

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



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Football News - Senior footballers make history



Our Senior Footballers set out yesterday morning to take on the Westmeath county champions in the Semi Final of the Leinster Club c/ship. For some they wanted to erase the memory of 2009 where we fell to Garrycastle on this very ground, for others there was unfinished business but for many this was their first taste of the Leinster Club scene. The team were well prepared and overcame the test with flying colours on a scoreline of 1-11 to 0-9 thanks to a Sam Molony goal and a solid team performance despite the stop-start nature of the game. We would like to thank and congratulate all the team and management for the hard work, commitment and entertainment served not to mention the history created on reaching the Leinster Final. They will now go on to face Portlaoise in 2 weeks time in Tullamore for what promises to be a mouth watering clash.

Many thanks to all those who travelled yesterday and those unable to make it but were there in spirit. The support for the team was fantastic and the Boden 'roar' could be clearly heard. To all the Club, section heads, Noel Sheridan and Tony Wall a special thank you. We hope you'll join us again in two weeks time on December 6th for a massive occasion for the club as we bid to win Leinster... now how would that be for an early Xmas present!

Saturday saw Sam come to Ballyboden and a large turnout from our younger club members were there to ensure there was a great club atmostphere for Jim Gavin, Denis Bastick and our own Michael Darragh McCauley. As Darren Frehill (MC on the night) reminded us, these days should not be taken for granted.

Our under 21 footballers gave a great show on Saturday against St. Finnians of swords in the quarter final of the c/ship and just fell short. Entering the last couple of minutes (on a scoreline of 1-10 a piece), the game hung in the balance with St. Finnians reeling off the last few scores to eventually to come out on top. Well done to everyone.

Two events coming up next week take place on Saturday and Sunday. First up on Saturday morning at 10.30, the TG4 cameras come to Sancta Maria for the 'Score' challenge. 7 players will be asked to take on a known defender and Keeper to test their scoring skills. The aim is to score the most scores. This is an inter club challenge and will be run off over the next few weeks.

Sunday sees out Inter footballers takeon St. Marks in the League playoffs to see who will be promoted to Division 3 football next year. All your support would be welcome for the lads. The game takes place at 11 in St. Marks.

Come on the Boden

Boden overcome St Loman's to reach provincial decider

Ballyboden... 1-11 St Loman's... 0-09 By Shane O'Brien

Ballyboden St Enda's progressed to their first ever Leinster Senior Football final after a deserved five point victory over Westmeath champions St Loman's in Cusack Park on Sunday.

Sam Malony's calmly taken first half goal proved decisive and gave Boden a cushion for most of what was a stop-start encounter.

Four points apiece from Andrew Kerin and Conal Keaney were equally crucial in a game that was dominated by scores from placed balls.

In truth, the game was marred by the performance of whistle-happy referee Fergal Smyth. Smyth gave 51 frees in total and killed the game's momentum, especially in the second half. The Offaly man was particularly strict with regards to over-carrying and shirt pulling, with every minor infraction being penalised. Smyth also prevented numerous attempts at quick frees by overturning his original decision and throwing the ball in instead.

A "bewildered" Ballyboden manager Andy McEntee said that "the game couldn't be described as physical" and that the refereeing display affected both sides equally.

It was Boden who benefited from the referee early on, as they were awarded two frees that were easily dispatched by the ever reliable Kerin to give them the perfect start.

St Loman's replied with a free of their own minutes later, when Westmeath forward John Heslin slotted over.

Molony restored Boden's two point buffer after 10 minutes when he caught a diagonal ball from Colm Basquel and curled over the game's first point from play.

Heslin, however, drew the sides level with two points in quick succession, one from play and one from a soft free.

Heslin then turned provider moments later when he found Ken Casey in space and the Offaly forward made no mistake from 20 metres out, giving the home side the lead for the first time. Boden restored parity almost instantly when Keaney converted an easy free after an apparent push on Sam Molony.

St Loman's midfielder Paul Sharry took advantage of some slack Boden marking to tap over an easy score and restore the Mullingar side's advantage.

Andrew Kerin levelled proceedings once more with a well taken free, before Basquel curled over an excellent score from the resulting kickout to give the Dublin side the lead again.

