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Hurling News - Championship Results

Dotsy Lays it on the Line – The Long Fella Reports

BBSE 4 27 St. Pats Palmerstown 1 14

Reborn, renewed, rekindled, delve into the 'Oxford', call it what you will, David O'Callaghan gave a near perfect performance at a chilly O'Toole Park on Thursday evening against



a hard working St. Pats side. His display, festooned with fine scores, augurs well the season ahead for the club and the Dubs. In many ways he defies the laws of nature, in that his speed of reaction and pace across the turf were as good, if not better, than when he first graced the big field a 'few' years ago.

Every game has a foundation of sorts and this round robin game was no different. The engine room of the winners side was firmly bolted on the forty, Simon Lambert marshalling the line of most influence on the game. Palmerstown's Liam Rushe had skilled company with him and Shane Stapleton and, for most of the hour, Aiden Glennon, dug deep to create opportunities. But the "buck stopped" in the hands of Lambert, Stephen Hiney and Shane Durkin. The attrition rate was high and as a consequence, the free count, mostly in favour of the underdogs, resulted in Stapleton finishing as his sides top scorer on 1.10.

The Boden midfield of Stephen O'Connor and the razor sharp Conor Robinson scooped up a lot of the loose ball and kept feeding the attack. Paul Ryan, in an unaccustomed role at centre forward, showed some classy touches and one in particular stood out. A ball from the clouds was about to enter the "mincing machine", a ruck of sorts, but Ryan wasn't having any of it and plucked it from the sky. In the act of heading for the sideline, he sidled out of the waiting tackles and on his favoured left side, he sent the sliotar over the black spot, a score well worth the entry fee.

By half time the contest was as good as over at 3.12 to 8 pts., and apart from Boden having a "blue" period, a propensity to add extra passes where none were required, our opposition knew that their fate was as good as sealed.

On the terrace "Holyhayes" was in exuberant mood and proferred a string of witticisms, as well as a few agrarian beauties for the assembled brotherhood, mostly disciples of the Tipp

persuasion. The parochialisms flowed through the second half of one way traffic, sometimes interrupted by the excellent contribution of Collie O'Neill, a replacement for the unfortunate Conor McCormack, scorer of the first goal. A discussion on Dan Breen, yes that man from history, was halted by the sight of Shane Stapleton burying the sliotar into the roof of Garry Maguire's net, Pats only goal of the game.

"Scratch" Fletcher now got his modest contribution into the mix and kept the Tippites bemused for the last ten minutes, all the time keeping tabs on the score from deeper into Upper Cross. On the question of whether it is "Dotsy" or "Docsy", the response was instant, "It matters not, it's still a goal". Our PRO gave the news that Judes had claimed the spoils over Crumlin at Kiltipper.

The physical exchanges continued right to the last few minutes, but none were as bone shattering as the meeting of Glennon and Conal Keaney from the opening half. Keaney, who was having fine game, and in possession, was met head on by Glennon in an American Football type exchange. But these boys are made of tough stuff and Glennon returned to the field after running repairs.

Next up it is Judes, our near neighbours, a game surely to be looked forward to, an opportunity for bragging rights, but no more!

Senior B's Lord it over Kevin's in Championship – More from the Long Fella

Senior B 7 13 Kevin's Hurling 1 11

Conditions at Dolphin Park were sunny but chilly for this Round Robin Championship match on Saturday evening. The gulf in class that ensued was somewhat unexpected, given the closeness of the result the last time the sides met, the 2014 knockout stages. Boden then had to grab a late equaliser to ensure additional time, and fortunately, the result.

As if to advertise their intent, Kevins opened up with two quick points, Eoin Hanlon and Alan Nagle the scorers. Boden had early chances too, but the Kevins rearguard, marshalled by Brian Og Flannery, was diligent in its defending. The next score came Bodens way, Finnian McDonagh benefiting from a pass from Malachy Travers. Paul Doherty was next up, a point off a pass from James Roche.

After McDonagh's next point, the goalfest started, Eoin Small cleared his line to Adam Jermyn and his pass to Doherty brought the reward. The Kevins puckouts were landing, wind assisted, on to a retreating Boden half back line, commanded with purpose by Donal Butler, and the industrious pair, Travers and Stephen Nagle. The remaining fifteen minutes of the half was all about goals and the interplay of Jermyn, Doherty, McDonagh and James Roche. The flow was temporarily interrupted by Kevins and their only goal, although Conor Dooley almost prevented it. Half Time, 4.4 to 1.4.

