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Bereavement - Dave Billings

We note with sadness the passing of Dave Billings and wish to extend our sympathy to his family and indeed to St. Vincents GAA club. You couldn't be but struck by his passion for Dublin and his love for Gaelic games. He was an infectious character both on and off the field of play whose knowledge of the GAA in Dublin and wider afield will be greatly missed.

Ar dheis De go raibh a anam.







Hurling News - AHL Action

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Boden top Crokes in high quality joust

Come September, ask around on who the winner was in this April league fixture and you may find out that few can recall. Ask again on who won their first round championship match in the same month and many will easily recall. The home side "owned" about 60% of the hour, but kept Crokes in the game by the concession of many frees, Seanie McGrath the beneficiary. The Boden performance was more balanced than the Stillorgan visitors and their scoring was well spread across the numbers. Overall both sides will be satisfied with the evening, having kept all players available for selection for the championship week.

Early doors, Collie O'Neill and James Roche got the scoreboard going, before McGrath slotted a free, the first of many. David Curtin added a free, before David O'Connor, working overtime, angled a beauty over. A minute later, it was Doody to Roche and a fine score. Finn McGarry was upended illegally and Curtin did the rest, 6 to 1.Next up was Finn McDonagh from a sideline, a bullet of a point.

At the other end, our full back line of Dean Curran, Kenny Wigglesworth and the impressive James Madden were in good control of the Crokes attack. McGrath added again from the spot, before Stephen Nagle found free space off Naoise Maguire and his score. McGrath got his third free, before Deano diagonally placed Roche in space and the score, 9 to 3. McGrath got his fourth before Stephen O'Connor angled two over in quick succession off his favoured left side. Three of the last four scores of the half came from Crokes, O'Riordan, McGrath and Oisin O'Rourke, Bodens solitary score came from O'Neill, a pass from Doc. Half time was 12 to 7.

Crokes opened the second half with purpose, Rob Murphy landing a fine effort. O'Neill responded quickly, before great defending from Madden prevented a Crokes goal chance. Crokes Barry Mulligan was next up, before McGrath ran into a "Wigglesworth", and spilled the ball. James Doody got into open country and added his score, before McGrath added yet another free. McDonagh got one off the whitewash and was cancelled out by O'Riordan within a minute. Eoin Small was felled illegally and from eighty yards, Dooley landed the score.

Barry O'Rourke made it 16 to 13 and from the next play, MVP Madden set up McDonagh for a point. Crokes had their best spell and four in a row, McGrath, twice, Murphy and a fine effort from Mullally. The game was now at championship pace and tied, 17 each when Dooley was asked to again point a free. Despite some savvy gamesmanship, he kept his cool and sent Boden to the dressing room with victory.

Final Score BBSE 0 18 Crokes 0 17

Boden, Conor Dooley, Kenny Wigglesworth, Dean Curran, James Madden, Eoin Small, Stephen Nagle, Naoise Maguire, Stephen O'Connor, Finn McGarry, David Curtin, James Doody Collie O'Neill, James Roche, Finn McDonagh, David O, Connor, Paul Doherty, Michael McGarry,

Inter Hurlers bag important win and first points of the season.

Our visitors to cold and windy Ballycullen set out their stall early on with great sores from lively forwards, Cian Walsh (2) and Killian Crookes. Michael Griffin responded with a free. Back came Commercials and they won a free close in. Corner man Danny Murphy, realising that his side would need a good lead with the wind at their backs, went for the goal, but the ball came back to him for a second go. 1.3 to a point. Cian Mellett latched onto the next breaking ball in the middle third, got it to Niall O'Neill. His shot was blocked, but there was Fionn Maguire on hand to tap in.

Between two Griffin frees, former Boden juvenile. Donnacha Corcoran angled a fine score over for the Naas Road men. His teammate Murphy added again, before Mattie O'Sullivan, having picked up a knock, and now in an unfamiliar role at the point of the attack, pointed, a pass from Fionn. Minutes later it was again Mattie, enjoying his new posting. Tactically, the Boden set-up was now trying to control possession in the middle third by using Eamonn Gorman and Griffin in deeper roles. Griffins next free was a beauty, seventy yards into the teeth of the wind. 1.6 to 1.7. Back in defence we had sterling performances from Andy Hand and Cathal Ryan, though sometimes courting sanction. Ronan Sharkey in the goals gave an assured performance.

