

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



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Football News - S.F.C Final Sun Nov 1st



Huge congratulations go to our Seniors & Minors who both reached their c/ship finals over the weekend. First up in O'Toole park both Boden & Na Fianna served up end to end football in a pulsating semi-final encounter. Boden outscored their opponents in both halves but we saw hugely contrasting scores on the board. Boden won the first half by 2 10 to 3 3 and the second half by a score of only 3 to 1. They now go on to face Ballymun in the final. A great effort by everyone and hopefully we can now push on.

And so over to Parnell Park for a subdued encounter against Clontarf. We had to dig deep and overcome our gallant opponents by 2 points. Our objective at the start the start of day was to get to the final and thankfully we achieved this. So all roads once again next weekend will be to Parnell Park to take on St. Vincent's. It promises to be a mouth watering clash.

Lets hear the Boden roar!!!

See report by Paddy Walsh below.

Elsewhere the Minor B's bowed out of the Championship at the quarter final stage losing to Skerries Harps by 0-12 to 1-07. Well done to all the players and management on a good run. Report by Brian Weldon below.

The same fate befelled our Minor C's as they went out to T.S.S in the quarter finals too by 3-09 to 2-05. Again well done to all on a good year.

Senior football championship semi-final Ballyboden St Endas 0 - 12; Clontarf 0 - 10.

Playing badly and winning is better than playing well and losing. Clontarf were well up for this match of the Division 1 team versus the Division 2 team.

The early exchanges suggested that things were going according to plan for us. Ryan Basquel, after 2 minutes, popped over a point followed by a point from a free by Andrew Kerin a minute later. Clontarf got a point back and then Kerinsey popped over two more frees. Things were looking up and we seemed to be on our way. However, Clontarf had different ideas and they scored 3 points without reply to bring the sides level at 4 points each after 18 minutes. In the 25 and 26 minutes Clontarf added two more points and things were looking a bit shaky. Another Kerinsey free brought us back to one behind and then Michael Darragh Macauley got himself sent off for a black card which had followed an earlier yellow. So, down to 14 players with a couple of minutes to go to half time, our backs were now up against the wall. So where do we turn to for inspiration? In injury time up pops Stephen Hiney from full back to knock over a point to bring us level at 6 points each at half time. The second half started with Jack McCaffrey of Clontarf knocking over a point after 3 minutes. An equalising point was then scored by Stepnen O'Connor to keep our spirits high. Two points by Clontarf in the 10th and 11th minutes suggested that we might be in trouble. However, Sean Gibbons scored a great point which was followed by another pointed free by Andrew Kerin to bring matters level once again. On 20 minutes a Clontarf sub knocked over another point to put them in the driving seat again. Another excellent point by Kerinsey brought matters level once again and we were still in contention. Clontarf were looking as if they were trying to run down the clock and a wayward pass was intercepted by Ryan Basquel which led to another free which Kerinsey duly converted. The strength of our bench was shown a few minutes later when Sam Molony (who had replaced Collie Basquel after 15 minutes of the 2nd half) gave a great pass into space to Dotsy O'Callaghan (who had replaced Sean Gibbons 20 minutes into the 2nd half) and Dotsy, showing all his experience and skill, fisted the ball over the bar to put us two points ahead with normal time over. It was then time for us to try to run down the clock and we did so with a few hick-hups but held out for a very valuable win.

We won, and who cares how we did so, and we now face St Vincents in the final next Sunday. Who would bet against us???

TEAM: Conor Dooley; Bob Dwan; Stephen Hiney; Shane Clayton; Stephen O'Connor; Darragh Nelson; Darren O'Reilly; Michael Darragh Macauley; Declan O'Mahoney; Daniel Davey; Ryan Basquel; Sean Gibbons; Collie Basquel; Conal Keaney; Andrew Kerin. SUBS used: Donagh McCabe for Daniel Davey at half time; Sam Molony for Collie Basquel; Dotsy

O'Callaghan for Sean Gibbons; Robbie McDaid for Bob Dwan (injured) 25 minutes in 2nd half.

