

# Ballyboden St. Endas GAA Camogie and Ladies Football Club CLG Baile Buadáin Naomh Eanna



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#### Football News - 'Inters into Joy Cup final"

It was a busy week on the football front with midweek games for Seniors, Inters and Minors. Pride of place goes to our Inters who reached the Joy Cup final with a victory over Lucan Sarsfields by 3-15 to 1-10. They were ably supported with players by the Junior teams on the night. The mentors and players would like to acknowledge the sincere and heartfelt words of the Lucan captain on behalf of their club on the loss of Eoghan Culligan, it was a classy touch.

The Seniors unbeaten run was halted by Ballymun in a pulsating encounter last Thursday on a scoreline of 1-17 to 3-13, hopefully it's just a temporary setback, report by Paddy Walsh below. Congrats to Michael Darragh MacAuley and Paul Durcan as both Dublin and Donegal progreessed to provincial finals.

On to the Minors and the A's travelled to Brigids expecting a tough encounter and that's exactly what they got with the points being shared on a scoreline of 3-09 to 2-12, the B's went down to Naomh Fionbarra by 1-07 to 1-10, the C's overcame Na Fianna by 3-07 to 1-10 while the D's were left rueing their inability to commvert possession into scoring opportunities and went down to Balinteer by 3-11 to 5-03. The Minor A match v Ballymun on Monday was off but the C's made it two wins from two as they defeated Fingallians by 4-12 to 3-05. Reports from both Minor C games by Cormac O'Farrell below.

Staying with the Minors and commisserations to James Holland, Barra McGarry and Mentor Brian O'Regan as Dublin were beaten by Kildare in the semi final of the Leinster Championship despite a late rally.

Finally, it was good to see the veterans returning to action Friday night against the Junior footballers. Hopefully not too many aches and pains!!!! As always any interested parties are welcome to take part in their upcoming tour of the locality!!! Special Report below. Also a big thanks to Alan Kinsella for his assistance with the club website in the last few weeks.

Ballyboden 1-17 Ballymun 3-13

# As the cliche says, goals win matches, and this was perfectly true on Thursday evening for this match.

In a very open, sporting, end to end game scores were coming every minute or two in the first half. Some great scores were taken by both sides and unfortunately for us, Ballymun managed to include two goals in their tally. One was particularly unfortunate from our point of view in that an attempt for a point by us was blocked down and the ball travelled the length of the pitch to end up in the back of our net. First half scorers for us were Andrew Kerin (4), Ryan Basquel (2), Sam Molony (2), Darragh Nelson and Ciaran Archbold one each. Half time score was 2-8 to 0-10 for Ballymun.

The second half was equally intense but the scores were harder to come by. There was no panic by our team and we fought back, as we usually do when we need to. Half way through the half, the very industrious Shane Clayton was in the right place to finish to the Ballymun net. Game on. Some great tackling, good combined play and excellent scores put us a point up with time running out. But Ballymun were not going to give up and a flowing move brought their player into our square where the took a shot for a goal. Darragh Gogan in goal was alleged to have foot-blocked the Ballymun player and the referee awarded a penalty, which they scored. Now two points down we had to go for goal as time was against us but

Ballymun were not going to make it easy. We did manage a point to put the minimum between the teams but Ballymun responded with the insurance point before the referee blew for full time to leave us with our first defeat in this year's campaign. Second half scorers were Shane Clayton (goal), Ryan Basquel (4), Sam Molony (2) and Andrew Kerin (1). TEAM: Darragh Gogan, Bob Dwan, Robbie McDaid, Shane Clayton, Stephen O'Connor, Graham Heavey, Tom Hanafin. Darragh Nelson, Seamus Keane, Collie Dunne, Ryan Basquel, Ciaran Archbold, Collie Basquel, Sam Molony, Andrew Kerin. Subs used: Conor McCormack., Darren O'Reilly, Sean Prendergast, Fergal Purcell.

