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Bereavement - Conway

The club community sends its condolences to the Conway family on the death of Bill Conway, former Bar Manager in the club. Déanaimid comhbhrón lena theaghlach. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh a anam uasal. Click [here](#) for arrangements



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The Big Match

On Sunday next the 6th of December, Ballyboden St Enda's will make history for the Club when our senior football team compete in our first ever Leinster Senior Football Championship Final against Portlaoise GAA in O'Connor Park Tullamore Co Offaly at 2pm. (See our [website](#) for more details)

I cannot emphasize how much this match means to the club and how important it is that our senior footballers receive the greatest amount of support by having YOU (our member) and YOUR families present for this historical match.

Once again we will be providing buses leaving the club at 12 noon sharp on Sunday next returning immediately after the match concludes at 3.45pm approx. The cost will be €10 per adult and €5 for juveniles (age 16 and under)

[In order to book your place on the bus, please text 087 1332308 with your name and number travelling with you \(if any\). Members travelling by bus must text their booking before 12 noon on Friday 4th December.](#)

Whatever way you wish to travel, by car by bus or walk! make sure you get to Tullamore on Sunday next to support our boys !

Brendan Moran
Chairman

Football News - Leinster S.F.C Final - BE THERE ALL THE WAY!

Leinster S.F.C. Final

Ballyboden St.Enda's

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Portlaoise GAA



 **Come out and**
Support our boys in blue
Sunday 6th Dec. O'Connor Park, Tullamore
@ 2pm

Supporters buses going, see
www.bodengaa.ie for details

It's been a good year for football in the club this year (and we're not finished yet!) and our Intermediate team are testament to that after they gained promotion back to Div.3 on Sunday with a fantastic 3-07 to 0-06 victory over St.Marks in the League final. This really was a great achievement and in particular the manner in which they did it in tough very windy

weather conditions. The turnaround from their earlier League encounter with St.Marks was over 30 points. The character and performance was built on a solid defence with all the goals coming in the second half where they held St.Marks to 2 points. An excellent result and finish to a great season which included a Joy Cup win too and many of the lads now will go on to support the Seniors next week. ***Report by Shane brooks below & pics by Cliona Mellett.***

AFL Div.4 League Final BBSE 3-07 St.Marks 0-06

Bodens Inter footballers gained promotion back to AFL 3 on Sunday by winning the AFL 4 promotion final v St Marks in Tomas Davis. On a stormy cold morning with conditions that made football very difficult it came down to attitude and character. Boden had this in abundance in this game, led by some fantastic experienced players like Paul O'Brien, James O'Hara and Kenny Naughton who showed the way. The younger lads drove on and with pace and no little skill and the likes of Brian Bobbett, Colly Dunne, Stephen Ward and Barra McGarry ran the opposition ragged. Some great early scores by Naughton and Keane pushed Boden ahead but Marks battled hard and 4 points each at the break left both teams right in it. St.Marks started well in 2nd half but some great defending by full back line Naoise McGuire, Dan McGuinness and Paul O'Brien kept them at bay. Boden broke forward at pace and a huge point by man of the match Dan Grimes in midfield and goals by Seamus Keane and Dave Curley broke the game in Bodens favour.

Boden tagged on some more good scores as Marks pushed forward and topped it off when Dara Kilduff finished off a great team move with a good goal. This left the final score 3-7 to 0-6.

A great result for this Boden team built on some brilliant defence over both the semi and final of which Keeper Colly Leane played a vital part. The management would like to thank Colly for his loyal and dedicated service to Boden football this season and over a very good Boden career. In good and bad times he stuck with it listened to plenty of different opinions and always gave his honest best. Thank you.

Inter season is now finished and with our main goal of promotion achieved and a cup along the way its been great year.

Team. Colly Leane, Dan McGuinness, Naoise McGuire, Paul O'Brien, Brian Bobbett, James O'Hara, Ste Ward, Dan Grimes(1), Fergal Purcell(2), Colly Dunne (cpt)(1), Seamus Keane(1-1), Barra McGarry, Dave Curley(1-0) Kenny Naughton(2), Eamonn O'Reilly. SUBS Dara Kilduff(1-0), Eoin Crowley, Cian Mellett, Tomas McGrath, Sean O'Shea, Brian Kirwan, Conor Dean.

Management. Shane Brooks, Sean Crowley, Paul Waters.

The Seniors Leinster final appearance features elsewhere in this issue and we, the football section, know that the support throughout the club for the team has been immense. Simply put this is the biggest game for football in this club in it's history so we're issuing another rallying call for your support this Sunday in Tullamore to cheer every score, every tackle, every block and of course every player that will give his all on Sunday. So let's BE THERE ALL THE WAY for our lads and give them all the backing they deserve!
Thank you.





