

U.19 Soccer - Ardscoil Na Mara 3-1 Mount Sion

Ardscoil na Mara had to come from behind on Wednesday morning to beat Mount Sion 3-1 in a very exciting clash in Tramore.

Mount Sion took the opening goal just after 14 minutes when a blind back pass from Jordan Power was intercepted by Mount Sion's number 10 who calmly slotted the ball to the right of Ardscoil na Mara's keeper Dan Morrissey.

Just minutes after, Ardscoil's Muhammad Ajala went one on one with Mount Sion's keeper and tried to drag the ball around him but was denied with a great save.

After 30 minutes of play, Ardscoil equalise with a great one-two with Cian O'Neil and Ben Palmer. A lovely floated ball was then played over the top to Ben Palmer with a left footed finish into the bottom right.

Ardscoil na Mara then took the lead after six minutes of the second half when Muhammad Ajala dribbled past three and the ball deflected back to Tramore's centre half Tom Carney on the edge of the box with a fantastic finessed shot into the top right.

After Ardscoil scored their second goal they seemed to be well on top and striker Lorcan Hurley was denied by the woodwork after a through ball from Luke O'Neill.

Ben Palmer followed up a dangerous run down the left wing with a low driven ball put into the far post which Muhammad Ajala scuffed wide.

In the 35th minute Luke O'Neill was taken down inside the area and Ardscoil na Mara were awarded a penalty. Luke stepped up to take it and a fantastic finish into the bottom right to put the Tramore side 3-1 up.

A neat Mount Sion build up carved out a fantastic chance for the away side when their right midfielder Ivan was clipped inside the area for a penalty. He then stepped up to take it and was denied by a great save by Dan Morrissey.

Into the final few minutes of the game the Tramore side had a chance to win the game by three when left midfielder Ben Palmer ran down the line and smashed the inside of the post from a very tight angle and the ball bounces back out into play.

The score line remained at 3-1 for the rest of the game. A great win for the Tramore side to start off the season.

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