

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



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## **Our U16B Footballers are 'D' County Champions!**



Finally, the big day arrived for our U16B boys in O'Toole Park on Saturday. We couldn't of asked for more from the boys. They had worked hard, including extra training sessions over the last eight weeks and their preparation was excellent.

We won the toss and selected to play with the breeze and down the hill in the first half. We took control of the game right from the start and by half-time we had built up a comfortable lead of 0-6 to 0-0.

In the second half, St.Pats got off to a good start firing over the first score quickly. The Boden management team nervously looked at each other, was this to be a game of two halves? Any fears that we had were quickly allayed as the Boden boys rallied well and quickly retook control of the game again and it was to the only score that we would concede. Final score 1-13 to 0-1.

In summary, the boys were superb and it was an excellent and complete team performance. Adam Fisher, Brendan Kavanagh, and Captain Conor Cullen solid in defence. Excellent work rate from Sean Flaherty, Robert Cullen and James Nolan around the middle of the park. Daragh Cullen, Scott Harding and Eoin Duffy all put in great performances and worked tirelessly in the forward line. The Man of the match was hard to choose between Daniel Ryan at No.7 and Dan Ryan at No.10, which was shaded by Dan Ryan.

A special mention for Hugh Carrigan who unfortunately picked up a bug on Friday night and selflessly made the decision to put the team ahead of himself when he pulled out just before the off. Hugh, who is one of the first names on the team sheet at No. 3 played a large part in getting us to the Final on Saturday.

Scorers were: Sean Flaherty 1-2, Dan Ryan 0-3, Daragh Cullen 0-3, Scot Harding 0-2, Daniel Ryan 0-2 and Eoin Duffy 0-1.

A big thank you to the family and club members for turning out in big numbers to cheer on the boys and to the mentors for preparing the boys so well.

Many thanks to Tony Duffy and Miriam Doyle for the photos. For more photos, see here









## JB League game v Ballyboughal

Numbers were tight for this league encounter owing to injuries and other commitments. In fact we arrived in Ballyboughals ground with the bare fifteen outfield players and one sub. The management had total faith in the lads and knew they would still give a stellar performance, such is their die hard team spirit. The referee threw the ball up right on the 11th hour, game on. Enda Daly and Vinnie Moran were in midfield and were straight on the loose ball. Gathering the ball up, Vinnie laid it off to Bradley who in turn fed Neil for his first score of the day. Darren split the posts twice in quick succession to set us on our way. The second was of the highest quality as he made the run into space, latched on to a fine ball from Daly and sent the ball high over the bar while still on the run. Lynch was through on goal and let loose a great shot only for the opposition keeper to parry it away but who was there to send the ball into the net? That man McGovern again. Darren actually tweaked his calf but rather than come off he opted to move to the full forward position, he didn't want to leave the field of play and leave his team-mates in the lurch. Niall Bradley at half forward was linking up well with the forward line and after some excellent off the shoulder play, got on the score sheet himself. Mark McNamee in goal was instrumental in a lot of our play. His kickouts were of the highest quality and helped hugely in our attack style of play. In fact he made an excellent save by getting down to his right and deflecting the shot away. Michael Dunne was outstanding in the fullback position and was making penetrating runs from deep in his own half, linking up well with Adrian Minnock to go on the counter attack. What followed was a master class in point taking. We asked the lads at the start to keep popping the ball over the bar, demoralise the opposition. Points of the absolute highest quality from Ronan O Reilly,

Murphy,Lynch, McGovern and Dolan brought the score at half time to 1-12 to 1-3 in Bodens favour.

