



Ballyboden St. Endas
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The 10th Cian Durkin Memorial Tournament.



Cian Durkin

Previous Cup Winners

- 2007: Ballyboden St. Enda
- 2008: Douglas, Cork
- 2009: Ballyboden St. Endas
- 2010: Dicksboro, Kilkenny
- 2011: Ruairi Og Cushendall
- 2012: Ruairi Og Cushendall
- 2013: Ballyboden St. Endas
- 2014: Na Piarasigh
- 2015: Erins Own

Cian Durkin

Monday 2nd May
2016

MEMORIAL HURLING TOURNAMENT

The 10th Cian Durkin Memorial Hurling Tournament.

Well done to Athenry from Galway, winners of The 10th Cian Durkin Memorial Hurling Tournament.

Teams descended from Nass in Kildare, Mallow in Cork, last year's winners Kilkenny's Erin's Own and Athenry on Bank Holiday Monday. Unfortunately James Stephens of Kilkenny had to pull out at the last minute. Well done to the lads from Boden who made up the 6th, a second Ballyboden Team on the 12th hour!

A fantastic day's hurling was had on the 2 pitches of Pairc Ui Mhurchu and Cherryfield, a fitting tribute to Cian, a skilful hurler who played the game with a smile on his face. Many thanks to Paul and Tara and the Durkin family, to Linda and the U15 hurling mentors and parents for organising such a great day.

A report on the day's proceedings and photos are to follow next week.

Congratulations and heart felt wishes to Tara, Paul and Avalily on the arrival of a precious baby boy, Danny last Friday. Wishing you all many years of good health, love and happiness.

Boden Family Fun Day Sun 1st May



The club held it's annual Family day yesterday and once again it was a great day for all the family. Thanks to all the volunteers who made it a special day. Liam Cunningham took some great photos like the above, head over to our Facebook page for more [Photos](#)



Football News - Seniors, Inters & Juniors off to winning starts



Championship football for 2016 began last week with 3 of our adult teams in action. First up last Tuesday was our Junior A team who faced a potentially tricky trip to Nh Mearnóg. We needn't have worried as this young team put in an excellent performance winning by 4-14 to 1-07. Report by Noel Madden below.

A good performance by the Junior A footballers in the first round of the championship . Their opponents, Naomh Mearnog, were not alone at home but also fielding one of their former great Dublin stars Shane Carthy.

Ballyboden had a strong wind in first half however it took the younger team a while to settle into the game with Naomh Mearnog's sweeper system preventing supply into the full forward line. However once Ballyboden half back and midfield line started to dominate possession eventually the points started to flow. Despite Boden being ahead by 8 points to 2 , the home team were well in the game only to squander a number of chances in the first 25 minutes however, a quick ball into Adam Carney paid big dividends for Boden, when he turned and crashed the ball into the net. A further point from Damien Kenny had Ballyboden leading 1-10 to 0-3 at half time.

It was vital for Naomh Mearnog that they start the second half well but Boden had other ideas and when Ciaran O'Brien won primary possession and let Cian Murray attach at pace, a quick one two saw Brian Kirwin score another goal for the visiting team. The game was effectively over as a contest but both teams, to their credit, kept up the intensity in the game. Each time Naomh Mearnog appeared to be getting back into the contest, the Boden forwards were taking their scores . Two further goals from Ross McGrath and Adam Carney and a 45m free from Evan Flanagan were the highlights of the second half.

Final score Ballyboden 4-14 Naomh Mearnog 1-7

Ballyboden now meet Man O War in R2 of the championship on Sunday May 15th .

Scorers : Adam Carney 2-7, Brian Kirwin 1-2, Ross McGrath 1-2, Evan Flanagan 0-1, Luke O Donoghue 0-1, Damien Kenny 0-1

Next up the All-Ireland Champions took on local rivals Naomh Olafs in O'Toole park last Friday, on a day that threw up all weathers, sunshine, snow, hail and sleet! Our lads, perhaps unsurprisingly given the lack of any substantial break, were not on top form but still found enough to overcome Olafs by 2-12 to 0-12. Report by Shane O'Brien and pics by Troy Gogan below.

