

St. Mary's College R.F.C.

S. HENNESSY	15
A. GILLEN	14
V. CUNNINGHAM	13
G. LAVIN	12
A. MCEVOY	11
P. MCGIOLLARIGH	10
S. O'BIERNE	9

B. KEANE	1
N. O'KELLY	2
D. DOWLING	3
K. POTTS	4
S. JAMESON	5
(CAPTAIN) N. MCCARTHY	6
K. EGAN	7
D. FANNING	8

Subs: S. TRACEY, R. WHITTY,
B. GAVIN, C. O'BRIEN,
D. WALL

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Touch Judges:
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Instonians R.F.C.

15	E. CALOW
14	P. IRVINE
13	D. IRWIN (CAPTAIN)
12	M. WYLLIE
11	K. CROSSAN
10	P. RUSSELL
9	K. O'DONNELL

1	B. MCKIBBIN
2	A. ADAIR
3	G. BELL
4	J. MCKIBBIN
5	C. HAMILTON
6	B. CORNELIUS
7	D. CRAWFORD
8	D. CROFT

Subs: J. RAINEY, R. SEMPLE,
C. GALLAGHER, S. MONTEITH,
M. HAYES

ST. MARYS COLLEGE.....6

INSTONIANS.....19

KEITH CROSSAN celebrated his return from injury with a superb first half try as Instonians brushed aside a weak challenge from a poor St. Mary's side. Only desperate defence kept the margin of defeat to 13 points thus keeping St. Mary's in the first division next season where they will be hard pressed on this performance.

Instonians pack completely dominated the first half. Scrum half **Keith O Donnell** invariably fed the ball to **Crossan** who showed no ill-effects from his lay off displaying great pace.

His try after 35 mins. came when a St. Mary's attack broke down and **David Irwin** fed the ball wide to **Crossan** and the wee man galloped over for a try in the corner.

Out-half **Peter Russell** kicked three penalty goals early in the first half for Instonians and full back **Steven Hennessy** twice levelled the score with similar efforts for St. Mary's on the few occasions they were out of their own half.

Instonians took complete control of the game in the second half and their back line tore gaps in a very poor St. Mary's defence only despairing tackling keeping the home side's line intact. Instonians ran two kickable penalty attempts late in the game and from one of these prop **Gary Bell** got over and **Russell** converted.

Tame St Mary's lucky to survive

THE EQUATION was such that St Mary's College needed to lose by 26 points to clinch relegation. Their performance was such that they almost pulled it off. Instonians having clambered to safety themselves were in no mood to lower the rope to their fellow strugglers and at Templeville Road on Saturday they encountered a home side quite incapable of engineering their own salvation. In short this was St Mary's worst performance of a poor season.

A couple of splendid tackles by Tony Gillen preserved St Mary's first division status and spared his side an ugly post game inquiry that would have left the pack without alibis. Their dissolute performance was extraordinary. Dilatory in the loose, heavyfooted in the lineouts, flopping onto the rucks and half-hearted in the scrums. "Awful, bloody awful" screamed captain Noel McCarthy after one particularly torrid passage. Nobody needed to be told.

Meanwhile Instonians were playing like men liberated from the worries of a long season. The front eight were hungry and second row Colin Hamilton was ravenous, particularly in the lineouts. The backs flung the ball around as if the game were a practice session while fullback Garth Callow had a splendid afternoon patrolling behind the line like a country squire nabbing poachers.

Crossan, restored to the fold after prolonged injury, was involved in almost every worthwhile move Instonians conjured up. With Russell and Steve Hennessy having exchanged penalties in the opening ten minutes he displayed remarkable speed in beating Vincent Cun-

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ningham to the ball to prevent a try and then popped up two minutes later in the far corner just fumbling Wylies' pass as he was about to go over. His absence this season has cost Instonians dearly.

Conversely, Cunningham has enjoyed a splendid season but his form deserted him on Saturday as the Instonian's line slipped through the cover again and again. Some hesitation on Cunningham's part following an error by Hennessy saw the ball move swiftly across the Instonians line for Crossan to steam over for the first try after 30 minutes. Russell's conversion attempt failed for length rather than accuracy.

