

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



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Hurling - Upcoming Fixtures

- Wed, June 21st Sen B Championship V St. Sylvester's in Broomfield at 7.30pm
- Wed, June 21st Intermediate Championship V Cuala in Ballycullen at 7.30pm
- Wed, June 21st AHL 1 V St. Brigid's in Sancta Maria at 7.30pm
- Thurs, June 22nd Junior D Championship V Commercials in Rathcoole at 7.30pm
- Sat, June 24th AHL 1 V Crumlin in Pearse Park at 6.30pm
- Sat, June 24th AHL 3 V Thomas Davis in Kiltipper at 6.30pm
- Sat, June 24th AHL 4 V Cuala in Shankhill at 6.30pm
- Sun, June 25th AHL 5 V Whitehall in Cloghran at 11.00am

Minor Hurling Returns with games on June 28th and July 2nd.

Football - JB League Game Vs. Naomh Olaf



We hold our hands up here. We were beaten fair and square by the better team. We simply weren't good enough in a lot of our play on the day. We could not necessarily blame the scorching weather, as Olafs had to contend with the same conditions. As I said to the lads

after, we have to learn from this defeat. Where did we go wrong? What do we have to do to put this right? In fairness, Olafs should be operating in div 5 or 6. And they will openly agree on this. I reminded the team that we got a spanking like this last year, then went on a twelve game unbeaten run which led us to promotion to this division. The disappointment was evident in the body language on the sideline after but I am absolutely positive that this great bunch of Men will respond in the best possible way in our next league encounter at home to Sylvesters. I reminded them of how far we have come as a unit in the past three years, they have put themselves on the map. By Christ we will get over this blip for sure, such is the JB spirit and team ethic. Heads up, it's a marathon, not a sprint! JBs Abu.

Report by; Martin O Donnell.

Ladies Football Blitz Friday 16th June 2017

Ireland is a lovely country when the sun shines and there was no better place to be last Friday in the glorious sunshine than at the 5th annual Ladies Football Blitz in Sancta Maria. The highest factor sun cream that the girls could get their hands on replaced the umbrellas from the 2016 blitz.

Over 250 girls split into three competitions (U9/U10, U11/U12 and U13/U14) took part and the fantastic effort shown by all of the girls was only matched by the sound of laughter coming from both pitches. The evening also provided the opportunity for mentors to meet up, some for the first time.

Following the parade to the sound of the Sunday Game, the games began at 5.30pm and for the next 3 plus hours over the course of 55 games on 8 pitches the girls treated those watching to a feast of excellent football played out in perfect conditions. Each team played a minimum of four games with most playing five or six games. Under the careful eye of timekeeper Kieran Rudden, the evening ran like clockwork with three main finals and three plate finals all completed to schedule at 8.45pm.

The matches themselves were hugely competitive, with coaches and girls alike as determined to beat the people they train and play with every week, as they would be if the opposition was wearing a different club's jersey!. The under 14 final was won by Down (managed by Eoin Reid), the under 12 final by Donegal (Deborah Heavey) and the under 10 final by Meath (Dave Rusk). The real story however was the hundred or so goals, and the hundreds of points scored over the night, which would have been even more but for an exhibition of tackling and blocking throughout the evening.

As the sun began to set the finals took place before club Chairman Ciaran Maguire presented medals to the victorious teams.

As there was so many helping, we can't acknowledge people by name but huge thanks is due to the 17 referees, 26 managers, 4 pitch co-ordinators, 6 first aiders, score board, DJ!!!! and of course not forgetting the 6 people on BBQ duty under Dave Mellon's direction, who cooked 400 burgers, 6 people providing tea and coffee and the ice-cream van man. As

special word of thanks to the number of girls from the club's senior teams who helped out, and this is something we'll build on for next year.

After the clean up was completed and the queue for the ice cream van had finally ceased, the organising committee retired back to the clubhouse for some well-deserved refreshments. A great evening was had by everyone present and the ladies football section can be assured of huge numbers of players coming through the ranks for the years ahead.









Victory against Clontarf in their last game in Cherryfield on Saturday saw the U13 girls top Division 1 tied on points with Lucan.