Ballyboden St Enda's..... 2-12 Naomh Olaf..... 0-12

Ballyboden St Enda's are through to the second round of the Dublin SFC following an unconvincing six point victory over Naomh Olaf in O'Toole Park. Early goals from Ryan Basquel and Sam Molony gave Boden breathing space and they never looked in serious threat of surrendering their advantage. Far removed from the glory of Croke Park on St Patrick's Day, Boden seemed uninspired for large parts of Friday's game, and never looked to move out of second gear. They were not helped, however, by a poor refereeing display from Andrew Cummins that took any flow from the game. Nor were they helped by the difficult playing conditions caused by the torrential sleet beforehand. It was evident early on that conditions were not favourable, with players on both sides slipping on the wet turf and it was Olaf's who settled quicker into game, registering two points without reply inside five minutes, the first a beauty from Dublin inter-county player David Byrne. Boden, however, responded ruthlessly and the game seemed all but over five minutes later. Firstly, the excellent Ryan Basquel was alert to intercept a slack pass, before playing a quick one-two with Robbie McDaid and palming into the empty net. The goal seemed to settle Boden and within a minute Ryan's brother Colm had kicked a lovely score off his left following a patient passage of play from the All Ireland Champions. Not to be outdone, Ryan kicked a lovely left footed effort of his own from the tightest of angles to leave a goal between the teams. Unsurprisingly, he was heavily involved in Boden's second goal, brilliantly fielding a long ball while under pressure before setting Darren O'Reilly through on goal. O'Reilly showed great composure to square to Sam Molony who was left with a simple finish. The sides traded frees before Boden were dealt a blow when they lost corner back Shane Clayton to injury. The game struggled to find any rhythm following Clayton's injury as free after free was awarded by a whistle happy referee, taking any flow from what had been an entertaining game. This did not suit either side, preventing Boden from building on their lead, whilst also preventing Olaf's from making a notable comeback before half time. The sides would trade scores twice more before half time, with Sam Molony registering the pick of them. The corner forward did well to field a long ball from Declan O'Mahoney before turning his man and slotting the ball over the black spot from distance. Boden were dealt another injury blow just before half time as Aran Waters, the hero of last year's Leinster final went off with what appeared to be an arm injury. It had been by no means a vintage half from Boden, but they had stepped up when was needed and had the game by the scruff of the neck at the interval.

They could have well and truly killed off the game straight after half time, but passed up a number of good goalscoring opportunities. Seconds after Colm Basquel had opened the second half scoring with a brilliant point off his right, Darren O'Reilly crashed against the post when one-on-one with the goalkeeper. Midfielder Michael Darragh Macauley had the ball in the net soon after that, but he was judged, perhaps harshly, to have committed a foul in the build up. Olaf's passed up a glorious opportunity of their own, when Padraig Hanley lifted the ball cleverly over the onrushing Darragh Gogan, but luckily for Boden his shot went over the bar for a point. Ryan Basquel then had a brilliant chance to add his second after a

long ball broke his way, but his shot was well tipped over by Olaf's net minder Dillon Rafferty for a point. The referee took centre stage hereafter, and the game ceased to be much of a spectacle, as again frees were given in dubious circumstances under the smallest amounts of contact. The man in the middle seemed only too happy to brandish the yellow card and booked a number of Ballyboden's players for innocuous challenges. Despite this, Boden moved into a seemingly unassailable eight point through scores from Conal Keaney and Sam Molony. Numerous scoreable frees were given against Boden in harsh circumstances and Olaf's began to chip away at the lead, bringing it down to four points and making life a little uncomfortable for players and spectators alike. To their credit, Olaf's employed a good gameplan, and their high pressure made it very difficult for Boden to get out of their own half. As the game neared its conclusion, Boden were able to tag on a couple of scores through Colm Basquel and Barra McGarry, but even then the full time whistle was greeted with some relief from the Boden supporters. The Basquel brothers were the standout performers on Friday, along with Sam Molony and Darragh Nelson. Ryan Basquel was particularly impressive on a day that Boden did not reach the levels they had been reaching recently. He scored 1-02 as well as winning numerous frees and setting up the other goal. Boden will not play again in the Dublin Championship until late September/early October, which highlights the structural problems that exist in the club championship. This group of players won an All Ireland only last month and are expected to go straight back into competitive championship games. They have been on the road for a year now, and surely it is difficult to pump yourself up to go again straight away. What's more, they will not play a championship game for five months, which strips the momentum from every side that won over the weekend. Surely it makes more sense to have the first round closer to the second round, rather than have an isolated first round that nobody will remember come October. Andy McEntee will not be able to take anything from this game as any number of things could change in the next five months. There could be players called up to the Dublin team, there could be loss of form, or injury. There is absolutely no way of telling what will happen in five months of competitive sport. The only good thing for McEntee is that there is plenty of time for the likes of Shane Clayton and Aran Waters to recover from their respective injuries.

On Saturday it was the turn of our Intermediates who faced Erins Isle in Russell park. In bright sunshine they proved far too strong for their Division 5 opponents running out easy winners by 4-15 to 0-09. Pic by Cliona Mellet. Report by Sean Crowley

Ballyboden lined out as follows;

Josh Kane, Cian Mellet, Graham Heavey, Naoise Maguire, Stephen Ward, Dan Grimes, Brian Bobbet, Ciaran Archbold, Tom Hanafin, Feargal Clancy, Eamon O'Reilly, Colm Dunne, Warren Egan, Seamus Keane, Alan Flood

Subs; Paul O'Brien, Adam Carney, Brian Kirwan, Conor Deane, Tom McGrath

Erin's Isle won the throw in and attacked, but it was broken up and Boden attacked with a great run by Brian Bobbet who scored a goal.