Commercials had their best spell and Murphy (2), Kelly and Walsh gave them a cushion of five. Back came Boden with Griffin on the free line, Alan O'Connor upended. The last two scores of the half came to Boden, a fine effort from the influential Aiden Dundon and the move of the half, Ross Cullen to Rian Cannon and onto Joe Mernagh-GOAL! Half Time 2.8 to 1.12.

Within a minute of the restart, Griffin levelled, Gorman felled illegally. Frees were exchanged, before another goal for Boden got the home support going. Mattie got the ball to Mernagh, a pass to Dundon who hit the onion-sack. Commercials pain was not over, enter Mossie"giant" Nagle and a high catch, and the point. Within a minute Griffin had the ball in the net off a free out-country and it was game over. It went in unhindered. More points came our way, Griffin as assured as ever from the free line and Maguire with a beauty in tight space.

The remaining minutes petered out in fractious interruption, but there was one significant moment, the return to hurling action after thirty months injury of Brian McCarthy, a hugely important event in the life of this stylish stickman.

Final Score - Ballyboden St. Endas 4 15 Commercials 1 16

BODEN; Ronan Sharkey, Andy Hand, Cathal Ryan, Ronan Glynn, Ross Cullen, Cian Mellett, Alan O'Connor, Rian Cannon, Mattie O'Sullivan, Eamonn Gorman, Aiden Dundon, Michael

Griffin, Fionn Maguire, Joe Mernagh, Mossie Nagle, Brian McCarthy, Niall O'Neill, Alan McGrath, David Gilheany.

Senior B team keep up winning ways

Towers hosted this AHL 3 game in one of Dublin's finest venues. A perfect pitch was a fitting setting on a beautiful, if chilly, Spring evening. Boden elected to play with the wind in the first half and went in at half time leading 1 07 to 0 06. Despite being well in control, Boden allowed Towers to stay in the game by giving away easy frees. All Towers scores in the first half came from placed balls. If it were not for a soft goal before just before half time, the lead would have been the bare minimum. Malachy Travers will claim the goal but his speculative shot from near midfield was fumbled by the keeper.

Boden were given a cushion straight after the break with a fine goal from Eoin McKenna after he was set up by the impressive Rónan Cleary. Rónan himself bagged one mid way through the half to put the game beyond doubt.

Towers will need to improve their scoring rate if they are to make progress in this league as they only scored once from play in 60 mins. The Boden full back line can take some credit for this as they never looked troubled at any stage.

This is Boden's third win on the trot and they now go into their Championship game against Naomh Barróg next week with some confidence. However, the number of frees conceded in this game will be a cause of concern. Thirteen frees in the first half kept Towers in this game for a long time. To Boden's credit this did improve somewhat in the second half and discipline will need to be maintained going forward.

The team on the night was as follows:

Final Score 3 13 to 0 10

BBSE Keith Robinson, Niall Keegan, Paddy Ryan, Brendan Treacy, Keith McCarron, Donal Butler, Mick McGarry, Malachy Travers, Mattie Weldon, Ronan Clery, Dermot Coffey, Eoin McKenna, Austin Lynch, Paul Doherty, Jonathan O'Driscoll Subs used: James Doody for Ronan Cleary, Naoise Maguire for Paddy Ryan

Coming Up

The "real" action gets underway with all our Adult teams in Championship Action. First out are our Senior A team who will make the short trip to O' Toole Park to play Crumlin. Please support Paul Carley and his team as they attempt to regain the championship lost to Crokes last year. As stated, all teams are in action so there is plenty to choose from over the weekend. Check the website for updates.

Good luck to all our teams.

