

Ballyboden St. Endas GAA Camogie and Ladies Football Club CLG Baile Buadáin Naomh Eanna



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U/9 Girls start their journey in Ballyboden Jersey

Sundays 10th March and 7th April will hopefully last long in the memory of 50 girls as they start what we hope proves to be a long and happy association with Ballyboden. Having gathered together in the academy two years ago the girls (and coaches!) were let loose this year into the big world of go games. Thanks to the numbers of committed girls we can comfortably enter four teams in the football and Camoige go games blitz. On 7th March two of our camoige teams



hosted *Kilmacud* and *St Jude's* at Sancta Maria in what was one of the coldest days for a long time! Yet this did not deter the boden girls and they performed superbly in all their matches. Thanks to the weather and easter break it would be four weeks before the remaining teams fielded.

On April 7th all four Camoige teams fielded against *Kilmacud, St Anne's and Castleknock.* Ask any of the coaches what the score from either Sunday was and to be honest none of us has an idea because we were simply engrossed in how well the girls played and the confidence that emerged from all players. **Every single girl gave their best and there is no more that can be asked of the players.**

Training on Saturdays at Sancta Maria continues to secure strong attendance and the girls are looking forward to their first football matches in the blue and white next weekend.

The coaches and girls would like to make particular mention of the fantastic support Grace Walsh and Ciara Dunne have given every week at training despite a very busy schedule for themselves as players.

Special mention to all the mentors:

Eoin Reid, Tony Morley, Kieran Rudden, Dave Melia, Ronan Feely, Donagh O'Farrell, Cathal O'Toole

Football News / Fixtures

Weekend round-up:

Inters beat St.Marks 5-11 to 0-09 Junior A's lost to St.Brigids 1-10 to 2-10 Junior B's lost to Lucan 1-09 to 2-14 Junior C's lost to Geraldine P.Morans 0-08 to 0-14

The SFC and IFC have been postponed this week due to the involvement of the Dublin Senior Football team in the National Football League semi-final on Sunday.

In as far as possible the CCC intend to adhere to the published fixture plan - subject to Dublin's involvement in Division One of the National Football and Hurling Leagues and the Leinster / All Ireland Senior championships has concluded.

There's still plenty of football action to look forward to, however, as all 8 adult teams continue their respective League fixtures. See Below.

Membership is now overdue and all players are urged to complete theirs urgently.

Thankfully the evenings are now longer (has there ever been a more welcome change?) which brings the opportunity for players to get out to practice point taking, frees e.t.c. The postponement of the SFC & IFC also allows us some extra preparations so lets not be found wanting! *Fail to prepare...*

Saturday, 13th April

Adult Football League Division One Mobhi Road Na Fianna v Ballyboden St Endas Seniors 18:00 Adult Football League Division Three Cloghran Whitehall Colmcilles v Ballyboden St Endas Inters 18:00

Sunday, 14th April

Adult Football League Division Five Finglas Erins Isle v Ballyboden St Endas Junior A 10:30 Adult Football League Division Eight River Valley St Finians S v Ballyboden St Endas Junior B 10:30 Adult Football League Division Ten South County Oldcourt Ballyboden St Endas Junior C v Lucan Sarsfields 12:00

Minor Football League Division One Sancta Maria Ballyboden St Endas Minor A v St Sylvesters 10:30 Minor Football League Division Four Pairc Ui Bhriain Naomh Olaf v Ballyboden St Endas Minor B 10:30 Minor Football League Division Five South Ballycullen Ballyboden St Endas Minor C v St Brigids 10:30

Hurling Results and Fixtures

A very busy weekend on the hurling front saw 7 teams in action. Some of the Saturday games were moved in an effort to allow patrons go to Thurles to see the Dublin v Limerick game. The others went ahead as scheduled on Saturday evening and on Sunday morning.

Results:

• Senior Hurlers beat Craobh Chiarain 2-16 to 1-12. This game sponsored by Weldon Jewellers.