Football Section AGM - Dec 9th

The Football AGM has been fixed for Wednesday 9th December at 8.30pm. Nominations for positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Registrar, Treasurer, County Board Football Delegate, Football Board Delegate and Motions for the Club AGM should be sent to padraig.cullinane@gmail.com not later than Wednesday 2nd December.

Camogie section AGM - Dec 3rd

The Camogie AGM will take place on Thursday 3rd December at 8pm upstairs in the Club. Any motions or any nominations for positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman or Secretary should be forwarded to bodencamogie@gmail.com by Saturday 9pm

Hurling News - Minor Championship Title Win



Barton late strike delivers Minor C Title to Boden

The Longfella Reports

[Ballyboden St. Endas 3 06 St. Sylvesters 1 11](#)

A well taken goal in the last minute of extra time was the crucial score in this Minor C Hurling Championship Final at a windy O'Toole Park on Sunday morning. The Malahide side had sent the game to extra time with a fine point from Bryn Redmond, despite facing a gale of a wind. However it was the determination and application of Mick Kennady's side that won the day, leaving Sylvesters with just the honour of having contested a fine finale to the season.

Boden drew the task of facing the wind for the opening half and found the going tough against the free flowing play from Syls. Dan Murphy, their man from the frees, bagged all of the points for his side, three frees, two 65's and a fine angled point when under huge pressure from Ruairi Kirwan. But the honours for the score of the half broke down evenly, Eoin Conway for Sylvesters with a peach of a goal, and matched by Mikey Dunne for Boden. Dunne had a long run to the shooting zone before he found the net. Boden's other first half scores came from Rory Knight and a free from Barton.

With the half time score at 1.06 to 1.02, Boden may have felt that with the strong wind for the second half, the job was as good as complete. Sylvesters had different ideas and entered the half with a determined approach. The scoring went, Knight from play, Barton from a free and

followed by Murphy and Barton again from a free. 1.07 to 1.05 with seventeen minutes left. Boden only two behind and in the driving seat!

Barton, now warming to the task, struck for the first of his two goals and allowed Boden to tack for the line in the ever rising breeze. But Sylvesters got going at midfield through the efforts of Patrick Denneher, and finished the sixty the better. He bagged a fine point and Murphy landed another free, Boden's only response was from Barton, a free. The last score of the half was Redmond's, a beauty to send the game to the extra twenty minutes.

Boden chose the wind for the first ten of extra time, but with the blocking and hooking from Slys, they restricted the scoring chances. At the other end the Boden defence was well marshalled by Kirwan and kept the marksmen scoreless. Also to the fore were Kevin O'Flaherty and Rob Keegan, responsible for a fine block earlier when the sliotar was goalbound.

With the teams still tied the combatants dragged weary legs out for the last period. Within a minute the writing appeared to be on the wall, Murphy landing a fine free with the following wind. He followed it with another similar score and the Syls tails were up! There followed a few minutes of stirring pressure from Boden, but without reward. With the clock in the last minute a speculative "lobber" of a ball was gathered by Barton and he bravely took on the responsibility to bury the ball off the post from a tight angle. He finished as top scorer and deservedly can claim the honour as MVP.

Great credit is due to both sides and the sizeable crowd who braved the elements.

Squad; Oisin Carolan, Roibeard MacAogain, Ruairi Kirwan, Conor Barton, Barry Lyons, Hugh Kelly, Mark McGee, Micheal O'Broin, Mikey Dunne, Eoin Monahan, Sean Gorman, Sean Choy O'Bhroin, Thomas Deane, Kevin O'Flaherty, Sam Lally, Kevin Lawlor, Eoghan Featherstone, Hugh Kelly.

Under 21 team Meets Superior Force

Wordsworth reports

"The day is cold, and dark, and dreary; It rains, and the wind is never weary" – words penned not by our own Long Fella but an earlier Longfellow, that captured the scene well for this U21A hurling semi-final in Silverpark on Saturday 28th November 2015.

Boden started with the wind and took advantage with good ball being supplied to the forwards. Colm Ó Néill pointed a free and 65 and a fine point from the right by midfielder Sean McDonnell put Boden 3 to 1 ahead after the initial exchanges. The full-back line, led by Tom Hanafin was clearing up well. Dónal Butler played a captain's part in the forwards, winning difficult ball with a sprinkling of magnificent catches thrown in. On the quarter hour, it was 6 points to 5 to Boden. Crokes then established a foothold and their half-forward line began to create space. From one of these attacks, the home team drove home a scrappy goal and it seemed to lift the whole team. For the rest of the half, despite the best efforts of James Madden and Kenneth Wigglesworth, Crokes were on top. At the short whistle it was Boden 0-8 to Crokes 1-7.