This was quickly followed by 4 points and then Alan Flood scored a great team goal to make it 2.04 to no score. Isle's got their first score after 13 minutes, but Boden kept streaming forward. Eamon O'Reilly scored a third goal after 18 minutes to make it 3.07 to 1 point. Isle's got their second point on 23 minutes after coming into the game, but their shooting was constantly harassed but the Boden defence and they couldn't get on target. Graham Heavey had a great chance of a goal after a great run of the whole pitch by passing and moving, but just pulled it wide on 24 minutes.

Paul O'Brien came on for Eamon O'Reilly on 28 minutes who pulled a hamstring, with Stephen Ward going to wing forward and Feargal Clancy going centre forward.

The first half finished Boden 3.08 to Isle's 4 points.

Isle's came into it at the start of the first half and worked hard but could get nothing from the Boden defence. Colm Dunne got a great team goal after 46 minutes, with the team constantly picking points up.

Isle's worked hard and kept coming at Boden, but couldn't get away from their markers.

They finished with 9 points, but had a good few wides from the pressure they were put under by the defence.

The game finished 4.13 to 9 points in favour of Boden. A good day out for the squad, with hard work and skilful play being rewarded.

Upcoming fixtures:

Minor league returns this weekend with our 3 teams in action. See website for up to date fixture information – Please Support.



Hurling News - Win for the Minor A&B Teams

Hurling Results

- Minor A - BBSE 3 18 Kilmacud Crokes 2 1
- Minor B - BBSE 3 14 Clontarf 0 07
- Minor C - Wild Geese 3 06 BBSE 1 08

Coming Up

This week we see the Second Round of the Adult Hurling Championships. Senior A and Senior B hope to build on their victories two weeks ago. The Intermediates will be hoping for their first win as they travel to Dolphin Park.

The Junior B and Junior D teams have a bye in this round.

- Thursday, May 5th - Senior A Championship V Faughs in O' Toole Park at 7.00pm
 - Saturday, May 7th - Senior B Championship V Kilmacud Crokes in Silverpark at 6.15pm
 - Saturday, May 7th - Intermediate Championship V St. Kevins in Dolphin Park at 6.15pm
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Minor C V Wild Geese



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Minor A's in Action

Minor 1 League Sunday 1st May Sancta Maria

Le Fear Bog.

Ballyboden St Endas 3-18 Kilmacud Crokes 2-18

A game for the purists. Who are the purists I hear you ask? Do they wear yellow bibs with "Cigire" emblazoned across their backs and do they make themselves visible at matches. As the score line suggests there was no sign of mass defence, no sweeper system or a squeezing of the middle third at Sancta Maria on Sunday. Instead one was treated to the spectacle of hip to hip, win your own ball hurling. The Boden lads kept their 100% record going in this league but only just. It is now 5 wins from 5 and Ballyboden top the league from Na Fianna by a solitary point.

Two goals from the towering Eoghan Monahan within the first 15 minutes set the home side on a path that was far more insecure than they may have initially thought. Monaghan struck in the 4th and 11th minutes of the first half and his second major put Ballyboden 5 points ahead. However, from there to the half time whistle Kilmacud took over and fully deserve their one point lead at the break by 2-5 to 0-12. The Crokes trio of Ronan Hayes, Tom Keogh and Michael Roche were causing havoc in the Boden defence. Roche was unerring from dead balls and he would finish the match with 13 points from frees. Ballyboden had their specialist in Aaron Coffey and his 11 point haul from the ground and play was the main reason the Firhouse Road side came out with a win. He was ably assisted by Aidan Mellett whose determination and doggedness throughout the match was to be admired by said "purists".

Ballyboden played with the fresh breeze in the second half and by the middle of the half they seemed to have this tie settled when Shane Kennedy scrambled a goal to put his side 5 points up once again. Kilmacud were not for surrender though and they almost immediately replied with a goal of their own followed by 2 frees from Roche and another from play. With 5 minutes to go and a point down Boden were on the precipice. Kilmacud went for the kill and indeed only for a spectacular diving save from keeper Conor O'Donoghue this game was over for Boden. Heroics were required and inevitably they were provided by Coffey, Mellett, Rob Byrne and Conor O'Donoghue, again, who fired over a quartet of points to give Boden a three point win.

Finally a big lead mile buiochas to Jerry Hayes and James Madden who were the wearers of the white umpire bibs as opposed to the yellow ones.

