



New Ross Celtic AFC

Under 16 & Youth Cup Winners 2012



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Happy New Year to all....



Everyone involved with New Ross Celtic would like to wish a very happy, healthy, peaceful, and prosperous New Year to all New Ross Celtic Supporters, Friends, Players, Managers, Coaches, Sponsors, Trustees and Committee Members.

From a club perspective hopefully 2013 can build on the successes of previous years and allow us to continue to be very successful in the Wexford Leagues and also Provincial and National competitions.



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Schoolboy/Girl Notes:

- Training is back in full swing as usual after the Christmas break.
- Check out all fixtures, results, tables etc regarding the Wexford and District School Boys League at wexfordschoolboys.ie
- Saturday Club soccer skills sessions for boys and girls aged 3 to 7 years has returned since 5th January each Saturday from 11am to 12 noon at a cost of €2 per child.

Saturday Soccer Club Kids Enjoy XMAS Party



All the participants in the kids Saturday Soccer Club had an unexpected surprise before Christmas when they turned up on Saturday 15th to find that their usual skills session had been moved to a party in the Play Barn. This was just reward for the kids who had worked hard all year during the skills sessions. Needless to say none of them were disappointed with this surprise and all had a great time over the course of two hours making full use of the great facilities on offer.

December Schoolboys Results Update

- U11 A team consolidated their joint leadership as they travelled to Crossabeg for a top of the table clash. Played on a poor pitch Celtic recovered from a two goal half time deficit to grab a deserved share of the spoils with two goals from Arran Kinsella and Rory O'Connor. At the start of the month Gorey Celtic were the visitors and a comfortable win for the Celts as goals from Micko Griffin and Ciaran Keher Murtagh and a brace from Rory O'Connor sealed a 4-0 win. The B team faced Gorey Celtic away who are sitting pretty in second place and turned in their best performance of the season before succumbing 5-2 with Luke Nolan and Arran Kinsella scoring.
- U12s travelled the short distance to Rathnure and without ever reaching the heights of earlier performances, returned home with a 4-0 victory. Arran Kinsella bagged two goals and Jake O'Gorman and Joseph Lawal also scored. The team remain the only side in the division with a 100% record after five matches.
- U13s must be one of the most improved team in the club and two great wins in December saw them move clear in second place in the league. Kacper Wesolowski with two goals, Joseph Lawal and Dylan Garvey were the ones who inflicted the damage on Oylegate at home while the trip to Wexford Celtic saw Dylan Garvey claim two goals, Rory O'Connor and John Grace also scoring.
- U14s faced League Leaders Shelburne without the services of Thomas O'Connor and Richie Hennessy but still managed to frighten the life out of the visitors as they led 1-0 approaching half time through Thomas Dunne. A poor goal conceded near half time opened the flood gates however and they eventually lost 5-1. Thankfully both lads should return in the New Year as they strive to regain top spot.
- U15s faced Wexford Albion at home and emerged with a facile 11-0 win with Sean Duffy bagging six of the goals. This was a superb performance from the boys who face Gorey Rangers in the Cup with hopes high of a shock result. The 15s are tied at the top of the table.
- U16s backboned by the 15s, they faced old rivals Gorey Rangers at home in a top of the table clash which incredibly managed to finish scoreless. This was a superb performance from the boys who dominated from start to finish but just couldn't find the final touch to put some daylight between themselves and the rest of the chasing pack. Celtic remain one point clear of North End and Gorey Rangers after this match with everything to play for in the new year .

Leinster Junior Cup 4th Round Stretford Utd 2—3 New Ross Celtic

Celtic travelled to Carlow for this 4th round clash with big expectations of advancing to the 5th round & duly obliged with a hard fought 3-2 victory over Stretford United. In difficult conditions, Celtic began the game at a hectic pace & were rewarded as early as the 11th minute when an Eoin Rhodes corner was headed in by Mikey Grangel to make it 1-0. It took 3 great saves by Aaron to keep us in the game in the 1st half, the best of them from a 20 yard free kick. However some sloppy defending allowed Stretford to level the game on 35minutes, after a game of head tennis in the area finished with the Stretford no 9 sending a looping header over Aaron into the top right hand corner of the net. 1-1 at half time and Celtic fell behind in the 52nd minute when a free kick from 40 yards took two deflections & beat Aaron at his right hand post. Celtic however refused to give in and with Donnacha O'Connor and Sean Culleton starting to impose themselves in midfield it was only a matter of time before an equaliser arrived, and it did so in the 75th minute when a fantastic free kick from Stephen O'Leary was brilliantly headed in by Donnacha (cue the strange celebrations!). Celtic were now on top and in the 81st minute gained what was to be the winning goal when Sean Culleton blasted the ball home from two and a half yards out after great work from Mikey & Donnacha. Celtic now advance to the 5th round in the New Year.

Faces From A Recent Past...2007 Premier Champs



Back L/R: Matt O'Neill, Keith Donnelly, Sean Culleton, Tommy Lee, Wayne Russell, Mikey Grangel, John Mullett, Dariuz Jankowicz, Lucas Furman, John Waters.

Front L/R: Robbie Power, Bryan Mullett, Damien Cullen, Paul Phelan, Sean Purcell, David Purcell, Mark Lee.

December Results and Updates

The Premier team started December with a superb Leinster Junior Cup 4th round 3-2 win away to Stretford United with Mikey Grangel, Donnacha O'Connor, and Sean Culleton getting the goals. This was followed up by a 4-2 loss away to League leaders Shamrock Rovers and a 2-0 home win over Wexford Bohs with Donnacha again scoring and Eoin Rhodes getting the second.

The Second team also had a great start to the month with a 1-0 win away to Enniscorthy Town. However they suffered two defeats away, firstly 2-1 to Cushinstown and then a 4-2 loss to Gorey Rangers.

The Third team won all three of their league games in the month. Firstly was a 5-2 win away to Ferns United with Mark Lee getting a hat-trick, and Tommy Lee, and Lenny Kearns getting one each. Next up was a 6-0 win at home to Oylegate with Mark Lee and Liam Traynor getting two each, and Paul O'Leary and PJ Purcell also scoring. Their last match was a 2-0 win at home to top of the table contenders Rosbercon with Mark Lee and Liam Traynor getting the all important goals to give Celtic some daylight at the top of the table.

Our Youth Team also had a great month with two wins recorded firstly a 1-0 win away to Gorey Celtic with Conor Purcell scoring a superb free kick. The second game was a 2-1 Leinster Youth Cup 3rd Round win at home to Moyne Rangers and the first goal was an o.g. and the second scored by Shane Wilde.

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Club News:

- The club would like to make correction to our December newsletter. Billy Ryan was Manager of the team when it reached the FAI Junior Cup Final in 1994 and not Pat Ronan as reported. Billy also won the Wexford Cup in 1994. Apologies to Billy and Pat.
- Astro Turf pitches available for hire for €40 per hour, for soccer or birthday parties etc. For more information contact us on 087 6356611.
- Anyone wishing to get involved on a voluntary basis to help out the club in anyway should see contacts section on club web site.
- Everyone at New Ross Celtic would like to offer their deepest sympathy to Gary Malone and his family after the sad passing of his father Mickey (RIP) in December.

For more information
check club website
www.newrossceltic.com