Play off decider text Saturday - Venue TBD - Best of Luck girls









Photos courtesy of Liam Cunningham

Regional Féile Report 2017



The club hosted the Regional Féile on Saturday, with temperatures hitting close to 30.

Short eight of our Féile "A" panel through a combination of injuries and a scheduled u-13 football match, options were further reduced by many potential replacements being on holidays or on Gaeltacht duties. However, we managed to field a panel of 16, and the girls acquitted themselves very well.

Our first match was against Cahir, and we lost narrowly. We then had to turn straight around and face a fresh Crecora team from Limerick. The girls made light of the heat exhaustion to prevail and qualify for the semi-final, where they faced an Athenry team who had steamrolled all before them to top the other group. Again our girls performed brilliantly, and were only 2 points down with 15 minutes to go. However then the effects of the day began to tell and Athenry used their 13-strong bench to good effect, to just get the better of our girls. The sense of "what might have been" was heightened as we watched Athenry win the final with relative ease.

Thanks to all the parents and helpers, as well as Michael and the bar and catering staff who helped to make the day such a resounding success and so enjoyable for all the players, mentors and visitors to the club. Also to the St. John's Ambulance personnel, who were on hand if needed. A special word of thanks to Kathleen from the County Board, Pat Martin from Leinster Camogie who played pivotal roles in the organising of the day.

All in all, a brilliant day's camogie, and our girls will benefit immensely from the experience.





Juvenile Hurling



U11 BOYS SURVIVE AND THRIVE IN THE HEAT OF COMPETITION

The third Saturday of June 2017 will remain long in the memories of the U11 Boys hurlers as they recall their trip to a fantastic tournament of hurling in the Rebel county. Memorable as much for the epic journey to get there and back again, as for the brilliant day of hurling.

The day dawned bright and warm as the squad of over 40 boys assembled early at the clubhouse with a great sense of anticipation. The boys and a coterie of coaches and parents were giddy with excitement as they boarded the gleaming green double decker bus that promised 'quality in transport' and such decadent delights as 'Wifi on board'. The boys headed

for the upper steerage deck while the adults fussed about in the lower 'luxury class' busily waving bundles of paper containing team lists and competition rules while otherwise projecting an air of calm control. With all the gear loaded the doors were closed, the engine revved and the order to move out was posted at 7.30am. What could possibly go wrong on this perfectly sunny Saturday?

Well, the wheels on the bus went around and around, and the temperature on the bus went up and up. By the time we reached the M8 exit the cabin was hotter than a jockeys' sauna. The dessicated boys were desperately trying to encroach the relatively cool lower deck, which quickly resembled economy class on a Mumbai commuter train. On the hottest day of the year, with no air conditioning, no open windows, and no toilets on board, the green fields of Cork seemed very distant. No land speed records were broken as the bus periodically graunched its way southwards at a pace more common in the mid 18th century. At times the three hour journey seemed more like three days of trekking across the Sahara wearing a full wet suit: by the time we reached our destination there was sufficient humidity generated inside to cause a local thunderstorm.

What of the hurling? In one word...Brilliant! The boys were here to take part in the annual Joe Delaney tournament hosted by Ballincollig GAA.

First up was three matches against the hosts and the boys were given a fair lesson on all that is great about the game in this part of Ireland.

Having rehydrated and settled into the action, the boys put on a much better better performance in the second round of competition, beating Dripsey of Cork and drawing a match with the mighty Na Piarsaigh of Limerick. The game of the tournament took place in the last round against the eventual winners, James Stephens club from Kilkenny. Well down but not fully out at half time, our boys rallied in the second half, and in a display of team passion and energy they ran the opposition ragged, beating them all over the park and scoring with almost every attack. It was worth the journey alone just to see this fifteen minutes of sublime hurling.

After the trophy presentations, the boys, coaches and parents headed back to the bus in the heat of mid - afternoon, probably reflecting that the home journey wouldn't be so bad. How wrong they were. In a decision that will forever defy all epistemological comprehension, the bus was parked for the entire day in the full sun, absorbing gigajoules of solar radiation rarely experienced outside of the tropics. The upper deck was now hotter than the western great Gobi on a sunny Friday afternoon.

