



Ballyboden St. Endas
GAA Camogie and Ladies Football Club
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Bereavement - O'Neill

The Club extends its deepest sympathies to John O'Neill (Trustee and former Club Chairman) and Family on the death of his Wife Maureen.

Removal to St.Joseph's Church, Terenure, Wed 15th at 17.30pm. Funeral Mass Thursday at 12.00pm and burial afterwards.

Ar Dheis De go raibh Si.

Bereavement - Daly

We extend our sympathies to the Daly family on the sudden passing of Peter - brother of the late Bill Daly. Peter played adult football with the club back in the 70's and managed the Senior team in the early 80's. He was a great club servant during those years and will be fondly remembered.

Ar Dheis De go raibh a hanam.

Football News - Seniors V St.Vincents

Round Up

The weekend was quiet on the football front with just two games taking place, the Seniors V St.Vincents and the Junior A's V O'Dywers, reports on both matches below.

AFL Div.1 Ballyboden 2-13 St.Vincent's 1-7.
The foundations for this victory were set in the last 10 minutes of the first half when Boden scored

1-5 without reply to send them in at half time leading by 1-9 to 4 points. A goal within minutes of the resumption for the home side probably put paid to any hopes of a revival from the county champions, who were short a number of their regular team. They did mount a mini revival with a goal with ten minutes remaining but Boden held out on a scoreline of 2-13 to 1-7. Some of the younger players showed great appetite for the game, most notably Graham



Heavey, Tom Hanifin and Sam Malony. Early replacement, Ciaran Archbold performed impressively in the unusual role of corner back.

AFL Div.5 O'Dwyers 1-12 Ballyboden 1-6

There was a promising start in Balbriggan by Ballyboden's Junior A's and some excellent teamwork had Boden ahead by 4 points after 15 minutes. However the more seasoned home team took a foothold from then on. Trailing by only a point at half time and playing with the wind in the second half, Ballyboden's Junior A's had a disappointing second half and O'Dwyers ran out deserved winners by 6 points.

Welcome Paul Durcan

We extend a warm welcome to Paul Durcan who joins us from the Four Masters in Donegal. Paul will team up with his cousin, Robbie McDaid, and brings with him a wealth of experience both at a club and Intercounty level. Paul will continue to play for his native county. Among other accolades, Paul has two All Star to his name (2012 and 2014), one All-Ireland Senior Football Championship (2012), three Ulster Senior Football Championships (2011, 2012 and 2014) and one National Football League (2007).

We are delighted to have Paul on board and wish him every success with the club.

Upcoming Fixtures

The Seniors have a rescheduled SVP Cup match V Templeogue Synge Street on Thursday 16/4 in PUM at 7pm and there are Adult cup and Minor football league matches this coming weekend, please check website for all up to date information.

Thank You

A special Thank You to James McGarry and Roofmart for the Sponsorship of the Senior match last Saturday.



Hurling News - Minor A hurlers V Brigids

Boden Minor A hurlers fall short to St. Brigids

Van the man still sings that “there’ll be days like this”. A sizeable home support will hope that Sunday, weather wise, will not be repeated too often. St. Brigids were the visitors for this, sometimes ungentlemanly minor league match, the penultimate fixture before the break for the Leaving Certificate. The conditions were unsuitable for decent hurling, but both sides put that aside in their quest for two points.



With the wind and rain blowing straight down the spine of PUM, Boden chose the advantage in the hope of scoring a decent lead. Early scores from the speedy Michael Boland helped settle the home nerves, but Brigids were equally busy, creating a number of scored frees. The opening quarter was largely, won by Boden with more scores from Aiden Mellett and James Holland. Sean McDonnell, in particular was showing well, as was Jack Mahon in the number 7 shirt. Brigids had their influencers also, in the eleven shirt of David O’Callaghan, as well as McGuirk. A stinging shot for goal was saved by home goalman Conor Donoghue, but the ball went loose and Brigids smashed it to the net, a seminal moment, as it turned out. Neil Hester and Boland replied quickly to leave the half time 7 pts. to 1.7.

The visitors opened well in the second half and started to win the physical exchanges. Donnacha Ryan and Sean Dunphy were particularly impressive and Boden were finding it

difficult to stay in the game. Cian Kelly pointed a beauty after good work by Mellett, but the home side was best served by full back Luke Corcoran during this period of Brigids domination. Aaron Coffey latched onto some decent ball and added two scores, but the gap remained stubborn at three, Brigids adding a few fine scores. Bodens best chance for a goal came next and a “scrum” in the square led to a free on the 20 metre. The point was taken and Boden followed up with five minutes of attack. Holland pointed a free, but the goal that was needed would not come, despite a series of decent opportunities. Referee Tony Lambe got noticed for the first time in the game, but his work was purely administrative, the dismissal of three players, Brigids now reduced to thirteen. Boden kept dominating in the last few minutes, but all they got in reward was a Boland point.