#### Minor C Na Fianna 1-10 BBSE 3-7 25/6/15, St Vincents School Glasnevin.

It had been a few weeks since the minor Cs had taken to the field so it was an experimental team which took to the field last thirday in Glasnevin. With a little help from the Bs and Ds and the return of some soccer players looking for action in the summer, 'Boden faced Na Fianna's third team. The northside outfit got off to a better start and should have had more to show after 15 minutes that the 3 points they did register. A goal from 'Boden kept them in touch. The half continued with Na Fianna dominating but good sfenf=ding from our back six meant a second goal just before half time kept 'Boden in touch and just 1 point behind at the break.

The second half was a different story as Paddy Munnelly, Conor Barton, Jamie Kavanagh and Eoin Monaghan began to lord the midfield diamond and set up a wave of attacks. This possession was put to good use by the forward line of Luke Bolger, DJ Ennis and 'Man of the Match' Sean O'Gorman who kept the 'Boden scoreline increasing while the backs kept things tight at their end. There were a few late scares toward the end as the ref did his best to make the contest interesting. But stout defending from the likes of Eoin Fetherston and the returning Liam Worthington and sturdy goalkeeping from Karl Green meant 'Boden walked away with two valuable league points.

#### Minor C BBSE 4-12 Fingallians 3-5 29/6/15, Ballycullen.

Following last Thursday's great win against Na Fianna, the Minor C management asked for one thing this week – a good start. Unfortunatly, strainght from the throw-in, Fingallians got a goal!! Undeterred however, the team took a grip of the game and ruled the roost for the whole of the first half. Our backs had a quiet time of it, although the half backs of Jamie Hutchinson, Tommy Deane and Liam Worthington did launch a few attacks The forwards and midfield bombarded Fingallians and kept the men from Swords to the pin of their, well (!) swords! Some great catching and movement of the ball from DJ Ennis was a joy to watch. Daire Lawlor also made a solid contribution to 'Bodens forward play. Regretablly the accuracy was not as it could have been and the 2-8 'Boden had scored by half time was not a reflection of their dominance. The pick of the misses shall remain nameless but you know who you are. Some of the spectators in attendance are still laughing!

The game as a contest was really over ten minutes into the second half with an Eoghan Monaghan goal killing off any come back from Fingallians. They did put a few scores on the board as some of the 'Boden spine were called ashore early due to injury. This was another good win for the Cs, two on the trot, and good preparation for the Champo

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#### A Legend is born.

Last Friday, June 26th saw history being made as the Ballyboden St Enda's veterans team took to the field for their first ever official outing. Originally, the equivalent team in Templeogue Synge Street were to be the opposition. Synger had to pull out during the week however as their midfielder's granddaughter was getting married or something. It was the Junior Bs who offered the opposition instead.

Due to the advanced years of the Veterans team, there were some rule modifications. It would be 12 a side on the Camogie pitch with 20 minutes a half being the suggested time frame. The gum shield rule was dispensed with as most of the veterans had dispensed with their original teeth many years ago.

The game was played at a surprisingly good pace with plenty of football on display. The full back line of O'Farrell (D), Bates and Molloy, with a combined age just short of a 3 dart maximum, kept things solid. Further along up the field, Paddy 'when are we playing Wanderers?' Greville (aka Scutzy) along with Don 'Meath should do it on Sunday' Carolan and Andy 'Tis Mayo's year' Gardiner were very energetic around the middle. Masterson and O'Dwyer kept the ball in good supply to the full forward line of Murphy and O'Farrell (C). Scores were plentiful from the boots of McAllister and Callan who showed you never really loose it!

The second half saw organiser in chief Eoin 'Barreller' Dunne leave the safety of the goals to contribute, well, pretty much everywhere. He was replaced by 'very relieved' Stafford between the sticks

No-one actually kept score apart from the inimitable Scutzy who put the score at 1 something to 1 something, his favourite scoreline we're told! Yet there were a few dissenting voices from the Juniors when the Veterans claimed victory. They say many a sweet tune is played on an old fiddle. This inaugural performance from the 'Boden Legends was just like Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto being played on a Stradivarius.