Boden came out for the second half in the knowledge that the tie was as good as won. Within seconds Mattie Weldon, for perhaps the first time in the game, extracted himself from the heat of midfield and pointed. The rest of the half was one way traffic and more goals, shades of Barcelona football and a degree of showboating. McDonagh got his third, a cheeky little piece, he ran onto a pass from a free and planted the ball where he wanted to. Jermyn and

Roche kept Kevin's torment going with further scores and to cap it all, Austin Lynch landed the seventh goal with a few minutes left.

McDonagh finished as top scorer, but perhaps may have been shaded as MVP by either Jermyn or Travers, as "neat as a pin" in everything he did. The general style of play which Boden delivered was firmly based on movement, positioning and a high level of fitness. With four points in the bag after two outings, the side have advertised themselves as contenders for the title last won a few years ago.

With precious little to analyse from the match, "Scratch" Fletcher took up a key position in the "surgery" for refreshments, and in an "on the plinth" style discourse, he gave a brief lecture of such fascinating subjects as 'the Demise of the Ridings', and the complexities of the Tipperary Hurling Championship draw. However the "Nagler", taking minor umbrage to the latter topic, and conscious of the impending Munster jousts, suggested a college degree might be required to fully comprehend, even a PHD in Physics.

Squad: Conor Dooley, Paddy Ryan, Eoin Small, Mick McGarry, Donal Butler, Stephen Nagle, Malachy Travers, Mattie Weldon, Naoise Maguire, James Doody, Brendan Treacy, James Roche, Finian McDonagh, Paul Doherty, Adam Jermyn, Austin Lynch, Keith McCarron, Eoin McKenna,

Reilly Late Strike Ensures a Share of the Points

Ballyboden Inters 4 11 Thomas Davis 2 17

A Sean Reilly goal in the dying seconds of this round robin championship match gave Thomas Davis a share of the spoils at a damp Pairc Ui Murchu on Sunday evening. The game turned out to be a game of two halves, with the home side dominating the second period. Both sides will rue missing a tidy number of opportunities late on, a chance to gather the two points in the division.

The opening ten minutes was all for the Kiltipper boys, with Kevin Ward accounting for three frees and Reilly on two from play. The remaining score was a beauty off the stick of Zach Moradi, playing a roaming role on the forty. Boden, despite being slow starters, did it in style when they got going. Darren Lennox in his usual nifty manner, cleared his line as far as Aiden Dundon, easily Bodens best on the evening. His low ball was latched onto by Mattie O'Sullivan and he did the business to the net from close in.

Niall O'Neill was next to profit from some hard work on the forty, a fine point off his right side. A few minutes later it was O'Sullivan again on the ball, but this time he just dug it out and laid the perfect pass to David Gilheany. Goal! Meanwhile Ward for Davis's was profiting well off frees, a series of indiscretions by Boden from scorable positions. At this point it looked that the game could be over by the break as Boden only scored two points in the remaining ten minutes, off Mellett and Dundon, while Reilly, Moradi, Simon Kirwan and Ward all contributed for the visitors. Half Time had it 2.3 to 14 pts.

Collie Durkin and Brian McCarthy were two significant replacements for the second period and coupled with Dundon in the form he was in, contributed to a second half revival. Dessie

O'Sullivan, and Dundon twice got Boden motoring, one of these from a Ciaran O'Flaherty pass. However Davis had their strikeforce too, Eanna O'Toole and Moradi with points. By the way I understand that Moradi has the distinction of playing Inter-county with Leitrim and Internationaly with Iraq! There's one for you!!

Just when things were going well for Boden, O'Toole latched onto a loose ball and planted it past Ronan Sharkey in the Boden goal. 1.15 to 2.6. But back came the home side and good work outfield from Cathal Ryan, Lenny, McCarthy and Dundon left the opportunity to Durkin who somehow belted it off the goalman and into the net. With Dundon doing well off frees and Davis on a slow period on scores, it looked good for Boden, particularly when Collie got his second goal off a quickly taken free. The last few scores came to Davis's, now desperate for any opportunity. It was left to Reilly to punish Boden for some sloppy misses late on.