Final Score: BBSE 0 13 St. Brigid's 1 12

Boden: Conor Donoghue, Kevin Cronin, Luke Corcoran, Karl Weldon, Sean McDonnell, Rob Leddy, Jack Mahon, John Murphy, James Holland Cian Kelly Aaron Coffey Aidan Mellet Ciaran Ryan Neil Hestor Michael Boland Rob Byrne Luke O'Donoghue Daragh Byrne.

The Minor B hurlers were beaten by a point in their game against Raheny. Final score was 1 03 to 0 07

***Report Courtesy of Conor Sheehan
Photos Courtesy of Cliona Mellett***

Upcoming Fixtures

- Leinster Senior League Semi Final – BBSE V St. Vincent's in UCD on Tuesday (14th April) at 7.45pm
- AHL 1 – BBSE V Kilmacud Crokes in PUM on Friday at 7.00pm
- AHL 3 – Round Towers V BBSE (A) in Monastery Road on Saturday at 6.00pm
- AHL 3 – BBSE (B) V Commercial's in Ballycullen on Saturday at 6.00pm.
- AHL 4 – Trinity Gaels V BBSE in Drumnigh on Saturday at 6.00pm.

Good luck to the Dublin hurlers in their National League Semi-Final V Cork on Sunday next.



Michael Boland on ball, Aaron Coffey in background



Aaron Coffey on ball, James Holland in background

Camogie - Féile Weekend

Féile – View from the Sidelines Saturday evening

Ballyboden St. Enda's – 11th April 2015

Today was a feast of camogie in Páirc Uí Mhurchu and Cherryfield with the hosting of Divisions 1 and 5 of the 2015 Dublin Camogie Feile.

There was an early start, with the first arrivals showing up soon after 8.00, and action kicking off on all three pitches at 10.30. Rain threatened at various times during the day, but, for the most part, mercifully failed to materialise. However, a strong breeze blew the length of all three pitches, making each game “a game of two halves”

Both Boden teams went into action at 11.10, and by coincidence the opposition in both cases was provided by Raheny. The A's on the main pitch settled quickly and performed very well to record a very good victory – but we knew that more stern tests lay ahead.

We were delighted to hear that our B team had also made a winning start, beating Raheny by two points, and they followed that with a creditable draw with Ballinteer.

The other news from Cherryfield was a surprise – Good Counsel had drawn with the favourites Lucan in our Group – potentially putting “the cat among the pigeons” for us. Our next match was against Good Counsel, and we knew that a win would qualify us, but Counsel were obviously in top form, having drawn with Lucan.

Counsel hurled with the wind into the club house end in the first half. We hurled well and were extremely unlucky with a few efforts. At the other end the points were flying over, and at half time the score was 0-5 to Counsel, and we had yet to score. We did have the wind to come, but it looked like it might be a step too far for us. Not a bit of it. Each and every girl rolled up their sleeves and displayed oodles of character. The turn-around was incredible, and Counsel did not know what hit them. At the final whistle we were victorious, and had qualified for the semi-final.

The next match was against our old adversaries Lucan, who were fighting to stay in the competition. While the girls fought hard, their minds seemed to have already drifted slightly to the semi-final, and we went down. However, mission accomplished after the group matches – we had qualified out of the group.

Meanwhile, there was a three-way play-off in the other group, which resulted in Plunketts and Cuala edging out Crokes – we would face Plunketts in the semi.

More good news from across the road, that the B-team had beaten Counsel and were looking good for a final place. This was duly confirmed later in the evening – we would have a presence in O'Toole Park on Sunday – at least in the Division 5 final.

Back in Division 1, we were facing Plunketts, with the wind behind us in the first half. We had the balance of the play, and got some lovely scores, to lead 2-3 to 1-0 as the clock ticked over the 20 minute mark. Then disaster struck when a dropping ball into our goalmouth somehow ended up in our net. Having dominated most of the first half, we were only 3 points up, and having to face 20 minutes of a gale, and the cheers of the sizable Plunketts following ringing in our ears as we made our way to the half-time huddle. It looked like we were going to have to climb a second-half Everest twice in a couple of hours. To the neutral this would have seemed highly unlikely, especially when Plunketts tacked on a point straight after the resumption. But this is no ordinary team. They refused to buckle. Some lung-bursting runs out of our defence and further upfield resulted in the Plunkett net shaking. Some might have thought this was just delaying the inevitable Plunketts reply, but instead our girls grew in stature with each passing minute. The backs adopted a “they shall not pass” mentality, while our midfield and forwards took the game to Plunketts. Suddenly another Boden goal. We began to dream, and a few minutes later the dreams became a reality. We were in the final on Sunday, where we will again cross swords with Lucan. It can't come quickly enough for the

girls.

