

Moynalvey's long journey to Pilltown proved to be unprofitable as they went down to the home side St. Colmcilles on a 2-13 to 1-10 score line in round 5 of the Div. 2 B League on Tuesday evening May 2nd.

St. Colmcilles 2-13 Moynalvey 1-10

Little separated the sides at any time during this free flowing entertaining game of football played in perfect conditions at sunny Pilltown, with St. Colmcilles second goal coming a minute from the full time whistle to add a little further gloss to their winning margin.

The sides were almost inseparable in the opening quarter, with the score line reading 1-3 to 0-6 after 16 minutes. Moynalvey were first to open the scoring, with points from Dan Treacy and Fearghal McCabe within the opening three minutes, points from Mark Whearty and Darragh Brodigan drew matters level in the 7th minute.

Moynalvey's Dan Treacy and Cilles' Mark Whearty traded scores, before the home side hit three points in a row from Whearty, Eanna Walsh and Donal Meaghar to lead 0-6 to 0-3 after 13 minutes. A goal from Fearghal McCabe after a point attempt from Dan Treacy was spilled by the Cilles' 'keeper Donal Sullivan saw the sides draw level for a third time. Three minutes later McCabe pointed to see the visitors take the lead for a third and final time in the game; which also proved to be Moynalvey's final score of the opening half. St. Colmcilles went on to add 1-4 to their tally before the half time whistle to leave the score 1-10 to 1-4 in favour of the seashores at the break.

The first three scores went the way of Moynalvey, with Shaun Deering pointing four minutes after the restart and half time substitute James O'Neill pointing five minutes later, followed by a third Treacy point to narrow the deficit to three points after 41 minutes played, 1-10 to 1-7.

Two Cille's points either side of a James O'Neill score, left Moynalvey four points in arrears with 10 minutes remaining. Points from Sean Duggan and Dan Treacy in the 53rd and 55th minutes did reduce the difference to two, but this was as close as the visitors got to their opponents.

The home side added 1-1 before the fulltime whistle, with the goal coming in injury time adding that bit of gloss to the full time score line of 2-13 to 1-10. Moynalvey were guilty of nine wides along with dropping two short into the keepers hands in the second half alone, while the home side's greater efficiency in front of the posts proving the difference between the sides.

The win sees St. Colmcilles climb towards the summit of the Div. 2 B League table with their fourth win from five outings, while condemning Moynalvey to their third defeat from five outings.

Best for Moynalvey were David Kane, Dan Treacy, Eamon Walsh and Fearghal McCabe. Moynalvey: Conor Egan, Scott Tuite, David Kane, Shane Browne, Conor Shirren, Anthony

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Brien, Darragh Branigan, Daniel Treacy (0-4), Donal Smith, Stephen Cummins, Eamon Walsh, Brian Regan, Sean Duggan (0-1), Fearghal McCabe (1-2), Shaun Deering (0-1).

Subs: Matt Brennan for Branigan (B. Card), James O'Neill (0-2, 1f) for Cummins, Ryan Phelan for Regan, Brian Conneely for O'Neill.