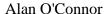
Team, Ronan Sharkey, Andy Hand, Cathal Ryan, Ross Cullen, Aiden Dundon, Darren Lennox, Liam McCarthy, Brian McCarthy, Alan O'Connor, Mattie O'Sullivan, Joe Mernagh, Cian Mellett, Fionn Maguire, David Gilheany, Collie Durkin, Oisin Cannon Eamonn Gorman, Ciaran O'Flaherty, Des O'Sullivan, Niall O'Neill

Coming Up – Check website for updates

- Tues, 26th May Jun C Championship V Parnells in Ballycullen at 7.15pm
- Wed, 27th May Sen B Championship V St. Vincent's in Sancta Maria at 7.15pm
- Wed, 27th May Inter Championship V Lucan Sarsfield's in 12th Lock at 7.15pm
- Wed, 27th May AHL 1 V O' Toole's in Blunden Drive at 7.15pm
- Thurs, 28th May Jun E Championship V Wild Geese in Ballycullen at 7.15pm

Photos by - Kevin Maguire (Collie and Dotsy) and Clíona Mellett







Aidan Dundon





Dotsy

Collie O'Neill

Football News - Jnr B Team Win



"all eyes on the ball"

Round Up

With Saturdays Inters' cup game conceded by Round Towers and the Junior A cup game moved to Tuesday it was left to our Junior B's and our 4 Minor teams to provide the weekends football entertainment. The Minor A's made the journey to rivals Kilmacud Crokes hoping the break of a few weeks wouldn't adversely affect their performance and in a toe to toe battle, unfortunately, just came up short by a point (report & pic below). Our B's were at home to St.Annes in a top of the table clash and despite being short a few regulars managed a very good point in challenging conditions (report below). The Minor C's game was off and the D's fell to Whitehall by 4-10 to 1-08. The last remaining game then was our Junior B's against Plunketts, see report below.

Minor A's 1-10 Kilmacud Crokes 1-11 report by Neil Brennan and pic by Cliona Mellet Ballybodens run of victories in their league campaign came to an end last Sunday at Glenalbyn when a slightly sharper Kilmacud won by a single score. Down by 10 points at the

break and looking in serious trouble, Boden rebounded in the second half and tore in to the home side. But Bodens undoing was their first half display. Seeming to lack confidence and unsure of their worth, Boden allowed the home side too much space and time on the ball. Crokes took full advantage and simply swept through the visitors defence to rack up an impressive 10 point half time lead. It was hard to see Boden turn this around and the game was over as a contest. But the half time break came and Boden regrouped, rearranged their forces and retook the field with a more proactive approach.

It didn't take the visitors long to open their second period account and notched two more before the home side lifted the siege with a break away point to keep their own momentum going. But Boden sensed blood and got stuck in to the home side and they started to see rewards. Murphy and Dunne goaled while McGee and Kirwin kept the score board ticking away nicely. With 56 gone on the clock Boden drew level through McGee and Boden had achieved the impossible, parity. The last play of the game saw Boden get two chances to move the ball out of defence, but failed allowing the home side to notch the winner. The Boden lads were visibly deflated after the game and understandably so, but their second half fight back was monumental and showed all the qualities that you would expect to see in a top class side. This was a cruel blow for Boden who had worked their socks off to get back in to a game that was lost. But it did show a few things that was pleasing. A great bench, a good fighting quality and a never say die spirit to get them back in to the game. Boden will come on from this. There is no shortage of talent there and commitment to the cause. With a stronger more determined start Boden could and should have won this. With second half of their league season to start in late June, its going to be a great summer

On a more important note, we would like to wish the best of luck to all the leaving cert students now starting their exams.

Minor B's 3-09 St. Annes 3-09 report by John Byrne

A top of the table clash and as St Annes admitted afterwards, they had no trouble getting a full turnout for this local Derby. Not true for the Boden B's as they lost 4 players to the A's and had 3 players turning out for the team for the first time this year (also the two subs were from the C panel). Maybe all these changes had an initial impact as St Annes raced into an early lead - scored a goal within the first minute and were 5 points up after 5 minutes. This despite the fact that St Annes were playing against a strong wind and playing an extra defensive player. The signs were not good but gradually with the help of the elements, Boden got back into the game and drew level after 15 minutes with a fine worked goal finished to the net by Laurence Murphy. Again Boden shot themselves in the foot when a long range shot dropped into their net. Defensively Boden looked under pressure every time St Annes attached. However the Boden full forward line looked dangerous on limited possession. A goal from Eoin Cashman was needed to put the sides level at the interval, 2-6 a piece. The money was most definitely on St Annes going into the second half, given the strong breeze to their back and their superior physical power. However Boden regrouped with words from Dara Walsh and Ian Clarke and came out and competed for every ball all over the pitch. Each time Annes registered a score Boden came back and scored one of their own. What seemed a turning point came midway through the second half when the St Anne's keeper saved and they broke down the field to score a third goal. However a goal from Cillian Byrne and a fine point from Laurence Murphy left Boden one behind with 5 minutes to go. Like much of the second half it was a rear-guard action for Boden as St Annes pressed to increase their lead but one last point from Boden was enough to give them a draw, 3-9 a piece.

