

KDUL Girls U16s Division

Kilcock Celtic 3 Bush Celtic 6

Both teams put in excellent performances in bitter cold foggy conditions. But the girls didn't mind the cold, as there were happy that the game managed to go ahead. The visitors started well and Rebecca Coogan's snap shot forced a good save from Jean Dully in the Kilcock Goal. The home team responded well and Jennifer Whelan cleared the ball up to Grace White and her shot went just wide of the far post.

Grace White was excellent for the home team as she raided down the right wing and combined well with Dearbhaile Mulvihill and Aisling O'Connor to create openings. Halfway through the period Kilcock equalised when Mulvihill raced on to a through ball from Colleen O'Neill and slipped her shot past the advancing keeper. Five minutes later Bush went back in the lead when Trina Duggan was first to react to a bouncing ball in the Kilcock box and she slotted home to an empty net.

With six minutes to the interval, Kilcock responded well and Katie Devine made an incisive run and crossed for Grace White to score the equaliser with a well placed shot. In the final minute of the first-half Bush again regained the lead when a twenty yard drive from Shauna Hayes found the roof of the net.

After the interval Kilcock were on the top of their game and Mulvihill levelled the scores five minutes into the game when she got on the end of a long pass and neatly flicked her shot to the bottom left corner.

Aoife Connolly was very strong in goal for the visitors as she made a series of several great saves for Bush Celtic to deny the home side a chance of gaining the lead. With twenty minutes to go the visitors again gained the lead when Shauna Hayes found the back of the net with a low shot from fifteen yards.

Kilcock again came close to equalising when Caoimhe Fagan-Hynes shot narrowly wide after great build up play from Colleen O'Neill and White. Lack of game practice now began to show for Kilcock as they began to tire in the last quarter and Bush Celtic began to dominate and increased their lead with two late goals from Annalee Delaney and Amy Dunne.

Both teams put in great displays in a very competitive and good-humoured game.

Kilcock Celtic: Jean Dully Aisling O'Connor Grace White Jennifer Whelan Colleen O'Neill Dearbhaile Mulvihill Katie Devine Caoimhe Fagan-Hynes

Bush Celtic: Aoife Connolly Rebecca Coogan Alex O'Connor Amy Dunne Shauna Hayes Annalee Delaney Trina Duggan

