

Ballyclare Comrades Reserves 3-0 Moyola Park Olympic

Saturday 5th November – NIFL Development League North

Five wins on the bounce keep Ballyclare Comrades Reserves in top spot in the Championship Development League North.

Moyola Park Olympic were their latest victims at Antrim Forum where strikes by Scott Cummings, Reece Gilmour and skipper Scott Gault sealed the 3-0 win, against the team with the worst defensive record in the table.

Cummings, back in the side after missing several matches through injury, was first on to the scorecard, after Gilmour threaded the ball through the middle.

Kingsley Burrows' lads had almost a monopoly of attacking play, but wayward finishing meant that they turned round only one up.

The pattern continued in to the second session, and Gilmour doubled the lead when he latched on to a short back-pass to the keeper, and slotted the ball home.

In injury time Gault scored the best goal of the afternoon, when he cut in from the left and curled the ball in to the far top corner of the net.

“Moyola played a very defensive game, and never threatened Ross McKnight in goal,” stated Burrows. “The lads produced another high energy attacking game, and only poor finishing prevented them from winning by a much wider margin.

“Kyle McCauley and Graham Ervine stood out in defence, while Ross Clarke worked tirelessly in midfield,” he added.

The win keeps Comrades two points clear at the top, with Institute Reserves their nearest challengers.

Comrades Reserves: McKnight; A McCauley, K McCauley, Ervine, Gault (C); Haskins, Robinson, McIlwaine, Clarke; Gilmour, Cummings. Subs: Coulter, Hill, Chalmers, Fenton.

Industrious midfielder Joel Haggan missed this one, having been called up to the senior squad for the Knockbreda clash.