Ger Delaney

Division One - Féile Final

After a heavy defeat in the group section the previous day at the hands of Lucan, we knew that a plan 'B' was needed. Despite the best laid plans, 34 seconds into the Division 1 final, Lucan Sarsfields snatched an early goal. However they never got the chance to build a platform on that score because within a minute we had levelled it. A piece of individual brilliance by Hollyn Kennedy who controlled a long delivery in the air with the stick, took possession and made some ground before firing to the net off her left side.

Lucan regained the lead in the 8th minute with a point from a free by captain Aoife Mahon. Throughout the field Boden were showing well Saoirse Hassett pulled a mighty ball out of the clouds and Faye O'Reilly did superbly in the Lucan goals to deny Hollyn Kennedy another goal.

However Hollyn would not be stopped and when Saoirse Fitzgerald sent a long effort goalwards, the Boden sharpshooter was on hand to first time to the net. Our girls seemed to have a slight edge in attack with Katie McDonald playing superbly on the wing and Aisling Byrne was also outstanding. The latter provided a very clever pass in the 16th minute to place Hollyn Kennedy for an excellently worked point. When Katie McDonald drove over a free on the 20th minute Ballyboden went into the break 2-2 to 1-1 in front.

Both teams showed some tremendous skill in poor underfoot conditions. Chloe O'Connor and Laura Quinn were leading the Lucan charge and in the 25th minute a free from Aoife Mahon cut the gap to just a goal. Our defence started in our full forward line. This was epitomised by full blooded blocks on Lucan defenders by Alanna McGarry, Blathnaid Slater and Robyn Flynn.

Muireann Delaney, Erica Tobin and Olivia Meagher worked tirelessly to clear dangerous situations. Anything that sneaked through was dealt with solidly by the full back line; Sadhbh, Deirdre and Sinead, with Sinead plucking a ball out of the clouds with authority. Solid clearances were picked up by a very industrious half forward line, with Sarah-Ann working tirelessly. A close range free appeared to offer us the chance to go back four in front but a clever low shot by Katie McDonald's went all the way to the net for a crucial goal. A 'stunning' catch by Hannah Leddy was the response from the puck out. A heart stopping moment followed, when Lucan were awarded a penalty with two minutes of normal time remaining.

However Aoife Mahon's well struck shot was brilliantly saved by Ally Ramsden and Katie McDonald cleared it away from danger. With the game in added time, Lucan staged one more rally and a great effort by Lucan was saved by Ally Ramsden but the ball had just passed the line.

We were ecstatic to hear the final whistle blow from the puck-out as we deservedly claimed the club's 10th Dublin Féile na nGael Division 1 crown. The girls performed outstandingly and did the jersey proud. After a lovely speech by Muireann Delaney, Ally Ramsden was deservedly named player of the match. After much discussion Katie McDonald was nominated as player of tournament in this year's Féile na nGael 2015.

The success of the weekend was built around the squad of 24 enthusiastic and committed girls, who supported each other magnificently over the two days.

Ally Ramsden, Sadhbh Nic Mathuna, Deirdre Murray, Sinead Hussey, Cathy Flanagan, Shauna Walsh, Ciara McCullough, Hannah Tevlin, Saoirse Hassett, Hannah Leddy, Saoirse Fitzgerald, Muireann Delaney (captain), Olivia Meagher, Elaine Whelan, Ciara

Woodcock, Hollyn Kennedy, Katie McDonald, Erica Tobin, Sarah-Ann Murphy, Aisling Byrne, Alanna McGarry, Robyn Flynn, Laura Mullen and Blathnaid Slater.

Division Five - Féile Final

The B team had the unenviable task of getting the five game Sunday Féile programme off to a start in the worst of the cold and rain but they rose to the challenge nonetheless.

A brave, skilful and highly committed Boden side competed for every ball of it their lives depended on it.

From the outset, the game had the appearance of a low-scoring affair and that's how it transpired. The highlight of the first half was a great save by Ruby Collin in the Ballinteer goals from a determined Beth O' Neill strike. Beth was the class act on view displaying great footwork and skill but unfortunately most of her excellent work was hampered by the wet, windy weather and the soft ground.

The sides were level at half time and deep into the second half. Extra-time looking like it would be needed until Eve Berry of Ballinteer claimed possession and following a 35m run fired home a spectacular goal – a matchwinner if ever there was one.

From then until the final whistle it was a dogfight between two well skilled teams. Despite the gallant efforts for an equaliser it wasn't forthcoming. Ciara Duffy (captain) built a strong platform for several brave attacks, and Caoimhe Lynn kept goals superbly, but try as they might the ball would not cross the Ballinteer whitewash.

The rhythm of the Boden play was significantly disrupted with the injury to Emily Sharkey who had led the half forward line with her usual powerful play. We wish her a speedy recovery.

