

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



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## Senior Hurlers downed by Crumlin in Hurling championship group stages

Senior A vs Crumlin Friday, 5th May 2017

Result: 0-22 to 2-22

Round 2 of the Senior A Championship on Friday 5th May. Ballyboden visited a sunny O'Toole Park to take on the hosts, Crumlin. Both teams had won their opening matches so a win here would give an advantage going into the final round later in the summer.

Boden played with the stiff breeze and had two fine opening points from James Roche and Paul Doherty. Crumlin levelled but the visitors responded with points from Conal Keaney and Shane Durkin, the latter playing well at wing-back and turning over a series of Crumlin attacks. Further points from Doherty and a Simon Lambert free had Boden ahead on the quarter hour by 7 points to 3. Niall Ryan hit two points from the left as Boden pulled ahead. Lambert and Finn McGarry were winning good puckout ball and then disaster struck in the space of a few minutes. A strong run led to Crumlin's opening goal that was followed shortly afterwards by a second for the home team. The two last points from Crumlin's influential corner forwards left the half time score Boden 0-14 Crumlin 2-9.

Crumlin now had the breeze behind them and buoyed by their two green flags before half-time, set to work immediately. They recorded the first three points of the half. The leadership of Keaney emerged at this point as he fired over a brace to keep Boden in touch. Further points were added by Aidan Mellet and Lambert as well as a magnificent sideline cut from Lambert to leave it all square as the last quarter beckoned. It was the home side however, that increased their effort in the final ten minutes. The Crumlin centre-back sent over a long-range point and this lifted the crowd. Try as they might, particularly through the efforts of Durkin, Keaney and Doherty, Boden could not reel in the home team and the match finished on a scoreline of Boden 0-22 to Crumlin 2-22. Boden now face Faughs with Crumlin playing Cuala in the final group match, most likely in August.

#### Result: 1-17 to 4-17

Ballyboden Senior B hurlers travelled to within a stone's throw of the airport at the weekend to face Whitehall Colmcille in Round 2 of the championship on Saturday 6th May. While the planes were taking off and landing with ease, a localised storm was brewing on the pitch for the visitors. Whitehall started with pace and precision and found themselves well in control after ten minutes, mainly due to two well struck goals from their deadly front line. This was a very difficult start from which to recover but with a few positional switches and led by Naoise Maguire at centre-back, Boden slowly began to put some scores on the board. Niall Keegan also gave the team a lift with some fine man-marking and in the half-forward line, Adam Jermyn was working tirelessly to force his team forward. Half-time saw the sides take a break on a scoreline of Whitehall 3-13 to Boden 0-5.

Boden started well in the second half with far more urgency displayed by each line. Tom Hanafin scored a fine point and a series of Austen Lynch frees were sent over to keep the scoreboard moving in the right direction. Mike Clifford and Eoin Small worked hard to limit Whitehall chances and their distribution forward was working well. Dónal Butler laid the ball off nicely and a few chances were made for his fellow forwards that might have raised a green flag on another day. One such shot from substitute Jonathan O'Driscoll cleared the crossbar by the minimum – the Boden support felt a goal was not far away. As the match moved to injury time, Chris Lambert got on the ball on the 45m line. As space opened up, he raced forward in a mazy run before picking his spot and firing across the goalkeeper to finally get the goal Boden deserved. A much better second half and some positives to take to the next match – final score of Whitehall 4-17 Ballyboden 1-17.

#### Minor footballers go down to Olaf's in league

Sunday 6th May 2017

#### Naomh Olaf 2-15 Ballyboden St Enda's 0-13

The sun shone brightly in Sandyford on Sunday morning but unfortunately the good mood generated by the weather was not reflected on the pitch as Boden went down by eight points in a keenly contested league game.

Boden started well with a great point from distance by Cillian O'Connor. However Noamh Olaf responded with two well taken frees from distance. Indeed Olaf's accuracy from frees proved to be Boden's nemesis as they scored a succession of frees throughout the game. Boden increased the intensity and equalised when corner back Jack Daly-Kenny running from defence neatly levelled the scores in the tenth minute with a well worked point.

Naomh Olaf regained the lead, raising the first green flag of the morning and increased this lead with a point shortly after. Boden responded with points from Ross McGarry and Ciaran O'Reilly however both sides continued to trade points leaving the score at 0-7 to 1-10 at half-time in favour of Naomh Olaf.