Players to catch the eye for Boden were: Barry O Donnell in the corner with his positive attitude and speed around the pitch, Cian Murray and Charlie McPartland in the half back line, Conor Barton showed that bit of class in the middle of the park, Cian Lynch with his

non-stop tenacious play was an inspiration to teammates and Sean McDonnell at centre forward who playing his first football match this year showed that ability is something you don't lose if you have it. However the stand out performance was from Cillian Byrne who must be one of the top full forwards in minor football. His ball winning ability and quick linking play caused havoc all match. This despite St Anne's best efforts by double teaming him for most of the game. It was fitting that his was the equalising score, kicked from a very tight angle on his wrong side.

Team: Stephen McGrath, Barry O Donnell, Luke Corcoran, James McDonnell, Cian Murray, Charlie McPartland 0-1, Gavin Morrell, Conor Barton, Tommy Burke, Cathal O Dea o-2, Sean Mc Donnell, Cian Lynch, Laurence Murphy 1-2, Cillian Byrne 1-5 (2f), Eoin Cashman 1-0, Tommy Deane, Eoghan Monahan

Junior B's V St.OP/ER report by Martin O'Donnell

BBSE 3-4 Plunketts 2-12

In a well contested game BBSEs J9s came up against a very strong Plunketts team. Plunketts were quick off the mark registering four unanswered points before Boden got on the score sheet through Ross Traynor and Joey Merriman. Plunketts showed their strength up front with two quickly taken goals. Mikey Ryan put the ball in the back of the net just before half time to keep the contest alive. Bodens defence worked hard in the second half, led by James McTiernan and Gareth O'Keefe. Young Anthony Manning was working hard to feed the forward line and a resulting pass found Colum Reade who fought off three defenders to smash the ball into the net. Merriman added to his tally with two well taken points. The fox in the box was at it again with a sweetly taken goal. Paul Naughtons kickouts were being well fielded by Niall Quinn and Michael Dunne. However time ran out for the J9s, with Plunketts running out winners. Wishing Johnny Hearns a speedy recovery from his knee injury. Next up is a league game away to St.Colmcilles on Sunday.

Upcoming Fixtures

Wednesday 20th May Venue Home verses away Time IFC R1 Newcastle Inters V St Margarets 19:15

Saturday 23rd May Venue Home verses away Time AFL Div 1 Pairc Ui Murchu Seniors v Templeogue Synge Street 18:30 AFL Div 4 Sancta Maria Inters v St Margarets 18:30

Sunday 24th May Venue Home verses away Time AFL Div 5 Garristown Garristown v Junior A 11:00 AFL Div 9 Balheary St Colmcilles v Junior B 15:00

Please check the **website** for all up to date fixture information.

U16 Ladies Football - Winning Streak



The first virtue in a soldier is endurance; courage is only the second virtue. Napoleon Bonaparte

The Under 16 ladies squad faced their toughest challenge yet with a test of endurance and determination that would bring most teams to their knees. Boden played against a very strong wind in the first half and scored well bringing the half time total to 7-06 to Naomh Marnog's 1-00. However, facing that wind in the second half meant that the girls would have to dig deep and support each other with every fibre in them in order to give themselves a chance. Naomh Marnog got on the scoreboard immediately and a flood of goals and point were delivered against the Boden girls. However, as with the character of these girls, giving up is never an option. Each and every one of the team squad poured everything they had into the game with the final result coming in at 7-12 to 7-06 in favour of Boden. They know that if they give it their all, then they will always be in with a chance. The endurance of the U16 Boden girls, the determination of the U16 Boden girls and the talent of the U16 Boden girls is what defines them. And as for courage – well that's never in doubt!!