Then came two crucial moments in the game. Firstly, Boden 'keeper Paul Durcan saved superbly from David Windsor after a great St Loman's move had carved open the usually watertight Boden defence. Within two minutes, Molony had struck for the game's only goal. Ironically, it was a quickly taken free that led to the goal. Michael Darragh Macauley found Keaney, who unselfishly squared to Molony in space. Molony had the presence of mind to set himself before slamming the ball past two defenders.

The goal gave Boden a four point lead when they could easily have found themselves two points behind just moments earlier. But on such fine margins games like this are won and Kerin quickly added to Boden's lead when he gathered a high ball at the second attempt and curled over to make it double scores.

A Heslin free on the stroke of half time, St Loman's first score in 12 minutes, cut Boden's lead to four at the break.

Boden pulled away at the beginning of the second half with three Keaney points (all frees) inside the first four minutes.

Heslin responded with a free of his own moments later, but St Loman's failed to build momentum of any sort in the second half.

A 15 minute lull followed Heslin's point, during which neither team looked remotely like scoring. Heslin ended the lull with another pointed free, but crucially Boden responded in the next passage of play when Macauley fisted over with 10 minutes remaining following a good passing move.

St Loman's never looked like threatening Boden's six point advantage and another Heslin free with 8 minutes remaining was the best they could muster.

Boden's brilliant defensive organisation, coupled with the astonishing 29 frees awarded by referee Smyth in the second half put paid to any sustained period of pressure on the Boden goal and Boden saw out the game comfortably.

St Loman's corner forward Ken Casey was sent off in stoppage time for an off the ball strike to add insult to injury for St Loman's.

Despite the performance of the referee, Boden always looked the stronger side and their defence, Windsor's goal chance aside, shackled the St Loman's forward line. Furthermore, their attack was clinical converting 12 of their 18 scoring chances.

Boden captain Darragh Nelson was "delighted" with the side's display, especially the 10 minutes before and after half time where Boden outscored their opponents 1-6 to two points. The centre back also praised the "perfect reaction" from his team mates following the St Loman's goal chance.

Boden now advance to the Leinster final for the first time in the club's history. A tricky battle with Portlaois awaits them in two weeks time in Tullamore. The Laois side have won a record seven Leinster titles and 32 Laois County titles.

Report by Shane O'Brien and pics by Mark Magahran here.

U21B Championship

Championship game v St. Finians, Swords, Saturday, 21/11/2015 St. Finians 1 – 13 Ballyboden 1 – 10

A great performance by a Ballyboden team ,many of whom had not played together before. Boden conceded a goal early on in the first half and suffered a setback after 15 minutes when midfielder Matt Timmons who had been having a fine game at midfield suffered an arm injury and had to leave the field.

However the team fought back and played some great football, picked of some good points from a range of different scorers and helped by solid defending went in level at half-time on a score line of 0 - 6 to 1 - 3.

An excellent passing move early in the 2nd half ended with inspiring Captain Fionn Maguire side stepping his marker brilliantly to feed Harry Coffey who finished confidently to the net. Boden were looking good at this stage but St. Finians tagged on some excellent points to take the lead again. Boden continued to press forward and substitute David McCabe took a lovely point to bring the sides level. It was looking like extra time but St. Finians continued to press forward to score some fantastic long range points in the final minutes to end up winning by 3

points.

Everyone thought the result went against them. The Boden team deserve a lot of credit in that they played some great football and fought bravely right to the end. Hopefully, these lads will continue to play adult football in the coming years.

Best for Boden were Fionn Maguire, Barry Higgins, Liam Flaherty, Ronan Dooly and Alan McGrath.

Ballyboden Team

Jack Mahon, Fionn Maguire (Capt.), Michael Dunne, Ronan Dooly, Barry Higgins, Charlie McPartland, Matt Timmons, Kevin Cronin, Dara Walsh, Colm Humphries, Eamon O'Gorman, Andy Banville, Harry Coffey, Donal McCarthy. Subs: Liam Flaherty for Matt Timmons (injured) Karl Weldon for Donal McCarthy Rory Knight for Dara Walsh (injured) David Leech for Andy Banville Dave McCabe for David Leech (Stephen McGrath – unused)





Hurling News - Senior B Hurlers Promoted



Boden tough it out in upwardly mobile move

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"Sport does not create character. Sport reveals character"

That stuff we call character was very much in evidence as our Senior B/Division 3 Adult Hurlers took on Barrogs for the League title on the all-weather pitch at Sancta Maria on a bright crisp sunny Sunday morn. The reward after a long season was a spot in Division 2 for the 2016 season.

