

Lidl Ladies National Football League

Division 2 Round 2

Wexford 0-04 -v- Kerry 5-15

Venue: St. Patricks Park, Enniscorthy

Referee: Johnny Murphy (Carlow)

Kerry continued their impressive start to the campaign with an emphatic win against Wexford on Sunday. With Wexford making two changes to the program and four positional switches it did not have the desired effect of upsetting the kingdom as it was the away side who dominated proceedings early on, indeed as events would transpire they would dominate proceedings for the entire match. Kerry raced into an early 1-06 to no score approaching twenty minutes in the game. Louise Ní Mhuireachtaigh was hitting a rich vein of form in this period scoring 1-03 (0-1f). Lorraine Scanlon, Niamh Ní Chonchúir & Hannah O'Donoghue each raising the white flag to give Kerry a nine-point lead. Wexford were shortly given a glimmer of hope. Full back Aislinn Desmond receiving 10 minutes in the bin for a high tackle. However, it would be Kerry that made the advantage count despite being a player down. Louise with her second goal and Hannah with her first set Kerry well on their way to a commanding halftime lead. Wexford's only score in the half coming in the twenty-seventh minute from play in what was only their second shot on target. Credit due to Kerry's dominance in preventing Wexford getting any foothold on the game. The defence and work rate of everyone being carried on just like it had previously been against Cavan. Halftime Wexford 0-01 Kerry 3-10. The second half afforded Kerry the opportunity to run the bench with such a health advantage. While Kerry's work rate never dropped along with a much-improved Wexford performance the rhythm of the game suffered in the early stages as Kerry were not showing the same composure. The raft of substitutions playing its part. But once Kerry began to settle so did the scores for the Kingdom. Anna Clifford with her first of the afternoon as Kerry substitutions grew more and more into the game. Miriam O'Keeffe in particular scoring two goals and a point underlining the importance of the panel to a team. Julie O'Sullivan & Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh adding further points to give Kerry a comfortable win. Wexford scoring 3 points in the second half with points coming from Catriona Murray (free) & Aisling Murphy a reward for their spirited effort in the second half. A team very much in transition with up to 11 players unavailable from last year and with different aspirations to Kerry's survival in division two has just become that bit more difficult. A good day at the office for the kingdom with 5-14 scored from play and four players making their senior debut, with much stiffer tests ahead for this young Kerry side

Kerry

L Fitzgerald, E Lynch, A Desmond, A Doherty, A O'Connell, L Caughlan, C Murphy, L Scanlon (0-1), A Galvin, E Dineen, N Ní Chonchúir (0-2), A Clifford (0-1), H O'Donoghue (1-02), F Tangney, L Ní Mhuircheartaigh (2-07 1f)

Kerry Subs: (All Second Half)

C O'Brien for A Doherty, J O'Sullivan (0-1) for A O'Connell, C Teahan for L Caughlan, S Leahy for C Murphy, C Evans for L Scanlon, N Carmody for A Galvin, E Teahan for N Ní Chonchúir, D O'Leary for A Clifford, M O'Keeffe (2-01) for H O'Donoghue, A Murphy for F Tangney

Wexford

L Delaney, A Crean, A Tormey, N O’Gorman, C Donnelly, S Murphy, E Neville, K Kearney (0-1), A Murphy (0-1), C Bridges, A Wilson(0-1), S H Kenny, A Neville (0-1), C Murray (0-1 1f), N Butler

Subs all second half:

S Murphy for A Neville, G Clooney for E Neville, A Byrne for N Butler, Katie White for S Hamilton, L Murphy for A Wilson, A Halligan for S Murphy