Boden started the second half brightly and were quick out of the blocks with a Ross McGarry point. However Naomh Olaf responded with a goal and added a further point to leave 9 points between the teams. Boden needed a response and did so by increasing the work rate and accuracy of passing with Karl Reddy and Kieran Kennedy particularly prominent. This

resulted in 5 unanswered points courtesy of Jack Daly-Kenny, Ben Kelly, Ross McGarry and Eoghan McGarvey (0-2) to trail by four points mid way through the second half.

However the Boden lads were unable to push on and Naomh Olaf closed the game out with four additional points to win by 8 points.

The football season now takes a break until the end of June and whilst a win would have nicely closed out this part of the season there were many positives to be taken from this game including the mid second half fight back and the variety of scorers. In addition a number of players who have been on inter-county duty with Dublin will be returning to the ranks which will increase competition for places and the competitiveness of the team as the Championship draws closer.

Squad: Mark McNamee, Jack Daly-Kenny (0-2), Karl Reddy, Ruairí Hester, Jacques Dalton, Kieran Kennedy, Jamie Dooney, Sam Lally (0-1), Ronan Wallace, Killian O' Connor,(0-1) Daniel O'Riordan, Ross McGarry (0-4), Jack Basquel, Eoghan McGarvey (0-2), Ben Kelly (0-1), Ciaran O'Reilly (0-2), Rob Donohue, Ben Kelly, Ciaran Cashman, Ross McCormack

Mentors: Derek Ward, John O'Boyle, Brendan Gillespie, Frank Basquel, Tony Wallace, Seamus O'Flaherty

Junior B's into cup final



The conspiracy theorists among us smelt a rat when we arrived at Glenalbyn park to find half of the pitch flooded. The sprinklers had been left on for two hours previously, leaving conditions in one half precarious to say the least. The referee was calling the game off but left the final decision to Boden. I called the team together and left that decision to the panel. To a man, they wanted to play it here and now. Needless to say the team talk from Management was short and brief, our motivation and desire to win was set out for us. Take the game to Kilmacud and win your personal battles.

After a near fifteen minutes delay, we were under way. It was Kilmacud who registered the first score and sent the ball into the back of the Boden net after latching onto a loose ball. It was only after Kilmacud tagged on a point and going four points down that the JBs kicked into action. Brian Fitzgerald at half back played some neat one twos' and sent the ball high over the bar to send us on our way. Vinnie Moran was immense yet again in the middle of the park and tagged on two points from play. Now we were playing ball. Some of the off the shoulder play was at a higher level for sure,a joy to watch. Our defence has been the bedrock of our season and were not surrendering a blade of grass. Adrian Minnock at corner back was out in front thwarting the Kilmacud attack,hard but fair is our motto and he was dogged in the tackle time after time. Michael Dunne at full back was marshling the defence like the professional he is,working the ball out of defence at pace. Lynchy latched on to a high ball from Vinnie and despite been under a lot of pressure from his marker,let of a shot. The keeper some how got a foot to it but Neil followed through and smashed the ball into the back

of the net. Game definitely on now. I have always believed that the combined talent of this team would put away the best of teams out there. Well, they were now giving what I would call, the complete performance. Shane Tully at half forward was using all that experience and was making some excellent runs into space to create chances for his team-mates. Donal McCarthy is a player who has come through the minor ranks and has established himself as a vital cog in our team. His unselfish play and never say die attitude is a sight to see. Eoghan Buckley, another minor veteran, has now become a regular in our ranks. Boden went into the break 1-11 to 1-3 in front. Tracey had the oranges ready, water was handed out and the team spoke among themselves at first. The game plan was not to change, do not allow their backs to get the ball out of their half. Keep them under pressure, cut off the supply line to their forwards and go on the offensive. The JBs were raring to go in the second half, they wanted to get at the opposition and ran back on to the field of play to a roar from the sideline. Young Mccarthy tagged on the first score of the second half after collecting a sweet pass from Enda Daly at half forward. Ian Clarke was brought on for the injured Vinnie Moran and set about settling in the high tempo game straight away. Boden were unforgiving in the tackle all around the field, if a ball was to be won there was no holding back. Kilmacud tried putting on the pressure and after one ball was sent in high, Adrian read the flight of it perfectly and took ball and man with him with a crunching tackle. His marker was flat on the floor pondering life while Adrian was half way up the field feeding the forward line, hard but fair. Young Bradley came on for Shane and helped himself to two points along the way. With the clock ticking down the JBs still had plenty in the tank and scored another goal after substitute Ronan O Reilly lobbed the keeper from outfield. The referee brought proceedings to an end with Boden running out winners, 2-15 to 1-5. To come to Kilmacuds

