

## **St Senans lose out to Crosshaven in 3<sup>rd</sup> Round of Munster Junior Cup**

**St Senans RFC 0 Crosshaven RFC 12**

The visit of Crosshaven for this cup clash was an opportunity for both teams to size each other up before their upcoming league clash on March 7<sup>th</sup>.

St Senans started the game confidently and held territorial advantage over the visitors for the first 15 minutes of the game without producing any clear scoring opportunities. When Crosshaven did break into Senans half they were rewarded with a penalty on the home sides 22 metre line, fortunately for Senans the kick was wide of the target. From the restart the home side once again pushed the visitors back into their own half and held them there for the remainder of the 1<sup>st</sup> half, but could not break down a well organized defence.

The first half finished with the home side having had most of the play but not having score to reflect their dominance.

The first 20 minutes of the second half followed a similar pattern to the first with Senans continually pushing the visitors deep into their own half.

The Crosshaven defence held firm and repelled each attack, on 20 minutes they broke out of defence and with Senans committing so many players to attack were able to run in a well worked try which when converted gave them a 0-7 lead.

This set back disheartened the home side for a while but they soon regrouped and continued to pressurise the Crosshaven try line.

On 35 minutes in another breakout from defence Crosshaven found the try line again and increased the lead to 0-12, the attempted conversion drifted wide.

Despite a late rally by Senans the final score remained at St Senans 0 Crosshaven 12

### **St Senans Team**

Pa Ryan, Ger Hall, Dave Lee, Dermot Fitzgerald, Mike Lyons, Aidan O'Callaghan, Duane Horkin, Aaron Skerritt (C), David Dunne, Declan Collins, Brian Collins, Chris Sloan, Fran Duggan, Shane Thompstone, Jake Egan.

**Replacements:** Edward Slattery, Gary Crowe, Stephen Ryan, David Webb.

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