Now back to the training grounds. U16 Coaching Team

Ladies Football News - Sixth Leinster Title for U16 Ladies

Dublin are again U16 champions of Leinster having captured the title for a remarkable sixth year in a row. The girls from the capital showed great resolve to hold off the challenge from Meath on a score-line of 3-10 to 1-10, The encounter was a pulsating contest from start to finish. The Dublin net-minder was our own Jenny Flaherty. Congratulations to all but in particular Jenny who has been outstanding for the club over the last number of years.

Senior A Championship kicks off this Wednesday away to Foxrock Cabinteely in Kilboggett Park at 19:30. This is an extremely tough assignment for our girls who would appreciate all the support they can get.

Our Senior B team also play their first championship game in Pairc Ui Mhurchu at 19:30 against Scoil Ui Chonaill.

The 3rd adult team face a daunting trip to play O'Dwyers away in Bremore Park Balbriggan at 19:30 in a Div 6 league tie.

There are a small number of players that have not yet paid their membership. Please note that if you are not a paid up member you are not permitted to train with or play for the club. You are also not covered by the player's injury scheme.





Sarah Lambert Kenya Project

Kenya Project – Sarah Lambert, Ballyboden St Endas Dual Player

My name is Sarah Lambert and I am a member of Ballyboden St Endas GAA club. I am a fourth year student in Sancta Maria College and I will be travelling to Kenya in June 2015 with nine other students. The college has established a link with the sisters of Mercy in Kenya. We will be in Kenya for ten days and in those ten days we will be doing voluntary work in under privileged areas and over- crowded schools, as well as to assist with various children's projects. This work will involve in such activities as academics, art/crafts, sports, music etc. We would be grateful for any donations received for this charity such as academy kits and, normal jerseys, footballs (just sports jerseys and sports shorts only).

There is a box behind the bar in the club for the donated kit to be dropped to. All donations are greatly appreciated



1st ever Hurling Blitz for U9's

1st ever Hurling Blitz for U9's and a Victory for Ballyboden boys to cap it!

On Friday evening two Ballyboden U9 teams ventured to Dublin's north side to participate in their first hurling blitz organized by O'Tooles GAA club.

The opposition included teams from O'Tooles, Skerries Harps, Clontarf, Naomh Barróg and St Sylvesters. With only goals counting, and two



scores and a penalty awarded for a full 'hook', the boys had to draw on all their skills to do well in this tournament.

The BBSE A team registered many great goals in their matches against Naomh Barróg, St Sylvesters and Skerries Harps, and were unlucky not to progress to the semi-finals. By end of evening O'Tooles A team were winners of this side of the competition.

Meanwhile, the BBSE B team was involved in an epic first round struggle against O'Tooles, the result decided by the toss of a coin after a nail-biting nine penalty shoot-out failed to separate the teams.

The boys of BBSE B then progressed to the semi-finals after hard competition against Naomh Barróg and Skerries Harps, scoring some great goals and full hooks along the way. The semi-final against Clontarf was a tense and closely fought game, before our boys emerged as winners.

Next up was the final against a tough and skillful St Sylvesters team, played in front of an enthusiastic crowd of supporters representing both teams. As darkness closed in and light drizzle turned to rain, both teams battled for domination. The game ebbed and flowed and never let up in intensity.

All of the players displayed great skills and bravery as they tried to get the winning score in this classic encounter. When the final whistle blew, only a single score separated both teams with Ballyboden achieving victory in their first ever tournament.

Cue great celebrations, which continued late into the evening in the nearby McDonalds. All of the BBSE boys were a credit to themselves and in the way they represented their teams and club

The weary coaches were also very proud of the boys' achievements, and look forward to continued success in future tournaments.

The mentors also want to thank O'Tooles GAA for organizing an excellent competition.

Congratulations to our U9 boys.

More more photos, see here









U13 Hurlers head to Ballygunner for the William Phelan Cup

On Sunday 10th May this years under 13 hurlers took to the road to play the annual William Phelan cup game against Ballygunner Hurling club in Waterford. The William Phelan cup was established by Ballygunner in memory of William Phelan who was a great club man both for Ballygunner and Ballyboden. The cup used to be played for between the clubs senior teams but due to pressure on fixtures the cup is now played for between the clubs under 13 teams.

