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GAA Camogie and Ladies Football Club
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Hurling News - U21 Final

Under 21 Hurling Championship Final

BBSE v Lucan Sarsfields

Sunday, December 14th

10.30am

O' Toole Park



Under 21 Final Tops Bill this weekend

The hurling year is coming to a very fitting conclusion with the Under 21 Hurling Final scheduled for next Sunday in O' Toole Park. We play Lucan Sarsfields in what promises to be a cracker at 10.30am. Both teams will have had impressive wins in their respective semi-finals so a great game is expected in O' Toole Park.

The Under 21 B team play their long awaited semi-final on Sunday afternoon against O' Toole's. The game is at 2.15pm in Sancta Maria.

Stephen Hiney announced his retirement from Inter County Hurling last week. We wish Stephen the very best and look forward to seeing him in club colours in the years ahead.

Declan Maguire Tournament

The Annual Declan Maguire Tournament will take place on St. Stephen's Day at 11.30am in PUM.

Hurlers will be given an opportunity to burn off some calories on St. Stephen's Day in the Annual Declan Maguire Tournament. This is the 12th Anniversary of the Tournament.

The report below appeared on the Boden website in January 2005.

The Second Annual Declan Maguire Memorial Trophy held in the club on St. Stephen's morning was a huge success with a total of over 44 players involved from either Firhouse or Rathfarnham. All the Maguire family were present - Ollie, Olive, Peter, Dermot, Gary, Paula and little Laura. Gary presented the trophy for a 2nd year in a row to Rathfarnham. Rathfarnham's Captain this year Emmet Carroll expressed the views of the whole hurling section when he said how much Declan was missed by everyone and how he would have loved a day like today, for the hurling, the camaraderie and the craic. He also thanked all the players involved, the family for their attendance and all who helped in feeding everyone afterwards.

The above report alludes to the fact that Rathfarnham had just won a two in a row. Rumour

has it that Firhouse have had the better in recent years - 8 in a row they claim!! Hurlers who turn right leaving the club play with Rathfarnham and those turning left play with Firhouse. Let's hope that the numbers turn up on the morning to dust off the cobwebs, have the "craic" and remember one of our great players.

The "Minor Match" on the day will involve the Over 35s and a Junior Selection. This game will commence at 10.30am.

Grassroots Award Winners

Congratulations to Aidan Horgan and Neal Farrell who were both selected on the Grassroots GAA AHL3 & AHL4 Team of the year. The boys are pictured here with their award. Well done lads



Football News - U21 Championship



U21 Championship

After a lengthy lead in to the Championship our U21 footballers finally got their campaign underway with an extremely difficult quarter final tie away against 2012 & 2013 champions Na Fianna. The loss of captian Robbie McDaid to injury certainly didn't help matters but that didn't deter the players and management who held a firm inner belief that they could certainly 'give Na Fianna a game'. But what transpired was truly memorable with our lads putting in a wonderful team performance to comprehensively beat Na Fianna by 4-14 to 1-09.

With Na Fianna having dominated the under 21 level for the past number of years, this was always going to be a tough task for the Boden lads. Alan Flood opened the scoring with a point and then punished the home defence with a well taken goal. Na Fianna tried to get their ace forward Conor Mchugh on the ball in the early stages however he was well marshalled by the Boden defence. Time after time the Boden lads turned over the ball in their own half and moved at pace into attacking positions.

Points from Dara Kilduff (0-2), Dan Buckingham , Conor Dooley , Colm Basquel and Cathal Flaherty sent Boden in at half time 1-7 to 0-4 ahead.

Boden's intensity in the tackle continued to pay dividends with Sam Molony finishing off a fine move with the opening point of the second half. A goal from Conor Dooley had Na Fianna in big trouble but in fairness they bounced back with a goal of their own. A couple of points were then traded between the teams until another goal from Conor Dooley, who was 'unplayable' on the day, really set Boden on their way to victory. Na Fianna had no answer at this stage and Conor Dooley scored a third goal to complete a fine hat trick. Possibly the move of the game was Barra McGarry's closing point. It started with a great cross field ball from Ryan Gillen to James Madden who played a one -two with Brian Bobbet and then onto Barra who drove the ball over the bar.