- Senior B's were beaten by Erin's Isles 0-20 to 2-09.
- Junior A team open campaign with a win over Lucan on a scoreline of 3 13 to 0 13
- Junior C drew with Kilmacud after thrilling finish on a scoreline of 3 11 to 1 17
- Minor A suffered their first loss of the season against Kilmacud (1 09 to 4 07)
- Minor B had a fine win over St. Sylvesters (4 07 to 1 07)
- Minor C beaten by Castleknock

Junior A Report

Our game was originally scheduled for Saturday evening but moved because of the Dublin Limerick match. *Mark McGovern* won't be giving out as he got BBSE off to a flyer with a goal. Not to be outdone *Mattie O Sullivan* scored another goal from the 65 yard line. *Aidan Dundon* scored a beauty before Lucan registered their first score. Dundon then capped off a lovely move that involved McGovern and Flanagan. The Boden boys were on fire.

Points flew in from *Evan Flanagan, Mattie O Sullivan, Alan O Connor (2) Eoin McKenna before Joe Johnston* buried the ball for another goal. Halftime score was 3 09 to 0 04. Changes were made with 4 subs coming on Lucan did claw back 4 points without reply before Finian McDonagh made his presence felt scoring the first of 3 points after coming on at halftime.

Ronan Cleary scored a disputed 65' after the umpire had judged that the Sarsfields defender had crossed the end line in his travels.

The Game petered out with a final score of 3 13 to 0 13.

Junior C Report

The Junior C Hurlers got their league campaign under way on Friday night in Scanta Maria against a strong Kilmacud Crokes team. Showing great fight and determination to battle back from 5 points down and leading by a point heading into injury time Kilmacud levelled with the last puck of the game. It was a terrific team performance with *David Keville*, *Tom Sweeney*, *Ross Dunphy* and scorer-inchief *Brian Cummins* to the fore. BBSE 3 11 Kilmacud 1 17

Minor B Report

The 17 members of the Ballyboden Minor B hurling team lead by Captain *Ronan Dooley* travelled to Broomfield, Malahide on Sunday morning where they took on St Sylversters in their third league match. Boden had a slow start letting the home team dominate many positions. Sylvesters missed a number of scoring chances in the first half and only for the stalwart efforts by the full back and half back lines led by *Owen Wigglesworth* (full back) and Fergal Murray (half back) and some marvellous saves by *Andrew Boyd Lyons* on the goal line, Boden could have found themselves in serious trouble. Sylvesters led at half time 0-6 to 0-2.

Boden regrouped in the second half and stepped up a gear with midfielder's *Timmy* O'Connor and Ciaran O'Brien dominating. The introduction of Michael Boland (U16) at half forward and *Eoin Harrington* at corner back brought new life to the game. An early point from Harry Coffey settled Boden, Oisin O'Duil followed up with a wellworked goal and *Michael Boland* with a point. Boden controlled the game from thereon with three more goals from Harry Coffey, Darragh Maguire and a second from Oisin. Conor Dean moved from the corner to half forward and worked tirelessly to score two points. Great credit must be paid to the back lines who maintained a solid performance and prevented Sylvesters from regaining a foothold on the game. The man of the match has to go to the full panel as the win was as a result of the total effort of those on the field and the subs who came on at half time. Team: Andrew Boyd Lyons, Michael Flaherty, Owen Wigglesworth, Thomas O'Connor, Stephen Edwards, Fergal Murray, Ronan Dooley (Capt.), Ciaran O'Brien, Timothy O'Connor, Oisin O'Duil(2-1), Darragh Maguire(1-0), Harry Coffey(1-1), Conor Dean(0-2), Evan MacDonnell(0-1), Patrick O'Meara(0-1). Subs used Eoin Harrington and Michael Boland (0-1).

Minor C Report

With both of their first two league fixtures postponed due to rain and then snow the Minor C team was eager to start their 2013 campaign. They got underway on Sunday last in a tough encounter with Castleknock. Competitive throughout the first half, Boden trailed at the break by only three points playing into a stiff breeze. The start of the second half saw a similar pattern to that of the first - strong Boden defending against a Castleknock side now moving very well off the ball and starting to put very precise patterns of play together. Yet Boden remained very much in contention. The match was ultimately lost in the second 10 minutes of the second half when Boden's shape and concentration deserted them. Three goals in this period put Castleknock out of range, but to their credit Boden regained their composure and fought their way back into contention - scoring 1 02 without reply during their best phase of the game. If the same level of skill and determination is evident in every outing this season today's loss will be well balanced by a good number of wins. A very positive start to the season.