Minor 'C' Championship Q/F: BBSE 1-07, Skerries Harps 0-12

A beautiful day in PUM was unfortunately not matched by the performance that this team are capable of and Boden made an early exit from the Championship. We started slowly, looked nervous, created and squandered scoring opportunities, didn't get into the game and went in five points down at half-time. HT BBSE 0-02, Skerries Harps 0-07.

The second half showed a change in attitude where Boden managed to get on top. A goal early in the second half by Ross McGrath gave hope. However that fluency and accuracy that this side were known for was not there and although we were the better side, could not manage to bring the score line back any closer than two points. It was just one of those days with only two players getting all the scores after 50 mins; normally seven to eight players would contribute to tally.

These are a great bunch of lads with great skill and ability, deserved and were well worth more; but that's football! They put in a huge effort and were a pleasure to work with during the year.

The first year minor's will have another chance next year and we wish the second year's the best of luck in the future as they head into adult football.

Team: Stephen McGrath, Barry O'Donnell, Robbie O'Connell, Charlie McPartland, Tommy Burke, Luke Corcoran, Keith Sweeney, Conor Barton, Mark McGee, Cian Lynch, Karl Weldon (0-3), David Leach, Laurence Murphy, Ross McGrath (1-3), John Murphy, Eoin Cashman (0-1), Gavin Morrell, Rory Knight, Aaron Coffey, Shane Bobett

'95 Veterans Draw With Aging Crocks in a Unique Boden 50th Celebration

by Mick Maher

Veterans of Ballybodens 1995 championship winning team took to the field again in Pairc Ui Murchu last Saturday in a unique celebratory challenge match. The occasion was the 50th birthday celebrations of John 'Chippy' Kiernan, a member of that '95 team.

Chippy, who has lived in America for ages now, somewhere out around the boonies in Cleveland, was home to celebrate his 50th birthday.

Brendan 'Younger' Young (also known as Dorian Gray, but more about that later), Chippy's brother in law and Ben (Benjy) Molloy, both also members of the '95 team proposed a challenge match between veterans of '95 and any other Aging Crocks (aged footballers!) in the club who could find a pair of boots and, more importantly, a pair of shorts to fit them!

Not surprisingly, there was an enthusiastic response to the idea and twenty eight players arrived at the club on Saturday to take part. Two teams were selected by Younger, who, despite being nearly fifty himself, still looks about twenty five. He has insisted however, that he doesn't have a painting of a very old man in his attic, but most of the lads aren't sure!

The two teams took to the hallowed club turf shortly after 5pm to warm up, and then took a 5 minute break to recover before the ball was thrown in to start the game by referee Mick Maher. The game started at a frantic pace and the ball travelled from end to end at least once in the first five minutes!

The quality of passing and calling was excellent and reminiscent of old times. It was clear that despite being older, (wiser? ehhh!), rounder, softer and slower, most of the lads playing had lost none of the skills they demonstrated for years while playing in the Boden colours.

Neither had some of them lost any of the aggressive skills they displayed back in their youth. Colm, not Colin! 'Readeser' Reade, who was playing for The Aging Crocks, made several attempts to take out members of the opposition early on. Some attempts were really clumsy, but as he warmed up, some of them were great to watch even though they weren't successful! Eventually, he calmed down after the referee, Mick Maher, had a word with him. Also playing for The Aging Crocks, Richie 'Superb' Connell, a man of silken skills and football vision, had also uncharacteristically decided to throw his weight around and tried to do damage with late tackles on Phelim McCabe and Benjy Molloy of The '95's. However, Benjy had the last word and fouled Richie in rugbyesque fashion by shoving his hands into Richies face as he tried to get past him.

The referee, Mick Maher, awarded the free kick and warned Benjy he'd be going to the line if he continued with that filth!

