

Urlingford vs Lisdowney Roinn C Round 3

Urlingford continued their impressive start to the Roinn C campaign with a convincing victory over Lisdowney in excellent conditions on a well-prepared pitch. Having secured two opening wins, Urlingford were keen to maintain momentum, and after winning the toss, they opted to play with a strong breeze at their backs in the first half.

They made full use of that advantage from the throw-in, with midfielders Padraig Bourke and Eoin Gibbons setting the tone through relentless work rate and clever distribution. Paidi Power opened the scoring with a sharp first touch and confident finish, while further points from Will Bergin, Gibbons, and debutant Cian Doyle pushed Urlingford into an early 0-4 to 0-0 lead.

As the half progressed, Urlingford's dominance grew. David Maev and Dara Hickey excelled in defence, while Bergin's long-range effort led to the game's first goal—well saved initially, but Power reacted quickest to bury the rebound. Despite Lisdowney's spirited efforts, standout defending from Robbie Quinlan ensured their threat was contained. Late points from Gibbons and Conal Lyng left it 1-7 to 0-0 at the break.

With the breeze favouring Lisdowney in the second half, they responded with an early score and increased pressure. However, Alex Cashin's excellent puck-outs launched effective counterattacks, while Niall Rothwell and Darragh Joyce stood firm under pressure.

Late goals from Oisín Sweetman and Gibbons sealed the win, while substitutes including Cillian Tobin, Rae Choe, and Tom Hickey impressed. Lisdowney added two late points, but Urlingford ran out deserved 3-7 to 1-3 winners and now look ahead to a final clash with Tullaroan.