



St. Mary's Football Club

Match Report

U11

St Marys 7 - 3 Comber

St Marys U11s started their league campaign at Victoria Park against Comber on Saturday. The team was made up of the majority of players from last season with a few new faces creating great competition for starting positions. St Marys made an explosive start with a fantastic solo run and shot from Ciaran Pettigrew which was followed up with an equally spectacular effort from Peter Stewart from 20 yards. Caoimhín Kingsmore and Darragh Mooney were causing all sorts of problems up front however Comber were proving to be tricky opposition, levelling the game at 2 -2. An OG restored St Marys lead only to be pegged back on the stroke of half time.

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The second half started as the first had finished with St Marys being driven on by the very influential Tomás Gilmour, Sean Maitland, Peter Stewart and Ciaran Pettigrew. These four provided adequate cover to Aidan Gillece in the St Marys goal. As the half worn on Antainé McNicholl and Ruairí Teer continued their very impressive performances from the first half as they tormented the Comber defence with their pace and skill.

St Marys aggressive defending and dominance in midfield was creating chances. Pressure eventually told with Ruairí Teer scoring twice and Peter Stewart and Ciaran Pettigrew adding to their first half goals.

Mention should also be given to Matthew McIlroy, Lewis Tutin, Eoin McNally, Brannan Wilson, Ciaran McCullough and Leo McNally who made very impressive debuts. A Special mention should also be given to Díarmuid Small who missed the match because of illness.

This was a fantastic team performance which provides a strong platform for the rest of the season.

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