Upcoming fixtures.

See the website for full details.

#### **Hurling News - Good Luck to the Dublin Minors**

#### Results from midweek and weekend games last week

- AHL 1 BBSE 0 10 St. Brigid's 1 09
- AHL 1 BBSE 0 07 St. Vincent's 1 20
- AHL 3 BBSE (A) 2 13 Na Fianna 0 10
- AHL 3 BBSE (B) 2 15 St. Kevin's 2 13
- AHL 3 BBSE (B) 1 11 Setanta 2 25
- AHL 4 BBSE 1 07 Clontarf 1 13
- AHL 4 BBSE 2 14 Lucan Sarsfields 2 11

#### Coming Up

- Wednesday, July 1st Minor A V Kilmacud Crokes in Silverpark at 7.30pm
- Wednesday, July 1st Minor B V Na Fianna in Ballycullen at 7.30pm
- Sunday, July 5th Minor A V Na Fianna in PUM at 11.00am
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Good luck to the Dublin Minor hurling team who play Kilkenny in the Leinster Final in Croke Park on Sunday next. The game starts at 2pm. Aidan Mellett and Cillian Byrne are members of the squad.

Senior A Hurlers v St. Bridgid's on Saturday 27th June in Páirc Ui Mhurchu

Boden's Senior A Hurlers took on St. St Bridgid's on Saturday evening at Pairc Ui Mhurcu, in the AHL 1. The Boden players looked eager to get stuck into this game, as they took the field. However it was Bridgids who got the dream start with a very well taken goal in the third minute. Boden responded quickly with points from James Roche (free) and Doc O'Connor. Another point for Bridgets was matched by a fine effort from David Curtin. Boden then went through a period of striking some bad wides, from long range., with a slightly curling breeze behind them, while at the same time Bridgets picked off a further

three points, leaving the score at 1.4 to 0.3. However when the Boden full forward line began to get a better supply of ball, they showed that they had the beating of their markers. The result was three points in quick succession by James Roche (free) Doc O'Connor & Finnian McDonagh, to leave Boden just a point behind. However with half-time looming Brigids regained the momentum & picked off three more points, the last from a 65, to leave them 4 points ahead at the break on a of score at 1 07 to 0 06.

The second half was a totally different game, with Boden getting down to business very quickly and putting two poins on the board within a few minutes courtesy of James Roche the second from a free. Then the two corner forwards Doc O'Connor & Finnian

McDonagh really cam into the game. First Doc rattled of two great points, either side of a point from Brigids, which was to be Brigids only score from play in the second half. Then Finnian from one of his many high catches, put over his second point to leave the game tied up at 0.11 to 1.8. Ten minutes into the second half, the hard working Conor McCormack put boden a point in front for the first time in the game. However from there on it was Boden who were completely in control. The points flowed from James Roche(2), Finnian McDonagh (2), and one each from Doc O'Connor, David Curtin & Collie O'Neill. Brigid's second score of the second half was a point from a 65 in the 23rd minute. The Final Score was Boden 0 19 to Brigids 1 09

This was a fine performance by the Boden team, particularly in the second half, when they out-scored the opposition by 13 points to 2.

The Team was: Keith Robinson, Kenny Wigglesworth, Michael Clifford, Paddy Ryan, Ronan Cleary, Dean Curran, Stephen O'Connor, Finn McGarry, Collie O'Neill, James Roche, Conor McCormack, David Curtin, Finnian McDonagh, Brendan Treacy, David O'Connor.