Richie was outraged and insisted he'd been punched in the face!

The referee, Mick Maher, told him to calm down, that it was more of a slap in the face rather than a punch, to which Richie retorted; "Well Mick, it was a Significant Slap!!"

Despite these early potential dust up's, the game moved along at a cracking pace, so fast at times that it looked like treacle running off a spoon!

The Aging Crocks put together some great moves and should have scored seven or eight points in the first half, but, the full forward line of Finbar 'Never Stops Moanin' Kiely and Paddy 'Wacker' Healy kept going for goals instead of tapping them over.

The combined defence of Ger 'The Haircut' Flah, Younger (who was taking the game REALLY SERIOUSLY!), Phelim, Benjy, Brian 'Staffy' Stafford,

Cormac 'COF' O'Farrell, Pat 'The Whippet' Keane, Marty 'Maso' Masterson and Paddy 'Scutsy' Greville (with the help of his 'Superman briefs!'), managed to keep them from scoring.

The Aging Crocks eventually registered on the scoreboard when Vinny 'Still Really Handsome in his Thirties' Moran, showed that he still has a phenomenal left peg when he slotted over two lovely long range points.

At the other end, Johnny 'Mac' McAlister finished off some lovely '95's moves with points that showed that, despite the passage of time, his skills are still as smooth as fish – sorry, silk! As half time approached, at least half the players approached the referee, Mick Maher to find out how long was left! He reported afterwards that it was hard to understand what they were saying as most of them were gasping for air and some were on their knees!

The score at half time was The '95's 0-04, The Aging Crocks 0-03.

Colm, not Colin! Reade insisted to the referee, Mick Maher, that The Aging Crocks should be leading 0-04 to 0-03 but Mick told him he was wrong!

The second half resumed at the same varying intensity as the first half. The two teams exchanged scores until, finally, Finbar stopped moanin' and finished off a flowing (!) move to the net to leave the score 1-04 to 0-05 to The Aging Crocks early in the half. The '95's dug in and responded with some excellent football and scores by Johnny Mac, Benjy and Liam 'Mutley' Callan pushed them into a 0-09 to 1-04 lead. The Aging Crocks responded again and scores by 'Significant Slap' Connell and Ciaran 'Doyler' Doyle brought the scores all square again at 0-09 to 1-06. It has to be said that, like Colm, not Colin! Reade, Doyler gave the referee Mick Maher a hard time early in the game by constantly screaming that he and his team mates were being

fouled and continuously looking for frees. However, he quieted down and got on with it when Mick explained the rules to him and, subsequently, he had a great game!

With less than ten minutes to go, many players were beginning to tire (!). Others were on their knee's gasping and giving the impression they had found religion, while others still were retching violently and glad they hadn't eaten before the match!

However, some of the lads playing seemed to have defied time and were fit and motoring beyond their years.

Mick McDonald, Don Carolan, Eoin 'Barreller' Dunne, Ian 'Clarkey' Clarke, Mark 'Mousy/or/Mugsy' McGahran, Johnny 'Still Incredibly Tanned' Phillips, Younger, The Whippet, even Benjy and the perennially fit Chippy covered huge amounts of ground throughout the game.

During this period The '95's surged clear with a fine score from Chippy following a move the length of the field, and further points from Mutley, Mousy/or/Mugsy and Mac. They could have surged even further ahead but a tremendous save by Aidan 'Aido' Hoare in the Aging Crocks goal prevented a certain '95's winner.

With 3 minutes to go, The '95's were in a seemingly unassailable lead, 0-13 to 1-06. Benjy Molloy was screaming at his team mates to 'form a ring of steel!' (or it might have been a wall of steel!) and to make sure the '95's didn't concede any goals! Sadly for Benjy, his ring didn't work!

An Aging Crocks move went the length of the field and Moanin' Finbar had a chance to bury it! His poor, tired shot was excellently blocked by Phelim but the rebound fell straight to Wacker who made no mistake and finished it to the net from close in.

