

Munster LGFA U16 B Championship B Final

Kerry B 2-10 -v- Tipperary B 1-04

The Kerry U16 B team made it a weekend to remember by completing a hat-trick of victories in the Munster U16 B Championship B Final in Mallow on Sunday. Despite the recent unsettled weather, the pitch was in excellent condition. Kerry got off to the perfect start scoring 1-01 without response. Orla O'Mahony with the point and Sarah Palmer with the goal. Tipperary registered. Tipperary didn't register their first score of the game till the sixth minute from Aoibhin McCarra. It spurred the premier county into action and midway through the half they scored a goal courtesy of Faye Lavin. With a stoppage in play it disrupted Tipp's rhythm as Kerry regained composure and kept their composure and outscored Tipperary scoring six points without response, with six different scorers to open up a seven-point lead going in at the halftime break. Tipperary elected to stay out in the field for their halftime team talk and it seemed to have done the trick as they three points without response to reduce the deficit to four. Leana Gahan, Aoibhin McCarra and Faye Lavin all on target. Amazingly Kerry didn't get their first score of the second half till the twenty first minute through substitute Naoise O'Donoghue. Up until this point Kerry were struggling to get to the same tempo as they had in the first half as Tipperary displayed greater hunger and intensity that resulted in three unanswered points. The Kerry point saw them regain composure and display the intensity they showed in the first half with a Sarah Cooper goal five minutes from time sealing the victory in what was a great weekend for Kerry Ladies Football. A credit to the team and management today with all scores coming from play and with nine different scorers getting on the score sheet

Kerry: A O'Barrett, R Daly, R Cahill, S Harkin (C), C McHugh, S O'Connor McCarthy (0-01), A O'Donovan, O O'Mahony (0-01), L Mae O'Gara (0-02), L O'Shea (0-01), A Kerin (0-01), S Palmer (1-01), S Cooper (1-01), A Granville (0-01), L Carey

Subs: N O'Donoghue (0-01) for L O'Shea, H O'Flaherty for A Kerin, M O'Sullivan for An O'Donovan, M Walsh for L Mae O'Gara, S Randles for S Palmer

Tipperary: C Myles, T Quinn, K B Moloney, Z McCarthy, H McGowan, L Moore, C Cahill, L O'Brien, M Cunneen, S O'Grady (C), S McLoughlin, E Duffy, L Gahan (0-01), F Lavin (1-01), A McCarra (0-02 1f)

A Smith for M Cunneen, K O'Shea for S McLoughlin, O Bergin for L Gehan, R Coffey for A McCarra

Munster LGFA U16 A Championship B Final

Kerry A 2 - 15 -v- Waterford 3 – 07

The weekend's success began with a victory over Waterford in the U16 A Championship B Final. It was a highly entertaining game played under lights in Mallow on Friday night. It was a game which at times could have gone either way such was the intensity throughout the game. Waterford opened proceedings with a free from captain Emma Fitzgerald. Kerry were quick to settle into a groove and score six points on the trot to open up a five-point lead. Lisa Slattery, Sarah Fitzgerald (3) and Hannah Nicgearilt all among the scorers. Emma Fitzgerald was doing her upmost for the Deise with another pointed free. The sides exchanged points as the deficit was down to four. Kerry scored two on the trot from Sarah Fitzgerald and Lisa Slattery to bring the lead back out to six. The game completely turned on it's head with two quick fire goals from Waterford drawing the sides level. Treasa Ní Chrotaigh and Clodagh Power raising the green flags to the delight of the travelling Waterford supporters and the disbelief of the Kerry supporters. Great to the Kerry players and

management they regained their composure and finished the half the strongest scoring the final two scores from Lisa Slattery and Hannah NicGearilt to go in at the break two points in front. On the basis of the first half anything was possible upon resumption. Kerry needed to remain focus and did just that with a point from Keeva Riordan. Sarah Fitzgerald got Kerry's first goal shortly after to take Kerry's lead back out to six. As both sides exchanged points, Emma Fitzgerald pointed another free to reduce the deficit to five. Just like the first half, Waterford struck for a killer blow with another goal from Ava Connolly to reduce the deficit to two. Anything was possible now just like the first but credit to the Kerry players they steadied the ship. Lisa Slattery with a point from play to extend the lead back out to three. Emma Fitzgerald lead the Waterford charge and kept them in touch with a free. Unfortunately for them Kerry struck the decisive score late on with a goal from Sarah Fitzgerald to push the lead back out to five. It was a killer blow to Waterford as they had done it on three different occasions during the match. It would prove to be a decisive score late on in the game as Kerry opened up a five-point lead. Substitute Muireann Teahan extended the lead to six as Waterford's Emma Fitzgerald pointed the final score of the game to see Kerry win on a five-point margin.

Kerry Scorers: L Slattery (0-04), S Fitzgerald (2-04), L O'Connor (0-01), H NicGearilt (0-02), K Riordan (0-02), L O'Connor (0-01 1f), M Teahan (0-01)

Waterford Scorers: E Fitzgerald (0-07 6f), T Ní Chrotaigh (1-0), C Power (1-0), A Connolly (1-0),