This team over the full weekend displayed all of the winning characteristics of attitude, teamwork, and honesty which we have come to expect of them. This talented team will have many more good days.

Caoimhe Lynn, Zara Beatty, Roisin O'Sullivan, Chloe Curran, Emma O'Riordan, Ciara Duffy (Captain), Aoife Leavy, Lauren Gray, Megan Gray, Rachel Kilmartin, Beth O'Neill, Emily Sharkey, Rena Zervaki, Alice Gell, Victoria Cotter, Mia Doyle, Rebecca Pelosi, Katherine Kelly, Caoimhe Milton, Leah Fagan.

For more photos, click [here](#)



The Under 14 Féile Squads A and B Teams.



Ciara Duffy & Muireann Delaney the two team Captains

Camogie - Senior 1 v St. Brigids

The Senior 1's had their first outing this year in the league last week against St. Brigid's.

The Ballyboden girls started brightly and put some good scores on the board early on. Good work from Elaine Hickey, Sile Nic Coitir and Emer Lucey led to some nice points. The last ten mins belonged to Brigid's though and a goal left them trailing by two at the break.

In the second half Ballyboden upped their performance and began to pull away with some good scores from Jill Horan and Sile Nic Coitir. A goal ten minutes from time by Orlagh Telvin sealed the game for Ballyboden. A tough but satisfying win.

Next game is away to St. Oliver Plunketts.

Camogie - Senior B v Raheny

Tuesday April 7th Senior 2 League: Raheny 2-11 Ballyboden St Endas B 1-7

On Tuesday last the B team travelled to St Annes Park to play Raheny. This was always going to be a difficult assignment, with Raheny relegated from Division 1 last year and Boden just promoted from Division 3.

Raheny started brightly with a couple of points, before a fine goal by Aoife O' Leary settled the young Boden side. Boden brought a terrific work rate to the game and acquitted themselves very well, and were very unfortunate when Raheny found the net just on the stroke of half-time to give them a 6 point half time lead.

Boden dominated the 3rd quarter, but just couldn't make their dominance show on the scoreboard. Raheny finished strongly with a few late points to put a flattering look on the scoreline.

This was a good start to what will be a testing campaign, but with a good work ethic good progress can be made throughout the year.

Team: Grace Walsh, Sarah Lambert, Aisling O' Leary, Roisin Walsh, Iseult Kelleher, Jane Nolan, Ciara O' Neill, Aoife Tobin, Maria Mc Grath, Claire Kirwan, Aoife O' Leary, Aoife O' Brien, Aoife Barnes, Fiona Franz, Ciara Dunne, Emer O' Leary, Laura Burns

Camogie - Snr C Team V Castleknock

Boden 4:08 Castleknock 7:10

Our senior c team started their league campaign on Thurs last v castleknock on a sunny eve in p.m. Castleknock had the brighter start & first touch was superior to ours however, we had 8 debutants (4 of which were in starting line up) and it will take time for team to get to know each other & the younger players to gain confidence playing at senior level. With that in mind confidence is high that this group of players will reach their potential & play as a cohesive unit in the weeks to come .

Team : Aoife o Toole,Rachel Walsh, Mary Hyland, Emma Seery, Roisin Ryan, Orlaith Keane, Aisling Keane, Lauren Edwards, Dianaimh Greene, Ciara Dunne, Aoife Barnes, Ellen Reagan, Martina o Brien ,Jane Doyle ,Ruth Hyland,Emily Byrne, Kayla Heneghan, Amy Byrne Clíodhna Macnamara Alisha O Keefe

Ladies Football - Win for Senior A Team

Last Wednesday our Ladies Senior A team bounced back from a heavy defeat the previous week with a terrific performance to beat Fingallians on a scoreline of 1 goal. 14pts to 2goals. 5pts

This Wednesday 15th April sees our 3 adult teams in action in league and cup.

The last week was a very big one for Emily Flanagan. Emily's performances with last years Dublin U16 team (beaten in the All Ireland final by Cork) was recognised at the awards night when she received the "Players Player of the year award". (picture to follow) Fantastic to be recognised by your fellow players. Congratulations from all in Boden.



Emily made her competitive senior debut for the club in last Wednesdays game against Fingallians. On Saturday, Emily had the honour of captaining the Dublin minors when herself and Zanuska Murphy helped Dublin defeat Offaly to qualify for the Leinster final. Well done to both girls.