With just a point now in it, it was end to end stuff for the last 6 minutes!

Johnny Mac could have sealed the game for The '95's immediately after The Aging Crocks second goal but his shot hit the upright. From the rebound the Crocks went the length of the field and should have equalised but lost possession in front of goal.

Again, The '95's went down the field to try and seal it but stout defence from Ciaran O'Farrell, Martin O'Donnell and Fergus 'Fags' McCabe kept them out again. Players (well, Younger mostly!) were screaming that time was up but The Aging Crocks

came up the field one last time and Doyler (or was it Readeser?) fired over the equaliser to the delight of the capacity crowd of 40 spectators! (Most of these were wives or girlfriends specially trained in CPR for the day)!

In the remaining minutes (!) both teams had one opportunity each to win it but both attacks broke down.

Finally, the referee Mick Maher blew the full time whistle and this excellent game ended with the spoils divided.

Final score; The '95's 0-13, The Aging Crocks 2-07.

Postscript 1;

Today's referee was Mick Maher who has played and coached with Boden for many years. His role as referee in Saturdays match was a new venture in his long career and it has to be said he did a tremendous job controlling such a fast paced game!

Following recent hip surgery, he demonstrated the mobility of an Olympic athlete as he constantly strolled between the two 45 metre lines and kept up with the game! He allowed the game to flow and only used the whistle when absolutely necessary! His main

reason for this approach was concern that the players on the field would seize up if they stopped!

There is no truth in the rumour that a large divot had to be filled in at midfield because he never moved from that spot! (That rumour was put about by everyone!)

There is also no truth in the rumour that he favoured The Aging Crocks and played excessive time to allow them to equalise! (That rumour was put about by Finbar!!!)

Finally, it's also a rumour that he refereed the game using a 1995 version of the rule book and wasn't sure how to use the whistle! (That rumour was put about by Doyler!)

Postscript 2; - The Important One

Saturdays game was a celebration of Chippy's 50th birthday. As friends of his, it was great to see him home for this occasion.

He is a Championship winner at home with Boden, in Boston with the Shannon Blues where we played together and, most recently with Cleveland in the North American Championship. While most of us only dream of continuing to play football, Chippy continues to do so at age 50! – it's a tremendous feat!

It was especially great to see how many players turned out to play in this game, acknowledging his birthday and acknowledging him.

It's a testament to the friendship, camaraderie and fraternity that exists between us all in Boden.

Following the match, his 'birthday party' was celebrated in the club. Everyone had a blast and stayed 'til very early! I would like to wish Chippy a very Happy Birthday and to thank him for coming home to celebrate it. I wouldn't be surprised if he's still playing football in ten years at age 60, but if he comes home for that birthday, I can't guarantee that we'll be able to cobble a team of Crocks together to play a game!!:-)

Finally, the weekend was complete when our Senior footballers beat Clontarf to advance to the final of the Championship once again. Hopefully, 20 years after winning our first, we can win our third Senior Championship title!

Come On Boden!!





For full album click here

Camogie News - Senior B V Tullaroan



Tullaroan too strong for Senior B Camogie

After a magnificent win in the Dublin Championship the previous week, the Senior B camogie team knew that they would be up against it when faced with a trip to play Kilkenny Intermediate champions Tullaroan on Sunday last. A fine Boden crowd added to the large home contingent.

It would have been a difficult assignment with a full strength team, but we were without four players from last week's panel who were abroad & Sarah Lambert's back injury hadn't cleared up so she joined Aoife O' Leary on the injury list.

A good start was essential, and throughout the first half the Boden girls gave as much as they got. The Tullaroan side was an experienced one, and they started well. However Orla Tevlin forced a goal from close range to give the Boden girls a lift. This was quickly followed by a fine individual score by Claire Kirwan, who always looked dangerous. Tullaroan began to get on top, but a fine point by Leanne Barrett before half-time left just a point between the sides. The defence had stood firm throughout the half, well marshalled by goalkeeper Emer & full back Grace Walsh, and particular mention to Fiona Masterson who played very well despite having a severe chest infection.