By this stage it was clear that if St Mary's were to go down, they would not go down fighting. Their interest in their fate seemed more philosophic than immediate. Only Gillen and Hennessy seemed free from the contagion and the latter's relieving kicks and steady hands kept St Mary's in touch for longer than they deserved.

Prop Gary Bell ploughed over for a try under the posts with five minutes remaining by which time Instonians had squandered a season's worth of possession. Russell converted and the whistle sounded minutes later with the opposing full backs about to do serious and illegal harm to each other.

ST MARY'S: S Hennessy; A Gillen, V Cunningham, G Lavin, A McEvoy; P MacGiollaRiogh, S O'Beirne; B Keane, N O'Kelly, D Dowling, K Potts, S Jameson, N McCarthy, K Egan, D Fanning.

INSTONIANS: G Callow; P Irvine, D Irvine, M Wylie, K Crossan; P Russell, K O'Donnell; B McKibbin, A Adair, G Bell, J McKibbin, C Hamilton, B Cornelius, D Crawford, D Croft.

Referee: R McDowell (Munster).

1. P Maguire/V Fagan; 2. G Mackarel/D Sleator, 3. P Armstrong/F Hussey. Semi-experts: 1. A Mackarel/P Hughes. Novices: 1. D Hagan/A Kierans; 2. M Reilly/L Higgins; 3. B Flanagan/J Byrne.

MEC DUBLIN CRYSTAL RALLYSPRINT
(At Mondello Park — Totals of 5 timed runs):
— 1. D Carnegie (MG Metro 6R4) 513.29s; 2. K Cleary (Mini) 528.69s; 3. E Byrne (Metro 1500) 530.25s. **Class 3:** 1. N Ansell (Fiesta) 558.30s; 2. D Doyle (Sunbeam) 571.35s; 3. P Brennan (Escort) 573.68s. **Class 4:** 1. K Barrett (Escort) 565.45s; 2. E Murphy (Escort) 579.89s; 3. R Masterson (Escort) 586.06s. **Class 5:** 1. L Spendlove (Metro 1500) 538.54s; 2. P Armstrong (Samba) 545.59s; 3. D Shirley (Mini) 559.69s. **Class 8:** M Leonard (Ritmo) 611.69s.

GARDA SIOCHANA MOTOR CLUB
(observed car trial at Rockbrook, Co Dublin)
— **KEHOE CUP:** P Maher (Opel) 24 marks lost. **GRADE A:** G Watkins (Sheane VW) 26; J McCann (McC VW) 32; R Taylor (Sheane VW) 32; P Pennefather (Williams VW) 32; J Bolton (Nissan) 33. **GRADE B:** D Meeke (Kilkenny VW) 33; D Quigley (Kilkenny VW) 34; I Merideth (Sheane VW) 35; J Merideth (Sheane VW) 40; D Bradley (Williams VW) 42. **GRADE C:** P Naismith (Kilkenny VW) 43; V Sweeney (VS Citroen 3+1) 45; M Howell (VW) 47; Miss C Howell (VW) 52; G Burke (MT VW) 55. **GRADE D:** M McCarthy (Kilkenny VW) 54; R Dunne (VW) 63; E Byrne (VW) 63; G O'Toole (Sheane VW) 65; Miss M Doran (VW) 67. **Handicap:** P Gleeson (Williams VW) 5 nett; G Freeman (Kilkenny VW) 6 nett; A Toher (MT VW) 6; J Gavin (VW) 11; D Brennan (Kilkenny VW) 12. **BEST JUNIOR:** R Atkinson (McC VW) 52. **TOP DOZEN:** P Maher 24; G Watkins 26; J McCann 32; R Taylor 32; P Pennefather 32; J Bolton 33; D Meeke 33; D Quigley 34; R O'Gorman 34; A Watkins 35; R Bell 35; I Merideth 35 (51 starters; 45 starters).

RUGBY

ALL-IRELAND LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION FINAL TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A Pts
Cork Con.....	8	7	0	1	119	78 14
Garryowen.....	8	6	0	2	120	76 12
Lansdowne.....	8	6	0	2	133	99 12
Shannon.....	8	5	0	3	108	99 10
Ballymena.....	8	3	1	4	113	115 7
Instonians.....	8	3	1	4	99	116 7
St Mary's.....	8	2	0	6	91	106 4
Wanderers.....	8	2	0	6	83	112 4
Malone.....	8	1	0	7	80	145 2

At Gibson Park — Malone 14 (Porter, McAllister, field tries, Cullen conversion); Lansdowne 16 (P Clinch, T Clancy tries, S Buckley two penalties, conversion).