There was genuine concern that the boys might simply evaporate if they remained on board for more than a few minutes. This bus and its passengers was going nowhere, and not very fast! The boys spent the next hour running up and down the main pitch, evidently trying to remove all remaining water reserves from their overworked and ailing sweat glands. Many of the adults adopted an alternative approach and rehydrated in the club bar in the company of some of the good people of Ballincollig.

With great effort, the boys were eventually mustered and paraded to a nearby fast food restaurant while the bus was moved to cool off under the canopy of a few native trees. Two and a half hours later than expected, everyone was back on board for the long journey home. The heat index remained off-scale and two unscheduled stops were required to inhale oxygen in order to prevent brains from frying. Onwards we rolled with grim determination, but judging by the quality of the non-stop manic singing emanating from the top deck, heat-

induced delirium had already taken its toll. The bookies would have offered long odds on the length of time it took to get the weary travellers back to Dublin.

But there you have it: on almost the longest day of the year in full sunshine, it was practically dark when we finally reached the clubhouse, to be met by a large group of parents pondering the whereabouts of their loved ones.

For those of us who shared the experience of this eventful trip it was a great day, a long day and a hot day. Maybe next time we'll take the train, or fly, or walk.

The coaches, parents and boys, want to thank Ballincollig GAA for their wonderful hospitality and providing copious quantities of cold water and food to keep us all alive.

Thanks also for organizing a great day of hurling competition.

The Ballyboden group's meal was kindly sponsored by 2006 boys mentor, Carl Kennedy. Carl is an Architect and his office is CKPM and he specialises in the extension and refurbishment of people's homes. Carl can be contacted on <u>087 6777515</u> or e-mail architecture@ckpm.ie.

Thanks to Eamonn Gormley for photographs.

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Juvenile Football



U13 SUNSHINE FOOTBALL!

What could be better than playing a challenge match against visitors Celbridge on a balmy Sunday evening in Cherryfield?

Answer, when it is followed by al fresco pizza dining with new friends.

That was the deal for a Boden team drawn from the C and D teams. The match itself was a decent competitive one. Both sides looked very good on the ball, moving it around well and taking some nice scores. As is always the way, it is easy to play with the ball than without it, and that was doubly so on the hot evening. Celbridge were just ahead at half time, Boden came back strongly in the third quarter before Celbridge just pipped us in the final quarter.

Well done to all the lads, it will stand us in good stead for the last matches before the summer break.

U9 Boys v Lucan Go Games



Boden U9 boys took on Lucan Sarsfields on a glorious Saturday morning in Sancta Maria. All the boys showed great skill, determination and teamwork.

Summer BBQ - Sunday 18th June

A great day was had by all at the BBQ on a glorious Summers day









Historic Walk - 24th June

RATHFARNHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY (in association with South Dublin Co. Council)

History Walk Commemorating 'Pearse's Own' Rathfarnham 1916 Volunteers

on Saturday 24th June 2017 Commencing at 11.00 am

Starting from Rathfarnham Castle

first stop is outside the old cemetery gate in Rathfarnham Village (near AIB bank) at 11.10am

The walk will proceed through the village finishing at the Pearse museum St Enda's Park

Along the way we will pass the homes of most of the local volunteers who fought in the GPO

Light refreshments provided courtesy of SDCC in St Enda's

All are welcome

Historic Walk - 25th June

RATHFARNHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY (in association with South Dublin Co. Council & the RAD's festival 2017)

Walking Tour of Rathfarnham Village

on Sunday 25th June 2017

Starting from Rathfarnham Castle at 3.30 pm

The walk will visit the ancient graveyard and many other places of historical interest in the village

All are welcome

The Boden Trad Session





Tickets are on sale Tue 20th and Thur 22nd in Ballyboden clubhouse from 7-8pm

Ballyboden 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!! For more information, see here. For an application form, see here.

Michaela Foundation Girls Summer Camp



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Boden Poc Fada - July 1st



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HELICOPTER TRIP TO CROKE PARK ON ALL IRELAND
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FOOTBALL OVERNIGHT STAY WITH MEAL FOR TWO



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Tickets are available from team members, in the club house or

Lotto Results 18/06/17



Catherine McBride, Dale Tree Crescent, Ballycullen

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