The management asked the team to keep that intensity going, do not take the pedal of the gas. Vinnies had tweaked his hamstring but said he would carry on, he wanted the win that bad he was prepared to play through the pain barrier. Paul Dolans experience was vital to us in the second half. Cleverly running into space, laying off the ball for Bodens attack time after time. His hard work rewarded with a well taken point after James McTiernan sent in a sweet ball and Paul steadied himself to send the ball black spot. Eoghan Buckley was pulled out to the half forward line and worked his socks off for the team. Eoghan is always prepared to roll up his sleeves and do the hard work in stopping the opposition defence getting the ball out of their half. A great prospect for sure. Young Murphy was giving a masterful display at half back and after some brilliant pocession football by the team,he found himself in the Ballyboughal goal mouth. Despite been under pressure, he somehow got the shot away and scored an excellent goal. But we weren't having it all our own way. Ballyboughal were piling on the pressure but Bodens defence were standing fast and were repelling attack after attack. Mick McDonald rolled back the years and had the beating of his marker. Eoghan got a dead leg for his troubles but played on, dropping back to help out in defence. Some more excellent point taking settled things in the end and the JBs ran out winners in a very hard fought league encounter. To come away from home yet again and get such an emphatic win says so much about this team. Despite injuries, players rolled up their sleeves and played through the pain barrier for the cause. Three wins from four now in the league keeps things ticking along nicely now. We lost the semi final in the Cup on Tuesday against a strong Olafs team but this team pick themselves up and move on to the next game. No time to feel sorry for themselves. The bar has been raised now, our destiny is in our own hands. An amazing bunch of Men. Boden Abu.Report by Martin O Donnell.





#### Minor Hurlers 2017 get new jerseys.



Our Minor A squad are carrying a very special logo this year becoming the 20th squad nationally to carry the Donal Walsh #livelife foundation logo. A decent crowd of minor hurlers and their parents listened attentively as Donal's father Fionnbar joined us on the night for the launch and spoke eloquently and movingly about his wonderful son and the legacy he has left behind.

Last week was the 4th anniversary of Donal's passing at the tender age of 16 but as Fionnbar proudly recalled his legacy and the power of one is continuing to carry a very powerful message for young people in particular about relishing the joy of live and making the best of each and every day.

A quick squad picture was taken on the new hallowed turf, the recently refurbished Pairc Ui Mhurchu. We look forward to the lads carrying the logo with pride once our home pitch opens in the summer.

A big thanks to Fionnbar for joining us on the night and to our "anonymous benefactor" who sponsored the jerseys GRMA.

We were also joined on the night by club stalwart and long term mentor of the 99 boys Martin Garvey who has once again generously sponsored the club and who was on site to present a new set of Eurogas jerseys to our Minor B squad, their gym work and growth spurts have seen them outgrow a previous set. A massive thanks to Martin for his continued support both on and off the pitch and best wishes to him and his business for the years ahead.

Photos by Cliona Mellett. For more photos, see here



**Upcoming hurling fixtures** 



LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE DIVISION 4 - FINAL

# BBSE V St. Patrick's (Wicklow)

O' Connor Park, Tullamore

Sunday, May 28th at 2.00pm

Game precedes Dublin V Galway (SH Championship)

Please support – Bígí Linn



All roads led to Ballycullen on Sunday afternoon as our U12 hurlers hosted 3 teams each from Cuala, Faughs and Na Fianna for their final Féile Iomána competition, with hundreds of boys from across Dublin participating in this true festival of U12 hurling.

The format of the competition added aggregate points from across each club's teams 3 teams, allowing for an open selection policy. It proved very popular with the Boden lads with over 50 signing up to represent the club.

Six games started simultaneously for each round, with score-master Paschal Comerford kept busy as he ran out of fingers and toes on more than one occasion trying to keep track of the scores.

On the pitch, this was a very tense affair with very little separating the top from the bottom of the scoreboard, with Boden qualifying for the Cup final against Cuala, who were separated from Faughs only on score difference, while Faughs and Na Fianna contested the Shield Final.

Not surprisingly, the finals themselves proved very tight across the board as the lads from each club really went for it, with each of the 3 matches in the Cup final separated by no more than one or two points, and with one draw.

In the end though, Boden ran out winners, with 2 narrow wins and one draw, to take the spoils in the Cup competition, while neighbours Faughs claimed victory in the Shield. CJ

#### U12 Hurlers Win 2017 Féile Iomána

Ballance was the very popular choice to receive the trophy on behalf of the Boden lads. All in all, a great day's hurling.

GRMA to the boys and parents of Cuala, Faughs and Na Fianna for travelling in such large numbers, and to our own parents for the great spread of hospitality which was hoovered up by the (apparently starving) 12 year olds, and for manning the car-parking and catering. And well done to our lads for their hard work and effort in bring the trophy home. Well done boys!

