

Highfield's U18's home win in South Munster League



Highfield U-18's were at home to Ballincollig 28th September 2019 in their first home league game. The local rivals went head to head in the second league fixture of the Under 18's South Munster League. The match started with Ballincollig camped in the Highfield 22 for the first twelve minutes of the game. Heavy tackling from all fifteen Highfield men was needed to hold their rivals scoreless.



After a break initially from the Highfield twenty two, following a neat dink over the top by David O'Shea, Highfield inspired by a drive from Sean O' Regan and supported by Sean Fahy, charged down field and from an ensuing lineout maul, Salvador Patricio got over the line for a try after 13 mins which was converted by David O'Shea.



Five mins later following some superb work by centre Sean Dillon and wing Sean O'Toole, Ross O'Donovan scored another superb try to bring the score to 12 - 0. O'Shea converted from the corner two minutes later. The game tempo was in full flight when Darren Jones popped the ball to scrum half Mathew Murphy



who set the backline in motion to set up another drive from where Cian Cunningham took his try after some awesome foot work. O'Shea again was accurate with his boot to bring the game to 21-0 after 29 mins of play.

- 7 following a perfectly timed interception. Minutes later following some excellent passing phases involving Sean Dillion, Ross O'Donovan and Sean O'Toole, Tadhg O' Corrain got in for a try around the right wing. The score was 26 -7 after 33mins when the Ballincollig men, clearly fired up, fought back with a try to bring the score at half time to 26-14.

The Ballincollig men were not going to lie down and hit back with a converted try to bring the score to 21



Following a few phases of aggressive forward play led by Bryan Mc Govern and Niall Downing that resulted hanging pass from Will Power to Stephen Murphy. Murphy burst through and opened the second half scoring for Highfield. Stephen wasn't

settling for one score and touched down another subsequently converted try after 50 minutes. Ballincollig were not going to take anything lying down today and angrily hit back with further try's to bring the final score to bring the score to Highfield 40 - Ballincollig 24.



Well done to both teams who will now go on to play their respective conferences of this fantastic competition!