

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



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Rachel Ruddy All Star



Congratulations to All Ireland winner Rachel Ruddy who picked up a second TG4 Ladies Football All-Star Award at the LGFA awards in Citywest on Saturday night. It caps a fantastic year for Rachel and needless to say we're delighted for her. Congrats also to her 5 fellow Dubs and all the other All-Star winners.

All-Ireland Cups came to Boden last Sunday



"Boden girls celebrate in style"

Sunday 26th November provided the club with the perfect opportunity to recognise the performances of both our club and county players.

Seven juvenile club teams qualified for cup, championship or shield finals held at the end of October and all were presented with their medals by Mick Bohan, Rachel Ruddy, Emily Flanagan and Sorcha (Solo) Farrelly who had also brought along the Brendan Martin cup.

And it didn't end there as Collie Basquel brought along Sam to further add to the photo opportunities.

Well done to all seven teams and on behalf of ladies football and the wider club a sincere thank you to Mick, Rachel, Emily, Solo and Collie for making it a memorable evening for the girls. We know the demands on them for their attendance from across the county and we are

so grateful to them all for giving their time so willingly. Boden is very fortunate to have such excellent role models

Hopefully evenings like this will last long in the girls memories and encourage their continued participation.

The club and section would also like to extend its further congratulations to Rachel on her richly deserved All Star. Just reward for an excellent year. Well done Rachel













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More photos of the visits are here





AIG Home Insurance Offer



AIG Ireland are offering Ballyboden club members the chance to win some cash for the club. All you need to do is fill in the flyers that are in the clubhouse with your contact details allowing AIG to call you when your home insurance is due for renewal. There is a special

discount associated with Ballyboden St Enda's & anyone who takes out a policy will also get a €30 One4all gift voucher. There is NO OBLIGATION to accept the quote. Ballyboden St Enda's will receive €25 for every policy that is taken out over the next 12 months



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 - b. 1 framed signed Dublin jersey
 - c. 3 prizes of Dublin jerseys
 - c. 2 prizes of Dublin training tops
 - d. 1 All Blacks jersey
 - e. 1 All Blacks training top
- **6.** The winners will be posted on the noticeboard and club website.
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Na Fianna 2 17 BBSE 2 14

Ballyboden St Endas U21 hurlers lined out against Na Fianna in a sunny but cold O'Toole Park on Saturday 25th November in the final of the 2017 A championship.

The opening exchanges were well-contested with Boden leading by the odd point in seven after ten minutes. Conor Kennedy, Kevin Desmond and Aidan Mellett raised white flags in that time and the sizeable crowd knew this contest would probably go right to the finish. Na Fianna had the benefit of the wind and the low sun in the first half and their puckouts were sent long to reach their sizeable full-forward line. However, Luke Corcoran at full-back ably assisted by Sean McDonnell and James Holland won their share of these and sent the ball back upfield. Holland covered te half-back line well during that first quarter as well. Conor Kennedy and Ruari Kirwan were working hard on the half-forward line and drew some frees. These were well converted into the breeze by Conor O'Donoghue and Shane Kennedy. Na Fianna, however, had their best spell around the 20-minute mark and scored 1-4 without reply. Boden showed great character though led by Luke Maguire and Rob Leddy in midfield and Kevin Lalor in defence, who all won puckouts and turnover ball and blocked well to keep giving the forwards a platform. When a close-in ball broke for Aiden Mellett, he made no mistake to drive a low ball to the net. Half-time Na Fianna 1-9 Ballyboden St Endas 1-8. A Desmond point started proceedings in the second half. However, Na Fianna, having made some positional switches, scored the next four to give them a four-point lead. Karl Weldon, Sean McDonnell, Cian Mellett and Lalor all won good turnover ball and brought Boden back into the contest. Conor O'Donoghue landed a 65 on the fifteen minute mark to bring the difference to three. Frees were then traded after which Boden pressed forward again. The full-forward line had retreated to leave some space inside and when Aidan Mellett saw his chance, he raced forward. A cavalry of yellow & blue defenders caught up with him but in halting the speedy corner-forward, conceded a penalty. Calmly, Conor O'Donoghue moved into position, worked out his distances and with the crowd holding its breath, drove a magnificent ball out of reach of the keeper. Boden were now a point ahead with seven minutes to go. Given the tension of the occasion, it is not surprising further points were

scored from frees and Na Fianna equalised, Conor scored another and Na Fianna equalised again. With the match entering the closing minute, a ball broke in the Boden goalmouth. From a cluster of players, some on the ground, a Na Fianna forward managed in a shot and the ball nestled in the net. The umpires deliberated and the referee hesitated. Having consulted, he allowed the score. Na Fianna a goal ahead with time almost up. Despite valiant efforts, Boden could not quite break through and the final whistle cut through the cold winter air. Final Score: Boden 2-14 Na Fianna 2-17

Well done to the management – Curtin, Keaney & McCorkmack – on a fine campaign and to the players for showing great resolve, workrate and character in their efforts throughout. The team was applauded from the field by the Boden support present. 2018 is not far away.