The wind got up early in the second half, and Tullaroan took advantage of it. They proceeded to pick off some nice points and build up a significant lead. Emer O' Leary got a nice point for Boden, but a couple of late goals gave the score-line a flattering look.

The work ethic from the Boden girls was never in question, and every girl gave their all right up to the final whistle. They wished Tullaroan well in the Leinster final and can look back with pride on their recent performances.

Bearing in mind that 11 of these girls are 18yrs of age or under, we hope to be involved in many battles for silverware in the coming years. These girls now look forward to the commencement of the Minor championship in the coming weeks.

Many thanks to everybody for their support on Sunday and indeed throughout the Championship campaign.

Team: Emer O' Leary, Aoife O' Neill, Grace Walsh, Fiona Masterson, Rebeka Kamver, Aoife Tobin, Grainne Corcoran, Laura Burns, Aoife O' Brien, Leanne Barrett, Aisling O' Leary, Danielle White, Orla Tevlin, Claire Kirwan, Eimear Butler, Ciara O' Neill, Eve O' Donoghue, Aine O' Brien

U13 Camogie girls enjoy trip to Kiltegan

Kiltegan GAA, Wicklow V Ballyboden St. Endas U13, Sat Oct 17th 2015

U13 Camogie had an end of season road trip on Sat Oct 17th to play Wicklow runners up, Kiltegan Gaa Club. We had a lovely day in a village setting and while the girls were all on time, our bus let us down and we were a little rushed in our warm-up.

After a slow start which saw the home team get an opening goal, we settled well into our stride and had a spell of dominance after about 15 minutes which won us the game. There were a lot of fine long balls being delivered into the forwards by the O'Shea twins and a blitz of goals before half time saw us leading 4.0 to 1.0 at half time.

The second half was a lot more even, and we had good defensive work from Zoe, Ciara, Rebecca and Caragh to keep them from scoring. In the end our superior strength saw Boden gain the win with fine scores from Kiara, Aisling and Sarah White who had her best ever game for us.

After the game our friendly hosts arranged a reception in the village community centre for us before we headed to bowling on the way home.

Our injured players Sarah Reynolds, Niamh Ryan and Éabha Kelly all featured on the winning bowling team and celebrated with ice cream etc at McDonalds on the way back.

Final score – Ballyboden St. Endas 7-1, Kiltegan 1-2 Aisling Murray 3-0 Sarah White 2-0 Ciara Doyle 1-0 Kate Howard-Lehane 1-0 Kiara Cunningham 0-1

Hurling News - Results

Results

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AHL 4 – BBSE 2 09 Clontarf 0 14

U15 Footballers in Football D Championship



Wishing our U15C Footballers the Very Best of Luck when they face Trinity Gaels in the Championship Final at 10.30pm next Sunday, 1st November in Blakestown Road.

As the last team standing in the U15 Football Championship, it would be great to see as many supporters as possible cheering on the lads.

Boden Abu

For directions to Blakestown Road, see here

FIXTURE INFORMATION



U15 Football

DATE VENUE TIME

01 Nov Blakestown Rd 10:30

TRINITY GAELS

VS

BALLYBODEN ST ENDAS C

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COMMENT

Final



On Saturday last, our U11 boys hosted their Feile Peil in PUM and Cherryfield. We had visitors from St.Loman's Mullingar, St.Mary's Leixlip, St. Colmcille's Laytown and Bettystown, Celbridge, St.Pat's Donabate and Templeogue Synge St.

With each club bringing two teams and Boden entering four teams, all teams were divided into Knocklyon and Rathfarnham Tournaments.

In the Knocklyon Tournament, BBSE 1 were drawn in a group with Templeogue, St Mary's and St Loman's.

