

Moynalvey picked up a valuable point against unbeaten Ballinabrackey in round 8 of the Seamus Connolly Catering Div. 1B A league at Kilmore Park Moynalvey on Tuesday evening May 9<sup>th</sup>.

## Moynalvey 1-6 Ballinabrackey 1-6

This round 8 clash saw the team with the best defensive record in Div. 1B come up against the team with the worst defensive record in the Div. 1B league end in stale mate.

In a low scoring affair it was the home side who led the Bracks 0-4 to 0-3 at half time.

Moynalvey opened the scoring in the 5<sup>th</sup> minute with a Vinny Walsh point, with Ballinabrackey getting their opening score in the 11

Two minutes later the visitors took the lead through Evan Daly, with Moynalvey drawing level on the quarter hour mark with a brilliantly executed mark from Craig Gilsenan.

A David McLoughlin free put Moynalvey ahead in the 22<sup>nd</sup> minute, but the lead was short lived as Ballinbrackey's Seamus Curry levelled matters up again with a converted mark.

A David McLoughlin free just before half time gave Moynalvey a one point advantage at the break, 0-4 to 0-3.

Moynalvey were put on the backfoot early in the second half when a surging run forward by Bracks centre back Chris O'Connor yielded a goal to put Trevor Bannon's men into a two point lead, 1-3 to 0-4, ninety seconds after the restart.

However, Ballinabrackey weren't to score again until the 54<sup>th</sup> minute and two Moynalvey points In the 41 st and 49<sup>th</sup> minutes from David McLoughlin and Ciaran Harnan drew the sides level again, 0-6 to 1-3.

A defensive lapse by the Bracks handed David McLoughlin the opportunity to finish to the net and push Moynalvey three points ahead in the 49<sup>th</sup> minute, 1-6 to 1-3.

A Ballinabrackey onslaught in the final 10 minutes saw them yield three points in a row without reply to leave it honours even at the full time whistle, 1-6 to 1-6.

Although a low scoring game, credit must go to the defensive efforts of both sides in a hard hitting but fair contest.

Both sides will be disappointed not to take the two points on offer, the point earned could yet prove invaluable to both sides at opposite ends of the Div. 1B table.

In a hard working team display, best for Moynalvey were Conor Quinn, Brian Harnan, Charlie McCormack, Stephen Donoghue, Ciaran Harnan, Craig Gilsenan and Darragh Branigan.

## Moynalvey team & scorers:

Conor Egan, Cillian Kelly, Fearghal McCabe, Conor Quinn, Darren Brennan, Brian Harnan, Charlie McCormack, Vinny Walsh (0-1), Stephen Donoghue, Adam Rooney, David McLoughlin (1-3, 2f), Cathal McCabe, Ciaran Harnan (0-1), Craig Gilsenan (0-1m), Darragh Branigan. Subs: Paul Corcoran for Kelly, Donal Smith for Rooney.