



Ballyboden St. Endas
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Hurling News - Championship Action this Week

The week ahead sees Championship action for 4 of our 5 Adult teams. The Senior B team have home advantage in PUM in their Q/F against St. Kevin's on Saturday evening. The Junior A team travel to Shanhill to play Cuala in the Junior A semi-final. Sunday morning sees the second Junior team return to championship action against Liffey Gaels while the third Junior team have a play off against St. Pat's from Donabate. Meanwhile the Senior A team have a League game against Na Fianna in Mobhi Road on Sunday morning.

Saturday 30th August Fixtures

- [Senior B Championship Q/F V St. Kevin's](#) in Sancta Maria at 6.00pm.
- [Junior A Championship Semi-Final V Cuala](#) in Shankhill at 6.00pm

Sunday 31st August Fixtures

- [Junior C Championship Q/F V Liffey Gaels in Ballycullen at 10.15am](#)
- [Junior E Championship Play-off V St. Patrick's \(D\) in PUM at 10.15am](#)
- [AHL 1 V Na Fianna in Mobhi Road at 10.15am.](#)

[Check website for updates as venues may change.](#) Please support the Championship teams and hopefully we will have good news to report on all fronts next weekend.

[Cuala and Boden Minors played a high-scoring friendly on a perfect surface for good hurling on Sunday morning.](#) An early home attack yielded a goal after Garrett Crowley sent one in from the country. Cuala responded quickly with scores from Murphy (F), Darragh Twomey and Dublin star Jake Malone (65). Some good blocking and hooking and assured goal-keeping from Lyons kept the scoring down to a minimum and Ruadhain Fanning kept Boden going forward with some steady play.

Crowley (2) and Coffey (1) kept Boden ticking over, before a high ball from the pre-fabs finished up in the home net and got Cuala moving again. Crowley and Malone exchanged frees and Sean Brennan got the "onion sack" shaking with a fine goal, he also added a point. With Mellett and Hester working hard at midfield, Boden led at the break 2 06 to 1 05.

Team mentors, Declan O'Brien, Peter Lyons and coach, Dave Sweeney made half-time changes, trying to press home the advantage, but it was Cuala who were the sharpest to the ball. Carl Schutte and Shay Murphy upped their game for them and created frees and scores for many others. Darragh Maguire won a high ball and from the well-earned free, Crowley pointed. Brennan and McDonnell got good points from play, but Cuala responded with a goal from a free from Malone and points from play and further frees. A foul on O'Brien led to another Crowley point and Evan was busy at the business end with 2 fine points. Cuala, through star man Malone, dominated the last 10 minutes and tagged on frees and another goal from play.

Cuala will be the happier of the two sides after winning 3 17 to 2 13.

BODEN: Andy Lyons, Jack Mahon, Ruadhain Fanning, Kevin Cronin, Luke O'Donoghue, Fergal Murray, Cian Murray, Cian Mellett, Neil Hester, Sean McDonnell, Ciaran O'Brien, Garrett Crowley, Harry Coffey, Darragh Maguire, Sean Brennan, Ronan Dooley, Evan McDonnell, Michael O'Flaherty, Mattie Normile. Man In The Middle, Philly Larkin, Thanks to him!

[Congratulations to Junior B hurler Brian Cummins](#) and to his wife Emer on the birth of their baby son, Sam James, last week. We were also delighted to hear that former club member, Colm Sharkey has also become a proud father. We send best wishes to him and his wife, Sinéad, in Toronto on the birth of their baby Tadhg Francis.

[Just Maths](#) are sponsoring our Junior A hurlers. The launch will be on Thursday night in the club. Please show your support on the night.

[The Grafton Lounge](#) has renewed their sponsorship with our Senior A hurlers. Sincere thanks to Noel Anderson for his very generous support. If you are in the Grafton Street area, show your support for our sponsor by dropping in to Grafton Lounge.