They finished runners up to St Mary's with wins against Templeogue and St Loman's and a narrow defeat to St Mary's thus qualifying for the Cup Semi Final.

BBSE 2 were drawn in a group with Celbridge, St Colmcille's and St Pat's and finished with a win against Celbridge, a draw with St Colmcille's and a defeat to St Pat's and also qualified for the Cup Semi Final.

In the semi finals BBSE 2 defeated St Mary's and in the other semi final St Colmcille's came from behind to defeat BBSE 1 by 2 points.

In the final which produced some brilliant passages of football St Colmcilles eventually got the better of BBSE 2 on a scoreline of 1-8 to 3-1.

In the Rathfarnham Tournament, which took place over in Cherryfield, BBSE 1 were defeated narrowly in their three group games but qualified for the Shield semi final. BBSE 2 defeated Celbridge but unfortunately were then defeated narrowly by St Colmcille's and St Pat's and qualified for the Shield semi final where they faced a derby game against BBSE 1. This game ebbed and flowed and the lead changed hands regularly but BBSE 1 with two late goals defeated their good friends BBSE 2.

In their Shield final against St Pat's, even though they played an attacking style of football and were feeling the effects of their semi final win, they just came up short on a scoreline of 2-1 to 1-2.

After 36 games of football, which were run like clockwork, all the players retired to the clubhouse where another surprise awaited them....our 2013 GPA player of the year Michael Darragh Macauley aided by U11 player Conor Murphy, who is recovering from a broken leg, presented the winners and runners up with their trophies.

A big thanks to all the parents who helped with tea's and sandwiches and preparing the four pitches and of course tidying up afterwards and to our four juvenile referees who did an excellent job throughout the day.

We would also like to thank Michael Darragh for taking time out of his busy schedule for all the autographs he signed and all the photographs he posed for with our visitors.

Many thanks to Barry Murray for the great photos. For more photos, see **here**











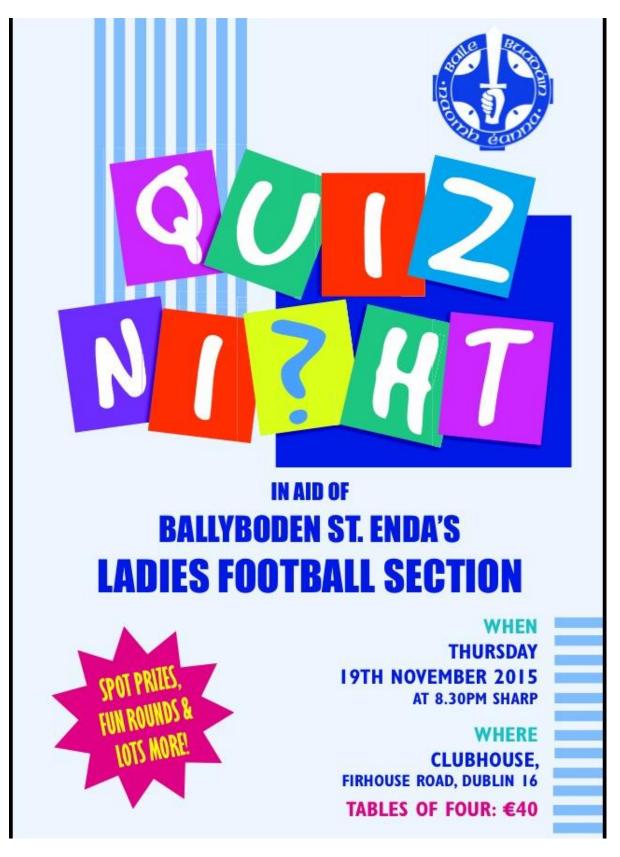


Under 15B Hurlers outing to Zipit.



Some pictures of the boys up in the trees and on terra firma today. A great day was had by all. For more photos click **here**

Ladies Football - Date of your Diary!!



The Ladies Football Section are holding a Quiz Night on Thursday 19th November at 8.30pm sharp in the Clubhouse.