What the decent sized crowd got was a fiercely competitive contest, packed with fine duels and great interplay. Both sides chose to line out conventionally, an opportunity for the skilful to show their best qualities. The game broke down fairly evenly over the hour, both sides displaying great character, all be it in somewhat different ways. The home side had the better of the exchanges during the middle quarters and moved into a winning position entering the final fifteen. Barrogs showed great determination in the face of a plethora of wides and were very much in the contest right up to James "Shiner" Brennan's final whistle. They just never gave up!

The opening exchanges were loose and it took a fine Barrog goal to get the game settled down. Full forward Dean Flood had the honour of finishing the ball to the Boden net after some quality passing. The shot could have been saved, that is if Boden had two Donal Butlers as goalmen. As it turned out they were lucky to have one. He gave an accomplished performance over the hour and was probably the difference between the sides, all said and done. He even had the vision to pick out Niall Ryan from a puck-out and in some space and what would Niall do with a decent ball? Stick it over the black-spot!

Austin Lynch gave his usual quality display from frees and bagged six over the hour. From play the ubiquitous Mattie Weldon slotted a fine score after ten minutes and within a minute Naoise Maguire had notched one from seventy metres or so. Meanwhile Barrogs were doing their stuff through Brian Dennis and Collie Cleary. Enter Darragh O'Gorman from his quarter and a diagonal ball to John O'Driscoll. He passed onto Ryan and the result was the Boden

score of the hour. Close to the break Brendan Treacy showed some inventiveness and backflicked the ball to Sean McDonnell. The result was a neat strike, the final score of the first half, making it 8 points to 1.5.

Boden came out for the second half and made determined moves towards "close-out". Weldon won the first ball from the throw-in and was fouled. Lynch did the rest. Keith McCarron cleared his line and found Lynch. Another foul followed and "Ozzie" did the business. Meanwhile Barrogs were winning some decent ball, but were just not accurate enough to score. Over the hour they had at least double the Boden wide tally.

Adam Jermyn now came into his own and showed real guile and determination to keep the pressure on the Kilbarrack boys defence with some good clearances. Paul Doherty hit a fine 65 to put Boden two up with a Quarter left. Ryan and Flood cancelled each other out with individual efforts.

McDonnell bagged his second point after Jermyn and Ryan did the donkey work. The final ten minutes of play were dominated by Barrogs, looking for the goal that would tie the contest, but all they could add was a point from Paul Garbutt. All in all it was the Boden boys who showed the composure to grab the spoils, leaving Barrogs and their star man Dean Flood with much to ponder.

The Boden management included three on this year's minor team for this important game, McDonnell, Aaron Coffey and James Holland.

Squad; Donal Butler, Darragh O'Gorman, Jamie Desmond, Eoin Small, Keith McCarron, Naoise Maguire, Adam Jermyn, John O'Driscoll, Mattie Weldon, Dermot Coffey, Brendan Treacy, Austin Lynch, Paul Doherty, Sean McDonnell, Aaron Coffey, Chris Lambert, James Holland, Niall Ryan.



Keith McCarron



Niall Ryan

U21 A S/F BBSE V Kilmacud Crokes Sat Nov 28th



Adult Hurling AGM

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The 2015 Hurling Section AGM will be held in the club hall at 8.30PM on Monday 30th

November.

Any motions or any nominations for positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman or Secretary should be forwarded to bodenhurling@gmail.com or left in post box behind the bar by 9.00PM Thursday evening. welcome to attend.

U10 Hurlers in November Cup Final

Pipped by a point. U10s lose out to hosts in November Cup Final.

After a month of competition, our U10 hurling selection made their way to Dolphin Park for Sunday's finals, kindly moved forward to an earlier 11am slot to accommodate our players travelling to Cusack Park that afternoon.

Pitched against a game Setanta team in the semi, Boden were slow out of the blocks, but soon got into their stride. Strong performances around the pitch were turned in against a Setanta team who were really gunning for it. In the end though, it was Boden who prevailed to qualify against hosts St Kevin's for the final.

