



Coleraine 2-1 Ballyclare Comrades

Saturday 29th July 2017 – Pre-Season Friendly

Ballyclare Comrades team (4-4-2)

1. Geoff McKinty 🇮🇪 (59')
24. Gary Brown
6. Adam McCart
23. Dean Youle 🇮🇪 (46')
3. CJ McQuillan 🇮🇪 (61') 🇮🇪 (77')
7. Stewart Nixon 🇮🇪 (46')
4. Jason Johnston 🇮🇪 (46')
8. JB Dobbin 🇮🇪 (55') 🇮🇪 (76')
11. Adam Gray 🇮🇪 (31')
10. Paul Maguire 🇮🇪 (76')
9. Kyle Mackie 🇮🇪 (55')

Substitutes:

12. Zach Barr 🇮🇪 (55')
14. Chris Rodgers 🇮🇪 (46')
15. Kevin Lynch 🇮🇪 (55')
16. Samuel McIlveen 🇮🇪 (46')
17. Josh Corry 🇮🇪 (61') 🇮🇪 (76')
18. Curtis Woods 🇮🇪 (46')
- Gk. Paddy Flood

Coleraine: Johns, Harkin, Douglas, McCauley, Bradley, Carson, Lynons, O'Donnell, Traynor, Whiteside, McCready. Subs: Mullan, Ogilby, Parkhill, Kirk, McGonigle.

Comrades continued their re-season preparations with a game at Coleraine, where they lost by the odd goal in three.

The Premiership side grabbed a very early goal, inside two minutes, when Comrades couldn't clear from their box and McCready was able to fire in a shot from 12 yards, which took a deflection and flew past 'keeper Geoff McKinty.

Coleraine did most of the attacking early on, but Comrades had a decent chance in the 5th minute, when Jason Johnston rose above everyone to head just over from a Stewart Nixon corner.

In the 29th minute Geoff McKinty did very well, after McCauley was played through to run free on goal, only to be denied by the out-rushing 'keeper as he tried to dink lift the ball over him.

Two minutes later Comrades levelled the scores. Paul Maguire made space for a shot, which he hit with power from the edge of the box, forcing 'keeper Johns to make a decent save. The ball rebounded out to Adam Gray, arriving on the left side of the

box, and he then hit a beautifully struck effort from 14 yards, which flew into the roof of the net.

It wasn't long before the home side restored their lead. On 36 minutes the impressive McCready curled a superb effort from the edge of the box into the top corner of the net, giving the 'keeper no chance.

The second half was a more sedate affair than the first, with the usual raft of substitutions that happen in pre-season games. Coleraine continued to have most of the attacking play, but Comrades defended resolutely to keep chances to a minimum.