Football Update - Junior B's Through to Championship Semi-Final



Junior B 7-10 Cuala 1-09

The Junior B's emphatically advanced to the semi finals of the championship after brushing aside Cuala at Shangallagh Park last Sunday. The score did reflect Boden's dominance throughout but still gave the management plenty to work on for the next round.

Boden started confidently and adopting a system of two up top filled by minor stars Adam Carney and Dara Langan immediately reaped rewards with two quick points. Cuala however responded in somewhat bizarre fashion when a shot at goal flashed into the side netting and despite both umpires waving it wide the referee awarded the goal. Boden were unruffled and quick points from Tom Connors and Adam Carney followed by a fortuitous goal from Oisín Cannon (he was going for a point) regained the initiative. Under direct instructions to target goals Boden took a commanding lead into half time when Adam Carney and Dara Langan both finished confidently to the net.

Disaster was closely averted at the start of the second half when Cuala missed a gilt edge goal chance although Ger Flaherty positioned his ample frame well to distract the kicker. Defensively Michael Dunne, Donal Sheehan, and Ross Traynor dealt admirably with the expected surge from Cuala and despite missing a number of chances Boden quickly resumed control. Powered by the half back line of Ross Maguire (who replaced the injured Stephen Coughlan) Dean O'Donnell, and James Mc Tiernan Boden clinically restored order with a goal from the hardworking Ronan O'Reilly and quickly tagged on a couple of points.

The midfield duo of Tom Waver and Bryan Kirwan has threatened to run the game all day and were now in complete control allowing Tom Connors to send precise passes into the full forward line. Man of the match Paudge Mahony defied his advancing years by covering an unbelievable amount of ground to break up and begin attacks. Boden ran the changes but it continued to rain goals Adam Kearney lobbed the keeper from thirty yards, Dave McCabe

brilliantly dispatched to the bottom corner, before Ronan O'Reilly coolly slotted home to complete the rout.

Substitutes Gareth O'Keefe, Mick McDonald, Mick O'Dwyer and Dave O'Donnell made notable contributions before the ref blew for full time. Overall an excellent performance and fills the panel with confidence heading to the semi final.

AFL League Action

Keaney Inspires Young Guns.

Seniors 0-16 St.Maurs 1-10

Conal Keaney's return to football for the Senior team paved the way to a well deserved victory over a highly rated St.Maurs team in Pairc Ui Mhurchu on Saturday by a score of 0-16 to 1-10. The home support witnessed some great performances from Aran Waters, Sean Gibbons, Alan Flood, Stephen O'Connor and Sam Molony and the impressive total of 0-16 was shared out well with Ryan Basquel bagging 0-4, Seamus Keane 0-3, Flood & Keaney 0-2 and points for O'Connor, Molony, Darren O'Reilly, Cathal Flaherty and Andrew Kerin.

Inters 1-11 ClannaGael 0-16

Our Intermediate team lost narrowly to ClannaGael on Saturday by 0-16 to 1-11. The team battled bravely and came back from 0-09 to 0-02 to level the score at half time. However a mounting injury list coupled with a lack of subs proved crucial and ended up costing us the game.

Junior A 2-09 Cuala 3-18

Ballyboden's Junior A footballers were beaten by league leaders Cuala in an entertaining game in Ballycullen. The final score of 2-9 to 3-18 does not reflect how competitive the game was. Boden were worthy leaders at half time by 1-7 to 0-5 however a poor start to the second half, a missed penalty and a scrappy goal with 15 minutes to go by Cuala helped them pulled away.

The play-offs are still a possibility for this team but it will require a grandstand finish to the season which they are more than capable of.

All-Ireland Semi-Finals

Best of luck to our Senior football stars Michael-Darragh, Darragh and Declan as the Dubs face Donegal in Croke Park on Sunday. The prospect of Dublin Minor and Senior titles is very much alive as our Minor contingent Colm, Warren, Shane, Barra and coach Mark Fee also take on Donegal in the early game.



Photo from Inter footballer's loss to Clanna Gael



Boden's Dublin Minor Football Stars after Leinster Final win.