Scorers: Aaron Coffey 0-11 (4 frees, 2 65s), Eoghan Monahan 2-0, Shane Kennedy 1-1, Aidan Mellett 0-3, Conor O'Donoghue 0-1, Tommy Deane 0-1, Rob Byrne 0-1.

Teams:

Ballyboden St Endas:

C.O'Donoghue, K.Weldon, L.Corcoran, C.Creed, K.Lalor, T.Deane, S.Lally, R.Donoghue, S.Kennedy, S.Choy O'Broin, A.Mellett, A.Coffey, R.Byrne, E.Monahan, C.Fallon

Subs: J.Holland, P.Gannon.



Minor A V Kilmacud Crokes



Minor A V Kilmacud Crokes

Camogie News - U16 A Team in action V Vincents

U-16 A League - Vincents – 30/04/16

Naomh Uinsionn 2 - 7

BBSE 0 - 10

A lack of cutting edge cost us in Marino on Saturday last, in a well-balanced and keenly contested match.

Short a few regulars on the day, we started slowly and conceded an early goal but fought back bravely to level with a point from Aisling and two pointed frees from Hollyn. A Vins point was then cancelled out by Erica before we were hit by the concession of a further Vins goal. This was cancelled out by points from Hollyn (2) and Jess, before Vins once again went ahead with a point, before Jess closed out the half with a point when she latched on to a clever pass from Sheena.

The scores were level at the break, and we were optimistic that we would push on in the second half. However, as in the first half, we began sluggishly and were actually limited to 2 points in the second half, while Vins tacked on 5.

A hard day at the office, but as we expected Vins are a very good team and this will be part of the overall learning experience, and the team continues to develop and gel. On the day the effort that all the girls put in could not be faulted, and nobody epitomised this more than Aoife, who read the game excellently, and delivered a succession of good balls into our forwards. Hannah also fought might and main, while Erica was the pick of a very hard working forward division that seemed to run out of luck on a few crucial occasions.

[Next up is home to Na Fianna next Saturday, when we will hope to get back into the winning groove. .](#)

Boden U9 Girls take on Raheny at Sancta Maria



At last!!! For the first time this year, warm sunshine greeted our U9 Girls footballers at Sancta Maria on the afternoon of Sunday 17th April as they welcomed the girls from Raheny. And the warm weather clearly suited our girls as watching mums and dads were treated to an hour of committed competitive football from all three teams on show.

This was just the girls' third football match since embarking on their Go Games, but it certainly didn't seem like it as they quickly settled into their positions and held their shape. Some committed play, some lovely passing and some fine scores underlined how well the girls have taken to match play, and how well all the hard work at training has paid off.

It was a similar story on a somewhat colder Saturday evening, also in Sancta Maria, as our other 3 teams took on our visitors from Naomh Olaf. Here again, the Boden girls showed great commitment, competing for every ball, and showing great team play and determination in every area of the field.

Well done to all our girls, your coaches are very proud of you.

Many thanks to Dave Rusk for the photos. For more photos, see [here](#)



U11 Hurlers at Na Fianna McNulty Tournament

Clubs from Dublin, Tipperary, Offaly and Kilkenny made up the opposition for the Boden U11s, as two teams made the trip across the city for Na Fianna's 10th annual McNulty hurling tournament, named to honour the memory of Na Fianna founder member Dermot McNulty.



On the back pitch, a good Castleknock team provided Boden's first opposition. Boden were straight into the run of play, and some very strong performances all over the field saw our lads record some fine scores and their first victory of the day. It was a similar story against Borris Ileigh, as the Boden lads again found their rhythm early, and another fine display saw another good win recorded. Swords club St Finians were next up, and a great tussle ensued, with our lads disappointingly coming out the wrong side of a one score margin. Undaunted by this set-back, Boden were straight back into their stride, recording good wins on either side of the lunch break (GRMA to our hosts for the great hospitality!) against Na Fianna and Offaly's Kilcormac/Killoughey, finishing up as group runners up to eventual winners St Finians.

On the front pitch meanwhile, our lads were having a tougher time of it. Here, Boden's opener pitched them against a very strong Kilcormac/Killoughey team. From the very first ball, it was clear that Boden were in for a real battle and despite some stiff and very determined opposition, this well-drilled Offaly outfit eventually pulled away to record a

comfortably enough win. Despite the early setback however, Boden quickly regrouped, and despite the disappointment of the first game, went straight back out to record a strong win against a good Castleknock team. A 9 man Borris-Ileagh side were next up, and in a close contest some defensive mix-ups on Boden's part were the deciding factor, as the Tipp side ran out narrow winners. After a break for lunch, Boden faced hosts Na Fianna, and in a great game of hurling that saw both sides on the front foot, Boden lost out by a single score. The final game in this group was against Kilkenny's O'Loughlin Gaels and a very fine scoring display saw Ballyboden win this one out comfortably enough, and finish third overall to winners Kilcormac/Killoughey.

