

Exciting senior hurling tournament final

The final of our annual senior hurling tournament took place on Tues. night last at our club grounds between Old Christians and St. Patrick's and what a finish to the annual tournament this game turned out to be.

The final score reading in favour of Old Christians, 3-9 to 1-6.

The game was closely contested right up to the final whistle in a most determined and sporting fashion by both teams. And if the after-match comments are any guideline both teams are to be congratulated for serving up such fine fare, and at the end it was the game of hurling which was the real winner. A point was the real winner. A point made by Old Christians chairman, John Power, in his after-match comments in the St. Patrick's dressingroom.

The game was won by Old Christians because they took their scoring opportunities and St. Patrick's lost because they did not make sufficient use of the ball, particularly in the first-quarter when they were well on top throughout the field.

However, we can feel very pleased with the turnout and the spirit of the lads, and should this spirit continue in the games that lie ahead we will no doubt receive the rewards such spirit will inevitably bring. The stars of this game from St. Patrick's point of view were: J. Frost, J. Markham, D. Flanagan, P. O'Neill, N. Kirwan, F. O'Brien, P. O'Brien.

The lineout was: M. Foley, P. Hogan, V. Phelan, P. Duffry, J. Frost, D. Flanagan, J. Markham, P. O'Neill, M. Collopy, N. Kirwan, B. Tobin, F. O'Brien, P. O'Brien, G. Doyle, V. Cobbe.

Subs.: T. Cross, C. Ball, T. Keating.

This week we are very pleased to report that our under-16 hurlers beat Na Piarraigh on Monday evening last at our club grounds and in doing so, won out their own section of the Juvenile League and now go forward to the semi-final proper.

Their opponents in the semi-final and the date and venue have yet to be decided. It is most pleasing that the under 16 hurlers received their medals from Bord na nOg, as these lads have put a lot of effort into their hurling of late and were most unlucky not to have won out a recent juvenile tournament when pipped in the final. Players to shine on Monday night last were E. Phelan, J. Cronin, K. McMahon, K. O'Brien, K. Yelverton, K. McMahon. The team was: B. O'Doherty, F. Donovan, C. Rainbow, K. Lynch, F. Gardiner, E. Phelan, J. Cronin, K. McMahon, B. Oolstoorn, K. McMahon, K. O'Brien, K. Yelverton, J. Toher, J. Daly, D. McNamara. Subs., J. Keane, M. Prenderville, J. Hayes, M. Malone, J. Faul, J. Moloney, D. Rower, D. Sheehan.

On Monday night next we have a committee meeting at 9.00 p.m. in the Gaelic League Hall.