ULSTER U21 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Craobh Peile Uladh Faoi 21



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SEMI FINAL

5 AIBREÁN 2017 | 8.00PM
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Clár Oifigiúil

Rúnai Brin Mac Fhiolms







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Referee: Sean Laverty (Aontroim) Standby: Ciaran Branagan (An Dún) Linesman: Niall McKenna (Muineachán) Sideline: James Lewis (Fear Manach)

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16. Paddy Byrne, Naomh Columba 17. Danny Monagle, Carndomhnaigh 18. Stephen McBrearty, Cill Chartha 19. Stephen McMenamin, Aodh Rua, Cúil na gCuirridín 20. Christy McLaughlin, Malainn 21. Niall Friel, Gaoth Dobhair

22. Christian Bonner, Na Rossa 23. Rory Carr, Naomh Adhamhnáin 24. Adam Neely, An Clochán Liath



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GAA - EIRGRID UNDER 21 ULSTER FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL

Donegal U21s power their way into Ulster final Cavan.....0-13 Donegal......3-17

BY RYAN FERRY

THE Donegal Under 21 team demolished Cavan at Brewster Park on Wednesday night to book their spot in the Ulster Under 21 Championship Fi-

Declan Bonner's team produced a magnificent performance, and blew their opponents away with their pace, power, and accuracy in front of the

Donegal's kicking in the first half was phenomenal and they led by seven points at the break.

Cian Mulligan fired to the Cavan net after just 45 seconds of the restart, and Michael Carroll and Caolan McGonagle both tapped in goals as Donegal cruised into Monday's decider. where they will face Derry.

Donegal were pushed all the way by Tyrone in the quarter-final and needed a replay to see off the Red Hands.

Cavan, on the other hand, had eased to victory over Fermanagh, and they started well on Wednesday, landing the first point of the game after only 15 seconds, with Conor Bradley dissecting the posts.

Michael Langan and Stephen McBrearty responded with good scores for Donegal, before Bradley almost got in for goal, but he was denied by a good save from Danny Rodgers.

The play was pulled back for a free which Caoimhin O'Reilly scored, and Ryan Connolly quickly added another, but that was as good as it got for the Breffni men as Donegal soon took control.

Lorcan Connor converted two placed balls, before Mulligan continued from where he left off in Castlebar last Sunday by curling over.

Donegal were dominant in the middle of the field and their shooting was unerring.

= Connor landed another brace of frees, while Langan also scored a placed ball, and the impressive McBrearty found his range from distance.

Donegal almost hit the net when Jason McGee's punched effort nar-

rowly missed the goal, but Bonner's men were rampant, and McBrearty curled over again, before Michael Carroll registered two long-range scores.

Connolly got Cavan's first score in 21 minutes, but Connor quickly cancelled that out with his first from play.

Bryan McGee and Caoimhin O'Reilly landed late points for Cavan, but they still trailed by seven at the break.

The Breffni men needed a good start to the second half, but it was Donegal, who hit the net with not even one minute elapsed on the clock.

Jamie Brennan looked set to be turned over, but he somehow managed to get a pass away, and Carroll and Eoghan 'Ban' Gallagher linked up before the ball was fed into Mulligan, who drilled into the bottom corner. It was all one-way traffic as a confi-

dent Donegal steam rolled Cavan, with Langan, Connor (free), and McBrearty all adding points.

Connolly and Caoimhin O'Reilly scored frees for Cavan, but Donegal swooped for their second goal in the 45th minute.

Brennan, Carroll and Connor were all involved in an excellent, unselfish move, and it was left to Carroll to palm into the empty net.

Connolly and Niall O'Donnell exchanged frees, and to Cavan's credit, they kept battling, with Caoimhin O'Reilly (2), and Sean O'Connor keeping the scoreboard ticking over.

However, Bonner's men were just superior all over the field, and they struck a third goal in the 58th minute.

Mulligan and O'Donnell combined on this occasion, before the ball was crossed to Caolan McGonigle, who couldn't miss from close range.

David Brady scored a late consolation point for Cavan, but they were emphatically beaten on the

Donegal were very impressive, but they will face a much stiffer test on Monday night in the final, when they meet Derry who overcame Armagh by 0-21 to 1-15 after extra-time on Wednesday.



Eoghan Bán Gallagher of Donegal.

Donegal: Danny

Brendan McCole.

Rodgers:

Stephen

McMenamin,

Conor Morrison; Cian Mulligan (1-1). Dáire Ó Baoill. Eoghan 'Ban' (55 mins), Gallagher; Jason McGee, Tony McClenaghan: Christy McLaughlin, Stephen McBrearty (0-4), Michael Carroll (1-2); Lorcan Connor, (0-6, 5fs), Michael Langan (0-3, 1f), Jamie Brennan. **Subs: Conor Doherty for** McLaughlin (Half-time), Niall O'Donnell (0-1,1f) for McBrearty (42 mins), Caolan McGonagle (1-0) for Carroll (47 mins Black Card), Ethan O'Donnell for Langan (47 mins), Rory Carr for Connor (52 mins), Niall Friel for McClenaghan (57 mins)

Cavan: Liam Brady; Michael Smart, Donal Monaghan, Luke Fortune; Sean O'Connor (0-1), Eoin Sommerville, Patrick O'Reilly; Thomas Galligan, Cormac Daly; Pierce Smith, Conor Bradley (0-1). Matthew McKenna; Caoimhin O'Reilly (0-5, 5fs), Bryan Magee (0-1), Ryan Connolly (0-4, 3fs). Subs: Conor Smith for McKenna (37 mins), David

Brady (0-1) and Brendan Argue for P.O'Reilly and P.Smith (43 mins), Conor O'Reilly for Daly (46 mins), Thomas **Edward Donohoe for Magee (49** mins), Rhys Clarke for Bradley

Referee: Sean Laverty (Antrim):