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





Under 16 A Championship Final O'Toole Park 20/5/17



#### Ballyboden St Endas 2-12 St Vincents 3-13.

Last Saturday saw a potential piece of history being recorded as the Ballyboden St Endas Under 16A's took to the field in O'Toole Park against St Vincents. Just minutes after the Ballyboden B's had lifted the 'D' Championship in style.

Unfortunately, the hand of history was not on our side as Vincents were to take the 'A' crown after an intriguing hours' football. The Northside outfit were the first to settle and scored 4 points before the 'Boden nerves were shaken off and they began to take a grip on the game. Indeed, once they got going, they would record 1-5 without reply. The goal coming from the boot of the very active Conor Lowe.

After this purple spell however, Vincents were to hit two goals in the space of a minute which in hindsight defined the game and saw them lead by 7 at the break.

The second half was up and down with Boden getting back to within 2 points on one occasion. St Vincents kept their composure however and ran out winners by four in the end.

The disappointment of the team and mentors not to mention the huge 'Boden support was immense. This group have now experienced two county final defeats which are hard life lessons for what is a great bunch of young players.

One is judged by how you respond to defeat however and there is still a league there to be won. Fortunately, there is also Under 17 football to look forward to next year and who is to say that the third time won't be the charm.

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



Great win for U15C footballers in Malahide last weekend.



The U15C football team travelled to Bridgefield, Malahide on Sunday morning to take on St Sylvesters in Division 7 of the football league.

Ballyboden played with the breeze in the first half and started strongly and opened the scoring with a fine point. Ballyboden dominated the rest of the first half to lead 3-7 to 1-5 at half time. With Ben Murphy playing solidly in goal ably assisted by Michael Connolly, David O'Connor and Harry Duff who defended valiantly. The half back line of Evan Ryan, Martin Mulligan Lynch and Senan Woods ably assisted the midfield pair of Matthew Ormsby and Reece Mulhall to "boss" the middle third of the pitch for long periods. With Thomas Brosnan, Daire Buckley, Michael Hanrahan, Luke O'Hanlon and Hugh Kelly mesmerising the Sylvesters defence with their tireless running and intricate passing game. We had some tremendous scores from among others Hugh Kelly, Thomas Brosnan, Michael Hanrahan and Daire Buckley.

The second half saw Sylvesters come more into the game with the help of the wind but Ballyboden did enough to win 4-10 to 2-13. Looking back on the game we probably should have won by more. Well done to all the lads.

Team: Ben Murphy, Michael Connolly, David O'Connor, Harry Duff, Evan Ryan, Martin Mulligan Lynch, Reece Mulhall, Senan Woods, Matthew Ormsby, Thomas Brosnan, Daire Buckley, Michael Hanrahan, Luke O'Hanlon, Hugh Kelly.





#### U13 Football: An Update

Last Saturday, all four U13 Boys Football Teams were in League action

The U13 D team played Thomas Davis in Aylesbury. Helped out by Nathan and Sean from the U12's, the boys started well and lead by a couple two goals at half time. In the second half and being driven on from midfield by Conor Smith, Boden began to excel and two further goals from Kevin O Donoghue saw over the line Result: Boden 7-2 Thomas Davis 3-2

The 13C team travelled to Swords to take on Fingallians and straight from the throw in Boden exerted huge pressure on their opponents and lead by 8 points at half time. After the resumption Boden ably lead by Dan Kennedy at centre back and Ollie Brophy at midfield drove on and further goals from Paul O Grady saw Boden prevail Result: BBSE 6-8 Fingallians 3-4

The U13 B's played Na Fianna B and the message sent out was hard work and team work was what was needed to win this match! Like every other match so far this year it was in abundance. After a good start the team were put to the sword by Na Fianna but the whole squad showed grit and determination and TEAMWORK that has made very proud coaches and parents week in and week out! Some fine footballers developing for the future of Ballyboden! Boden Abú

The U13A's also took on Na Fianna in Cherryfield and we got off to a flier with 3 points from Michael Murphy but Na Fianna responded to lead at half time 2-4 to 0-7.

Work, work, work was the message from the management at the interval and what a transformation ensued.