At Dooradoyle — Garryowen 3 (K Smith penalty); Cork Constitution 9 (R Keyes penalty, conversion, penalty try).

At Templeville Road — St Mary's 6 (S Hennessy two penalties); Instonians 19 (K Crossen, G Bell tries, P Russell three penalties, conversion).

At Eaton Park — Ballymena 22 (A Simpson, B McKenzie tries, D Smith two tries, D McAleese three conversions); Shannon 28 (B O'Shea two tries, N O'Donovan, J Moylan tries, D Sheehan two penalties, three conversions).

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A Pts
Old Wesley.....	8	7	0	1	125	63 14
Young Munster.....	9	6	2	1	127	67 14
Bangor.....	9	6	1	2	154	101 13
Terenure.....	9	6	0	3	174	70 12
Greystones.....	8	5	0	3	137	73 10
Sunday's Well.....	9	4	1	4	103	71 9
CYMS.....	9	4	1	4	129	111 9
NIFC.....	9	2	0	7	90	166 4
Athlone.....	9	1	0	8	55	190 2
Corinthians.....	9	0	0	9	46	228 0

At Donnybrook — Old Wesley 16 try, penalty try, N Farren two penalties conversion; Terenure 13 (J O'Brien try, P Hennebery three penalties).

At Upritchard Park — Bangor 15 (S Matchett, G Maxwell tries, M McCall penalty, two conversions); Sunday's Well 12 (B O'Shaughnessy try, R Daly two penalties, conversion).

At Ormeau — NIFC 9 (N Doak three penalties); CYMS 19 (I Warke four penalties, N Parker try, C McKinley dropped-goal).

At Corinthian Park — Corinthians 6 (P Keogh dropped-goal, P O'Donoghue penalty); Greystones 38 (I Power try, penalty, four conversions, T Morley, M Doyle, C Heaney, A Keyes, M Carney tries, A O'Farrell dropped-goal).

At Cornamagh — Athlone 0, Young

Munster 32 (J Duggan three tries, G Casey try, penalty, conversion, M Benson try, dropped-goal, R Ryan try).

LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE PLAY-OFF

At Anglesea Road — Blackrock 13 (A Rolland, G Roche tries, B Mullin penalty, conversion), Clontarf 3 (M Fitzsimmons dropped-goal).

LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE

At College Park — Dublin University 3 (J Sherwin penalty); Old Belvedere 15 (M Hickey five penalties).

At Donnybrook — Bective Rangers 18 (R Cullen try, dropped-goal, M Mortell, M Carswell tries, M Browner penalty); Skerries 6 (A Courell try, M Jenkinson conversion).

LEINSTER SENIOR CLUB

At Kiltinan — DLSP 0, Monkstown 15 (C Borza three penalties, conversion, P Finnegan try).

LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A Pts
Blackrock.....	8	7	0	1	202	68 14
Clontarf.....	8	7	0	1	190	69 14
Monkstown.....	8	5	1	2	89	80 11
Dublin Univ.....	8	4	1	3	116	95 9
Old Belvedere.....	8	4	0	4	80	117 8
Skerries.....	8	3	0	5	83	119 6
Bective R.....	8	2	1	5	104	139 5
UCD.....	8	2	1	5	97	169 5
DLSP.....	8	0	0	8	58	163 0

ULSTER SENIOR LEAGUE

At Roughfort — Academy 4 (M Gilbert try), Ards 28 (S Boyle two tries, A Moles, G Copeland, tries, H McCaughey four penalties).

At Upper Malone — Queen's University 23 (K McGarry two penalties, dropped-goal, conversion, D Hampton, A McGill, S Mann tries); Armagh 14 (M Fagan try, penalty, W Boyd try, S McNally penalty).

At Deramore — Collegians 10 (P McAteer try, G Arthur penalty, R McClean dropped-goal); Dungannon 27 (B Smith two tries, J Boyd two tries, D Lewis try, A Blair penalty, conversion, P Archer, conversion).

