

## Waterford City RFC

### Club Notes 14/09/2015

#### **WCRFC Senior Squad –Fethard 7 V’s WCRFC 16**

Such is the strength in depth of city's squad, the players who didn't feature vs. Clanwilliam were given their chance to impress in our final pre seasons game away to Fethard. City were disappointing in the first forty minutes were we didn't play to our usual structure and didn't exploit the space out idea. That said, the scrum was functioning well and Aidan Power was taking his chances in the centre and impressing with some great defensive work and offensive angles of running. Despite our possession and try scoring opportunities, we only led 3-0 approaching the end of the first half when Fethard scored a try under the post after some sloppy tackling.

City responded well in the second half and played the majority of the game in the Fethard half. The forwards upped their tempo and impressed at lineout with the backs finally gaining quick ball and using some width. We squandered a few try scoring opportunities but after good work from the pack, the backs shifted the ball quickly to Ryan Philips, playing his last game before going to Nottingham for college who cantered in for a typically well finished try. City didn't let their foot off the gas and continued to pound away at the Fethard line with Kevin Whelan working tirelessly around the field and Mark Hayes showing real promise at full back. In the final few moments, Stephen Walsh finished another great backline move after we secured quick ball as he was put into the corner by the impressive Phillips.

Skipper Andrew Condrón marshalled his troops well and it was a good blow out for players to get up to match speed before a hectic few months of fixtures. The club would like to wish Ryan Phillips well as he travels to Nottingham to university with the backs eager to take over his top try scoring award from last season.

Paddy Halloran, Stephen O'Rourke, Andrew Condrón (c), Jason Power, Eamonn O'Keeffe, Connor White, Kevin Whelan, Dave Whelan, Michael Hayes, Jack Caffrey, James Halligan, Connor Brennan, Aidan Power, Stephen Walsh, Mark Hayes, Elliot O 'Mahoney, Brian Walsh, Brian Kinsella, Mark Power, David Healy, Ryan Phillips

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#### **Training – Tuesday and Thursday 6.45pm**

#### **WCRFC u18's**

On Sunday our u18 squad travelled to Thurles for a 15 a side tournament. Drawn in a pool with Clonmel, Cashel & Nenagh and also short a few regulars through injury it looked like a tough day lay in store. That thought process was turned on its head as in the first game with Clonmel we played out

a hard earned draw. Both sides came close to getting the winning score in a dramatic finish but a draw was probably a fair result.

Up next we faced Cashel. After an even opening 10 minutes Cashel made the breakthrough scoring after a number of pick and drives near the City line. City through the kitchen sink at Cashel but couldn't make the breakthrough. Finally in our last game after a great start we succumbed to a far bigger Nenagh side by 7 points.

Overall an interesting and positive experience for our young squad. We got an opportunity to try out players in new positions and look at a few of the teams we will be facing this season. The club is proud to announce the appointment of joint captains John Harte & Ciaran Holloway for the 2015/16 season. Two very committed and talented players, we wish them all the best.

Squad - Killian Power, Dylan Kelly, Evan O'Sullan, David Jarmilosivic, Eoin Phelan, Ian Kelly, Michael McKinley, John Harte, Cian O'Reilly, Liam Hayes, Tom Doolan, Zac Keating, Noah Mellors, Ciaran Holloway, Jack Jacob, Conor McCarthy, Glen Taylor

**Training – Friday evening @6.30pm and Sunday morning's**

### **Youth Rugby**

U16, U14 and U12 teams also available – please contact out Youth officer Jimmy on 0863327327 for more details.

### **Mini's Rugby**

On Sunday, Waterford City RFC Minis (born 2004 to 2009) were back for their second training session of the new season. With the rain, we had a good turnout in the circumstances. Training time for the rest of the season is 11 to 12 except for blitzes (Oct. 4th at home v Tramore and Clonmel, Nov 1st in Fethard and Dec. 6th in Carrick) when there is no training (kick-off for blitzes is 10:30). Annual sub is E25 and weekly sub is E2. Minis are open to both boys and girls so come along and enjoy the rugby! For more details on mini's rugby contact Paul on 0857162267.

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Peter Jones, Ben Duggan, Simon O Hara