All told, a great day's hurling was enjoyed by all our lads - GRMA to our kind hosts Na Fianna for the invitation to participate, and for the organisation and hospitality on the day, and for the very well received goodie bags – thanks to all concerned with this great tournament.

Foireann: Alex Brady, Kieran Burke, Conor Butler, Kevin Byrne, Ryan Culleton, Thomas Davis, Luke Fitzpatrick, John Keane, Daragh Keary, Sean Keary, Mark Keogh, Sean Langan, Gavin Leddy, Sean Luz, Rory Malone, Lee McConnell, Torna MacGearailt, Mark McGlynn, John McSharry, , Leon Murphy, Zach Nolan, David Quinlivan, Oisin Quinn, James Rusk, Daragh Smyth, Zenan Spain, Dylan Timbs, Alex Young.

Many thanks to Dave Rusk for the photos. For more photos, see [here](#)



U16 Football 'A' Championship Semi Final 2016

Our U16 Lads are in Championship Semi Final action this Saturday 7th May when they will face Ballinteer St John in Marley Park.

We wish the boys the Best of Luck.

Please come out and support our young lads as they continue their campaign in defending the 'A' Championship title.

Check club's [website](#) later in week for time.

U15 Football Championship 2016

U15 Football Championship begins this Sunday, 8th May.

Our A team meet Ballinteer St Johns in their 1st Round of 'A' Championship while our B Team is in 'C' Championship and will face Craobh Chiaran.

Please check the club website later in the week for information of Venues and Times.

[Do come put and support our lads as they commence their Championship campaigns](#)



Feile Peil na nOg BBSe U14B Division 4



And so after all the build-up the big day arrived for our U14 footballers. For our B group that meant a trip to our great rivals in Kilmacud – Silverpark was our home for division 4B with Erin's Isle, St Mark's and Crokes B being our group opposition.

First up were Erins Isle, we started full of promise with the lads taking the game to Isle's but we seemed to have left our shooting boots at home and despite dominating the first half we reached half time 6 points behind to an Isle's team that were growing in confidence. But our group are well used to slow starts (a bad habit we could do without!) and driven on by our excellent captain on the day, Darragh Kenny, we slowly started to get going. A stunning boden goal from Cian Tobin early in the second half lifted the team and the scores started to flow. Gavin O'Kelly was leading the line superbly and slowly the gap started to close. Driven on by Matt Coughlan's brilliant work we caught Isle's and passed them and with 5 minutes left we were 4 points up. Isle's hadn't finished yet and pulled back a goal with two minutes left, another quick point left us hanging on but some amazing work by Jack Mulhern in goal and Donal Monahan at full back somehow got us through to the final whistle and a one point win, 2- 8 to 3-4.

Next up were St Mark's, who had also won their first match. This time there was no slow start from our lads and we had a great first half. With our recruits from the U13 ranks Alex Gavin and Michael McDonald to the fore in midfield we reached half time with a six point lead. But we knew Mark's would come at us and they slowly reeled us back in. But we managed to keep the score board ticking over with important scores from Cian Durkin and Charlie Brady keeping our noses in front. But as we went into the last couple of minutes Mark's had us under real pressure. A couple of brilliant saves from Seamus Boyle in goals kept our noses in front and when Micheál Manning came away with the ball from the edge of our square at the death we had once again squeaked through with another 1 point win 2-7 to 2-6!!

Because of the other results we were already assured of topping the group as we went into our 3rd game against Crokes. We took the chance to rest as many players as we could but still

put up a great first half performance before running out of steam in the second half. Senan Woods at corner back had a super game given the hard work that had gone before and a fantastic move was capped off by a super Cian O'Byrne goal to leave things level at half time. As the second half progressed our lads started to tire and Crokes got in for a couple of late goals to give them the victory.

All in all a super mornings work for our lads and we topped the group and earned a semi final against Ballymun Kickams at Silverpark that afternoon.

Ballymun play their league football in division 3 which is one above where our lads play but our lads were confident heading into the game. Our confidence appeared well founded as our boys started very strongly – Liam Skov with a superb goal getting us into an early lead. But Kickams came back at us and scored a goal with the last kick of the first half to leave the game level at half time. With Rian Power, Jack Coyle and Dean Jackson outstanding at half back we battled away well for the first ten minutes of the second half but slowly but surely Kickams started to get on top – the hard work that our lads had put in in the earlier games was starting to take it's toll and Ballymun slowly pulled away. Our lads kept going right to the end but in the end we just didn't have the legs to get us there. Ballymun ran in a couple of late goals to leave the final score of 1-7 to 5-8 flattering them a little bit.