Next is St Colmcilles in the Championship on the 14th at 3pm. Support very much needed. Boden Abu.

home ground and win in such emphatic style speaks volumes of this JB panel. Five wins out

Report by Martin O Donnell.

**Annual golf classic 2017** 

of five now in the Cup, another win to make the final.



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Under 16 Football 'A' Championship Semi Final 6/5/17

#### Sancta Maria

#### Ballyboden St Endas v Skerries Harps

Saturday afternoon last saw a strong wind blowing from the car park end of Sancta Maria towards Temple Roan. Gaining the wind advantage proved to be vital as the Ballyboden St Endas Under 16s took to the field against Skerries Harps for their Championship semi final.

With the wind literally at their backs, the 'Boden forwards led by Malachy Codd notched up a four point lead before Skerries could muster an attack. When they did however it was to score a goal and this followed by a quick point, meant the teams were level after ten minutes, despite 'Boden's dominance of possession.

'Boden would go a further 3points ahead only for things to be repeated as Skerries got a second goal and ensured parity once again. Thankfully the half finished with the home team clipping on a few more points and a goal which was the pick of the scores of the first half. Keeper Jake Turley jumped higher than his crossbar to 'save' a point and set up a whole team move which resulted in a goal from Cillian Wall.

Although leading by 1-13 to 2-1 at half time, the half time message was clear. They would have the strong wind and teams don't travel to any semi final to make up the numbers. As happens with a lot of these encounters, the first ten of the second half would be crucial. Thankfully, this team of players' work rate can never be questioned and the proverbial shoulder was put to the proverbial wheel once again. The intensity of the tackles was immense led primarily by the midfield turbo that is Pierce Christie. Skerries were effectively pinned back from the 'Boden half back line onwards.

The scores (of both kinds) kept coming and 'Boden were to run out easy winners in the end with a score line of 4-18 to 2-6. This was a big surprise to anyone who witnessed the league encounter between these two a few weeks back when 'Boden had the upper hand with a lucky one point win. There was no need to call on Lady Luck last Saturday however.

This team now has to do it all again in two weeks time in the County Final. After a defeat at the same point last year at U15 level, here's hoping they can go the extra step next time out. If the commitment, work and dedication shown on this occasion is matched or even improved on May 20th, who would bet against them?

Go for it lads!!

Many thanks to Miriam Dyle for the photos. For more photos, see here





Under 16 Football 'D' Championship Semi Final 6/5/17

#### Bloomfield

#### Ballyboden St Endas v St Sylvesters

The U16's put in a solid performance today, all 18 players delivered a gallant effort and contributed a 110%. The victory was never in doubt as the boys took control of the game right from the start. They were against the wind and up hill in the first half but they lead comfortably at halftime.

The Boden boys had a slow start to the second half but rallied well to win out comfortably in the end.

Full Time result: 2-15 to 2-6

The management team couldn't be more proud of the boys.

We are all looking for to a great day out in the final in two weeks time.

Boden Abú!

Many thanks to Tony Duffy and Peter Minogue for the photos. For more photos, see <a href="here">here</a>

U12 Boys Footballers Travel to An Ríocht 9-a-Side Tournament



The U12 Footballers had an early start last Saturday. We had an 8am departure heading up the M1 to Co. Down to An Ríocht GAC.

The occasion was the Annual An Ríocht 9-a-side Tournament. 14 boys, along with assorted coaches/parents were up bright and early and on the road fuelled with strong coffee. This is a quick fire tournament, and with matches only 7 minutes a half, it meant you really needed to hit the ground running.

Matches started at 10.30am sharp, and the Boden boys didn't let the club down. 2 victories over Killeavy (Co Armagh) & Teconnaught (Co Down), and one loss to Moneyglass (Co Antrim) in the group stages meant we went into the cup competition to face a group winner in the second round.