Oisin Byrne at corner back and Oisin Murray at half back began to drive the team forward and with Cathal O Sullivan showing well up front Boden finally got in front to win on a score line of Boden 1-14 Na Fianna 3-6

Well done to all 4 teams and onwards and upwards we go!

#### **Best Of Luck To Sarah Reynolds**



The Club wishes the best of luck to Sarah Reynolds who will be representing Ballyboden St Endas in the Dublin U16 Camogie Poc Fada competition in Beann Eadair on Weds 24th May. Incoming airplanes to Dublin Airport beware!

#### Boden U10 Girls take on Raheny at Sancta Maria

It's that time of year. Despite our numbers being somewhat depleted because of communions, it proved the same for our opposition, and so it was somewhat smaller numbers of our U10 Camogie players who greeted similarly reduced numbers from Raheny to a two-team (rather than three-team) contest at Sancta Maria on Saturday afternoon.

The reduced numbers made no difference to the girls who were present though, as they quickly settled into their positions and held their shape. Some committed play, some lovely passing and some fine scores underlined just how far our U10 camogie teams have come, and how well all the hard work at training has paid off, as more and more of our girls are taking the ball on and rising it to strike from the hand.

It was a similar story over in Somerton as our 2 team group took on Castleknock. 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. These are a committed group of players, and their hard work and determination can be seen in the consistent improvement in performance and results.

Well done to all the girls, all the training and practice is really paying off.



## Ballyboden U13A 2-6 St. Brigids 1-3

Saturday morning in Cherryfield saw the 2 unbeaten sides from Under 13 Division 1, Ballyboden and St. Brigids, finally coming together for what promised to be an enthralling encounter. This St. Brigids team had been running up high scores in their previous games so the Boden team knew that they would have to be at the top of their game if they wanted to come out on top. However, any question about the Boden desire was answered in the first minutes as the first challenges came in. Every possession was contested, no room was given, hurls were shattered and this was only the first 5 minutes.

The match was so tight that after 20 minutes, the previously high scoring teams were locked at just 1 point each, both from placed balls. This was testament to the defending on both sides with balls somehow being cleared when goals looked inevitable. Finally Boden managed to beat the keeper with a drive from the narrowest of angles. Another point was added to give Boden a 1-2 to 0-1 lead at the break.

As expected, the Brigids team came out even more determined in the second half but again

the Boden girls matched them and after 3 more converted placed balls the Boden team held a 1-5 to 0-3 lead heading into the last 10 minutes. At last Brigids got their break after a quickly taken free was deflected past the Boden keeper to bring the gap to just 2 points between the sides. Boden added another point to bring the gap to 3 points but still all to play for. Finally the Boden girls got their break of the ball with a rebound falling to the Boden full forward who was on hand to despatch the ball into the Brigids net.

The final whistle blew giving the victory to Boden 2-6 to 1-3. The teams shook hands after a titanic battle which is sure to be repeated in the coming months and years ahead.

#### U-14 A League – Cherryfield –20th May '17

Our girls played Naas on Saturday morning in Cherryfield. We were short a number of regulars, and were up against a team who had beaten all before them by big scores. However, our girls gave a display of courage, skill and commitment, and Naas had to work really hard before emerging victorious. Goals were the difference in the end, but to their credit, our girls fought to the end.

#### U-14 A League – Cherryfield –16th May '17

#### BBSE 2-3

Judes 1 - 12

In a game where we were short a few regulars, our girls fought strongly before going down by a few points. Goals by Sarah O'Connell and Erin kept the score tight throughout, and only a few late points from Judes put a slightly one-sided look on the scoreboard, that did not give a true reflection of how hard Judes were made to work for the points.