Players & Mentors club night Saturday 9th December

Heads Up to players and mentors. The club players & mentors night takes place this year on Sat 9th of Dec from 9pm. Pls spread the word. No cover charge!!!!

Minor "A" Camoige Championship Final – Parnells GAA Club – 26th Nov. '17



BBSE 1 - 8 Faughs 1 - 10

Our minor "A" girls played Faughs last Sunday afternoon in Parnells GAA Club in the minor "A" championship county final. As expected, the match was very close throughout, with Faughs emerging victorious in the end.

Conditions were bitterly cold, and Boden had the biting wing at their backs in the first half, but struggled to make much headway against a very strong and determined Faughs rearguard. The tight confines of the Parnells astro pitch were making it extremely difficult for Boden to employ their traditional expansive tactics, and scores were proving hard to come by on both sides. However, the work rate of our forwards was rewarded when a Faughs defender was penalised for over-carrying, and Katie slotted the free for the opening point. Faughs then came into the game and knocked over two frees, before their skilful corner forward gathered the ball on the run and found the back of Ally's net. Katie and Faughs then traded points from frees, before Katie slotted another following a foul on Erica. Then Áine was on hand when a delivery from Hollyn dropped short, to knock the ball to the Faughs net and tie up the scores. Faughs then exerted some pressure which our defence did well to resist at the expense of a "45", which Faughs converted, before Katie knocked over yet another free to leave the teams tied at half time.

Half Time 1-4 to 1-4

Our girls knew they would be up against it in the second half, but they have traditionally produced their best hurling in the second half, and tore into the game on the restart with renewed vigour. Our attacks culminated in a defence-splitting move but the Faughs keeper produced a brilliant save to deny Erica. Then, against the run of play, Faughs went up the field and earned a free which they converted, before Katie restored parity with a free of our own. The pattern was maintained when Faughs regained the lead with a pointed free, before following that with points from a "45" and a free to open up a three point gap. With time moving on, Boden upped the ante and won a couple of frees which Katie converted. Faughs again went up the field to extend the lead to two before again left the minimum between the

teams as the clock went into the red. The prospect of a replay was very much on the cards as Boden continued to probe for one final opening. However Faughs lifted the siege and got the ball up the field and scored a brilliant point from out on the far side line. This proved to be the insurance point, as the final whistle sounded soon after.

Full Time

Faughs 1-10 to Boden 1-8

The defence as a unit was brilliant, with Robyn and Eve particularly prominent in stopping many a Faughs attack. Ciara played a captain's part at midfield, while up front Aisling again showed her class, and Katie was flawless from placed balls.

Not the best of days but as the old saying goes – "Beidh lá eile ag an bpaorach".





Ballyboden St Enda's 2-16 St. Vincent's 2-10

There was a clear illustration that modern hurling is a squad game as Ballyboden won their second Minor A League title in succession at Sancta Maria on Sunday last. Eight of this minor team had played in the vanquished U-21 side less than 24 hours earlier. As this game was proving to be a mighty arm wrestle going down the stretch fresh troops were required to get Ballyboden towards the promised land. The freshness was supplied by the 5 substitutions made in the last 15 minutes and the reinvigorated Boden lads overran a gallant St Vincent's to add the league crown to the championship shield won earlier in the month. Most notably, numbers 20 and 22, Jacques Dalton and Shane Kennedy respectively, came from the side aisles to score a significant 2-3 between them.