Dublin v Donegal this Sunday at 3:30pm on Big Screen. Free finger food at half time.



Mayo v Kerry this Saturday at 5:00pm on Big Screen. Free finger food at half time.

Ladies Football Update - Juvenile and Minor Championships Update



Next weekend sees the Juvenile Championship kick off. All four under 16 teams have games plus the under 14's. Our three under 13 teams also commence their Cup competitions. This weekend is also time to dust down the boots for the under 10s and under 11 squads, while the under 12's won't have their first league game until Sunday 14th.

Our two Minor Teams Championship games kick off next Monday evening 1st September. Both are home fixtures with the A's playing Foxrock and the B's against Thomas Davis. Our Senior B team has a league fixture this Wed 27th against Westmanton @ 7.00 away. Meanwhile Derek Wards Senior A panel are busy preparing for the All Ireland 7's which take place on Sat 27th September. Their next league match is Wednesday 3rd September @ 7.00 against Thomas Davis at Home. Full details of all fixtures are up on www.dublinladiesgaelic.ie

With such a busy season of games ahead, any match reports are always welcome for our weekly newsletter. Such reports or any other news item or photos that you may wish to share with us can be sent to emmhyland@yahoo.ie by Monday evening and it will be included in that week's Newsletter.

Well done to the Dublin Senior Ladies as they beat Kerry last Sat in the All Ireland quarter final in Birr. Congratulations to Natalia Hyland and Rachel Ruddy together with the rest of the Dublin senior ladies team who defeated Kerry in The All Ireland Quarter finals on Saturday.

A slow start by both teams was set up by a blockade of Kerry defenders who pulled back their forwards after the throw in and left only two players in the Dublin defensive area for much of the first half. Dublin battled through winning frees which were ably pointed by Sinead Aherne. Dublin players continued to push through and eventually Niamh McEvoy scored a nice goal leaving the half time score at 1.9 to 3 points.

Dublin had been in this position before ,going into the second half of last year"s quarter final with a nine point lead and letting the game slip away through allowing in a couple of quick and demoralising goals. This was not to be the case here even though Kerry regrouped and allowed their forwards into more attacking positions. Kerry had the upper hand early in the second half scoring 5 points without reply until a brilliantly executed run of play ended with Noelle Healy driving to the back of the Kerry net. The game turned and while Kerry continued to battle, Dublin remained on top with a final score of 2.12 to Kerry"s 1.10

This result now sees them through to the All Ireland semi final next Saturday in Cusack Park Mullingar where they take on Galway @3.15. Best of Luck to Rachel, Natalia (pictured above) and all the team.

Best of luck also to Emily Flanagan and the Dublin under 16 team as they take on Cork in the All Ireland final. This match will be played in TK Brackens Gaa Club, Templemore, Co, Tipperary @ 1.00 p.m.

U16 Ladies Kenny Cup Tournament



On Saturday 23rd of August 22 Boden U16 ladies from the C and D squads made the short trip over to near neighbours Nh Jukes. We had been invited to take part in The inaugural U16 Kenny Cup ladies football tournament. Teams from Naomh Jude, Thomas Davis, Ballyboden St Endas and Kilmacud Crokes took part. First up for Boden was Thomas Davis which has always been an evenly fought match over the past few years and so it continued with Boden coming out on top on this occasion by a point 1-02 to 1-01. Next up were the hosts Nh Jukes again this proved to be a titanic battle with Nh Jukes just edging the scoreline all could have been so different only for the heroics of Jukes keeper (Indeed their keeper went on to be named player of the tournament) as Boden forwarders went on the hunt for the goal to tie up the game.

The final game in the round robin pitted us against a very strong Crokes side and although the scoreline will show no reflection to all the Boden ladies that took to the field our girls battled to the end. Every single girl fought hard and never dropped their heads and as the game went on grew stronger without getting the deserved rewards. Players mentors and parents then headed for lunch kindly provided by our hosts. We would play the loser of the Crokes vs St Jukes Cup Final as Thomas Davis withdrew after the round robin matches. Fed and watered we headed up to spectate on the Cup Final.