#### AHL 3 V Na Fianna - Thursday

Boden started well and Collie O'Neill had a point on the board within thirty seconds and added a second two minutes later, while in between Na Fianna opened their account with a point. On the 8th minute young Arron Coffey registered his first point. Boden were well in command and over the next 15 minutes, while Na Fianna only scored one additional point, Boden continued to pick off points, with two more from Collie O'Neill and one each from Arron Coffey, Naoise Maguire and Donal Butler. Just when Na Fianna managed a good passage of play & finish with a good point, it was immediately wiped out, as Arron Coffey rattled the net at the other end. Na Fianna responded with two points, including one from a free. Indeed if Na Fianna free taking had been better, they could have registered at least three more points by then. Boden finished the half with a great point from Ronan Cleary, to leave the score at 1.9 for Boden to Na Fianna's 0.6.

The second half started in a similar pattern to the first half, with Collie O'Neill again picking off a point almost from the throw in. The teams then traded points with the Boden score coming from Arron Coffey. There were a number of stoppages in this half which affected the game & resulted in scoreless passages of play. Na Fianna scored 4 points in the second half, with only one coming from play. Boden killed off the game in the 17th minute when Austin Lynch burst through for a goal. It was only just reward for Austin who was unlucky not to have registered another two from other attempts. James Roche and Austin added another point each to leave the final score at 2.13 to 0.10.

This was a very good win for Boden and put the defeat by Sylvesters well and truly behind them. The performances the two young players, Aaron Coffey and Sean McDonnell were really impressive. One word of caution, against different opposition the number of frees conceded could prove very costly.

The Team was; Keith Robinson, Darragh O'Gorman, Paddy Ryan, Malachy Travers, Naoise Maguire, Donal Butler, Keith McCarron, Ronan Cleary, Collie O'Neill, Sean McDonnell,

#### **U16 Division 1 Football League**

#### Erin's Isle 1-7 Ballyboden St Enda's 2-18

With the Championship safely tucked away, the Boden boys headed Northside last Monday week to take on Erin's Isle in a resumption of the league campaign following the exam break. On a beautiful sunny evening a large crowd looked on as Boden led from start to finish to run out comfortable winners against an Erin's Isle side that has found competing in Division 1 a different proposition to last year in Division 2.

Boden opened the scoring with a succession of points and mid-way through the first half scored the first goal of the game when Rob Donohoe finished in the back of the net following a great pass from Ross McGarry. At half-time the Boden boys led by 1-11 to 1-3.

The second half saw a resumption of fine scoring from the Boden lads with Ross McGarry, Sam Lally and Rob Donohoe all adding additional points. The highlight of the second half was a well worked team move that resulted in a Shane Kennedy goal following a fine pass from Ben Kelly.

Boden added more scores to run out winners by 14 points.

With the first round of games league now finished, Boden lie in third place with the top two qualifying for the league final leaving plenty to look forward to as the second round of games commence.

Squad: Mark McNamee, Ryan Bradshaw, Karl Reddy, Shane Bobbett, Ruairí Hester, Sam Lally (0-1), Jack Kelly, Ronan Wallace, Ross McGarry (0-8), James Madden (0-1), Rob Donohue (1-4), Luke Bolger, Daniel O'Riordan (0-3), Ross McCormack, Ben Kelly, Jamie Dooney, Shane Kennedy (1-0), Eoghan McGarvey.

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

# 'Finals Friday' - U10 Mini All Ireland Hurling Reaches its Climax

https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.10152991147582205.1073742036.30087455220 4&type=3A 'Parade of Hurlers' led by a piper in full regalia, Amhran na bhFiann, a full colour 'Clar Oifigiul', and some very colourful 'Cul Heroes' from the GAA trading card company, followed by 3 close matches of blistering hurling; this was the fare on offer at a balmy Pairc Ui Mhurchu as the U10 Boys Mini All Ireland Hurling competition reached its climax on last Friday evening.

The brainchild of Mick Spain, this Mini All Ireland competition has seen the 6 Boden U10 teams face off in a series of hotly contested games which replaced regular training on Friday evenings in St Enda's Park.