All in all it was a fantastic effort from our lads and they were deservedly applauded off the pitch by their very proud parents, mentors and team mates from the A & C groups. They were a credit to the club and can be very proud of their efforts.

Pictured:

Back: Dean Jackson, Rian Power, Michael McDonald, Alex Gavin, Seamus Boyle, Daragh Kenny, Kevin Hickey, Gavin O'Kelly, Donal Monahan, Liam Skov, Cian Tobin

Front: Ruairi Doyle, Charlie Brady, Micháel Manning, Luca Nevin, Matt Coughlan, Cian Durkin, Cian O'Byrne, Jack Coyle, Jude Hickey, Senan Woods.

Many thanks to the mentors and Steven Dagg of Kilmacud Crokes for the photos.

For more photos, see [here](#)





Feile Peil na nOg BBSE U14A Division 1



Division 1 Feile in Castleknock

Feile, as you know, means Festival. Yet, when I hear the word Festival I think of Glastonbury, Oxygen or, in my case, the Trip to Tipp. Like a GAA ‘Rite of Passage’, the Festival of Juvenile Football comes to all players in their GAA career. Last Saturday, we took 24 of our 2002 group out to Somerton, all dressed in their “Feile Gear”, they represented Ballyboden in a way that would bring a tear to a glass eye.

Our 25th & 26th man,(the parents, grand parents, uncles , aunties, cousins, etc. etc.)were out in force and apart from the hosts, we brought out the biggest group of supportive supporters with us. By the time the first ball was thrown in against Kilmacud and the “Boden Roar” went up, I thought to myself, “ My God, they have been at the cooking sherry early!!!”

In a cracking game of football, we beat Crokes in the first match to set up a meeting with Bookies favourites, Castleknock, in the second game. Only narrowly beaten in Game 2, we were in the great position that all 24 lads had now played at least one full game of football. True squad stuff. We went into the last game with a quiet, understated confidence as we had a good record against Plunketts. The quiet confidence didn't extend to the 25th & 26th man, as they were whipped into a frenzy, empty Sherry bottles everywhere, they were going for broke on the wine gums.....

By half time in the last game, we should have been out of sight, but for some great defending and goal keeping on behalf of our Northside friends. But with a comfortable lead, all we had to do was more of the same, and we could book semi-final berth on Sunday morning..... Sport can be a funny thing and you should never underestimate what can and can't happen, that's why we love it, that's the Drug of sport, that's why we played it, that's why we let our children play it, that's why we watch it, talk about it and live it.....

When the final whistle echoed around Somerton park like a shrill scream on a cold winters night (Over dramatic? Maybe. But I'm just setting a scene) we had lost by a solitary point and we were out of the competition. The pitch was strewn with bodies of heroic, brave, relentless, valiant and courageous Ballyboden players who had given everything. With their energy reserves empty their memory banks were full of the of the great Feile adventure of 2016. When the tears were dried (mine not the children's) I did giggle, that the lads first experience of a Festival is to end up lying in the middle of a field, tired, wrecked and dehydrated, which is exactly like mine on the Tripp to Tipp in '90.....





Feile Peil na nOg BBSE U14C Division 8



It fell to the C team to host 3 teams from Round Towers Lusk, Ballinteer St Johns B (both eventual Finalists) and Cuala B on what turned out to be a dry but chilly day.

The boys met at 9.30am for photos and the usual high jinks! No nerves then and we were soon on our way.

First up was Cuala, a great start, a goal within 2 minutes was soon cancelled out by a flurry of goals and points from Cuala who over the 40 minutes proved to be too strong for us.

Next up were our old foes Lusk who have handed us some hidings in last 2 years, however this group of Boden lads play with a lot of heart and refused to lie down and traded points and goals with Lusk matched like 2 prize fighters. Tight at half time, the lads took the game to Lusk again trading points with each other with Lust prevailing by a couple of scores. Pride in the Jersey restored!!!

In what turned out to be our last game, we played the unbeaten BSJ and what a game that turned out to be, down by 2 points at half time and 6 injured on the bench, this group of lads did everything that was asked of them without any fuss and were unlucky to lose by a couple of points. Our Club Coach Paul came over to the lads after and heaped high praise on the boys and all of it justified.

Our day was over and I hope the experience will live long with all the boys in their future football careers.

Thanks to all our parents who helped make the day a success, to the U13 parents who took over and let our parents watch their sons, to Martin O Hare and the 3 boys from U13B team who came in at last minute due to injuries and lads having to go and help the B Team in their

hour of need.