Drama ensued just as the ref threw in. A vehicle was on fire on the adjacent M50 suddenly the Boden sore legs and complaints of tiredness disappeared as the suggestion of a stretch and warm up was replaced by a mass disappearing act of all the Boden girls at a sprint to survey the scene as the firemen appeared. Re energised by the sudden excitement back they came with gusto and a pep in their step just on the final whistle. Crokes won so we would play Nh Jukes.

Every girl was determined to give it their all the game ebbed and flowed defences on top every ball contested by both sides. Boden struck first blood with a well taken team goal followed on by another couple of points. Back came Nh Jukes with a goal just before halftime. Game on again after a quick half time chat and a laugh. A refocused Boden came out and tagged on the scores to ensure victory was theirs 3-03 to 1-01. All 22 deserve great credit for playing their best football of the day in the final and it will put both squads in good stead for the forthcoming championship campaign.

U15A Hurlers Win in 1st Round of Championships



U15A Championship 1st round (Quarter Final) win Sunday 24th August

Mid-August has been a particularly busy period for U15A hurlers with four important matches scheduled in the short period between 14th and 24th. Having secured three league victories and a place in Div 1 League Semi-Final, the squad assembled for the fourth game in their heavy schedule with an early throw in on Sunday morning on Pairc Uí Mhurchú. U15 Div 1 Hurling Championship was the competition. Naomh Barróg provided the opposition. A place in the semi-final against the winners of Na Fianna - vs - Lucan was at stake.

In perfect conditions, the match commenced with some nervy exchanges as both teams settled into their first run at Championship hurling. After some early wides from both sides, soon the scoring got underway; as Boden corner forward Ben Kelly converted three frees and added another point from play along with a typically battling effort from full forward Ross McCormack. Barróg's free-taker delivered their response and reduced the gap to just two. When full forward Shane Kennedy chipped in with the first of four excellent scores it looked like Boden were well on their way, but as previous league games against this opposition proved, Barróg are a committed outfit with some strong competitors in key areas. They increased their effort and were soon on level terms. A goalmouth scramble at the Boden end was cleared, but only to the waiting No. 14, Robert O'Driscoll, who lashed the sliotar to the net for the equalising score.

The game was poised at this stage for either team to push on, but the Barróg goal seemed to encourage extra focus from our lads. With mid-fielders James Madden and captain Sam Lally, in particular, beginning to dominate exchanges and possession, Boden recorded the next three points before the break – an excellent way to respond to the goal setback.

Second half saw no let-up in effort from Barróg and a major set-back for Boden as full forward Ross McCormack suffered an unfortunate knee injury which brought an end to his contribution for the day. Moving in from the corner, Conor Fallon didn't take long to demonstrate his instinct for goal. An attempt by the Barróg keeper to solo run the ball to safety was brilliantly closed down by strong wing forward Daniel O'Riordan. Fallon was first to pick up the breaking ball and in a flash had dispatched a perfectly placed shot into the top of an unguarded net from what must have been 30 metres from goal. An exceptional score to stretch the lead.

From here on it was all about keeping the scoreboard ticking over and keeping Barróg away from our danger areas. The brilliant defending from all Boden backs and Barróg tactic of using an extra defender as sweeper kept their scoring opportunities to a minimum. Mark Normile, Cathal Creed and Thomas Glynn in particular stood out for Boden in this area, while Karl Reddy seemed to pop up everywhere a threat appeared. With time running out Barróg sent a succession of high balls into the box in search of goals. Conor O'Donoghue in goal alongside Ronan Wallace and Kevin Lalor in front proved themselves well capable of mopping up anything that managed to get through.

Further Boden points from Daniel O'Riordan, Sam Lally, Conor Fallon, Ross McGarry and finally Ben Kelly with his eighth score of the match along with significant effort and contributions from Rob Donohue and Luke Basquel saw Boden run out as deserved winners in the end by 1:19 to 1:6.