- Senior A Championship BBSE V Crumlin in O' Toole Park on Friday, 24th April at 7.00pm
- Senior B Championship BBSE V Naomh Barróg in Sancta Maria on Saturday, 25th April

at 6.00pm

- Intermediate Championship Castleknock V BBSE in Somerton Park on Saturday, 25th April at 6.00pm
- Junior C Championship BBSE V Civil Service HC in Ballycullen on Sunday, 26th April at 10.30pm
- Junior E Championship Civil Service HC v BBSE in Islandbridge on Sunday, 26th April at 12 noon

Football News - MFL DIV.3A Win V Erins Isle

Round Up

A busy weekend for football started with the Seniors in a rescheduled match V Templeogue Synge Street last Thursday. New recruit Paul Durcan got off to a winning start with his new club as they overcame Synger in the third round of the SVP Cup on a scoreline of 2-18 to 1-9. With a half time lead of 4 points Boden pulled away towards the end of the second half to finish strongly.

Saturday saw the Inters continue their fine run of form this time in the Joy Cup where they accounted for St.Marks by 1-14 to 2-06. They remain unbeaten this season.

On Sunday our Minor & Junior B teams were in action, the Minors kicked off proceedings with wins for the A's & B's (reports below) while the C's match was called off and the D's were beaten by St.Peregrines. In the sunshine of the afternoon the Junior B's were up against rivals Kilmacud Crokes and came through convincingly by 5-08 to 0-09 (report below).



MFL DIV.1 Ballyboden St Endas 3-17 Cuala 3-08

Ballyboden got off to the poorest of starts last Sunday in Shankill against a plucky Cuala side that opened up with a goal and three points, before the visitors woke themselves out of their slumbers. Granted when they did, they carved lanes through the Cuala defence to go in 5 points to the good at the break. Bodens defence struggled all morning against a lively Cuala attack and were it not for some sloppy finishing by the home side this result would have been in some doubt. Boden were short a few of their panel due to exams this week and a plethora of injuries. The worst of these belonging to Barra McGarry and James Holland, their inter county stars. But there is no such thing as a weak Ballyboden team and yesterday mornings game proved this beyond doubt. While Boden did get off to the slowest start of the season, they did get the machine rumbling after 12 minutes when Kirwin planted a spot kick after he had been fouled in the box. Once they got their stride going, they fairly laid in to Cuala, with 8 unanswered points on the trot. With Hestor and O Donoghue controlling the mid field a plentiful supply of ball went in to the forwards. Relentless pressure told as Boden swung over a string of very well constructed scores. McGee and the diminutive Dunne cause havoc down the right, while Leddy and Kirwin contributed greatly to the outcome on the left. At full forward the massive Kane sprung from his normal goalkeeping duties posed a significant problem for the Cuala defence. With 5 on the clock before the break, Hestor swung over a peach of a ball, Kane went highest, landed and fired past the helpless keeper. It had all the

hall marks of route one Kerry football, simple but beautiful.

The second half was a bit of a procession, with Dunne providing the highlight of the hour with a point that thankfully has been captured on video. A thing of rare beauty, he dance around two defenders and shaped a shot off the outside of his left boot, from the right half forward position that zipped between the uprights. John Murphy entered the fray and proved that he is right at home in this company. Tigerish on the ball and has a good eye for a score. Weldons point at the end was also worth paying the admission fee, skipping around a couple of despairing tackles before kicking it over with the minimum of room and even less fuss. O'Connell in goals was solid and his kick outs were consistant and long. Tobin, Carolan and O Dea had their hands full all day, but never gave up and won some important balls. In the half back line, Cronin, Keller and Stafford were the launching pad for a lot of Bodens best attacks. At mid field O Donoghue and the tireless Hestor proved their worth. Hestors point while rare was finished with precision. In the half forward line McGee, Flaherty and Leddy put in a big shift and worked tirelessly contributing 7 points between. But it was the full forward line that took the plaudits with Kirwin, Kane and Dunne who ran the Cualas defence ragged as they were getting quality ball all morning.