Boden drew a strong Magherafelt (Derry) for our second round opposition, and even though a spirited performance was given by all 14 boys, we came up just short.

A quick pep talk however - and mention of Burger King on the way home - got the smiles back on the boys' faces and off we went back down the M1.

A great day out for all the boys, coaches and parents.

Big thank you to An Riocht for hosting a great tournament.

Foireann: CJ Ballance, Alex Brady, Kieran Burke, Conor Butler, Thomas Davis, Jack Finn, Simon Horgan, Sean Keegan, Mark Keogh, Torna MacGearailt, Rian Meaney, Evan Moynihan, David Quinlivan, Ciaran Sharkey.

Many thanks to Brendan Young for the team photo.

#### **Summer Camp 2017**



Summer Camp time again!!...Ballyboden St Enda's Summer Camp returns this July & August!!

The Biggest & Best Summer Camp in the country starts on Monday July 10th!!

Providing GAA and many other sporting activities for Boys & Girls aged 5-12, it is a camp which puts Fun & Enjoyment as its number one rule! Kids get to keep up their practice, get to meet their friends, make new friends, go on Day trips & get lots of Freebies all in a Safe and Enjoyable Environment!!

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We hope to see you in July and August!

#### **Under 16 A camogie lose thriller to Counsel**

U-16 A League – Cherryfield – 3rd May '17 BBSE 4-11 (23) Counsel 6-6 (24)

Wednesday evening saw a battle royal in Cherryfield – a match that ebbed and flowed and whose outcome was in doubt right up to the final whistle. One will be hard pressed to find a better game of camogie in Dublin this year.

Good Counsel were the visitors, and there is seldom more than a puck of the ball between these two great sides.

The match began with Boden playing with the aid of a stiff breeze and were soon on the scoreboard when Aisling Murray slotted a lovely point on the turn. Counsel were looking threatening with every attack and soon had the ball in Ally's net when a high ball into our square was gathered and finished. We responded with a Katie point and then Aisling Murray netted, before Counsel narrowed the gap with a pointed free. Both teams continued to attack with vigour and both forward units were making good headway. Sarah Ann registered a lovely point, and Katie converted a free. We were then hit with two sucker punches in a minute, when first Counsel drew level with a goal then they opened a lead with another goal. Our girls responded and Hollyn was very unfortunate when the ball hopped on the crossbar an over for a point, and then she added another, before Aisling Byrne closed the first half scoring with the equalising point.

Half Time 1-7 to 3-1

There was no let-up in the second half, as Counsel opened with two points. Blathnaid then came off the bench to find the net with her first touch, but this was soon cancelled by a Counsel goal. Hollyn then scored a great goal after collecting a centre from Olivia. Counsel then equalised with a point, Aisling Byrne restored our one-point lead. Another exchange of points – this time an equaliser from Counsel and Hollyn restoring our lead, before Counsel again equalised. The excitement was reaching fever pitch as Erica attacked the centre of the Counsel defence and yet again restored a one point lead for Boden. Then Lucy struck what looked like the decisive blow and found the net to put four points between the sides. Erica then had us all breathing a little easier as she slotted our closing point to put five between the sides, and little over a minute left to play.

However Counsel had fought all night and were not done yet. They netted in their next attack and we hoped for the final whistle to sound but play continued. There did not appear to be too much danger as Counsel gathered possession at the near sideline and managed to deliver the ball into the danger area. Incredibly it beat everyone to end in the far corner of our net. There was time for no more. It was hard to take but few could begrudge Counsel who had in the past suffered some tight defeats against us.

Final Score 4-11 to 6-6.

It was some consolation that we had lost out to a superb team after an epic struggle. We will learn from this experience and come back stronger and more determined.

#### **Under 16 A camogie atone for Counsel defeat**

U-16 A League – Prunty –8th May '17 BBSE 5-9 Lucan 2-9

On Monday evening we faced our old adversaries Lucan in a top of the table match, determined to atone for the loss to Counsel five days earlier. However it was Lucan who hit the ground running, with play that left our girls chasing shadows at times.