Ballyboden elected to play against the biting breeze in the first half and this policy seemed to have paid dividends as they went in at the sos leading by a point, 0-7 to 0-6. Daniel O'Riordan was as lively as ever in the half forward line and his 3 points on the run in the 5th, 16th and 28th minutes was the main reason Ballyboden had a lead at the half way stage. He was ably assisted by Luke Basquel who added 2 of his total of 4 points in this half. The winning of the game was set up nicely for Ballyboden as the second half commenced. However, Vincent's having obviously been re-energized and re-fuelled by their vociferous mentors, stormed back in to the game. Within 5 minutes they had scored 1-2. The goal was the result of some understandable malfunction of concentration within the Boden full back line. From this juncture to the mid way point of the half it was tight, tense

and loud. The most striking score of this quarter came from the irrepressible Basquel who threw over a delicious point from out in the left touchline in the 38th minute. The turning of the match came with 20 minutes to go as a trio of subs entered the pitch similar to a replacement of a front row in rugby. The effect was instantaneous as within 5 minutes Boden had scored two goals to put this contest to bed. In the 41st minute Luke McDwyer picked out Jacques Dalton to goal. Shane Kennedy added a further goal in the 45th minute as he waltzed through the Vincent's defence as only Shane Kennedy can. Vincent's added a further goal with 5 minutes left but a succession of points from both play and frees, including a monster from goalkeeper Conor O'Donoghue, gave victory to Ballyboden.

Scorers: Shane Kennedy 1-2 (1 free), Luke Basquel 0-4, Jacques Dalton 1-1, Daniel O'Riordan 0-3, Ciarán Cashman 0-2 (2 frees), Kevin Desmond 0-1, Conor O'Donoghue 0-1 (free), Conor Fallon 0-1 (1 free), Ross McCormack 0-1.

Team: Conor O'Donoghue, Ruari MacMathuna, Karl Reddy, Ronan Wallace, Kevin Lalor, Ben Kelly, Sam Lally, Tommy Glynn, Killian Kirwan, Kevin Desmond, Luke McDwyer, Daniel O'Riordan, Ciarán Cashman, Luke Basquel, Ross McCormack. Subs. Ruari Hester, Ciarán O'Reilly, Jacques Dalton, Conor Fallon, Shane Kennedy.





Under 16 A Football take Division 1 Title



The top of the Under 16 Division 1 table was very close as the last round of matches were due to be played on November 18th. Both Boden and Clontarf were on 22 points with the likely scenario of a playoff in the offing.

Unfortunately, Kilmacud Crokes were unable to field and all eyes subsequently turned to Lucan Sarsfields who were playing Clontarf in Lucan. The result was a draw which meant Boden were champions despite not getting to kick a ball in anger on the final day.

Although denied a match on the final day, this should not take from the massive achievement of this team not only this year but also following on from last year at Under 15.

Over the course of the last 18 months, they have been the stand out team in this grade having competed in two county finals and coming out on top of one of the most competitive leagues in the county. A regular feature of our games throughout the year was a visit to our after match huddle by a member of the opposition management to compliment our players on their play.

At the start of the year, various objectives were set out regarding the skill levels and commitment that was to be aspired to. The first priority of all was that the lads were to enjoy themselves. Winning was not mentioned but no one can deny it's nice to do that too!

Well done lads.

U16 Division One Hurling League Final BBSE v Crokes Sancta Maria 2pm Saturday 25th November



Revenge is a dish best served cold noted the Third Policeman, and indeed it was a cold cold November day for the U16 Hurling League Division 1 decider, Boden v Croke's, a repeat of the Championship final which Croke's won by 2 points.

Croke's elected to play into the icy winter wind, the ball was thrown in and the temperature rose, the heat generated by the savage intensity of the hurling brought by the Boden hurlers who were no doubt eager to restore pride in themselves and to set the record straight. Temperatures and tempers continued to rise and Boden continued to dominate the hurling. Boiling point was reached just before half time with a melee involving hurlers and spectators. The Third Policeman doesn't normally approve of such shenanigans and believes in letting the hurling do the talking, but he was nevertheless filled with pride by the spirit, togetherness and the refusal of the U16 hurlers to take a backward step. The referee restored order, a red card for Croke's and all spectators removed from the pitch.

At half time the score was Ballyboden 14 points. Kilmacud Croke's 2 points. As the wintery sun waned, the temperature fell. Boden's U16 hurlers with cool and ruthless efficiency, only allowing Croke's a single point in the second half, finished out the game.

Final score: Ballyboden St Enda's 23 points. Kilmacud Crokes 3 points.

The third policeman reflects on the journey this team has been on, winners of Dublin and All Ireland Feiles, winners of U15 League and Championship, losing an U16 Championship final and winning the U16 League.

Win, lose, fight back and win again, hurling, growing, hurling, fighting, hurling, love, hurling.....

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

Busy weekend for the U12 hurlers.



