

# Cork Constitution F.C. Matchzine



## ALL IRELAND LEAGUE

### Division IA

**Cork Constitution F.C. V Shannon R.F.C.**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018 14.30 PM**

The All Ireland League Division 1A returns to Temple Hill this weekend with Cork Constitution playing Shannon, last year's Division 1B Champions.

They say that form is temporary, class is permanent. In the case of Cork Constitution and Shannon both seem fairly constant commodities. Between them they've won exactly half of the 28 AIL titles played for so far.

As is the norm for Constitution V Shannon another close encounter is in the offing, it's two clubs with rich traditions, it's Cork versus Limerick, and it promises to be an intriguing tie.

The last time the two sides met in Temple Hill was back in December 2012 when current Skills Coach, Johnny Holland, contributed 13 points in a 23 : 15 victory for Constitution.

Also on Saturday Constitution's Under 20's face University College Cork in the Donal Walsh Qualifier Section 1 South. The match venue is Mahon, kick-off 14:30.

To round off the days rugby activities Cork Constitution face Shannon, in the Munster Seconds League Division 1 at Temple Hill, kick-off 17:00.

### AIL Match Day Information

Admission: €10 for adults, OAP & students €5.

Paid up members of Cork Constitution and all children under the age of 16 have free admission.

There will be limited car parking in Temple Hill on Saturday.

We request that patrons respect our neighbours by not parking on the double yellow lines outside local housing estates.

### Cork Constitution FC Shop

The shop is open every Saturday 9:30 to 12:30 and stocks O'Neill's club jerseys, shorts, socks, half zip tops, hats, bags, ties and gum shields.

## Flor O'Leary

Congratulations to Flor O'Leary, pictured here with sons Ian & Peter, who recently celebrated his 90TH Birthday



## "Your Club, Your Country" Grand Draw

Cork Constitution are pleased to announce the launch of this seasons "Your Club, Your Country" Grand Draw. A trip to follow the Ireland team in Japan next autumn and VIP packages to Six Nations clashes with England and France at the Aviva Stadium are among this year's prizes. The draw also includes VIP trips to Rome and Edinburgh for two of Ireland's away Six Nations fixtures.

Please contact Don O'Riordan 087-2580223 for your ticket pack.

### New Club Website

Conor Kehelly has done a superb job in revamping the clubs website. Go to [www.corkcon.ie](http://www.corkcon.ie) for all the latest Club News

### Payment of Annual Subscriptions

This season Membership Secretary Dave Cagney, has introduced a new and simple way to pay your annual subscription. Just go to the Club website and click



### Dates for your Diary

**Friday 12 October AIL U.C.C. V Cork Constitution . The Mardyke K.O 19:30**

**Friday 23 November**

**Business of Sport Lunch featuring Ronan O'Gara in conversation with Donal Lenihan regarding Ireland's prospects for 2019.**

# Cork Con U-11's Light Up Thomond Park



On Saturday 29th September last, 12 very lucky Cork Con U11's players, accompanied by coaches Ray O Connell and Fergal Lennon, headed off to play for the very first time on the hallowed turf at the legendary Thomond Park.

Munster were playing their first interprovincial match of the season against Ulster in an eagerly anticipated match. Kick off was at 7.35pm so the young men from Cork Con headed off early Saturday afternoon to be at the stadium 1 hr before kick-off.

On arrival the lads warmed up with a kick around on the back pitch whilst waiting for everyone to arrive.

We met with Peter from the Munster Branch who brought us to our dressing room through gate 20 under the West stand, which we shared with Cashel RFC who were also there to play during half-time against another Cork Club, Highfield.



The lads were able to watch the first half of the match close to the try line which Ulster were defending. 10 minutes before the break we were led back to the dressing room to gear up for our match against Garryowen.

As soon as the halftime whistle blew both teams ran out onto the pitch with tremendous enthusiasm and speed.

Con tipped off and attacked the Garryowen line with vigour. The match was played in great spirit and at 100 miles an hour. Con went into an early lead with a try from Darragh Walsh.

Con were very much on top in the opening few minutes, however Garryowen came back strongly with 2 quick try's towards the end of the match.

Before we knew it the fulltime whistle blew and all too quickly our match was over.

It was a tremendous performance by all the Con players who played very well. A super night was finished off by a super win for Munster .

All the U11s along with the coaches will remember this Saturday evening for the rest of their lives. A huge thank you to the Munster Branch for giving the Cork Con U11s the opportunity to fulfil a lifelong dream of playing in Thomond Park

## Presidents Message

It is my great pleasure, on behalf of all members of Cork Constitution F.C., to welcome each and every visitor to our club for the 2018/2019 season.

From our juvenile section to our Senior XV, I wish you, your Coaches and Management every success for the forthcoming season.

In particular, I acknowledge the contribution of the Club's main sponsor, Keary's whose loyalty to our club through difficult times is deeply appreciated.

On that note, I strongly urge all members to support all of our Sponsors who contribute generously of their time and financial support.

So too, the spirit of volunteerism which is pervasive throughout, and to a very great extent defines the amateur game. Our club is utterly dependent on the enormous work carried out by those of you who turn up to Administer, Coach, work on the House or on the grounds and in each way contribute to the running of our club and its superb facilities.

We, as a club, aspire to promote the game of Rugby Football and in so doing I hope that we all as members provide a warm welcome to our guests and friends, equally so, on our travels to support the various club sides on their travels.

Looking forward to meeting you all in the course of what I hope will be a memorable season for the entire club.

Yours in rugby,

John O'Mahony

President Cork Constitution Rugby F.C.

