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Impressive Display by Minor Hurlers

INNISCARRA 2 - 12, MALLOW 0 - 13.

At Coachford on Friday Inniscarra had a hard earned victory over Mallow in the Fe 18 Premier 2A Hurling Championship. Inniscarra were first on the scoreboard with Ardal O'Connell pointing a free following a foul on Gordon Desmond. Mallow replied with a point but Adam O'Connell then scored a goal. Following another point for Mallow Adam and Ardal combined to set up Altan O'Connell for a point. A line ball from Liam Ryan found Owen McCarthy who set up Liam Buckley for a great point and shortly after Liam Buckley scored Inniscarra's second goal with a beautifully placed shot to the net. Mallow at this stage were pressing hard to stay in the game but the full back line of Ciaran Lombard, Peadar O'Callaghan and the highly impressive Danny O'Herlihy were in magnificent form and cleared their line time after time. Mallow did score four points from frees in this period but Inniscarra finished the first half strongly with points from Liam Ryan, a pointed free from Ardal O'Connell and points from Gordon Desmond and Altan O'Connell after good work by Colin O'Sullivan. Half Time Score INNISCARRA 2 - 7, MALLOW 0 - 8.

Mallow started the second half strongly with three pointed frees but two pointed frees by Ardal O'Connell kept Inniscarra ahead on the scoreboard. The half back line of Robert O'Callaghan, Jack Harrington and James Desmond were now performing well and broke up many Mallow attacks. Liam Ryan scored a magnificent long range point before a Mallow attack with minutes left was brilliantly stopped by goalkeeper Owen Murphy. A pointed long range free and a 65 by Altan O'Connell saw Inniscarra emerge victorious on a final score INNISCARRA 2 - 12, MALLOW 0 - 13.

This was a tremendous performance by this group of players who fought for every ball and never gave the opposition time to settle. Their defending and ball control was excellent and when opportunity presented they took their scores.

Scorers: Ardal O'Connell 0 - 4, Altan O'Connell 0 - 4, Liam Buckley 1 - 1, Liam Ryan 0 - 2, Adam O'Connell 1 - 0, Gordon Desmond 0 - 1.

Team: Owen Murphy, Ciaran Lombard, Peadar O'Callaghan, Danny O'Herlihy, Robert O'Callaghan, Jack Harrington, James Desmond, Altan O'Connell, Liam Ryan, Adam O'Connell, Ardal O'Connell, Owen McCarthy, Liam Buckley, Gordon Desmond, Colin O'Sullivan, Subs, Michael O'Connell for Colin, Craig Bennett for Ardal, Michael Cronin for Gordon, Ryan O'Callaghan, Jamie O'Sullivan, Sam Doyle, Liam Doyle, James Buckley, Dave Og Coleman, Alec Roche, Dylan Church, Con O'Leary.