ULSTER SENIOR LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A Pts
Dungannon.....	14	13	0	1	434	131 26
Ards.....	14	11	1	2	298	140 23
Collegians.....	14	9	0	5	217	177 18
City of Derry.....	13	7	0	6	277	232 14
Portadown.....	14	6	1	7	257	195 13
Queen's.....	14	6	0	8	181	149 12
Academy.....	14	2	0	12	123	390 4
Armagh.....	13	0	0	13	101	361 0

MUNSTER SENIOR LEAGUE

At Musgrave Park — Dolphin 15 (M Kiernan two penalties, dropped-goal, conversion, penalty try); Waterpark 9 (T James two penalties, dropped-goal).

At Thomand Park — Bohemians 3 (A Dwyer penalty) Highfield 15 (C Ronan, B O'Herlihy tries, G O'Sullivan penalty, two conversions).

At The Martyke — UCC 28 (D O'Mahony three penalties, two conversions, dropped-goal, J Lyons, L McHale, J Shalloo tries); Old Crescent 7 (D Dineen try, J Galvin dropped-goal).

MUNSTER SENIOR LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A Pts
Dolphin.....	10	8	1	1	133	68 17
Highfield.....	10	7	2	1	103	75 16
UCC.....	10	6	1	3	149	116 13
Old Crescent.....	10	4	0	6	119	128 8
Waterpark.....	10	3	0	7	100	94 6
Bohemians.....	10	0	0	10	69	206 0

CONNACHT SENIOR LEAGUE

At Ballina: Galwegians 25 (E Elwood, three conversions, penalty; W Gatland try; S Guerin try; E Guerin two tries), Ballina 6 (L Brennan two penalties).

CONNACHT SENIOR LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A Pts
Galwegians.....	5	5	0	0	110	31 10
Sligo.....	5	3	1	1	63	44 7
Ballinasloe.....	5	3	1	1	55	54 7
UCG.....	5	2	0	3	39	41 4
Ballina.....	5	1	0	4	31	69 2
Westport.....	5	0	0	5	21	80 0

PROVINCIAL LEAGUE Play-offs

February 9th — Dolphin v Galwegians, Dungannon v Blackrock.

February 23rd — Galwegians v Blackrock, Dolphin v Dungannon.

March 9th — Blackrock v Dolphin, Dungannon v Galwegians.

Leinster Junior 1 League — St Marys 31, Mullingar 0; Old Wesley 15, Navan 3; Enniscorthy 0, UCD 6 (play-off). **Junior 1 Club** — Arklow 22, Sligo 0; Blackrock 22, Carlow 6; DLSP 12, Lansdowne 18; New

Ross 6, Wicklow 10; Portlaoise 10, Edenderry 7; Terenure 15, Old Belvedere 28; Tullamore 4, Old Kilcullen 9; Tullow 23, Wexford 0; Wanderers 6, Trinity 3; Monkstown 13, Clontarf 15. **Junior 2 League** — Suttonians 13, Old Wesley 6; Blackrock 28, Ashbourne 13; Garda 0, CYM 13; Seapoint 6, Old Belvedere 16; Clontarf v Clondalkin off. Terenure v Barnhall off. **Midland J2 League Final** — Edenderry 31, Roscrea 3. **Junior 2 Club** — Drogheda 9, Salesians 13; Kilkenny 0, Athy 3; Longford 11, Portlaoise 16; Navan 12, Bective 12; New Ross 12, Wicklow 24; Nth Kildare 9, Enniscorthy 15; Portlaoise 28, Mullingar 12; Rathdrum 6, Carlow 16; Tullamore 7, Cill Dara 6; Tullow 16, Old Kilcullen 10. **S.E. J3 League** — Wexford 15, Carlow 12. **Junior 3 Club** — Ardee 18, Clontarf 7; Ashbourne 12, Mullingar 9; Balbriggan 12, CYM 12; Cill Dara 16, Tullow 4; Clondalkin 10, Garda 13; Kilkenny 22, Athy 6; Drogheda 10, Malahide 10; Naas 6, Barnhall 10; Navan 0, Dundalk J2 30; Portlaoise 9, Edenderry 12; Seapoint 24, Bective 19; St Marys 12, Old Wesley 6; Suttonians 27, Dundalk 7; Terenure 30, UCD Fr 0; UCD 10, Trinity 21. **Junior 4 League** — Aer Lingus 3, Blackrock 36; Guinness 24, UCD Fr 12; Parkmore 11, Unidare 10; Terenure 39, Tallaght 6; DLSP 0, Greystones 39 (play-off); UCD v Bective off (play-off). **Junior 4 Club** — Barnhall 30, Ardee 6; Old Belvedere 15, Lansdowne 15; Suttonians 27, Clontarf 6; St Marys 34, Seapoint 0; Wanderers 17, Trinity 10; Edenderry 16, Tullamore 10.