Next up is Clontarf next Sunday morning at 11.00am at home. Hope to see you all there

MFL DIV.3A Ballyboden B 3.13 Erins Isle 2.9

Not many people would have giving this Boden Team a chance watching both teams warm up. The Isles team looked a powerful outfit with a considerable panel while the Boden team had just the bare 15. However the match would prove that what Boden lacked in statute they more than made up for in effort and football ability. The details of the match are only an aside to the commitment all 15 Boden players showed for the 60 minutes. There was stand out performances from Conor Barton (scoring 2.3 from play from the middle of the park), Cian Lynch (a master under the breaking ball), Tommy Burke and David Leech (both of whose none stop running was a feature of the game), Ciaran Ryan (just a class act). The Boden performance was much more than work rate and quality tackling. When possession of the football was achieved, it was worked out of defence with quick passing and support movement and then played quickly and accurately into the full forward line. This heads up simply football is an example of how a group of players can be more than the sum of its parts and is how the game is played best when no player is more important that the team but is willing to play for the team for 60 minutes.

Boden Team: Stephen McGrath, James McDonnell, Barry O Donnell, Ciaran Ryan, Charlie McPartland, Keith Sweeney, Conor Barton, Tommy Burke, David Leech, Conor Kennedy, Cian Lynch, Tommy Deane, Cillian Byrne, Laurence Murphy, Eoghan Monahan

SHERIDAN CUP Ballyboden Junior B's 5-08 Kilmacud Crokes 0-09

Playing against the wind in the first half Bodens Jbs got of to a good start with a great angled point from Donal McCarthy. Boden were immediately on the back foot with Kilmacud responding with two well taken points of their own. Dave McCabe got Boden back on level pegging before Kilmacud scored another four unanswered points. Bodens defence worked well to keep out Kilmacuds attacks to keep us only four points down at half time. Boden got of to a flyer from the throw in with Niall O Connor and Michael Dunne fielding well in midfield to set up a well worked attack. After some neat passing Niall Bradley dinked the keeper with a looping shot into the top corner. This spurred on the JBs and with the ever youthful Colum Reade smashing the back of the net, the Boden attack was on. Mikey Ryan was a menace for the Kilmacud defence with a well taken goal of his own. Points fron Dean

O'Donnell, Bradley, Reade and Alex Murphy took the game away from Kilmacud. The "Fox in the Box" was at it again with a well fisted goal, taking his tally for the game to 2-1. A great partnership is now forming with Colum Reade {2-2} and Mikey Ryan {2-1} up front. Johnny Hearn scored an excellent point from an impossible angle to finish the game off. With excellent performances from Liam McNamara, Anthony Manning, James McTiernan, Mick McDonald and Donal O'Brien Boden ran out 5-8 to 0-9. Paul Naughton was replaced by Alan Keane in goal through injury and with both keepers keeping a clean sheet the season is looking up for this JB team.

Congratulations.

Congrats to Mark Fitzgerald and Aisling Farrelly who were married last Saturday in Cork. Dublin U21 & Minor Championships

Commiserations Bodens Collie Basquel and Shane Clayton as the Dubs U21 football team lost to Tipperary in the All Ireland semi final on Saturday in O'Connor Park, Tullamore by 0-14 to 0-12.

In the Leinster MFC, congrats to Bodens Barra McGarry and James Holland as Dublin beat Offaly by 2-11 to 1-09. Both players were due to start but unfortunately both came a cropper, James in the warm up and Barra a few minutes after throw in!

Upcoming Fixtures

Please check website for all up to date information.





Ladies Football - Feile

Ladies Football Feile

This coming weekend will be an eventful one in the lives of approximately 70 Ballyboden St Enda's girls and their various coaches/mentors. Feile 2015 takes place at seven different

venues across the county. All their hard work at fundraising has been completed and the girls will turn out in their new gear as they head out to represent our club.

We will be hosting the Division 1 competition with the first games scheduled to commence at 10.00am. We welcome the visitors from the following clubs Kilmacud Crokes, Lucan Sarsfields, Foxrock Cabinteely, Na Fianna and Cuala. We hope everyone experiences an enjoyable and memorable Feile. It's great to win but even better to compete.