Now, on 'Finals Friday', the Lory Meagher, the Christy Ring and of course the Liam McCarthy trophies were all in the balance as Ken Keary's 'Banner' faced Chris Judge's

'Kingdom', Diarmuid Fitzgerald's 'Royals' met Cor Malone's 'Rebels', and Julie Kelleher's 'Jacks' came face to face with Mick Spain's 'Cats'.

From the throw in, none of the large crowd of parents and supporters present were left in any doubt of how seriously the boys were taking this competition, as the commitment and skill displayed throughout the series were all summoned for one final push for the trophies. This was full blooded stuff as the boys battled for the spoils.

Afterwards, the boys were joined by Boden and Dublin U21 and senior hurlers Conor McCormack, Collie O'Neill and James Madden for presentations and crisps and a drink, while the Cul Heroes photo box provided much enjoyment for players and siblings.

Many thanks to Conor, James and Collie for coming along and lending support, and to Cul Heroes who brought great colour and novelty to the event.

Most of all, well done to all the hurlers who provided such great competition throughout the year.

Well done boys, your coaches are very impressed.

Remember: pick up the hurl every day during your holidays, and we'll see you all again in August.

Many thanks to Dave Rusk for the great photos. For more photos click HERE













# Ballyboden U14 Feile Girls win Monaghan Regional Feile 2015

Congratulations to our U14 Ladies on their Division One, Regional Feile Win in Monaghan on Saturday.

The girls saw off St Mary's of Kildare, Carrickmore of Tyrone and The Downs of Westmeath to emerge unbeaten from their group stage. Only 1 team from each group progressed to the Final.

They faced Lucan Sarsfields in the all Dublin final and prevailed with a scoreline of 3-09 to 2-03.

Well done girls, a super achievement.

Many thanks to the mentors for preparing the girls so well and to the many parents and supporters who travelled on the day.







## Ballyboden welcomes some unusual visitors!

There was a treat in store for our U10 Hurlers on Friday night when Cúl Heroes mascots, Finn Macúl & Cúl Cullen paid the boys a visit and joined in the festivities of the U10's Mini All Ireland Hurling Finals. Finn Macúl, who plays Gaelic football and Cúl Cullen, who plays hurling, also brought along their photo booth so the boys were able to get a picture taken and appear on their very own Cúl Heroes card.

Cúl Heroes are the official trading cards for the Gaelic Athletic Association (GAA) and GPA (Gaelic Players Association) They feature favourite footballers and hurlers from all around the country in the collection. The cards aim to promote Gaelic games, Gaa players and the unique skills of our national games. They also have 18 positive messages on the back of the card.s

On the hurling side, our own Shane Durkin and Conal Keaney feature in the collection as does footballer Michael Darragh Macauley.

The cards were launched in Croke Park on 12th May 2015. The collection contains 468 cards and a collection book for storing each player. The cards are available in shops nationwide or on line.

For more photos, click here









# First Outing for Boden's U8 Girls.

The sun was high in the sky on Saturday morning (20th June) from 11.30am onwards as Ballyboden's U8 girls took to the field for their first outing in a football/camogie blitz with Kilmacud Crokes providing the venue in Glenalbyn and the opposition.

Many of our girls have been taking part in extra Tuesday night training sessions at the hockey pitch in Sancta Maria, which also gave them a



chance to meet their counterparts and team mates from other academies for the first time. Perhaps it was this, or perhaps it was the sight of girls wearing another club's jersey, but our girls were certainly on their toes from the start and served up competitive matches throughout, with a great deal of passing and movement which surprised even their coaches. And it gave some of the watching U10s plenty to think about.

Great stuff girls, we can look forward to a bright group of footballers and camogie players from the 2007 girls.

And a big GRMA to Kilmacud Crokes for their spirited opposition and for the drinks and popcorn for the girls afterwards.