Congratulations to our camogie girls on their success over the weekend in feile. It was a wonderful result for all. Hopefully we can now follow up with something similar when the football feile take place on Saturday 25th April. More details will be in next weeks newsletter and also keep an eye on www.bodengaa.ie

Competition	Venue	Home	V	away	Time
Ladies Adult Div 1 league	Mobhi Rd	Na Fianna	v	Ballyboden St Endas	19:00
Ladies Adult Div 3 league	Portmarnock	Naomh Mearnog	v	Ballyboden St Endas	19:00
Ladies Adult Div 6 cup	Cherryfield New	Ballyboden St Endas	v	O'Dwyers	19:00

U14 Leinster Trophy



Pictured are Ellen Dunleavy, Laura Smithers and Aoife Dwyer holding the U14 leinster trophy won by Dublin, after being presented with their medals in Westmanstown GAA club last Thursday night. Congratulaions girls.

U16 Ladies Football - Div 1 Win

The best teamwork comes from people who are working independently toward one goal in unison. *James C Penney*

As if inspired by the spring time around them, the Under 16 Div 1 Ladies began to show shoots of growth yesterday reflecting all that hard work done behind the scenes on the training pitches over the past months. They travelled to Parnells and faced a strong and well organised opposition. Parnells had the upper hand in the first half, coming into the break a goal and a point better off. However, the Ballyboden girls have been building as a team for the past months and in their own words 'they went onto the pitch in the second half and a group of 15 with one focus'. That focus was to be the best they could be and with that focus they played the best 30 mins of football this year so far. Their reward was a win against Parnells. And although many things worked well in the match they know this is a long journey, but one which they are more than ready to travel. The travelling supporters and the coaching team were very proud of the girls and treated to an exciting game of football. BBSE 5-09 v Parnells 2-09

Unfortunately the other matches in the U16 Ladies group were cancelled due to inclement weather conditions. The girls were disappointed but looking forward to the rescheduled games.

Now, back to the training fields.

The U16 Coaching Team



U9 Hurlers were in action

All seven U9 boys hurling teams were back in action last weekend after the Easter break. This was the first opportunity for the boys to play with different squad mates following the recent rejigging of the teams.

So on a cool and blustery Saturday morning, all teams travelled away from home to play against Kilmacud Crokes, St Marks or Westmanstown. Despite the loss of home advantage and difficult conditions, all of the teams acquitted themselves very well.

There was a noticeable improvement in the many of the basic skills the boys have been learning and practicing and some fantastic points were scored from seemingly impossible angles.

The commitment to training from this group of boys is beginning to show its benefits on the

field of play, and all need to be congratulated.
Well done boys



BBSE Hurling U-12A

BBSE Hurling U-12A V Naomh Mearnóg U-12A : Saturday April 11th, Knocklyon Park, Ballycullen

HT Score: BBSE 6-09 v NM 0-03 FT Score: BBSE 13-11 V NM 3-05

BBSE U-12A: Oisín Byrne ; Conor Casey ; Harry Duff ; Cian Durkan ; David Gannon ; Alex Gavin ; Cian Kelly ; Cian Mahon ; Michael McDonald ; Cormac McDonnell ; Rhys McDonnell ; Hugh O'Sullivan : (Unavailable – Josh Corcoran, David Keane, David Keogh & Mathew Ormsby)

The latest test for Ballyboden St. Enda's exciting U-12A hurlers was a home fixture against Naomh Mearnóg last Saturday April 11th on a sunny but blustery morning, in Knocklyon Park, Ballycullen.

BBSE opted to play with the strong breeze in the first half but the early action was centered around the keenly contested midfield area and both defences were comfortable until the 3rd minute when Boden opened the scoring with a neatly taken goal from Cian Kelly after some good work by Cian Mahon who set him up with a clever ground stroke that caught out the away defence.

This settled the home side and their second score came soon after, following a swift and direct passing movement which started with a quick ball from Hugh O'Sullivan in goal finding Michael McDonald loose in midfield who in turn fed Cian Durkin who ran through to smash home his first goal of the day.

The away team rallied but the Boden midfield and half-back line held firm with David Gannon and Alex Gavin proving too strong for their counterparts with strong tackling and Rhys McDonnell and Michael McDonald taking control in midfield and delivering quality ball into the hungry Boden forwards who were beginning to pile the pressure on the straining Mearnóg defence.

Cian Mahon tacked on the next Boden score with a sweetly taken point and the ensuing clearance saw an excellent catch from Oisín Byrne, who took full advantage of the strong breeze to deliver a huge clearance reaching the opposing goalkeeper but the ensuing goalmouth scramble resulted in the ball squirting just wide of the Mearnóg goalmouth. However, the next score wasn't long in coming and it came following a strong solo run and shot from the impressive Rhys McDonnell who pointed from the resulting 65. The three Cian's, of Mahon, Kelly and Durkin up front for Ballyboden were by now terrorising the beleaguered away defence who yielded another point to the lively Cian Mahon to put the home team 2-03 to no score ahead approaching midway in the first half.