Additional volunteers on the day are always needed and anyone willing to put their shoulder to the wheel should contact Paul Manning (083 3315483) Donagh O'Farrell (087 4192282) or Pat Conway (087 2373243). An hour between 10.00am and 2.00pm would be fantastic. Our Division 2 girls face the prospect of a very early start having to travel all the way to Skerries to compete against Castleknock, Fingallians and Ballinteer St Johns for a place in the semi-final. This is a very tough assignment as the teams they face are all the first teams in their club.

Our Division 6 have a nice short trip to Marley Park to play against Beann EadairCuala B and Na Fianna B for a place in the semi-final.

No doubt al our girls will do themselves and their club proud.

Adult Football

Last Wednesday our Senior A team had their first league game of the season away to the county champions, Na Fianna. After a tough game but excellent performance our girls came home with the 2 points on a scoreline of 3 goals 17pts to 2 goals 5pts. Well done to all. Our Senior B team were very unlucky to go down to Naomh Mearnog in Portmarnock on a scoreline of 3 goals 10 pts to 3 goals 8 pts. This was a game we could have won but with so many girls playing together for the first time it was still a tremendous performance. Better things to come.

Our Senior C team start out on Wednesday night (22 April) with their very first game against Craobh Ciaran in Cherryfield at 7.15pm. Best of luck to Tom Ball and the girls with their first step into adult football. The Senior A team are away to St Sylvesters while the B team host Garda/Westmanstown Gaels.

Ladies Football section needs YOU!

Would you like to be involved in the Ballyboden St.Enda's Communications Committee? We are looking for a representative to work with the Ladies Football Section of the club. The representative would be responsible to highlight the Ladies football section on a weekly and monthly basis. If you are interested or would like more information - please contact sineadryanmedia@gmail.com

Camogie - Roundup

Senior 1 League: Ballyboden St Endas 5-19 Oliver Plunketts 0-09

Round 2 of the league was an away game against St. Oliver Plunketts. After a solid game in Round 1, the aim was to improve on the overall performance.

The first half was a tough affair and an injury to Denise McGrath early in the game meant an enforced change. By the end of the half Ballyboden led 1.11 to 0.05. Playing with a strong breeze a few more scores on the board would have been nicer.

In the second half playing against the strong breeze the girls created a number of good goal chances and thankfully took them. In the end a total of 5 were scored.

The final score was 5.15 to 0.09. Another solid performance all round by the players. Continued improvement is needed to challenge for a league title this year. Best wishes to the injured players and hopefully we will see them back on the playing field shortly

Senior 2 League: Ballinteer St Johns 2-7 Ballyboden St Endas B 3-3

On Tuesday last the B team travelled to Marley Park to take on neighbours Ballinteer St Johns. Similar to last week we made a slow start and Ballinteer put 1-1 on the scoreboard in the opening minutes. Boden then got into the game and goals from Fiona Franz & Claire Kirwan put us just 1 point behind at the interval.

Ballinteer started the second half well and some unnecessary frees conceded proved costly for Boden. A strong run from the dangerous Claire Kirwan then resulted in a goal by Danielle White, quickly followed by a point from Ciara Dunne to leave just a point between the teams with 5 minutes remaining. However despite dominating the remaining time Boden couldn't get a score which their efforts deserved.

Best wishes to Grace Walsh who was unfortunate to break a finger during the game. Team: Orlaith Keane, Sarah Lambert, Roisin Keaney, Roisin Walsh, Jane Nolan, Aisling O' Leary, Gráinne Corcoran, Aoife Tobin, Laura Burns, Claire Kirwan, Aoife O' Leary, Iseult Kelleher, Danielle White, Grace Walsh, Fiona Franz, Aoife O' Brien, Ciara Dunne, Hannah Hyland, Aoife O' Shea

2004 Camoige teams trip to Danesfort GAA

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The Cian Durkin Tournament 2015



Preparations are well underway for the *9th Annual Cian Durkin Memorial Tournament* – the Under 15 Hurling event which is held on the May Bank Holiday Monday which falls this year on May 4th.

The tournament is organised to commemorate and celebrate the life of Cian, a promising young Ballyboden St Enda's hurler who passed away at a tragically young age on December 1st 2006. A skillful hurler, Cian hurled with a smile on his face and played the game as it should be played.