Well done to the lads who now play Kilmacud Crokes in the semi-final, probably after Christmas.

Minor B Ballyboden St. Enda's v St. Oliver Plunkett Eoghan Ruadh Minor 'C' Championship semi final

This was a cracking, good natured game of football between two excellent skilful teams. The venue was Martin Savage Park and the weather was seasonally chilly and windy. There was a lot to play for and both teams put in a gigantic effort in a bid to reach the final. Unfortunately Ballyboden just fell short of the mark, but it certainly wasn't for lack of effort. The final score was 2-11 to 2-7.

Oliver Plunkett's opened their account with a free, which was quickly equalised by a score from Liam O' Flaherty. Boden scored the next two points, one by Cian Murray and a lovely long range shot from Ross Mc Grath. Plunkett's then scored two points from play, before Boden were awarded a penalty and Cian Murray calmly stepped up to hammer the ball to the back of the net. It has to be stated that this same player put in a powerful amount of work and his positioning and reading of the game is excellent.

There were undoubtedly some delightful passages of play and passing from both sides and there was little to separate them. Scores were difficult to come by, but we obtained two points from frees, well taken by Rob Leddy. The pace was fast and furious and, Plunkett's on several occasions tried to walk the ball into the back of the Boden net. However, they encountered a robust defence, but their perseverance did eventually pay off, for about five minutes before the half time whistle they succeeded in getting the ball past Stephen Mc Grath. This was followed by an impressive point from Ruadhán Fanning leaving the half time score at 1-6 to 1-7 in favour of Plunketts.

The second half was equally as fluid and robust as the first half with neither team scoring for at least twelve/fifteen minutes. The impasse was finally broken by a goal and point from Plunkett's which gave them a five point advantage. The 'never say die' attitude of this Boden team then kicked in, as they battled and contested every ball, and created some inspired opportunities. At one stage we were unlucky in hitting the crossbar and at another stage in having a Ross Mc Grath shot saved off Plunkett's goal line. The match continued to see-saw, up and down the pitch, but with Plunkett's acquiring two points from frees and one from play. The final score of the game saw a super goal crashed to the back of the net by Liam O' Flaherty.

This definitely was a superb whole team effort, from number one to number twenty four and it would be quite unfair to start naming names or men of the match. These Boden players can hold their heads high, because it wasn't for lack of effort that they were defeated. They came up against a really good Plunkett's team and we wish them well in the final.

We have had an excellent season, having reached the final of the league and the semi-final of the championship. We definitely had intelligent mentors - with astute, discerning footballing minds - with a clear vision of how they wanted each player to develop. May every player on this panel continue to thrive and enjoy their football.

The Team: Stephen Mc Grath, Sean Mc Donnell, Oisín Carolan, Oisín Tobin, Cian Murray (1-3), Rossa Lynch, Liam Mullen, Luke O' Donoghue, Liam Stafford, Mark Mc Gee, Liam Flaherty (1-1), Ross Mc Grath, Cian Kelly, Ruadháin Fanning (0-1), Rob Leddy (0-2), Robbie O' Connell, James Mc Donnell, Conor Kennedy, Ruairí Knight, David Leech, Aidan Mellet, Charlie Mc Partland, Eoin Cashman, Tommy Burke.

Congrats to Senior footballer Mark O'Sullivan on his engagement to Joanne McAuliffe

Date to note:

Don't forget this St. Stephens Day for the annual Marrieds v Singles in the club at 12.30pm. Come along for the 'score settling' and a few beers afterwards.

