

Waterford City Club Notes

22/01/2017

Senior Squad

Due to bereavement in Crosshaven RFC the senior squad's game was cancelled. Waterford City RFC sends our condolences to the family and the club. Next weekend City is away to Young Munster in the Munster Junior Cup.

Under 18's

Cobh 38 v Waterford City 21

The under 18's were away to Cobh this weekend and in a well fought game the lads just couldn't get the scores to overcome Cobh. Keep up the good work.

Under 16's

Charleville 13 v Waterford City 15

Early on Saturday morning our under 16's made the long journey to north Cork to take on Charleville RFC in what turned out to be a very impressive performance from this young team. From the kick-off the city lads looked relaxed and composed being led by team Captain Bryan Brown who really stepped up and took control of the Team. Charleville started off with some great pressure from their large pack trying to force their way through but City's forwards defended gallantly making tackle after tackle resulting in a turn over which was quickly off loaded to City's backline and first centre Cian Wadding making use of the space tore through the Charleville defence for City's First try. Charleville came back with some great pieces of play and a penalty just outside City's 22 giving Charleville their first score of the day. On the restart Charleville pushed forward but City's calm and collected defence held tough turning over the ball again and again and going forward, an infringement just outside Charleville's 22 allowed City's Out half Keelan Taylor an opportunity to further the lead with a well struck penalty between the posts City now lead 8 points to 5. After some great back and forth play from both teams a line-out thrown in by City's toughest hooker Chris Cuddihy allowed the lads to display their technically perfect lift of their No 6 Keelan Foley who dominated the lineouts for the rest of the match, just before half time a lapse in judgement followed by Charleville pressure opened up space for a try in the corner finishing the half 8-8 .

The second half began with some great phases from City's forwards especially Paddy O'Donovan City's No 8 who's non-stop work and willingness to put his body on the line kept pushing his team forward their constant pressure caught Charleville on the back foot allowing Out Half Keelan Taylor & First Centre Cian Wadding to pull off an amazing display of

skill and talent catching Charleville's defence by surprise when they linked together a looping pass followed by a dummy pass which opened space for Keelan Taylor to charge through and get city's second try followed by a decisive penalty putting city in the lead 15 - 8. Charleville still with plenty of life in them began to pile on the pressure throwing everything at city powering their way through city's defence only to be met by full back Darren Kennelly who was on top form stopping everything that made it through the defensive line. After a stoppage of play Charleville gathered themselves and from a 5 meter scrum their scrum half worked the ball out to the wing and joined with a supporting number 8 who while being tackled reached for the line and just barely touched down for a try in the very corner of the pitch making it 15 points to 13 to city.

On the restart Charleville's new found confidence pushed them forward again to City's try line, City's winger Brandon Walsh putting in another great hit slowing down the Charleville momentum. In all the fray a loose ball was picked up from substitute Ciaran Mitchell resulting in a ferrous hit from a Charleville's forward the City player somehow managed to keep hold of the ball and place it perfect for forwards to ruck over and our backs to clear the line. With the clock ticking Charleville once again stormed the line where team captain Bryan Brown who when the team needed him most put his body on the line and stopped the Charleville scrum half going over and denying him what would have certainly been a winning try for Charleville. City finished strong as they pushed forward in the dying seconds as the whistle blew a well-deserved win for these young lads who put in a huge performance. Final score City 15 Charleville 13.

[Photo - Waterford City RFC Under 16's](#)

BackRow- Left to Right

Coach/Francis Ryan - Hakeem Dwalaye , Paddy ODonovan, Sean Leane , Jack Stickel , Darren Kenneally , Brandon Walsh, Keelan Foley, Cian Wadding, Christopher Cuddihy , Aaron Murphy , Coach/Mark Power

FrontRow- Left to Right

Keelan Taylor, Dean Kelly, Ciaran Mitchell, Bryan Brown , Josh White , Daniel Kelly

Under 14's

Thurles 0 v Waterford City 45

The under 14's took on Thurles on Sunday and with the lads putting in a phenomenal performance came out convincing winners. The lads showed outstanding commitment and composure. Well done!!

Mini's Rugby

Minis rugby is on every Sunday morning from 11-12pm. All new members welcome. Come along on Sunday morning and give it a go.