This year Boden will take on teams from five other counties and the standard is expected to be very high. Castlecomer from Kilkenny, Toomevara from Tipp, Ballygunner from Waterford and Oulart The Ballagh from Wexford will all be travelling and will join St Mary's of Mallow who've played in the competition each year since it began - the club hosted Ballyboden in Cork in 2005 when Cian hurled in the national Feile.

The competition is organised in two groups of three teams with the first matches throwing-in at 11.30a.m..

The 2 shield finals are at 3.00pm with the cup final at 4.00pm.

We hope that a large crowd can drop down to PUM on the Bank Holiday Monday to see the games – there's bound to be some top class hurling on show.

Tara, Availly and Paul are pictured beside photos of Cian at last year's tournament.

Under 13 William Phelan Memorial Cup 2015.

On May 10th, the Ballyboden U13 hurlers travel to Ballygunner to compete in the Annual William Phelan Cup match.

This match is played in honor of the memory of William Phelan, a great Ballygunner and a great Ballyboden man. William played with Ballygunner in his early years and after moving from Waterford to Dublin, he became an extremely active member of Ballyboden St Enda's

William Phelan passed away in 1990 aged 58 and a few years later Ballygunner GAA put forward the William Phelan Cup in gratitude for the years he had been involved in the Ballygunner Club's early days. The Phelans had a flat bed truck that was used to transport most of the team around the locality for matches. William and some of his brothers may also have been an asset to the club on the pitch though that depends on which brother you ask!

In his years in Ballyboden, William was ahead of his time and accidently introduced SAQ training as the senior players scattered to avoid the red Nuffield tractor as he cut the grass during training.

Originally the Cup was played for between the senior teams every few years. However, due to the number of players from each club senior team involved with Waterford and Dublin county teams, and the commitment to a long playing season extending into the provincial club championships, the opportunity of arranging a friendly match with full strength teams seldom arose.

As often happens, life went full circle for Liam, William's son and he reversed his Dad's trip of the 1950's and moved from Ballyboden to Ballygunner and felt it was appropriate to reestablish the Cup fixture. Under 13 seemed to be the best age, as it is a Feile and Championship free season. With the venue alternating annually, the Cup match in 2015 will be in Ballygunner.

2015 will be the third year of the new underage fixture and the honours are split evenly: Previous Winners: 2013 Ballyboden, 2014 Ballygunner.

Last year the match was played in beautiful sunshine on the pitch that William looked after for so many years. On the day Ballygunner played the sweeter hurling and won the game well

Afterwards in the clubhouse both teams and their supporters refueled on speeches, buns and sandwiches. Sliotars and grips were presented to the boys by the Phelan family.

Bridie, Liam's Mam, his brother Michael and sister Miriam are delighted that the fixture has been re-established, enabling juvenile hurlers from each club to play each other.

Safe travels, good hurling and lets hope the boys will bring the cup back to Boden!





U11 Hurlers travel to Kilkenny

Some of our U11 Hurlers travelled to Kilkenny to play and then see how it's done!

A selection of Under 11 hurlers set off early on Sunday morning to play James Stephens before heading to Nowlan Park for the national league semi finals.

The boys played two matches on the James Stephens main pitch which was in fantastic condition.



Two great matches were served up by both clubs in the morning sunshine. The Boden lads matched up well to the Kilkenny boys with Team 1 just losing narrowly but Team 2 winning well.

The boys also took the opportunity to have a few pucks in the club's traditional ball alley.

Many thanks to James Stephens for their hospitality on the day.