Mile Buiochas

As this is likely to be the last football report of the year I would like to thank all those who have contributed to the football news section of the newsletter throughout the year. The generation of the newsletter as a whole, and in this case, the football section, requires a great deal of work and an open, accessible communication line for it to function. Sometimes the last thing people want to do after a match is draft a report but it's always the first thing everyone else wants to see. Some of the teams have been faultless in providing coverage for our members, some less so (you know who you are!). Thanks to talented photographers **Sean Gilheaney, Liam Cunningham, John Galvin, Declan O'Brien and Troy Gogan** for the wonderful photos that have graced our website and newsletter this year, I hope you all will keep up the great work. Thanks to **Ger Flaherty** and the football committee for their assistance and guidance during the year and of course the management of all our teams who have provided those match reports (or outsourced them!) , fixture details and changes. Thanks also to Paddy Bates, the communications committee and in particular Sinead Ryan for all her unseen work throughout the year and last but by no means least Cathy Murray, your newsletter editor, who has been understanding and patient to a fault.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Neil Buckingham.

Camogie News - 2015 Camogie Officers

At the Camogie AGM last Tuesday Gerry White was returned as Chairperson for the coming year. Orla Mullany & Catherine Nagle have decided to 'take a sabbatical' for a while and they were thanked for their invaluable work during the course of the last number of years. They have given the Camogie section a great platform for future success. Mary Hyland was also thanked for her work as referee co-ordinator for the last number of years.

2015 Camogie Officers:

Chairperson: Gerry White

Vice-Chairperson: Philip Larkin

Secretary: James Murray

Registrar: Sile Nic Coitir

Referee Co-Ordinator: Grainne Corcoran

Childrens Officer: Jean Gargan

Communications/PRO: Ciara Lucey

Pictured below are the U14's who recently received their League Winners medals.

Also the U11's finished up for a Christmas break by having 'Onzie Training night'. The highlight of the mentors photo must be the sight of Danny O' Connell in his favourite CORK COLOURS!!



U15 & U16 BBSE Champions visit their former primary schools.

The boys of St Mary's BNS and Ballyroan Boys primary schools had some special visitors last Friday morning and it wasn't Santa and his elves! Students from Colaiste Eanna and past pupils of both schools paid a visit to their Alma Maters with the many trophies these U15 and U16 Ballyboden boys have won over the last year.

First stop was St Marys and the boys were welcomed and introduced by **Edward O Riordan** to a crowded hall. A question and answer session followed with questions ranging from what advice the lads would give to younger players to training to who is the most skilled Boden player!

From St Mary's, the group which consisted of **Luke Corcoran, Hugh Keller, Daniel O Riordan, Hugh Kelly, Michael O' Brien, Aidan Mellett, Conor Fallon, Ben Kelly, Thomas Glynn, Adam O' Neill, Ciaran Cashman, Kevin McGrath, Shane Kennedy and Jonathan O' Donoghue** headed up the road to Ballyroan Boys and were joined by Ballyroan boys **Ross McGarry, Sean Gorman, Shane Garvey, Ruairi Hestor and Kevin Lalor**. They were greeted by teachers **Damian McDonnell** and **Susan Clear** and again were

brought into a packed school hall where they displayed their silverware and talked about their successes with the younger boys.

The impressive haul of silverware includes the U16 Football and Hurling Div. One Championship cups, U16 Carlow Town All Ireland Clubs Hurling trophy, U15 Div. One Hurling Championship and League cups and the U15 Division Three League trophy. Accompanying the boys were recently elected Juvenile Boys Chairman Jerry Corcoran and U15 Hurling mentor Tom McGrath and fellow U15 team mate **Rob Donoghue (pictured -in front row 2nd in on rhs)**

A huge thank you to both Principals, teachers and all involved in the schools for giving our lads a raptous welcome but most importantly of all of course to the wonderful pupils, some of who have committed themselves so enthusiastically to the GAA programmes in their schools.