For more photos click **HERE** 









**Boden Hosts it's 1st ever Blood Donor Clinic** 



The Irish Blood Transfusion Board's mobile donor clinic arrived in BBSE at around 2.30pm last Thursday 25th June. The equipment, beds and canteen area was assembled and installed in the hall and all was ready for opening at 5.00pm.

The first to walk through the door was Coach Brian O'Regan, followed by Rocky Ray McKenna, 'The Poet' Brendan Ryan and the genial Ciaran Maguire. The ladies, and there was many (if truth be told, the majority) were led in by the flying Gemma Fay, closely followed by the home baking ladies, who lay on the majestic banquet every Saturday morning in the clubhouse....and on and on they trooped in until the doors shut at 8.30pm.

In total, 107 registered on the night, 85 donations were made of which 45 were donating for the very 1st time.

The IBTS went home with 40 high quality litres of the red stuff! They were delighted with the turnout and wish to thank all donors who turned up on the night.

Ps. As a result of the great success of the initial outing, the IBTS are planning a return visit in Sept/Oct – we'd like to think that we can build on our numbers and maybe hit 100 donations at the next visit?

### **Condolences to Fingal Ravens**



We extend our sympathies to the family of Declan O'Brien, the Fingal Ravens club chairman on learning of his sudden passing. Declan presented Ballyboden St.Endas with a wreath to mark the passing of Eoghan Culligan on behalf of the Fingal Ravens club at the Senior Football match last Saturday.

Ar Dheis Dé go raibh Sé.

**Console Charity Cycle** 



Congratulations to Zara Hynes, Aisling Jordan and Bodens Anne Griffin (Pictured L-R) who took part in the Console East to West Cycle, a distance of 200km from Celbridge to Galway. Aisling and Anne have played against each other several times and they have been teammates on the Dublin side. The theme of the cycle was to highlight the importance of exercise and nutrition and also the benefit of community participation in maintaining a healthy body and mind.

Console do marvellous work. www.console.ie

Boden reaches new heights...



The intrepid Ned Flood takes the Ballyboden jersey to new heights, Sustenhorn at 3503M in the Swiss Alps to be precise. 'It's a hard life' says Ned who is Alpine Mountaineering with the Swiss armed forces.

#### **Ballyboden St. Endas Academy**

Ballybodens Academy finished up last Saturday with all the 3 Academy Venues coming together for lots Fun and Games on Pairc Ui Mhurchu Pitch in the Sunshine!! All the 07 & 08 Boys & Girls enjoyed a great morning of craic with their friends and finished it off with some Drinks & Refreshments for ALL!!

It rounded off an excellent year for the group of Academy players with many coaches remarking on the progression and development of all the boys & girls over the year.

The Academy will begin again for the 2015/2016 season on Saturday September 12th. There will be 2 Academy Registration evenings on Wed Sept 9th & Thurs Sept 10th in the Main Club Hall from 7-9pm on both evenings. Details will be texted out closer to the date and notes will be sent around the local schools.

Parents are free to register their child on either of these evenings.

The Club would like to thank all the parents/guardians for their excellent support during the year and for the continued encouragement of their child's sporting development

Very special thanks goes to the many Academy Coaches who volunteer their time to plan, organise, & co-ordinate the academy and to run the many activities every Sat morning. Without their contribution the Academy would not exist.

We look forward to seeing you all in Sept and remember to KEEP UP THE PRACTICE!!





**Summer Camp 2015** 



The Biggest and Best Summer Camp in the country begins again in Ballyboden this July. Ballyboden St. Endas Summer Camp continues to be not only the largest summer camp around but also the most enjoyable!! Providing GAA and many other sporting activities for Boys & Girls aged 5-12, it is a camp which puts Fun & Enjoyment as its number one rule! Kids get to keep up their practice, get to meet their friends, make new friends, go on Day trips & get lots of Freebies all in a Safe and Enjoyable Environment!!

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