Naomh Mearnóg appeared to find their feet midway through the half and their marquee players began to show their true worth and skill to deliver their side's first point which was well deserved at this stage of the contest. However, the irrepressible Rhys McDonnell soon reasserted Boden's control with a goal and a point in quick succession which appeared to take the wind out of Mearnóg's sails! Boden went into overdrive at this point and some fantastic teamwork and neat passing reaped further scores from both Rhys McDonnell (goal) and Michael McDonald (point) and two outstanding consecutive points from Conor Casey as well as a long range beauty from the excellent Oisín Byrne, who was having fun in defence with the wind at his back. All the while, Boden's entire rearguard were resilient throughout dealing with everything Mearnóg mustered with David Gannon, Cormac McDonnell and Harry Duff repelling all that came their way with relative ease.

Hugh O'Sullivan joined the Boden full forward line and immediately made his presence felt setting up Cian Kelly who flashed a rasping shot just wide of the mark. The next attack yielded better though as O'Sullivan flicked on Conor Casey's pass into the path of the now rampant Cian Durkin who doubled his tally with an unstoppable shot to the back of the net. Cian D followed up with another point just before Mearnóg eventually added their second of the game which was answered almost typically by Rhys McDonnell before Mearnóg had the final say of the half with their third point and the least their endeavours deserved during a difficult opening half for the visitors which saw them trail 6-09 to 0-03 at the break.

Second Half

Naomh Mearnóg's turn with the wind in their favour started brightly with an early point but this was sandwiched between yet another Rhys McDonnell goal and point. However, Mearnóg to their credit were not for lying down and started to assert themselves better with the wind at their backs and began putting the Boden defence under some pressure...But if the home forwards were impressive...the backlines were equally so and Oisín Byrne and Harry

Duff displayed their usual doggedness in holding their line, aided by the industrious David Gannon and tireless Cormac McDonnell, committing themselves to the fray on demand along with the imposing Alex Gavin adding his considerable presence to the buffer zone as Mearnóg upped the ante in the physical stakes in the second half.

Respite was to come for the embattled Boden defenders when their efforts were rewarded following another Harry Duff clearance which eventually reached Hugh O'Sullivan operating at corner forward, who under pressure and surrounded by Mearnóg defenders batted the ball across goal to an unmarked Cian Durkin who at full stretch, directed the sliothar into the empty net. Naomh Mearnóg responded quickly to this latest setback to muster their first goal of the game after an end-line retrieval was fed back infield and finished smartly to the Boden net after it appeared the home defence thought the ball had gone dead !

Ballyboden's licence to thrill was renewed however when Cian Mahon added a goal to his account which set in motion another flurry of sharp shooting which saw Rhys McDonnell land his fifth point of the game to add to his three goals, followed by a well deserved goal for the hard working Michael McDonald and a succession of goals from the rampaging Cian Durkin who would end the day with a personal tally of 7-01. Mearnóg rallied again late on to snatch a point and two further consolation goals when it appeared Boden finally took their tiring feet off the gas with the end in sight...The final scoring opportunity fittingly fell to Boden however but Hugh O'Sullivan's goalbound effort was brilliantly stopped by the Mearnóg custodian before the final whistle brought the contest to a close.

Unfortunately for the plucky Mearnóg lads, the game wasn't much of a contest with Ballyboden's convincing display ensuring a comfortable win on the day with a final scoreline of 13-11 to 3-05 and this achieved without four of the team's key players, Josh Corcoran, David Keane, David Keogh and Mathew Ormsby who were all unavailable on the day. Next up for the lads ?...Watch this space !

U15B Hurlers go paintballing in Bray

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With the boys on Easter holidays the under 15b hurlers took a day for a different type of target practice with an outing to paint balling in Kilruddery.

Meeting at the club at 8.15 in the morning , a convoy headed off to Bray for the day.

We arrived, registered and were kitted out in all the gear. Paint balls were distributed and off we went into the forest for our first game of the day.

Pretty soon team mentor Rob Lambert was organising his blue team into battle formation, a role he fulfilled all day like an experienced General. The battle raged , paintballs flying everywhere, hitting , missing and even giving some of us a taste of paint as they hit the mouthguard of our helmets. Then it was back to base and then off again to another game. The paintballs and games kept going and in the final game before lunch mentor Alan Kinsella was seen rolling from one barrel to the next and surprising the team with his ruthless streak!

A hungry bunch rested , ate their lunch and hiked out to the forest again for another game. More paintball ensued for the afternoon before an exhausted bunch were met by the parents who had kindly come to collect them

Thanks to the staff at Kilruddery, the boys, mentors and parents for a wonderful days entertainment.

For more photos, click [here](#)



U16 Divi 1 - Championship Football

Kilmacud Crokes 1-4 Ballyboden 3-16

When these teams met earlier in the season Boden ran out one point winners so a similar close fought game was anticipated once again last Saturday at Silver Park. What transpired was a complete team victory built on preparation, commitment, determination and clinical finishing from the 1st to the 60th minute.