After 15 minutes they had reeled off 6 points, and we had still not threatened the Lucan goal. Indeed, we were lucky to be only six adrift, such was Lucan's dominance, but our defence, marshalled superbly by a spine of Robyn and Hannah put bodies on the line to protect our goal, and keep the score somewhat manageable. Then Katie finally opened our account, with a great run and a point from play. This was followed by two great goals by Sarah Ann, and incredibly we were a point to the good. Lucan then equalised from a "45", and the reasserted themselves with a goal, before Katie knocked over another point. Then, on the stroke of half-time, Erica shot a "daisy cutter" on the turn and it nestled in the far corner of the Lucan net, to give us a one point lead at the break.

Half Time 3-2 to 1-7

The second half opened with Aoife Mahon slotting over the equalising point for Lucan, but from there our girls dug in all over the field and began to win most of the individual battles. Aisling Byrne restored our lead with a point and then Blathnaid came on and found the net with her first touch. We then had points from Katie, Aisling Byrne, Katie from a free, and Erica, after she collected a long delivery from Saoirse Hassett. The lead was looking quite healthy, and was bolstered further when Blathnaid again found the net. However, we knew from past experience that Lucan never go down without a fight, and they laid siege to our goal for periods, when some last gasp defending was called for more than once, to maintain the lead as it was. Luck also deserted the Lucan girls on a couple of occasions, but they fought on and deservedly cut the lead with a point and followed this up with a goal. However time was against them and we closed the game out with a great point from Katie and then a gem of a point from Hollyn, following a passing movement involving Hannah and Olivia. Final Score 5-9 to 2-9.

This was a great win after a typically epic battle with Lucan. We are away to Castleknock next Saturday, and another stern challenge can be expected.

#### **Under 9 camogie take on Maurs**



Our U9 girls played Naomh Maurs in camogie in the fab sun in Sancta Maria. We had 42 BBSE girls in total who played on the morning.

#### Two wins in two days for Under 14 B ladies footballers

A tough task of two games in 48 hrs faced the Under 14 B team. First up was a trip to Ballyboughal on Wednesday 3rd May followed by a home game against Raheny on the Friday.

Games with Ballyboughal have been tough affairs and are always closely fought and last week proved no exception. Ballyboughal were looking to avenge a narrow defeat in the feile group games and started brightly with a quick fire goal and a point. Boden regrouped and laid siege to the Ballyboughal goals scoring 4-1, before Ballyboughal lifted the siege. They enjoyed a purple patch approaching half time and had narrowed the gap by taking a few points. Half time Ballyboden 4-2 v Ballyboughal 1-7.

Boden started the second half brightly with the first three scores finding the net. Ballyboughal then exerted serious pressure on the Boden defence but the defence stood resolute allowing a few points but not the all-important goal. We lifted the siege from time to time with crucial points to keep the score board ticking. And although Ballyboughal got a late consolation score, Boden deserved the victory. Special mention to Alannah Norris for an

outstanding game at corner back (for a forward!!) and Emily Moynihan who also played the second half in the backs due to injuries.

Final Score Ballyboden St. Endas 7-7 v Ballyboughal 2-15

On Friday we entertained Raheny. Playing into the breeze in the first half scores were at a premium for both teams. Ballyboden lead at the break by 1-2 v 0-1.

We came out strong early in the second half and some lovely football lead to some great team scores. We ran out comfortable winners in the end by 4-12 v 2-2.

Once again we had to use the full panel with players playing in unfamiliar positions and everyone contributed to 2 great wins in 2 days. The team is now top of the table having won all six league games.



Our U12 girls football team hosted a Donegal team from Ardara GAA on Sunday May 7th. It was a beautiful sunny day. They had two fantastic games of football. Friendships were formed at the picnic after. The girls are looking forward to their trip to Donegal in September.

**Boden's ladies night** 



Friday 12th May from 8.30 pm Don't miss a night of Divine Wines ,cocktail Bar, Top Class Live Entertainment,....& A very,very "MAGICAL" surprise for all the ladies !!!!!.

**U9** Hurlers continue their season with on going Go Games



There were some outstanding skills on this display last Saturday morning as some of our U9's travelled the short distance to our neighbours Faughs for some Go Game matches. Despite being the first weekend in May, the boys had to brave the elements on a cold and grey morning. It didn't dampen spirits however and the boys tackled the task with great gusto and enthusiasm.

Well done boys..... keep up the hard work.







# Table Quiz

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11th May 8.30

**Lotto results** 



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