#### THE BODEN SESSION clár le haghaidh - 22 Bealtaine 2017

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CEOLTÓIRÍ BUADÁIN uilig ag seinm, Ag an mBóithrín Buí, Helen and Ann- Ar Éirinn Ní nEosfainn Cé hÍ, ALL - Believe Me If All Those End. Young Charms, Gerald – Buachaill Ón Éirne / Come By the Hills, Liz - Cill Chais, ALL - Cliffs of Doneen. TREBLES - Cockles and Mussels and The Dawning of the Day, ALL - The Happy Wanderer, Helen - I'll Tell Me Ma. ALL - Lord of the Dance, Una - Moonlight in Mayo, Teresa – Rodaí Mac Corlaí, John – The South Wind . Marie – The Spanish Lady, ALL - The Star of the Co. Down, Owen - The Weaver ROSANNE BASQUEL ag canadh The Battle Hymn of the Republic MARY CLEARY guitar ag canadh Leavin' on a Jet Plane

EDDIE COMERFORD - comedy recitation – (we'll be in stitches ! )

BILLY CULLEN ag canadh The Old Rustic Bridge by the Mill

EOIN DUNNE ag canadh Cutting the Corn in Creeslough

KATIE FARRELL - damhsa aonair

DAMHSA – grúpa ar an urlár le haghaidh Ballaí Luimní

GERRY HOGAN ag canadh Gentle Annie JOE JOHNSTON ag canadh Under the Old Linden Tree ÚNA JOHNSTON – ag canadh Will You Go Lassie Go

ANN LARKIN ag canadh Summerfly NOEL LARKIN - guitar - singing - Sam Stone DAMHSA - grúpa ag déanamh Caidhp an Chuil Áird KEN MCCULLAGH and FINTAN WALSH recorder / clarinet. CHRISTY MC DERMOTT ag canadh Four green Fields

LIZ MC DONALD ag canadh Hopelessly Devoted to U (after her Late brill performance )

COLM MC GLADE ag canadh Dublin in the Rare Ould Times TOM MCGORMAN - flute - ag seinm ríleanna McClouds/The Sligo Maid + Fanny Power

OWEN MC LOUGHLIN – guitar – singing Catch it When You Can ( owen ! composition )

GERRY MANGAN ag canadh Slievenamon

DAN MEANEY guitar - ag seinm Andantino

PHIL NOLAN ag canadh Isle of Inisfree

DECLAN O'BRIEN – Steal Away a la Anto & Deco - laughter all the way !

SHAY O'BRIEN ag canadh Gold and Silver Days JOHN O'CALLAGHAN - guitar - ag canadh Lord Franklin CATHY O'NEILL violin ag seinm Bygone Days &nb sp; TOMÁS Ó REACHTAIRE ag canadh Oró mo Bhaidín LIAM ROCHE - harmonica - Summertime FINALE – gach duine ag seinm / canadh The Parting Glass ( Declan inst. solo on verse 1)

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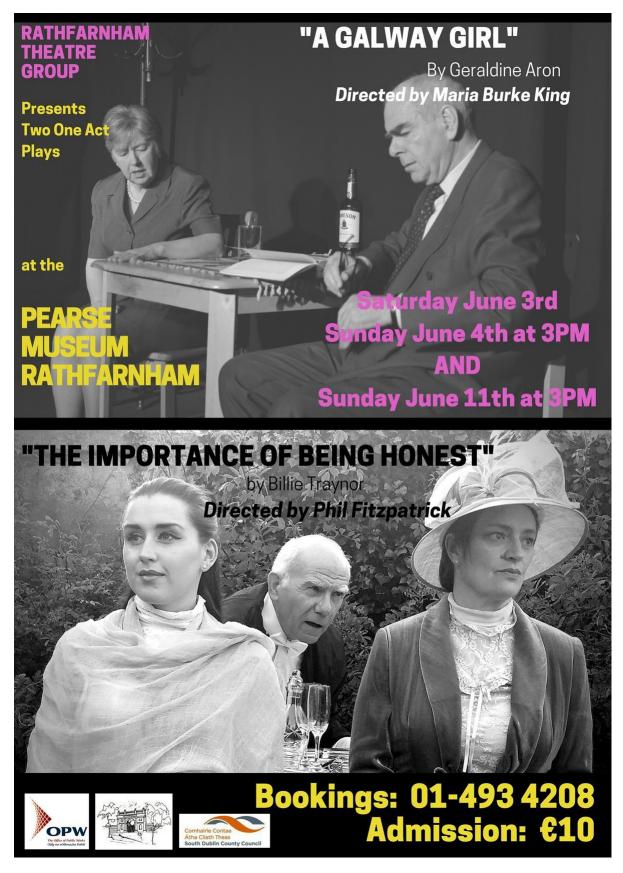
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#### **Lotto results**