Team 1:

James Cullen, Ciaran Kiely, Barry McGuire, Shane Flood, Michael Murphy, Leon Kennedy, Michael McShane, Conor Murphy, Tom McGrenery, Scott Cramer Walsh, Ryan Doyle, Daniel Wslsh

Team 2:

Tim Giblin, Darragh Brooks, Jamie McCann, Scott McDonald, Stephen Pullan, John Farrington, Jim Kennedy, Mark McSharry, Sam Doyle, Brendan Cregan, Eoin Mac Phaidin, Kevin O'Donoghue





U13 Hurling v's Bray Emmets



Last Friday evening our Division 5 under 13 team put their unbeaten start to the season on the line against an unbeaten Bray Emmets team at Cherryfield. The lads have enjoyed three good wins to date this season but it was clear from the results to date that Bray would provide a much sterner test. The game started at a very fast pace and Bray got on the front foot from the start, our full back line of Senan Dwyer, Simon Hughes and Alex Boland had to be on their toes right from the throw in. Bray opened the scoring with a well finished goal within the first five minutes. Our lads responded with a good point to steady the ship and as the first half developed we got into our stride and started to compete well around the field. We drew level

with a well worked goal from William Hamill but Bray continued to dominate midfield and pulled away from us to lead 3-2 to 1-2 at half time.

Thankfully we came out a different team in the second half and brought the fight to Bray right from the start - while the scores were slow to come our lads fight and superior skills started to gain the upper hand. Our half back line of Gavin O'Kelly, Daragh Kenny & Micheál Manning were the foundation for a superb second half performance. Aided by Yan Geraghty and Luke Mulligan at midfield we clawed back Bray and took the lead. Our full forward line of Timmy Cleary, William Hamill, Cian Tobin and Eoghan Deignan tormented the Bray full back line throughout the game and we kept Bray under pressure for the majority of the second half. But Bray weren't about to surrender their unbeaten run and came back at us and re-took the lead with 10 mins to go after an excellent goal. But our lads were not to be denied and an excellent goal from Edward Phelan after great work from Charlie Brady and Daire Sweeney saw us retake the lead. Bray continued to push us and Ben Murphy in goals had a busy last few minutes but we managed to grab the last couple of scores to run out winners on a scoreline of 6-6 to 5-2. The game was much tighter than the scoreline suggests and the good crowd who came outto watch thoroughly enjoyed a very entertaining game.

The management team were delighted with the application and discipline shown by the boys particularly in the second half. There is no doubt that our reverse fixture against Bray will be a similarly tough game.

Update on Uganda 'Safe Motherhood Programme' Fundraising and a Raffle with a difference....read on!!

Our own Senior Ladies Footballer, medical student Jenny Ward has been in touch to give us an update on her fundraising efforts as she prepares to travel to rural Uganda to volunteer in two extremely under resourced health clinics.

Jenny would like to thank everyone who has donated so far to her charity, www.lamhasuas.ie The money raised is going to make a huge difference to the pregnant women and newborn babies she will be working with in Uganda, as well as the school children who will be getting a new classroom and the wider community who will be benefitting from a solar disinfection project for water. We featured the programme in our Newsletter of 25/3/15

Jenny is half way to her target and really appreciates all the generosity so far.

Now she is holding a raffle which is a little bit different!! The first prize is the lovely Limousin heifer pictured in the photo, or the cash value of €1000....take your pick!

Up until now, Jenny has been selling these tickets to farmers at cattle marts but farmers or not, we all need 1000 euro! So hopefully people in Ballyboden will be interested in buying some tickets. The tickets are $\in 10$ or three tickets for $\in 20$.

If anyone is interested in buying some tickets or wants to ask Jenny any questions, please email her on jenniferward@rcsi.ie

Also if anyone wanted to help sell a few tickets for her, Jenny would hugely appreciate it.

Some people have kindly offered to do this which she really values, but a few more people would be even better.

Colette and Jenny Ward will be running in the VHI mini marathon in June If you would like to sponsor them, however small, you can do so by contacting Jenny or the Ward family directly, or by following this link:

On this link you can also buy raffle tickets, if you just type the word "heifer" or let her know in the comment and she will send the tickets to you











Best wishes to Mark Fitzgerald & Aisling Farrelly on their big day this Saturday, rumour has it Mark will return to the field of play next week!!! As you can see he is in C'ship training mode!!

Golf Classic - Friday 22nd May



Annual Golf Classic 2015



Edmondstown Golf Club Friday 22nd May



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Match 1st Three

Patrick Bates, St Margarets, Mayfield Terrace

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