Boden had the first point of the second half from Ó Néill to cut the lead to the minimum. Crokes replied shortly thereafter and then came the hammer blow for Boden. After a strong run, the ball found the full-forward who raised a green flag with a powerful shot to the net. Boden continued to win good puckout ball, with Butler and Chris Lambert battling hard in

the middle of the field. A further point by Boden rewarded the great effort being made, but the Crokes lads had a spring in their step and made it count when they rattled home a third goal after 12 minutes of the second half. It was a huge mountain for Boden to climb, but try they did. Substitute Luke Corcoran turned over some great ball and Madden & Ó Néill ran at the Crokes defence to try to poach a goal, but the last pass seemed to go to ground or was snapped up by the alert Crokes defence each time. With the cushion of the goals, Crokes then closed out the match with some points from outfield to leave the final score Boden 0-12 to Crokes 3-17. Beaten today by a better team and with the memory of some great tussles in the past ten years, we wish them the best in the final.

This is the final age-based competition for the 1994 lads. What a pleasure it has been to have been involved with such a fine group of players. We have travelled Dublin and more distant fields with a smile and some success along the way. Best of luck in your senior, intermediate and junior careers lads. Great thanks to Ciarán Maguire, Ray McKenna and John Keegan who have been with these lads for all of that time and who, no doubt, will feature in their hurling futures as well.

Editor's note: Joe Roche forgot to mention himself here. He has been a part of this team over the years. Thanks to Joe for his photographs and reports.

Back Row left to right : Evan Flanagan, Owen Wigglesworth, Cian Mellett, Luke Corcoran, Conor Maher, Darragh Bolger, James Madden, Kenneth Wigglesworth, James Roche, Colm Ó'Neill, Dónal Butler, Chris Lambert, Tom Hanafin, Jonathon O'Driscoll, Keith McCarron. Front Row left to right : Brian O'Shea, Rian Cannon, Séan McDonnell, Morgan Ryan, Fionn Maguire, Conor McHugh, Keith Robinson, Niall Keegan, David Gilheany, Ronan Dooley, Cillian Byrne, Michael Boland. Not in photograph Eoin McKenna.



Ladies Football AGM - Dec 7th

The Ladies Football AGM has been fixed for Monday 7th December at 8.30pm. Nominations for positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, County Board delegate and Motions for the Club AGM should be sent to paulnmanning@gmail.com before Friday 4th of December.

U12B Hurlers - Gravity



To round up what has been a great year for our U12B hurlers, a bit of fun was in order last Sunday when the lads visited Gravity climbing in Inchicore, Dublin's premier indoor rock climbing wall which also has the biggest climbing wall of its kind in Ireland. A great afternoon was had by all and it was back to the clubhouse after for the presentation of league winners medals.

Well done the all the boys and the mentors on such a great season.

*Many than ks to Peter Hanrahan for great photos from Gravity.
For more photos, see [here](#)*



U10 Hurlers V Dolphin's Barn



For more photos of the U10 Hurlers in action in Dolphin's Barn last Sunday week, see [here](#).



The U9 girls football Christmas party with Jim Gavin, Johnny Cooper and 'Sam'



Cardiac 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 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 €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....

<http://healthcarescreeningireland.gettimely.com/>

Santa is coming to Boden ! ho,ho,ho Dec 12th

A festive poster for a Christmas event. On the left, a cartoon Santa Claus with a red suit and white beard is peeking out from behind a dark vertical bar. The background is a deep blue with white snowflakes and faint silhouettes of evergreen trees at the bottom. The main title 'Santa's coming to Boden' is in large, bold, red and white letters. Below this, the date and time are listed in yellow text. At the bottom, four colorful balloons (pink, blue, yellow, green) contain text about the activities. The price '€10 per child*' is prominently displayed in yellow, followed by a disclaimer in smaller yellow text.

Santa's coming to Boden

Saturday 12th Dec.
clubhouse doors open at 2.30pm
Santa arrives at 3pm

Magic Show **Balloon man** **Live DJ** **Face Painting**

€10 per child*
***children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian**

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 Results - 29th November



Lotto Results

Jackpot €6,500

Draw Date 29/11/15

Numbers

16 6 19 12

There was no winner of the Jackpot

Match 1st Three

Eugene Duffy, Idrone Park, Knocklyon

Next Weeks Jackpot €7,000