Paying with a stiff breeze behind them the Boden lads fell behind to an early Crokes point from a free but soon got into their scoring rhythm with a succession of points from Ross McGarry, Jamie Dooney, Luke Bolger and James Madden (2) who converted coolly following a following a great run and pass by Sam Lally. However mid way through the second half the Boden lead was reduced to a point when Crokes scored a sucker punch goal to leave the scores at 0-5 to 1-1. Boden's response was immediate with points from Shane

Kennedy, Luke Bolger, Rob Donohue, Ross McCormick and a fine long range point from Kieran Kennedy to leave the scores at 0-10 to 1-1 at half-time.

The second half started the same way as the first with Crokes getting the first score of the half via a free. However Boden took a firm grip on the game and despite playing into the breeze scored 3 points on the trot courtesy of Ross McGarry (2) and James Madden. Crokes pulled a point back but that was the catalyst for Boden to go on a scoring spree with Jack Kelly raising the first green flag of the day for Boden following a tremendous rub by Rob Donohue from midfield. Boden added another point shortly after from Ross McGarry and then Rob Donohue turned from provider to finisher scoring a fantastic goal, finishing to the roof of the next from a very tight angle following a through ball from Ross McGarry.

At this stage Boden were in complete control of the game and shortly after added their third goal of the afternoon following a fine run from left half back Kiernan Kennedy who finished superbly to the corner of the next. Further points from Ross McGarry, Ross McCormick and James Madden proved to be the icing on the cake as Boden ran out convincing winners and so progress to the next round of the Championship.

This victory will give manager Kevin Walsh and his fellow mentors much encouragement as the lads delivered on the back of some promising early season performances to deliver a big performance when it really mattered.

Squad: Mark McNamee, Ryan Bradshaw, Karl Reddy, Shane Bobbett, Fionnán Keogh, Sam Lally, Kieran Kennedy (1-1), Ronan Wallace, James Madden (0-4), Jamie Dooney (0-1), Rob Donohue (1-1), Luke Bolger (0-1), Daniel O’Riordan, Shane Kennedy (0-1), Ross McGarry (0-5), Ross McCormack (0-2), Jack Kelly (1-0), Jack Basquel, Ruairí Hester, Eoghan McGarvey, Ben Kelly, Daire Lynch, Jack Dalton.

Mentors: Kevin Walsh, Frank McNamee, Paddy Patton, Viv Ruddy and Tony Wallace.

For more photos, click [here](#)



James Madden



Fionnan Keogh



Shane Kennedy



U16B Footballers V St Judes

Hard Luck to our U16B Footballers on bowing out to near neighbours St Judes in the opening round of 'B' Championship on Saturday in Tymon Park with a scoreline of 2:5 to 3:9

For more photos, click [here](#)

Pictured - Ciaran Cashman



Conor Fallon



Daniel Nugent



Cillian O Connor



Joey O Sullivan

Boden in Tesco Community Charity Fund

Ballyboden St Endas is currently one of three Tesco, Rathfarnham six week Local Causes

Since July last year, the Tesco Community Charity Fund has been in the process of distributing €1 million to local charities, schools, communities groups etc. Each time you shop, you'll receive a goodwill token which you can use to vote for the cause that means the most to you. The causes, which are local to each store, are nominated by the public. Every six weeks, €1,000 from the Tesco Community Fund will be shared out according to the number of tokens each cause receives.

So you know what to do!!

All your blue tokens add up so if you are shopping in Tesco, Rathfarnham, why not pop the blue token in the Boden Funnel.



Dara Ward - Enterprise Award National Final in Croke Park

Wishing U15 Boden Footballer Dara Ward The Best of Luck as he represents Dublin in the Intermediate Section of the Student Enterprise Award National Final in Croke Park next week with his book 'My GAA Journey'.

Dara tells me he is doing very well with sales to date with large group orders from clubs in Dublin, Kilkenny, Donegal and Kerry.

One of his recent orders is from Dr Crokes in Kerry and their secretary facilitated the insertion of a piece in their book by their famous player Colm Cooper and The Gouch has kindly given permission for his words of wisdom to



be inserted in all books!

Dara has just heard that the GAA shop in Croke Park will now stock his original book... the one with the GAA crest on it.

The new President of the GAA, Aogán Ó Fearghail, like his predecessor Liam O'Neill, has also endorsed the book and will be putting his message into the new editions.

The South Dublin Enterprise Board are designing a pop up stand for him for The All Ireland competition on Wednesday 22nd.

The competition will be very stiff but he is really looking forward to it.



Boden Welcomes Paul Durcan

We extend a warm welcome to Paul Durcan who joins us from the Four Masters in Donegal. Paul will team up with his cousin, Robbie McDaid, and brings with him a wealth of experience both at a club and intercounty level. Paul will continue to play for his native county.