There will be Spot Prizes galore, fun rounds and lots more.

Tables of Four: €40

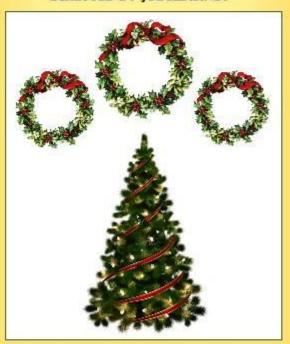
So come along on the night for what promises to be a great evening.

Boden Theatre - My Three Angels

THE BODEN THEATRE GROUP PRESENTS

MY THREE ANGELS

WRITTEN BY BELLA & SAM SPEWACK
DIRECTED BY JOE KEARNEY



BALLYBODEN ST. ENDA'S GAA CLUB @8P.M.

NOVEMBER 25TH/ 26TH/ 27TH/ 28TH 2015

TICKETS: €12/ €8 CONCESSION

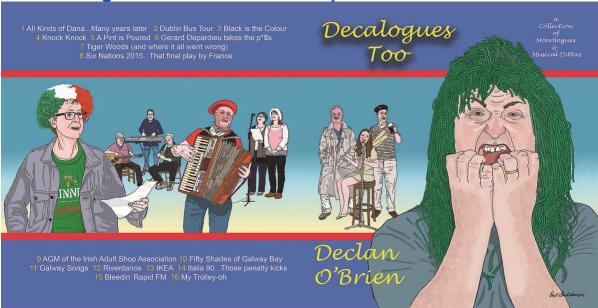
FOR TICKET RESERVATIONS & ENQUIRIES CONTACT:

GER: 086 8516387 CAROL: 086 4070015

THIS AMATEUR PRODUCTION OF "MY THREE ANGELS" IS PRESENTED BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH SAMUEL FRENCH LTD

The Boden Theatre Group are busy rehearsing for their Winter production called "My Three Angels". The play will take place over 4 nights from Wednesday 25th November to Saturday 28th November 2015 @ 8p.m. nightly. For Ticket Reservations & Enquiries Contact: Ger: 086 8516387 or Carol: 086 4070015.

The 'Decalogues Too' Fri 30th Oct 9.30pm



Come on down to the Club on Friday 30th October @ 9.30pm for a night of laughs, music and fun with our very own writer, actor, comedian and compere...the inimitable Declan O'Brien. It's in the bar and there is NO cover charge.

Gala Night - Sat 14th November



Cardac Screening Day - 5th December



PREVENTION OF S.A.D.S: Sudden Adult (Arrhythmia) Death Syndrome

SADS accounted for almost 200 deaths in Ireland last year. The Euopean Society of Cardiology and the International Olympic Committee recommend **CARDIAC SCREENING** for young persons particularly for those taking part in competitive sports. Healthcare Screening Ireland are running a Cardiac Screening day in Ballyboden GAA Club on Saturday 5th December. Its open to all Ballyboden Members over the age of 16 and the cost is 50 euros.

Please log on to the attached link to book a place and pay the fee if you wish to get this done - click here

Friday night cards - APPEAL

Don't Let It Be The End of an Era

The Game of "25"in Bodens!

"25" card playing on Friday nights has been a tradition in the club for over 40 years.

Sadly for the last number of years support from members of the club has been lacking, despite many promises of commitment. The Autumn session was due to start on Friday 25th Sept, however due to clashing with Championship matches and some misunderstanding, Card playing only resumed last Friday with a rather small turn out.

After a few false starts, it is crucial that there is a good turn out next Friday, otherwise it may very well be the end of a long tradition.

Liam Cannon & Liam O'Connor are the organisers of the cards at present. So this is an appeal to club members to come along and show your support to the 2 Liam's.

You may bring your friends & neighbours, if you wish.

Lotto

Draw will take placke on Tues 27th due to the Bank Holiday . For more information please see the <u>website</u>