Having gone toe to toe against Kevin's in an earlier qualifying round, Boden knew they would be up against it, and so it proved. Right throughout the team the Boden lads put in committed performances, and dominated proceedings having the lion's share of the possession against canny opposition. Alas on the scoreboard it was not to be, as Boden came up short by a single point, despite some superb and committed hurling. Well done and hard luck, but crisps and drinks afterwards went some way to ease the obvious disappointment, and then onwards to Mullingar!

GRMA to Paul and all at St Kevins for inviting our lads a superb tournament, organised over a month, and for the teas and coffees on tap throughout, and to all the lads who lined out for us over the 4 weeks. Well done lads, you did yourselves proud.

Team: Kevin Byrne, James Casey, Niall Clinton, Ryan Culleton, Harry Judge, Sean Keary, Mark Keogh, Gavin Leddy, Scott McAllister, John McSharry, Rian Meaney, Charlie O'Connell, Eliot O'Connell, Oisin Quinn, James Rusk, Daragh Smyth, Zenan Spain, Dylan Timbs.

Many thanks to Dave Rusk for the great photos. For more photos, see **here**











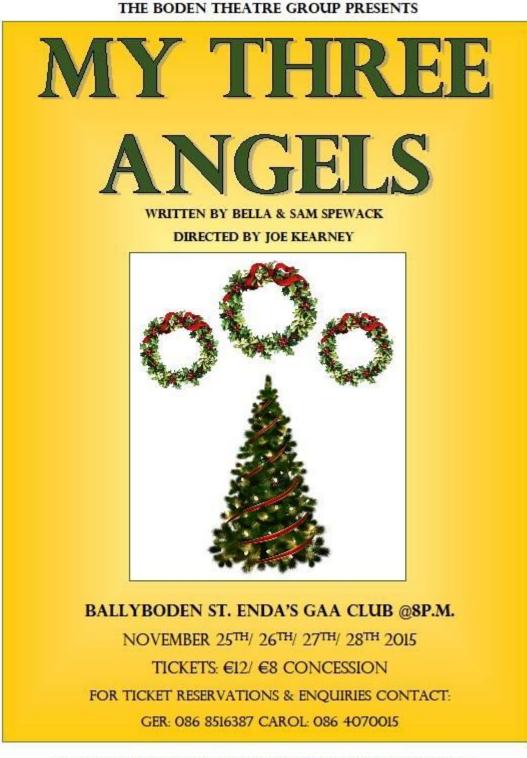
Sam came to Boden - were you there?



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Boden Theatre Group Presents...My Three Angels



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. "My Three Angels" is a comedy set in

tropical French Guiana on Christmas Eve in 1910. The story concerns the Ducotel family, who, with great inefficiency manage a general store. The shop is deep in debt and on the way from France is the evil-minded cousin to evict the family from the business, accompanied by his cold-hearted nephew, who is jilting the daughter for an heiress back in Paris. Three convicts, on work release from Devil's Island prison, are to repair the shop roof. They overhear the situation and conspire to assist the family. Drawing on their collective checkered pasts and criminal knowledge, these benevolent scoundrels make it their business to set matters right.

This play is being directed by Joe Kearney. It is a feel good comedy/ drama and it is sure to get you into the festive mood with Christmas just around the corner. For Ticket Reservations & Enquiries Contact: Ger: 086 8516387 or Carol: 086 4070015. There will also be a booking sheet behind the bar so people can reserve their ticket at the bar and pay for them on the night.



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

SADS accounted for almost 200 deaths in Ireland last year. The European Society of Cardiology and the International Olympic Committee recommend CARDIAC SCREENING for young person's *particularly for those taking part in competitive sports*. Healthcare Screening Ireland are running a Cardiac Screening day in the Clubhouse on **Saturday the 5th of December.** It is open to all Ballyboden Members over the age of 16 and the club have negotiated a special discounted price of only \in 50 per screening. The screening, which must be previously booked, will take 20 minutes and all results will be overseen and signed off by a consultant Cardiologist.

Please log on to the attached link to book your screening appointment....

Pool and Darts committee

The 2015 singles Pool competition is now open for entry.

Closing date for entries Fri 27th Nov. More here

Lotto Results - 22nd November

