

Moynalvey's poor A League form continued when they suffered their 7th loss of the campaign when going down to Ratoath on a 1-14 to 0-10 score line at Sean Eiffe Park on Wednesday evening 15th July.

Ratoath 1-14 Moynalvey 0-10

An injury depleted Moynalvey side saw their 2015 A League woes continue when going down to Ratoath in round 10 of the All County A League last night. Following the county side's exit from the All Ireland Qualifier serious last Saturday Ratoath welcomed back into their side three of their county panellists while Moynalvey were down their two through injury.

Early on in the game the home side looked as if they would run away with victory as they cut open the Moynalvey defence at will, scoring 1-4 without reply in the opening eight minutes, with county player Bryan McMahon being central to these early scores. The goal came when being palmed home from close range in the 12th minute with the points coming from Darragh McGill, Gareth Rooney, Bryan McMahon & Brian O'Connor.

The next three scores of the game came Moynalvey's way with David McLoughlin opening their account with the first of his six scores with a free in the 9th minute. David Donoghue pointed on the quarter hour mark and two minutes later McLoughlin sent over an effort from play after Darren Brennan over turned a Ratoath attack in the Moynalvey half.

Ratoath's McMahon & Moynalvey's McLoughlin traded scores, McLoughlin's free coming after the referee noticed from out the field that he was being fouled in the full forward line. Two Moynalvey points from James O'Neill in the 29th and 32nd minutes left two between the sides at the break, with the home side holding the advantage on a 1-5 to 0-6 score line.

After the interval six unanswered Ratoath points from Conor McGill, Conor Rooney, Bobby O'Brien, Keith McCabe, Paul Flaherty & Jonathan Browne saw the score board reading 1-11 to 0-6 on the three quarter hour mark.

Moynalvey ended their barren scoring run with three points in a row, the first of which arrived in the 19th minute of the second half with David McLoughlin converting a free. Another McLoughlin free in the 23rd minute was followed two minutes later by a superbly executed James Weldon point off the outside of the boot from the right wing, leaving it 1-11 to 0-9 after 53 minutes of play.

The last five minutes saw Ratoath full forward Bryan McMahon sent over a brace of points, the first from play and the second a close range free, with a close range free from Moynalvey's McLoughlin sandwiched in between. The home side added another point deep in additional time securing their seven point victory.

Depleted Moynalvey lose to Ratoath

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Moynalvey: Paul Conneely, Robbie Kiernan, Robert Lawless, Cathal McCabe, Anthony Forde, Brian Harnan, Darragh Branigan, Donal Smith, Darren Brennan, James Weldon (0-1), Fearghal McCabe, James O'Neill (0-2), David McLoughlin (0-6,5f), William Harnan, David Donoghue (0-1).

Subs: Anthony Brien for Lawless, Ciaran Ennis for O'Neill.