

# Basketball

## All Stars won area final

Sligo All Stars showed fine form in defeating Easkey in the area final of the Northern Division of the Connacht Junior League at Sligo on Tuesday night last.

The Sligo boys led for the greater part of the game, but might have been caught when Easkey put in a determined rally towards the end. Sligo, however, were fully deserving of their slender 35-32 win.

All Stars concentrated on working the ball up slowly and setting up the shots and this paid off particularly in the first-half, after which they led 16-10. A little looseness in the defence allowed Easkey in for scores after the break and as the end approached Easkey had pulled themselves into a challenging position.

The home side, however, remained unflustered and were always in control of the game, though they weren't able to improve on the scoreline.

Much of the credit for Sligo's win must go to Gerry Monaghan who had an excellent game and accounted for 23 of his side's points. Cormac Carty and Tommy Mulligan gave best support.

Easkey were unlucky to have Tom Roddy fouled out during the second-half, and their fighting spirit, despite the odds, was to their credit. Ivor Zauers, Jim Hannon and Declan Caulfield were consistent triers.

Sligo All Stars—T. Mulligan, 8; G. Monaghan, 23; G. McMorrow, C. Carty, 4; B. Brogan.

Easkey — D. Caulfield, 12; I. Zauers, 10; T. Roddy, 2; S. Kennedy, J. Hannon, 8; T. Royston.