To our coordinator Bernard Curtis who was his usual unassuming brilliant self, Thanks Bernard we could not have done it without you
U14 C Mentors

Squad: Adam O'Hehir, Alex Whelan, Hugh Kelly, Brian Nugent, David O'Connor, Daragh Campbell, Daire Buckley, Diarmuid MacGabhan, Daniel Lynch, Edward Cleary, Evan Ryan, Eoin Deignan, Eoin McWeeney, Luke O'Hanlon, Martin Mulligan Lynch, Michael Connolly, Ruairi Whelan, Ryan Cowap, Jeff Keenan, Jack Larkin, Sean O'Donoghue, Senan Dwyer, Timmy Cleary and Thomas White.

For more photos, see [here](#)



Ballyboden St. Endas U12 Football Squad 5 v O'Tooles 3

BBSE U12 7:05 O'Tooles 1:02

Our Under 12's, Squad 5, played their first ever competitive League game on Saturday 30th April and started with a fine win.

A number of boys were late withdrawals so we were fortunate to be able to secure the services of super subs Kevin O'Donoghue and Charlie Redmond Murray to reach the minimum number of 11 players. James Long played the full game with injured fingers and our fitness meant we managed to chase the extra man well. Cillian West gave his best ever performance in the 1st half and then pulled a muscle but had great help in the backs from James, David and Oran. Upfront the forwards led by Colm started to get scores in the 2nd half and Oisín shackled their play maker so well that all his scores came in the 1st half when

O Tooles were leading for a period of time.

We now move into 3rd place in our Division and play St Olaf's at home on May 14th in Ballycullen.

Squad: Charlie Redmond Murray, Cillian west, Colm Ward, David Rogers, James Burke, James Long, Kevin O' Donoghue, Oisin Long, Oran Kelly, Rory Sweeney and Tom Keogan

Scorers:

Colm Ward	3:0
Kevin O' Donoghue	1:01
Rory Sweeney	1:0
Charlie Redmond-Murray	1:0
James Long	1:0
Oisin Long	0:02
Tom Keogan	0:02

Unavailable: Conor Smith, Cillian Larkin, Eoghan Pender, Ben Nolan, Sean Tighe, Sean Buggy, Patrick Cassells, Eoin McCormick and Conor Murphy.

GAA Museum Croke Park

The GAA Museum in Croke Park includes an exhibition on Clubs and Community, featuring a dedicated showcase for each of the All-Ireland Club Champions in the hurling and football. This is updated annually to display items from the current champions and now features ***Ballyboden St Endas as All Ireland Club Senior Football Champions***. The display includes a club jersey, boots and gloves (as worn by a player in the final) signed football, official match programme as well as other memorabilia associated with the day. The display also includes footage of Ballyboden St Endas path to the All-Ireland title (approx 5 minutes of edited highlights).

These will be on show for the next 12 months. So when next in or around Croke Park why not visit the Museum and see Boden on display.

Oíche Siamsaíochta le scoileanna an Cheantair



Mar chuid de clár Chomóradh an Chéid 1916/2016. Bhí an halla sa chlub i mBaile Uí Bhuadáin Naomh Éanna lán go doras tráthnóna Dé Domhnaigh an 17ú Aibreán, nuair a chuir scoileanna áitiúla “Seó” iontach ar stáitse.

Do ghlac seacht scoil páirt agus chuireadar clár éagsúil bríomhar i láthair. Bhí poirt á sheinm, amhráin á gcanadh, dánta á naithris agus drámaí á léiriú go hiontach sciliúil snasta le hard chaighdeán. Bhain an slua mór ana thaitneamh as an oíche. Tá moladh thar na bearta tuillte ag na daltaí, na múinteoirí agus na túismitheoirí as an sár obair a chuireadar isteach i gcur i láthair Clár na hOíche.

Bhronn Seamaí Ó Néill ó Choiste Chomóradh an Chéid an fear a rinne cion fir chun an oíche a chur le chéile, teastas speisialta ar gach dalta a ghlac páirt.

Gabhaimíd buíochas le gach duine a chabhraigh linn i rith na hoíche .Seo leannas na scoileanna agus clár na hoíche:

Scoil Naomh Pádraig.....Choral.....1916 Was the Year: Port.....Amhrán na Leabhar: Ballyroan Boys National School....Dráma.....Triumph of All Sorts: Scoil Carmel.....Amhrán.....Óró Sé do Bheatha Bhaile: Rathfarnham Parish School.....Choral.....Kyrie for Our Time
St.Colmcille’s Senior National School.....Tableau agus Amhrán: Gaelscoil Chnoc Liamhna.....Dráma.....1916 – Ag Leath Ama: Gaelcholáiste an Phiarsaigh.....Port.....Sliabh na mBan
Amhrán....An Drúcht Geal Ceo
Dán.....Labhair an Teanga Ghaeilge
AmhránCeol an Phíobaire

Commemorations 1916 - Céilí Mór



As part of our 1916 Commemorative Programme of events we had a Céilí Mór in the Clubhouse on Saturday 23rd April. The Brian Boru Céilí Band provided the music and Ann O'Donnell called the sets. Bhí an ceol agus an damhsaíocht ar fheabhas.

