



# TULLOW C.S MATCH REPORT



## *Fantastic win for T.C.S Seniors on home grounds!!*

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On Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> of September, the T.C.S boys Senior football team took on Pres Carlow in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the Carlow league on home grounds. After an unfortunate defeat against Colaiste Eoin Hacketstown in Round 1 the boys were determined to get a win and kick start their season.

Tullow got off to a good start scoring the first point of the game within the opening two minutes. They continued to apply pressure and excellent first half displays from Adam Burgess and Shane Cormican in midfield allowed them to win primary ball and maintain a steady wave of attacks. The pressure eventually paid dividend when a quick burst from corner forward Rory Gavin saw him break through the Pres defence to find his brother Liam who produced a fine dummy solo to round the keeper and slot home a well worked goal. Tullow didn't have it all their own way as Pres had some good moments in the half and found the net themselves with a fine team goal. Shane O'Connor Keogh was called upon to make a couple of good saves to keep the score to a minimum and the Tullow backline

slowly got to grips with the game and tightened up in defence with corner backs Adam Denton and Johnny Maher winning their battles when needed. This defence paid off as Tullow managed to hold Pres to only 1:4 in the first half and that provide the platform for the forwards to make their mark on the game. Some great scores followed coming from interceptions and excellent defence with Liam Gavin, Adam Burgess, Rory Gavin, Noah Mulligan, Shane Cormican and Liam Lobaiza Hayden all adding to the score board to see T.C.S led 2:10 to 1:4 at half time.



The Tullow management of J.J, Tom, Mr Kenna & Mr Tutty gave the lads an encouraging half time talk and the message seemed to be more of the same in the second half. The boys duly responded and came out even stronger than the first half. Aaron Dowling scored a well-deserved Tullow free to highlight a very good second half performance and Liam Gavin was on hand again to fist the ball into the Pres net for his second goal of the game soon after. The halfback line of Conor Brophy, Tom Dillion and Daire Byrne shut out the Pres threat well in the second half and any ball that did get through found Daragh Corcoran well up to his task at full back to keep the Pres forwards to minimal ball. Tullow made subs as the half progressed, Ben Nolan was replaced after getting through a mountain of work by Oisin Doyle with Daniel Wheland, Callum Murray, Nathan Burroughs & Vijay Egharevba also providing fresh legs in the forward line. Thomas Fitzgerald replaced Shane O'Connor Keogh in goal and Robert Coleman, Conor Cleary, Danny Gibson & Max Coulahan were introduced into the back line. Tullow finished out an excellent second half performance scoring 2:12 with great scores from Aaron Dowling, Adam Burgess, Oisin Doyle, Daniel Whelan, Callum Murray, Liam Gavin and Rory Gavin to see the final whistle come on a scoreline of 4:22 - 1:6.

Mr Kenna, Mr Tutty, J.J & Tom said they were very happy with the performance after a tough defeat in Round 1 and were really pleased to see the younger members of the squad stand up and be counted with Johnny Maher, Daire Byrne & Rory Gavin putting in very good performances. They also highlighted the strength in depth coming off the bench that will stand to the team as the season progresses.

<u>Tullow:</u>	
1. Shane O'Connor Keogh	14. Liam Gavin
2. Adam Denton	15. Aaron Dowling
3. Daragh Corcoran	16. Thomas Fitzgerald
4. Johnny Maher	19. Callum Murray
5. Daire Byrne	20. Robert Coleman
6. Tom Dillon	21. Oisin Doyle
7. Conor Brophy	22. Brian Hutton
8. Shane Cormican	23. Conor Cleary
17. Adam Burgess	24. Nathan Dillon
10. Liam Lobiza Hayden	25. Danny Gibson
11. Ben Nolan	26. Vijay Egharevba
12. Noah Mulligan	27. Daniel Whelan
18. Rory Gavin	