Mornings like this are hugely beneficial for all. One would hope that they will inspire the next generation of sportsmen who sit in awe watching the " bigger" boys in front of them with all their trophies. We look forward to seeing the pupils of these schools reaching similar heights in their playing careers and coming back to visit their schools with their own trophies in the future.

For the players themselves, too often the excitement of Final day is forgotten and trophies end up gathering dust, somewhat forgotten, in glass cabinets. [Visits like these remind the lads of their great achievements, allow them reflect on what they had to do to get there and bask for a short time in the admiration of the "little boys" sitting in front of them.](#)

For more photos click [here](#)





Ballyboden and Colaiste Eanna TY Students Launch Rathfarnham 2015 Calender

U15 Ballyboden players Shane Kennedy and Fionnán Keogh are Transition Year students at Coláiste Éanna. As part of the Business Enterprise Initiative for TY students, the boys have developed a Rathfarnham themed calendar for 2015, featuring local people and places and it is proving to be a huge success to date. The inspiration for the theme came from the history that surrounds Rathfarnham, ranging from parks, rivers and historic buildings. Add in a few famous people from the area and you can see that Rathfarnham is indeed a fine place to live in.

Shane and Fionnán have been very busy in recent weeks with stalls at the Rathfarnham Christmas Fair in the village the end of November, Ballyroan Market last week when **Michael Darragh** turned up to sign some copies of the calenders and last Sunday in The Courtyard, St Enda's Park for their Annual Christmas Craft Fair.

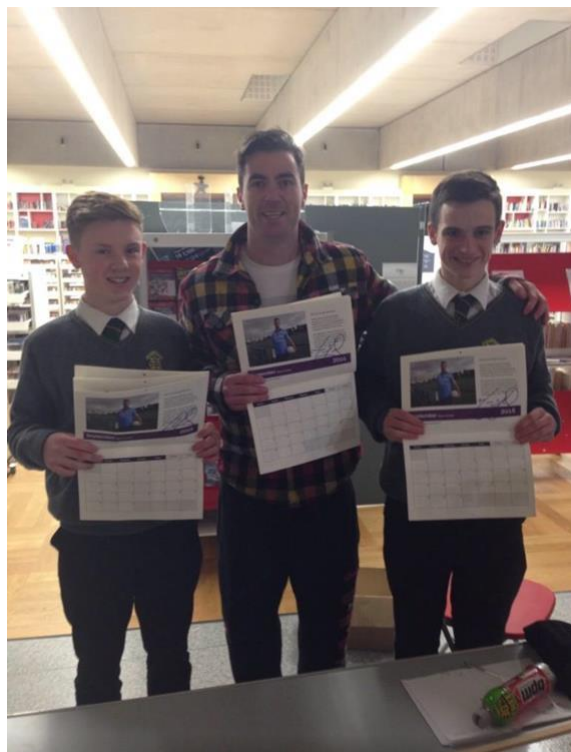
The boys would like to thank everybody who has contributed to the calendar especially current and past Boden men Michael Darragh Macauley and Paul McGinley.

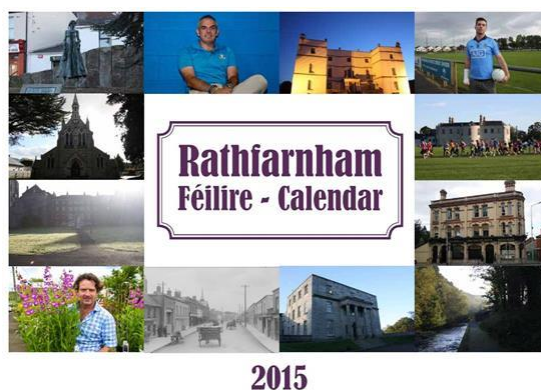
The calender makes an ideal Christmas gift for loved ones living locally and especially for those living away! They are a great reminder of home.