At the interval we had a reading of The Proclamation by Commandant Jody Moran and a dancing performance by Scoil Rince Seoige. Piper Jimmy Quirke led the performers into the hall through the lounge and played a number of tunes appropriate to the occasion.

After performing a number of dances including, a performance piece, a two hand reel, a jig, a hornpipe and finally Riverdance the dancers and Comd. Moran were led back out into the lounge by the piper to tumultuous applause.

In the lounge the dancers performed a treble reel and a hornpipe to the delight of the large attendance.

Our thanks to Jennifer Joyce and her troupe of dancers including Katie Farrell, Maddie Field, Eimear and Sé Donnelly, Alex Hayes, Ciara McIntyre and Yuliya Mikulchyk.

Thanks to Comd. Jody Moran for reading the Proclamation and Jimmy Quirke for playing the pipes. A great night was had by the Céilí dancers and appreciation to Tommy O'Brien, Tommy Clinton, Joe Purcell, Dan Brown, Barry Hynes, Eileen O'Brien, Anne Hogan and all the organisers for another well organised Céilí and their input into a memorable night.

Míle buíochas

THE BODEN SESSION 25 Aibreán 2016



Bhí togha an cheoil agus craic againn ag an Seisiúin ar an Luan seo chaite, ceoltóirí, amhránaithe, damhsóirí agus scéalaithe freisin! Bhíodar go léir ar fheabhas. Ceol iontach, comhluadar iontach, lucht éisteachta iontach.

Isn't it wonderful to think that a whole community can come together like this once a month and provide such wonderful entertainment for each other, saor in aisce. We look forward to the the next Session on Monday 30th May.

We started at 9.30p.m. with the following 12 tunes being played by the entire ensemble which included - Liz McDonald, Helen Harrington, John Breen, Úna Johnston, Declan O'Brien, Ann Larkin, Noreen O'Farrell, The Boden Balladeers and many of the musicians who are named as soloists later in the night's entertainment list :

Ag an mBóithrín Buí, Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms, Boolavogue, Buachaill ón Éirne, Cill Chais, Cockles and Mussels, Dawning of the Day, The Harp that Once, Mo Ghile Mear (sung by Owen McLoughlin), Rodaí Mac Corlaí, The South Wind and The Spanish Lady.

From this point on it was mostly individual performers ;-

Shay McGlynn fiddle – playing Easter Snow followed by a reel
Fintan Walsh– clarinet – playing Sliabh na mBan
Tony Shields – reciting The Wayfarer and Innocent
THE 1916 PROCLAMATION - read by Gerry O'Sullivan.
Úna Johnston – singing Fágfidh mise an Baile seo.
Owen McLoughlin – guitar, singing - The Foggy Dew
Mary Cleary – guitar - singing The Dying Rebel
Paul Farrell – guitar - singing Oró Sé do Bheatha 'Bhaile
Noel Larkin - guitar, singing Grace
Katie Farrell - damhsa
Joe Brennan – trad trio – Farewell to Nova Scotia
Joe Johnston – singing - Úrchnoc Chéin Mhic Cáinte
Declan O'Brien – singing - James Connolly
Gerry Hogan – singing – Meet Me at the Pillar
Tomás Ó Reachtaibhre – singing – Cuaichín Gleann Neiphin
Gerry Mangan – singing – The West's Awake
Seamaí Ó Neill - singing – Raglan Rd.
Pat Cullen - damhsa ar an sean nós
Joseph Johnston singing Four Green Fields
Vivian Ruddy – singing The Band Played Waltzing Matilda

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- Tom Murphy, Invor, Killiney Road
- Joseph Doyle, Adelaide Street, Dun Laoghaire
- Dave Foley, C/O Jack Nolan

Match 1st Three

- Finbar Hurley, Monalea Wood, Firhouse
- Tony Lennoin, Jigginstown Park, Naas
- Moire Flynn, C/O BBSE
- Rose Anne Basquel, Knocklyon Road, Knocklyon
- Cian O'Toole, Ballymace Green, Rathfarnham

Yearly Subscribers Draw

- Terry Hyland, Watteraughy, Carlismore, Co Cavan

As this is our last draw for this lotto year we would like to sincerely thank everyone who supported us over the year. The Lotto is a vital source of revenue for the club and the proceeds go directly to benefit all our playing teams. Thank you again and we look forward to your renewed support for 2016/2017