Dublin Hurlers

Congratulations to our Dublin hurlers (*Gary Maguire, Finn McGarry, Stephen Hiney, Conal Keaney, Niall McMorrow, Simon Lambert, Paul Ryan, Conor McCormack and Shane Durkin*) on their thrilling win over Limerick. Next up is a trip to Thurles for a crack at Tipp in the League Semi-final on 21st April. The game is part of a double header which will also feature the other semi-final between Kilkenny and Galway.

Championship Fixtures

Senior A Championship V Naonh Fionnbarra fixed for O' Toole Park at 6.45pm on Friday, April 19th is OFF due to Dublin's involvement in the League Semi final
Senior B Championship V Parnells in PUM at 6.00pm on Saturday, April 20th
Junior A Championship V Cuala in Ballycullen at 6.00pm on Saturday, April 20th • Junior C Championship V Naomh Mearnóg in Ballycullen at 11.00am on Sunday, April 21st

'Boden U12 Camogie enjoy 'Caman to Croker'

Camán to Croker 2013.

The under 12 Camogie team enjoyed a great morning at the recent **Camán to Croker** event hosted by the Camogie Association in Croke Park. The event held on April 6th saw teams from 48 clubs participate in a round robin blitz, each team playing three matches. Boden met *Trim, Birr and Cappagh of Kildare* in a tough competitive pool. All four sides



represented their clubs and counties in outstanding style. The standard of play and the level of sportsmanship was impressive.

The day was a huge success in overall terms and a great success for the Boden team who played some excellent hurling while remaining unbeaten. The games were followed by a tour of the Museum. **Huge thanks to all in the Camogie Association and in Croke Park for their excellent organisation - the girls had a most enjoyable outing. Well done to the mentors - Ger Delaney, Diarmuid Fitzgerald and Roisin Walsh.** Thanks to the large number of enthusiastic parents who came to support. Unfortunately numbers at the event were very limited - other members of this big under 12 panel will get their chance to do Boden proud on another day.

Photo by Ron Leddy

Boden U9 Hurlers play in Croke Park

Ballyboden St Endas U9 hurlers were invited to play at Croke Park on Thurs 4th April as part of the Play & Stay Leinster Council initiative. The 20 lucky boys who were drawn to represent our mighty panel met at the club by 7.30am and all were on time!

Having travelled by car to Croke Park, the lads got to visit the Cusack Stand dressing rooms and warm-up area before taking the



field in front of a keen bunch of Boden supporters to play a ground hurling game against our friends and rivals from *Cuala*. **We played 10 players in each half and the final score was Ballyboden St. Endas 4.0, Cuala 3.0.** It was a very even contest with some excellent defending and tackling. Each half featured a spectacular save from Boden keepers *Tom McGrenery* and *Ciaran Kiely* and every boy played superbly throughout. Scorers for the Blues were *Shane Flood, Leon Kennedy, Charlie Redmond and Michael Murphy.*

The boys had been at the last National League double header in Croke Park a few weeks ago where the hurlers and footballers both lost their only game this season, so they were delighted to have better fortune on this visit.

After the game, we lined up to climb the steps of the Hogan stand where there was many a photo taken with the Cup to remember this special day, before the club welcomed them back to Firhouse Road for refreshments.

Thanks to Emmet Pullan for co-ordinating the trip and hope we'll see many of our U9 hurlers and footballers back in Croker in the future with Club, schools and county teams.

Camogie News

The Senior 1 Camogie team have their first outing since the 2012 Leinster Final when they entertain *N Mearnog* in the League at home on Pairc Ui Murchu tonight (Tuesday) at 6.45pm.

Tonight also the Senior 6 team travel to Lucan, while on Thursday evening the Senior 3's are away to Portobello.

We had a busy weekend on the Juvenile front and it proved a fruitful one! Big wins were recorded by the U16A, U16B & U15 teams, with a special mention for our U13's who put in a terrific performance in a fine win away to Na Fianna.

The U12's had a great trip to Croke Park on Saturday to play in the 'Caman to Croker', see elsewhere in the Newsletter for details on same.

Best wishes from all to Camogie Secretary Orla Mullany on her recovery from surgery.

Best of luck to the Ladies Football teams in their Feile this weekend.