At the Curragh: Defence Forces 20, Wanderers 23.

RUGBY LEAGUE

At Perpignan: France 10, Britain 45.

SKIING

WORLD ALPINE SKIING CHAMPIONSHIP at Hinterglemm — Men's Downhill — 1. F Heinzer (Switzerland) 1:54.91; 2. P Runggaldier (Italy) 1:55.16; 3. D Mahrer (Switzerland) 1:55.57; 4. L Stock (Austria) 1:55.90; 5. J E Torsen (Norway) 1:56.06; 6. A Skaardal (Norway) 1:56.11.

SOCCER

LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE

Senior division—Bank of Ireland 2 (D Ingoldsby, C Kane) Parkville 6 (M Ratty 2, J Leahy 2, P Forde, M Dennehy); Railway Union 3 (T Lester, C Ryan, D Carty), Bluebell Utd. 3 (D O'Brien, F Mackey, C Barry); Glebe North 0, Moyle Park College 1 (P Becton); Lusk Utd. 1 (J Gill), St Francis 3 (B Toner 2, S Cooney).

METROPOLITAN CUP—First round: St Jos. Glashule 4 (S Hanrahan 2, L Mahony 2, 1 pen), Workmans Club 2 (J O'Neill, M Sullivan); Postal Utd. 1 (N Lambert), TEK Utd. 2 (W Rollo, D O'Brien) after extra time; Dunsink Utd 1 (J Hawkins), Ballyfermot Utd 1 (F Roche pen) after extra time. Dunsink Utd won 3-1 on penalties; Leixlip Utd 1 (L L'Estrange), Glenmore Celtic 3 (C Flynn, V Mahon, P Donoghue o.g.); Brendanville 2 (D Smith, G Doolin), CYM 2 (J Duffin, P Arthurs) after extra time. CYM won 5-4 on penalties; Telecom Eireann 1 (M McDonnell pen.), Belgrove FC 2 (B Higgins, G Munroe); West End Utd 2 (R Cuihane, M Monaghan), Trim Celtic 2 (T Brady 2, 1 pen.) after extra time. Trim Celtic won 4-2 on penalties; Manortown Utd 2 (K Flaherty, S Doherty), Swords Celtic 2 (N Conway, B Steedman) after extra time. Manortown Utd won 3-2 on penalties; Boyne Rovers 1 (S Flanagan), Bank Rovers 1 (K Wiseman) after extra time. Boyne Rovers won 5-4 on penalties; Loughshinny Utd 1 (M Bolland), Elm Rovers 1 (S Hostford) after extra time. Loughshinny Utd won 9-8 on penalties; AFC Belgrave 0, Malahide Utd 1 (D Flynn); Aer Lingus 0, Garda 1 (B Power); St Mary's, Athlone 2 (P Keenan, C O'Neill), Tullamore 3 (D Kent 2, E Owens); Larkview Boys 1 (K Murphy), Pegasus 5 (P Hale, G Moran, B Duggan, B Callaghan, K Henry).

SPANISH LEAGUE — Atletico Madrid 2, Valencia 0; Athletic Bilbao 2, Tenerife 0; Oasasuna Pamplona 2, Real Valladolid 1; Sporting Gijon 4, Betis Seville 0; Barcelona 5, Espanol 2; Castellon 0, Real Madrid 3; FC Seville 3, Real Oviedo 0; Real Mallorca 2, Logrones 0; Real Zaragoza 1, Real Sociedad 1; Cadiz 0, Burgos 0. **Standings** (after 20 matches): Barcelona 33 pts, Atletico Madrid 29, Oasasuna Pamplona (played 19) 27, FC Seville 25, Real Madrid 23, Logrones (played