The 20 Boden lads accompanied by parents and mentors had an early start with our coach pulling out of the club at 8.30 for the journey to Waterford - first up was a tour of Waterford fire station organised by our superb host Liam Phelan. The tour was thoroughly enjoyed by all the lads and mentors. All of the lads had a spell on the hose and got a chance to wake the neighbours with the lights and sirens!

Then it was onto Ballygunner hurling Club for the game - first we warmed up in their excellent indoor astro facility then it was onto the field. The day was cold with a stiff breeze blowing across the pitch. It was clear from the first few minutes that this Ballygunner side are a very strong unit and they took the game by the scruff of the neck from the very start with two quick scores - our lads managed to rally and get a score on the board. We battled on bravely but by half time the game was gone - all that was left to play was pride. Our lads kept battling right to the end but there was no doubt it was an eye opener for some of our lads with Ballygunner running out easy winners - many hours at the skills wall ahead!!!

After the game we were treated to a welcome cup of tea to warm us up together with a great spread of refreshments.

The cup was presented to the Ballygunner captain by Liam Phelan who reminded up that this win put Ballygunner one ahead on the role of honour - hopefully next years under 13's can even it up for Boden when Ballygunner make the trip to Dublin for next years renewal.

A great day for our lads was rounded off with a visit to McDonald's on the way home - always guaranteed to put the smile back on the lads faces!!!

Huge thanks to Liam and the Phelan family along with all at Ballygunner for a great day.

The Boden squad who travelled on the day was: Ben Murphy, Jonathan Murray, Micheàl Manning, Darragh Kenny, Danny Dunleavy, Sean Murphy, Joe Maguire, Cian Hassett, Rian Power, Martin Mulligan, Senan Dwyer, Yan Geraghty, Gavin O'Kelly, Tane O'Halloran, David Monaghan, Luke Mulligan, Eoghan Deignan, Adam Dalton, William Hamill and Charlie Brady

For more photos, click here













U16 Div 1 Hurling. Ballyboden vs Raheny

Last week brought the latest and fourth instalment of U16A hurling's weekly sequence of Tues pm league fixtures. On this occasion it was Raheny that had the challenging task of cross-city travel. Having successfully negotiated the worst that rush hour Dublin has to offer, they were faced with the further challenge of matching up against a Ballyboden team sitting on top of its Division.



Pitch conditions were fair to middling after an extended period of rubbish summer weather, but apart from a mini paddling pool in one goal area, our ref deemed us good to go. Just as well he didn't check it before Tom's pre-match frenzied mopping operations. A wag from the on-looking crew of parents was heard to quip that he ended up more drained looking than the goalmouth...!

Proceedings began with the early exchanges reflecting the top versus bottom nature of the fixture. The in-form Shane Kennedy carried on from recent games with and early goal and two points into the dry end. Sandwiched between these efforts was an excellent strike over the bar from mid-fielder James Madden. Raheny got off the mark with a pointed free before the scoring duties were taken up by Ben Kelly and Rob Donohue, each taking turns to deliver a goal and a point a piece. Madden interrupted the sequence with a further point to wrap up a decent first half of hurling on a score of 3:06 to 0:1.

Now many good things come in two good halves, each half equally satisfying.....like a Twix!! Other things like the Beatles' Yellow Submarine LP, perhaps, not as equally exciting on the second half. And so this match also fell into the latter category as Boden's form dipped over the next 30 minutes as Raheny became stronger. A high free count and numerous stoppages throughout the half prevented much in the way of free-flowing hurling, while Boden scores dried up.

Raheny pushed on and notched up a goal and four points in a spell where they dominated in many areas of the pitch. Some excellent defending from full back Ronan Wallace and his solid colleagues in defence Mark Normile, Eoin Dennehy and Cathal Creed, on his return from recent injury prevented a full-scale turnover. Within seconds of the Raheny goal, Boden

keeper Conor O'Donoghue produced a wondrous trademark flying save to prevent a second and halt the comeback that was gaining increasing momentum. O'Donoghue finished the game covered from head to toe in mud, like those Youtube wrestling videos, but I digress and have probably said too much....!!

Boden's only score of the second half was worth the wait though, as substitute Conor Fallon converted an excellent effort from distance under severe pressure. As players on both sides tired from a heavy recent schedule and with Boden's Dub Dev players withdrawn to leave a little bit in the tank for inter-county duties the following evening, the match finally finished up on a score of 3:07 to 1:05.

Not a classic by any means, but the result leaves us on top with a full house of seven from seven.