Management team of David Curtin, Tom O'Donoghue, Paul Kelly, Joe Lalor and Pat Normile's focus now switches to a tough semi-final assignment vs Lucan in September.

Congrats are also due to U15Bs who took to the PUM pitch immediately afterwards to secure their own Quarter Final Championship Div 4 victory over St. Maurs.
The final score in that match was BBSE 1:15 St Maurs 3:2.

We wish all U15 footballers the best of luck, as focus switches for now onto the big ball game and start of their Championship campaigns!



U13A Hurlers Enjoy a Very Good League win

Our U13A Hurlers had a very convincing win last Saturday afternoon when they played Skerries Harps in a Division 1 league match in the Ballast Pit.

The win puts Boden in third position on the League Table, below Kilmacud Crokes and St Vincents. The team photographer Miriam Christie was on hand to record the event.

Their next league outing is on Saturday 6th September at home in The Hermitage. They will face Castleknock on that day who are currently in 4th position in what promises to be a very exciting match. [For more photos, click on this link.](#)



U12 Hurlers v's North Antrim Development Squad



Last Saturday afternoon the club entertained North Antrim Development Squads at under 10 and under 12. The under 12 game was an excellent affair with no quarter asked or given. With the holiday season still going strong the Boden resources were stretched to the limit.

Despite the absences and the fact that all of our boys had taken part in a football blitz on the same morning we matched the best North Antrim had to offer for 50 mins. However the tight numbers and the longer than normal game time eventually caught up with our lads and the Antrim lads ran out winners thanks to a few late scores.

All of our lads put in an excellent shift with outstanding performances from Behailu O'Connor, Adam Dalton and Cian Hassett in particular.

The lads in action on the day were:

Back row: Cian Tobin, Daragh Kenny, Joe Maguire, Behailu O'Connor, Sean Dempsey, Jonathan Murray, Simon Hughes, Ryan O'Dwyer, Cian Hassett, William Hamill

Front Row: Senan Dwyer, Eoghan Duignan, Charlie Brady, Oisin King, Micháel Manning, Adam Dalton.

Under 12 Football Blitz

On a beautiful morning last Saturday we had 3 U12 teams participating in U12 blitz competitions in Castleknock, St Finians in Swords and St Judes. These serve as a warm up to the restart of the league over the next week or two.

BBSE 1 headed off to Castleknock to take on tough opposition in Castleknock and Crokes, The holidays seem to last longer in Boden than in either of the other clubs and short a few regulars we struggled against the strong opposition on the day. The lads effort couldn't be faulted and the outing will stand them in good stead when the battle for league points resumes in a couple of weeks.

BBSE 2 travelled to St Finians Swords to take on the hosts, Castleknock 2 and Parnells. The boys had an excellent morning beating both St Finians and Castleknock only to lose in a very tight game to Parnells in the last game of the morning. St Finians play in the division above our lads and Parnells are currently top of the division we are playing in so the morning was an excellent warm up for the upcoming games.

BBSE 3 had the shortest journey making the short trip to Tymon Park to take on St Judes, Geraldine P Morans and Fingallians. The lads here had a good morning as well winning two games and losing the final game narrowly.

League games start again for the boys on the 6th of September.



Mizen to Malin Challenge



Three retired Ballyboden 'Greats' (now crocked!) pictured L-R [Conor Dolan](#), [Philip Loane](#) and [Gerald Byrne](#) (all now living in London) are taking part in a self-funded charity cycle this year to raise money for the Forgotten Irish campaign. The lads will cycle the length of Ireland in support of the Ireland Fund of Great Britain, which is a fundraising organisation which identifies, funds and mentors charities and non-profits that promote the well-being of Irish and other communities in Great Britain and Ireland. [For full details click here and TO DONATE, please see this link.](#)

The very best of luck to all the cyclists from everyone at Ballyboden.

Boden Saturday Night Live

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**SATURDAY
NIGHT
LIVE**

10pm til late
With Declan Kennedy

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