



11 a-side Winter League Match 16 Report

Dublin Devils FC 4-0 John FC

Grehan 8, Hayes 15, Scanlon 22, Gogarty 53

Devils Team – Mark Carroll, Niall Scanlon (c), Mike McQuillan, Chris Grehan, Pete Dockrell, Neil Hayes (Francis Fitzgibbon 50), Arnaldo Gibelli, Brendan Gildea (Derek Naughton 49), James Lee (Conrad Cadogan 47), Ivan Stevens (Dell Marinho), Paul Gogarty. **Manager** – Peter Murray.

A 9.15pm start as the Devils in 4th place play John FC in 5th, with the Devils after last week's defeat of the league leaders still in with a chance of winning the league with a good result tonight.

A very strong determined start with the defence solid and all outfield clear of their roles on the pitch. On 8 mins a fantastic Neil Hayes corner found Chris Grehan and the Devils were 1-0 with his 4th goal of the season.

The first 15 mins saw very little attacking play from John FC as the Devils dominated possession with superb linking play. The ball went from Goalkeeper Mark Carroll to Pete Dockrell, superb as ever in his role, then on to Neil Hayes, Paul Gogarty, Ivan Stevens and back to Neil Hayes who saw the ball into the net and the Devils are 2-0 up.

Mark Carroll made a great save on 18 mins and following another wave of attacking play, Arnaldo Gibelli shot wide on 19.

On 22 mins a Neil Hayes corner found Captain Niall Scanlon on the rebound and the Devils were 3-0 up with his second goal in as many games.

At Half time, it was Dublin Devils 3-0 John FC and the Devils were on a roll.

The second half saw no letup in the attacking play as the Devils tried to increase the scoreline.

John FC did create some chances and Mark Carroll was forced into a goal saving stop on 39 mins and again they hit the bar on 42 mins but Carroll saw out the danger.

On 53 mins, another wave of Devils attack found the ball at the feet of Paul Gogarty who shot and scored for a very popular goal for a very popular player.

Full time Dublin Devils FC 4-0 John FC. Four superb goals from some incredible play, a superb as always display from the Devils defence and another clean sheet from Carroll in goal.

An out and out performance of the season from the Devils, right at the business end of the season. That victory sees the Devils in joint second place with 2 other teams on 28 points and the league leaders on 29 points, with 2 games remaining and everything left to play for.