Among other accolades, Paul has two All Stars to his name (2012 and 2014), one All-Ireland Senior Football Championship (2012), three Ulster Senior Football Championships (2011, 2012 and 2014) and one National Football League (2007).

We are delighted to have Paul on board and hope he enjoys his time with the club.



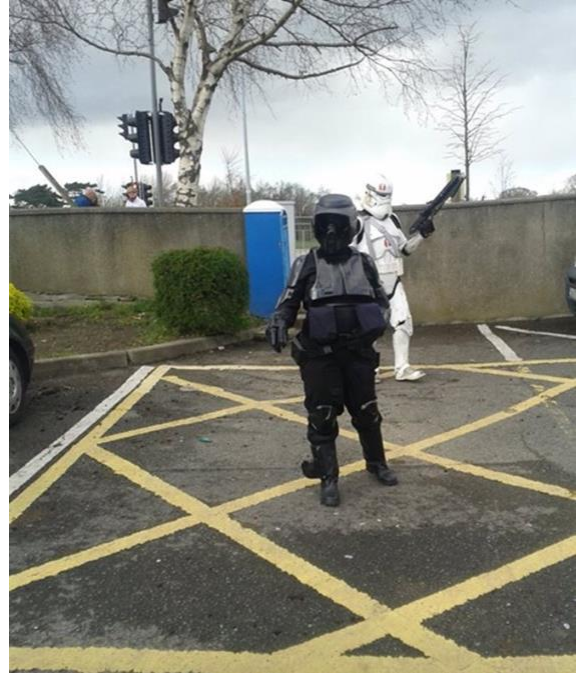
Return of the Jedi

The Force was very much with Boden this weekend, not just our brilliant Feile Camoige teams but the strange sight of Stormtroopers , Chewbacca and other Star Wars characters wandering around the clubhouse on Sunday.

A short film called 'Even Droids have Friends' was being shot at the club and the plot involved a Star Wars convention, which was being filmed in the club hall.

For more photos, click [here](#)





Chuckle for Cheeverstown

Chuckle

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Cheeverstown

Comedy Fundraiser

Starring.....

Al Porter



Fred Cooke



Stephen
Cummins



Venue: Ballyboden St Endas

Price: Adults 20 Students 15

Date 17/4/15

Time: 8pm(sharp)

Tickets Available from:



CHEEVERSTOWN

Blood Donors needed in Ballyroan

Community Announcement: April 2015

The Irish Blood Transfusion Service Board's mobile unit team will be at Community Centre, Ballyroan on Thursday 16th April 2015 from 2.30pm to 5.00pm & 7.00pm to 9.00pm.

Some 3000 units (pints) of blood are needed overall each week to cater for emergency and routine cases requiring transfusions of blood and blood products

in hospitals all over the country.

Blood donors are especially needed, at this time, to meet the needs of those who are depending on the resources of the transfusion service to be available to them.

If you want any further information about giving blood you can contact the donor services department of the transfusion service in advance of this or indeed any mobile unit donor clinic on 1850 731137 or log on to the IBTS Web site www.giveblood.ie.

For further information from :

Aisling O'Brien, Area Organiser

Tel: 01 432 2996

Boden Theatre Group - Thank You

A sincere thank you to all the people who came to support the Boden Theatre Group at our spring production of Brian Friel's "Dancing At Lughnasa". The response was brilliant and we were only delighted to perform for 4 packed audiences! Thank you to Joe Kearney for directing us to a great performance and for ALL the people backstage who did an amazing job at running the show and making sure it was such a success. Thank you must also go to Ballyboden St. Enda's for their continued support in providing rehearsal space and a theatre in which to perform! Cast and crew pictured below, if you would like to see more photos, just find and like us on facebook under: Boden Theatre Group.



Boden Golf - Outing

The Boden Golf Society has it's first outing on 17th April to Castleknock G.C.

Timesheet available behind bar (14:00 to 15:00).
Call Ned 0851804619 or Kevin 0872409641 re membership and timeslot for 1st outing.

New members welcome. List of 2015 events [here](#)



Golf Classic - Friday 22nd May



Annual Golf Classic 2015



Edmondstown Golf Club Friday 22nd May



The Timesheet is Now Full..

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Week 4 Lotto Results



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Lotto Results

Jackpot €2,500

Week 4

Numbers 24 9 5 23

There was no Winner of the jackpot
Match 1st Three
Cathal Ryan, Orchardton, Rathfarnham
Paul Manning, Mountainview Park, Rathfarnham
John Madden, Woodfield, Knocklyon

Jackpot next week €3,000

Week 5 Lotto Results



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Lotto Results

Jackpot €3,000

Week 5 **19/4/15**

Numbers 5 15 17 23

There was no Winner of the Jackpot
Match 1st Three
Olive McGuinness, Anne Devlin Drive, Templeogue

Next Weeks Jackpot €3,500

