

Two Cillian O'Sullivan goals were the difference between the sides as Moynalvey overcame Dunderry in the second Meade Potato Co IFC semi-final at Pairc Tailteann on Saturday evening September 10th.

Moynalvey 3-5 Dunderry 1-5

The county minor footballer netted in each half as well as landing the game's final score from a long range free.

Moynalvey's other goal arrived in the 38th minute when team captain John Donoghue expertly goaled from a penalty kick. It was the fourth such award of the evening and the only one to yield a goal directly.

That left it 2-2 to 1-4 and Moynalvey remained in front until the end. Influential substitute Ken Hyland extended Moynalvey's lead shortly after.

Stephen Coogan's third pointed free of the evening, in the 43rd minute, proved to be Dunderry's sole second half score.

Just a point separated the sides before Cillian O'Sullivan cut in from the left wing to fire home his second goal of the evening, midway through the half.

Four points now separated the sides, 3-3 to 1-5, and Moynalvey were set for a final meeting with Gaeil Colmcille.

Backed by the elements, Dunderry hit the front inside 45 seconds when Andy Coogan pointed. Nearly six minutes passed before a Stephen Coogan pointed free doubled their advantage.

Raymond Ryan landed a close range free to get Moynalvey off the mark in the ninth minute.

At the start of the second quarter Keith Callaghan registered from play. The men in maroon responded in the 20th minute with a Cillian O'Sullivan goal from close range.

A Coogan pointed free soon after had Dunderry on level terms, 0-4 to 1-1. Moynalvey came close to netting a second goal but Ryan's fisted effort from a John Donoghue pass was narrowly wide at the hospital end.

The third penalty of the evening arrived in the 28th minute when Callaghan was fouled. T. J. Garry's effort rebounded off the crossbar but the Dunderry number 11 was on to fist to the net.

In the aftermath of the penalty there was a brief exchange of unpleasantries the resulted in yellow cards for T. J. Garry and John Donoghue.

Mark O'Sullivan pulled back a point for Moynalvey just before the break and at the interval the board read 1-4 to 1-2 for Dunderry.

Moynalvey - O. Regan; R. Kiernan, P. Weldon, P. Donoghue; A. Forde, B. O'Keefe, D. Donoghue (0-1); J. Donoghue (1-0, pen), S. Donoghue; M. O'Sullivan (0-1), W. Byrne, D. Treacy; C. O'Sullivan (2-1, 0-1 f), W. Mahedy, R. Ryan (0-1 f). Subs - K. Hyland (0-1) for Ryan, P. Harnan for Treacy (both ht), J. Kelly for Byrne (37), B. Conneely for M. O'Sullivan (58 mins).

Dunderry - D. Jennings; Darren Callaghan, D. Fay, D. McCormack; D. Clarke, E. Stephens, J. Kelleher; David Callaghan, P. Callaghan; A. Coogan (0-1), T. J. Garry (1-0), S. Coogan (0-3 fs); K. Dowd, S. Carty, K. Callaghan (0-1). Subs - G. Newman for Kelleher (ht), B. Doherty for Carty (38),

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