Easter Hurling & Camogie School of Excellence - a great success

Hurling & Camogie School of Excellence 2013

Over the last couple of weeks Ballyboden St Endas held its first ever Easter School of Excellence for club players on the U12-U15 teams.

It was a huge success (weather aside!!), and provided a great opportunity for the players to develop and improve certain parts of their game. It was overseen



by **Club Coaches Brian O' Regan & Paul Mc Loughlin.** With separate weeks for Football/Ladies Football & Hurling/ Camogie over **140 players attended**, this is a credit to those players' willingness and desire' to progress in their playing careers.

Paul & Brian were assisted by 10 of our current young coaches all of whom have vast experience and are active coaches with teams in the club.

A huge thanks to all the team mentors who promoted it so well and to the players that attended. Hoping for some better weather for next year!!

Feile Quiz Night - Friday 12th April at 7.45pm (till late)

The U14 boys feile fund raising committee is holding a Quiz/Social evening in the Clubhouse on Friday 12th April. Tables of 4 are 40 euro. Please come along and support this event, everybody is welcome.

http://www.bodengaa.ie/_fileupload/Image/2013/Fundraising/Quiz.jpg

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Siúltóirí Buadáin

Chat of late among Na Siúltóirí relates to fashion, footwear (big and chunky). Socks, designer of course!. Trousers, 3 in 1 and full length with zips, unzip for crop, unzip twice for shorts. Tops and T-Shirts, vibrant colours a must, canary yellows, shocking pinks, blues, greens, the range endless. Bags, pricy, with pockets and compartments to carry all but the kitchen sink . All this gear would suggest we're

heading to Coppers or Beaujangles for a night on the town, but the recommended woollen underwear a big no no for that.

We are instead preparing for the Camino and discussing the gear necessary for the 170km walk. The big chunky footwear are hiking boots, the designer socks thick and cushioned, the trousers certainly don't unzip to hot pants status, the tops and tshirts are definitely colourful and the bags, well they are rucksacks actually. With just a month to go before our departure for The Camino, our walking agenda is concentrated on the local hills and along the tracks and trails of Cruagh and Tibradden. We have come to know and love these walks very well. Each walk brings something new, you learn more about the landscape and the history it contains, the views and vistas are always inspiring and the company just perfect. The local walks are ideal training grounds for The Camino.

We chat lots on our walks. We are now accomplished politicians, GAA analysts, counsellors, financial consultants, experts on just about everything. We have solved the problems of the world, have become firm friends and we have great fun. We have sampled the coffee in all the local hostelries and enjoyed their welcome after long and great walks on the hills.

Monday walks are back on the agenda, meeting time 7pm in Ballyboden. For those of us who like to walk on Wednesdays, we meet at 2pm also in Ballyboden.

Club AGM - Monday April 15

The Club AGM will be held on Mon 15th April.

Please note that in order to reduce cost, the Executive Committe have decided not to print hardcopies of the Annual Report but to circulate it by email and to publish on the club website www.bodengaa.ie

Club Membership 2013 - Overdue

Ballyboden St Endas 2013 Membership is now due. Thanks to all members paying by direct debit. These amounts are due to be processed on 6th February 2013. Please see registrar's note regarding membership options

http://www.bodengaa.ie/news/club_membership_2013.13.3850.html

Social Update

Ballyboden Art Society Meeting

A meeting was held on April 4th to help develop Ballyboden Art and Photography Society. The Society dipped it's foot in the water last November with Images from The Siultoiri, which was a great success.

Newsletter Help

We are looking for people to help share the role of editing our weekly email newsletter, on a week on/off basis. Our weekly email plays an important role in informing members of what is going on in the club on a weekly basis. If you are interested in helping out please email: newsletter@bodengaa.ie. Many thanks

Bingo

"25" every Friday at 9.00pm. New members always welcome.

Lotto News

Lotto Results

There was no winner of the jackpot.. Match 1st 3 Paul Cullen, Cairnfort, Stepaside. Liam Holland, Carrigwood, Firhouse. Desmond Fleury, Idrone Drive, Templeogue. Lillian Gillan, Elkwood, Ballyroan. John Mahon, Cremorne, Knocklyon Weekly Subscribers Draw Liam French, Wood Dale Close, Firhouse

