)
20. Mikey Kelliher (John Mitchels)
21. George Bastible (John Mitchels)
22. Tomás Ó hAiniféin (Na Gaeil)
23. Dara O'Sullivan (Churchill)
24. Conor Moore (St. Pat's)
25. John Horgan (John Mitchels)
26. Fionan Mackessy (Ardfert)
27. Jack Sheehan (Na Gaeil)
28. Stefan Okunbor (Na Gaeil)
29. Nathan O'Driscoll (Ardfert)
30. Seán Broderick (John Mitchels)

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ST. BRENDAN'S BOARD



1
Eoghan O'Brien (Churchill)



2
Enda O'Connor (Na Gaeil)



3
Trevor Wallace (Ardfert)



4
Damien Bourke (Na Gaeil)



5
Fergal Barry (Na Gaeil)



6
Andrew Barry (Na Gaeil)



7
Thomas Kearns (John Mitchels)



8
Diarmuid O'Connor (Na Gaeil)



9
Jack Barry (Na Gaeil)



10
Liam O'Donnell (Churchill)



11
Daithí Griffin (Ardfert)



12
Joe Lenihan (Churchill)



13
Dan Goggin (Na Gaeil)



14
Alan O'Donoghue (C) (John Mitchels)



15
James Duggan (John Mitchels)

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