No doubt we'll have better hurling days. And we are aware that the Beatles followed up Yellow Submarine with the classic Abbey Road.

Good luck to U16A footballers in A Championship Final on Sat next in Parnell Park.

Many thanks to **Pat Normile** for the super action photos









Feile Peil na nOg, Under 14C Team

Feile Peil na nOg, Under 14C Team

The Boden C Squad arrived in good spirits for Feile on foot of a recent strong league campaign. They were determined to get the most out of the Feile experience and had prepared well over the last few weeks of training. There was a real sense of occasion in Silver Park as the lads where lead out on to the pitch by piper.



Division 8 group stage matches

Skerries 3 - 5 Ballyboden 5 - 2

After an intense warm up, the Boden boys hit the ground running in this encounter and attacked Skerries from the start. To add to the attacking display, the team defended for their lives and blocked, tackled and chased. The boys put in a big effort against Skerries who play their league football in a Division above them.

Fingallians 2-7 – Ballyboden – 2-9

The same level of intensity and determination went into this second game and Boden held their own. Fingallians built on an early lead in the first half, aided by the advantage of a strong breeze. In the second half, the Northsiders added to their advantage and had built a healthy lead of 5 points. The Boden boys really dug deep and displayed great character by turning the match around and won by 2 points. Great result again, the boys punching above their weight defeating another team that play their league football in a Division above them. Spirits were high!!

Kilmacud Crokes 3 – 8 Ballyboden 2 – 1

In the final group encounter both teams had the comfort of knowing they were in the semi — final but were fighting for home advantage as the winners of the group stayed in Silver Park, the runners up on the group faced a pleasant trip over the M50 to Raheny. We had a lengthy delay to the start of the final as one of the Crokes players had sustained an injury during the pre-match warm up that required professional medical attention. Thankfully the injury wasn't too serious in the end.

The Boden lads put in a gallant effort but Crokes were just too strong on the day

Divison 8, Semi Final

Liffey Gaels 4-7 – Ballyboden – 2-4

So with little time to spare we headed for the M50 Raheny bond. The lads were noticeably stiff after a long car journey and were starting to show the signs of tiredness. We quickly put them through their paces to loosen out the tired muscles and get their heart rates up for the big game.

They faced Liffey Gaels yet again a team that plays its football in a Division above the Boden boys. The lads got off to a really strong start and went into the half-time break with a comfortable lead. The strong breeze was a big factor, with the advantage now swinging in the favour of Liffey Gaels and they hit us hard in a five minute spell scoring three goals. Liffey Gaels piled on the pressure and continued to take their scoring chances. The Boden were

beaten and disheartened but we can be really proud of our young warriors who so bravely battled hard all day.

The Boden squad of 20 all contributed to the Feile effort and whenever changes were made it did not weaken the team as every young lad who came on put in a big effort and no one left feeling they could have done more.

Given the tight games against the teams that would eventually line out in Sunday's final, there is plenty of optimism in the Boden camp going forward.

Boden Squad: Phelim McDevitt, Andrew Shanley, Jake O'Driscoll, Alex Whelan, Peter Byrne, Dylan Gallagher, Brendan Kavanagh, Harry Coakley, Jack Donohue, Liam MacPháidín, Adam Whelan, Eoin Duffy, Eoin Brady, Sam Stephenson, Sean O'Raghallaigh, Ultan Wardick, Andrew Nolan, Daragh Cullen, Cian McKenna, Killian Dennehy













Feile Peil na nOg, Under 14A Team

The main aim for the Ballyboden U14 team was to regain Division 1 Status. This they are well placed to achieve and the league results earned them a crack at the Feile Division 1.

Match 1 BBSE v Kilmacud Crokes

Kilmacud Crokes got off to a good start scoring early points and a goal from a penalty. Ballyboden responded with an excellent move



from defense ending with a Conor Lowe goal leaving Ballyboden still behind. Kilmacud swept down the field and looked certain to score with only the Peter Gannon to beat, but the Ballyboden keeper made the save of the weekend, which surely kept Boden in the match. The teams exchanged points but gradually the bravery and hard work of the Ballyboden team began to yield dividends and Boden team out-scored their opponents for the remainder of the half leaving the teams level at half time and momentum with Boden. Playing with the wind in the second half the Boden Teams confidence grew and they prevented their Crokes from scoring in the second half and scored 3 excellent points and won the match. Final score Ballyboden St.Endas 1 goal and 6 points Kilmacud Crokes 1 goal and 3 points.