To get your copy, drop down to the club on Saturday afternoon (2-5pm) or alternatively, copies can also be ordered by contacting Shane or Fionnán via Twitter @RathfarnhamCal or email Rathfarnhamcalendar1@gmail.com

Pictured with Michael Darragh at the launch of the calendar are Fionnán (left) and Shane (right)

Pictured: Cllr John Lahart picks up a copy of the calender at the Rathfarnham Village Christmas Fair





Ballyboden Christmas Santa Party



Ballyboden Christmas Santa Party 🎅

Saturday 13th December. Doors opening at 2.30pm. Santa and Mrs Claus arriving 3.00pm.

Genie Mackers Magical Show, Balloon Man DJ.....**€10.00 per child**

Due to space restriction, where possible, please leave buggies at home.

Children must be accompanied by Adults at all times.

Mentors & Players Xmas night Sat 13th



Feile Fundraiser - Xmas Trees



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CHRISTMAS TREES FOR SALE

BOYS FEILE 2015 • PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR CLUB

Friday	5 th December	4pm-8pm	Friday	12 th December	4pm-8pm
Saturday	6 th December	10am-6pm	Saturday	13 th December	10am-6pm
Sunday	7 th December	10am-6pm	Sunday	14 th December	10am-6pm



Also supporting **CLIMB4CLARE**

Christmas Tree Collection

CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

Last year the Club had a new fundraising initiative by collecting Christmas trees in the locality in early January. We charged €5 per tree and a great day was had by all who participated. We raised in excess of 3,500 euro which was satisfactory in our first year.

This year we will once again be offering the service. To make it an even bigger success, we require van owners to give up a few hours on Saturday 10th January to assist in transporting

the trees from local homes back to the Club car park. There will be a great atmosphere on the day, with a great community spirit. If you have a van or indeed a small truck and are in a position to assist on the day, please contact Gerry on 087 9312851.

Book Launch Dec 18th - BBSE Club House



You are cordially invited to celebrate the publication of

Sweaters and Small Stuff

by Kathryn Crowley

Published by Emu Ink.

Venue: Ballyboden, St. Endas GAA Club.

Date and Time: Thursday, December 18th at 7.30pm

In support of
Kerry Hospice



Hiney retires from Inter county Hurling

Click below for full statement

<http://www.dublingaa.ie/news/statement-on-behalf-of-dublin-hurler-stephen-hiney>

Na Siúltóirí Buadáin - Cold Turkey Charity Walks

Cold Turkey Charity Walks Saturday 27th December 2014 in Aid of Teenline

Walk 1 Djouce from Crone Wood 3½ Hrs Difficult

Walk 2 Doddar to Old Bawn Return 7 km Easy

Meeting Point - Ballyboden St Enda's GAA Club, Firhouse Road

Meeting Time :10am Sharp

Na Siúltóirí Buadáin welcome The Kiltipper Ramblers and all Ballyboden members and friends to join us for this event in support this very worthy charity.

Recommended donation €10 per person.

All donations of course appreciated, Na Siúltóirí Buadáin

Xmas Trees for Sale

TOP QUALITY NOBLE FIR CHRISTMAS TREES FOR SALE

"Junior B Football Mentor and club member, Fergal O'Neill, is once again selling top quality hand picked Noble Fir Christmas trees from his stall on Whitehall Road, Templeogue (beside The Pines Pub) from 29th of November.



There is a special offer price of

€45.00 per tree
for all Club members.



Tree stands, Xmas wreaths
and Solid Fuel also available."

Bingo EVERY Tuesday 8.30PM



BINGO!

Every Tuesday 8.30pm in the Club
All welcome. Great fun

Lotto Draw Week 51 Monday 8th December 2014

There was no winner of the Jackpot

There was 1 Match 1st Three

Jimmy Woulfe, Clos Naomh Breanndain, Tralee,
Co Kerry

Weekly Subscribers Draw

David Delaney, Dowland Road, Walkinstown



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