Match 2 BBSE v St Sylvesters, Malahide

Boden won the toss and played witha stiffening wind, a good decision when playing against the current league leaders. Sylvesters showed their class, justifying their league standing and built up an early lead against a battling Boden and lead at half time by five points. Boden's spirit was unbowed and early in the second half worked the ball against the wind and earned a penalty by Enda Cashman, when after slicing through the Sylvester rear guard, the Boden full forward was hauled to the ground. Adam Kelleher stepped up and blasted the ball to the net off the inside of the left post. Now Boden were only down by 3 points and were back in the match. Boden went for the jugular and threw everything at attack which Sylvesters were able to absorb. They caught Boden on the break and scored a goal, which Boden needed, from an intercepted pass which they swept down the field and scored their goal. The Bodens team hearts were broken and were unable to recover and Sylvesters ran out eight point winners.

Final score St.Sylvesters 2 goals and 8 points Ballyboden St.Endas 1 goal and 3 points.

Match 3 BBSE v Clanna Gael

This was the big game for both teams with both on 2 points. A winner takes all and progression to the semi-final was at stake. Boden played against the wind in the first half, the game ebbed and flowed and the teams were level at half time 0-6 to 0-6. Clanna Gael struck early in the second half with a decisive goal. Boden, despite a lot of pressure, hard work and possession ,were unable to draw level. Points were exchanged between the teams and Clanna Gael won by 3 points and progressed to the Semi-Final. Final score Clanna Gael 1 goal and 7 points, Ballyboden St. Endas 7 points.

Boden U14 will have learned a lot form the encounters over the weekend and look forward to the remaining of this season and hopefully restoration of Division 1 status









Feile Peil na nOg, Under 14B Team

Our Under 14B Team were in St. Peregrines, Blakestown in Division 5 with St. Peregrines, Scoil Uí Chonaill and O'Tooles.

Our first game was against our hosts, St. Peregrines on the main pitch. We had a good start, going 2 points up through the boot of Dan Ryan and we traded point for point with them



until towards the end of the first half when St. Peregrins scored a well worked goal. With all to play for, we competed well in the second half, but St. Peregrines pushed on to score a couple of late goals to win.

Next up was Scoil Uí Chonaill, with whom we had had two hard fought games in the league last year. We played against a stiff breeze in the first half and went in 2 points down at half time. The highlight of the first half was a great a great penalty save by Cormac Murray. Aided by the wind, our forward line pushed on in the second half with some fine scores, with our defence keeping Scoil Uí Chonaill to just one point from play, to close out the game by 8 points. Unfortunately some of our key players, Donal Burke, Hugh Carrigan and Liam Irwin picked up injuries to rule them out of the third game.

With a place in the semi-final at stake, we lined out against an undefeated O'Tooles and put it up to them with some fine worked points. Aided by a strong wind, we needed to build up a good lead before the break. Despite having the lion's share of the possession and rattling the post, the elusive goals didn't come.

With a half time lead of 4 points to 1 point, the lads battled hard in the second half, with Sean Traynor kicking a sublime point from a tight angle and Sean Heavey unluckily seeing a shot at goal go agonisingly wide. Midway through the half, injury struck again and we unfortunately lost our captain, Daniel Ryan. As we pushed forward, O'Tooles closed out the game with some good break away scores to win by 6 points.

Our lads never gave up and fought hard until the end with great spirit, which was epitomised by the "dynamo", Damir O'Grady, who ran his legs off all day.

The mentors, Jack Nolan, Conor Farrelly and Eamonn Phillips would like to thank the Feile Committee and all of the parents who turned out in such good numbers to help out and to

support the boys.

Team: Cillian Brandon, Donal Burke, Hugh Carrigan, Conor Cullen, Robert Cullen, Padraig Doyle, Tommy Farrelly, Adam Fisher, Sean Flaherty, Scott Harding, Sean Heavey, Liam Irwin, Cormac Murray, James Nolan, Diarmuid O'Keefe, Damir O'Grady, Sam O'Mahony, Joe O'Sullivan, Joey Phillips, Daniel Ryan, Dan Ryan, Sean Traynor.









U16 in Division One Football Championship Final



Wishing our U16 Footballers the Very Best of Luck as they defend the Division One Championship Title.

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