Though the season has ended, last weekend was still very busy for our U12 hurlers, with selections facing St Kevin's and St Mark's on Saturday morning, and a challenge against a visiting team from Thomastown Co Kilkenny on Sunday afternoon.

This is the third year our lads have competed in the November Cup, St Kevin's venerable autumn competition that stretches back in one form or another over the decades: there was even a tournament taking place in Dolphin Park on the morning of Bloody Sunday in November 1920!

This year, the U12 competition took place over 2 weekends as usual, and at St Kevin's request, we sent a strong mixed ability team selected from our Divs 2, 4 and 8 squads. As usual in this competition, the hurling was competitive from the off, with our lads recording 2 wins and 2 very tight losses over the 2 weekends, with Leon Murphy winning player of the tournament, for outstanding performances over the 2 weeks of the competition – richly deserved too, so well done to Leon! As usual as well, this was a really well-run competition and a big GRMA to all at St Kevin's for the invitation and for the great organisation and hospitality.

Sunday dawned equally cold in Sancta Maria, where 9 of the team who lined out at St Kevins were also in action for a challenge match against Thomastown GAA, Co Kilkenny. Notwithstanding the typically 'fresh' Sancta Maria conditions, the Boden lads put on a scintillating display of attacking and aggressive hurling from the throw in, eventually winning out strong winners against valiant and game opposition.

Afterwards it was back to the club for defrosting and fine Boden hospitality. Thanks to all our mums for sending in cakes and sandwiches, and for feeding and watering the troops, and to Thomastown GAA for travelling.

All in all, a great weekend's hurling: well done lads!

Many thanks to Dave Ridk for the photos. For more photos see

here and here.....









The Ballyroan Journey - Sciath Kitterick Success



Further to the success of St Marys BNS in Croke Park recently, the boys of Ballyroan NS, including several boys from BBSE's U11 & U12 squads, also travelled to Jones' Road and brought further Cumann Na mBunscoil success to Rathfarnham.

Having won the Corn Na nGearaltach in Croke Park in 2016, Ballyroan played in the top division of the Dublin school's football in 2017 – The Corn Martin Kitterick. Expectations were high, and the team had a good start to the campaign, eventually qualifying for the Sciath Kitterick.

In the quarter-final in Sancta Maria, we played Marino CBS in a hard fought contest, and the intense training regime paidoff with the boys winning after an exceptional first half performance.

Up next were St Pius X Terenure in the semi-final in Tymon Park! This was played in greasy conditions, and was always going to be an anxious and tight affair. Despite playing some fantastic football, Ballyroan trailed a strong Pius team at the interval, though the deficit would have been worse were it not for the heroics of BBSEs Scott McAllister between the posts. A stern half time talk proved to be the tonic the boys needed and the second half saw us play some of our best football of the year – eventually winning by two goals. The boys were delighted with the win and the prospect of returning to Croker.

The build up to the big day brought great excitement to the school. Trish the school secretary and Mr Murphy outdid themselves with the colourful and detailed match programme, with pictures and profiles from all the players, and best wishes from such luminaries as Jim Gavin, Johnny Cooper and BBSEs Michael-Daragh MacAuley to name but a few.

The day of the match coincided with the break for Halloween midterm so the school on the morning of the game was a riot of vampires, scary clowns and Marvel hero's. However the best costumes and cheers were reserved for the 15 Superheros and subs heading for Croker.

The buses were loaded. The flags were unfolded, the hats, scarves and headbands were distributed and the boys and supporters from BBNS eagerly made their way en-masse to the scene of so many famous encounters.

We arrived in Jones' Road to witness the closing scenes of the victory by the girls of Scoil Naomh Padraig in Corn an Chladaigh. Now the pressure was on the boys of Ballyroan to live up to the high standards set by the Ballyroan girls.

The final against Scoil Fiachra Beaumont started intensely with the sides trading scores and our defence was under a lot of pressure until our forwards finally took control with two well-timed goals from Ryan Culleton and James Brennan. Leading by 5 points at half time, the boys stayed focused in the second half and added to their lead eventually winning by 2-10 to 1-6, with Shane Mullarkey topping the scoring, sending the BNS supporters into ecstasy. Our captain Nathan Comerford collected the Cup from Johnny Cooper, who was there supporting his cousin, our corner back, Ruairi Deignan.

A big thank you to Messrs Murphy, Furlong and Hughes for all their hard work in guiding the boys to success and providing memories that will live long for the boys and their families as they approach the end of their primary school days.

Thanks to the Herald, Mark Magahran and various parents for the photos and Karen Murphy for the report.

For more photos, see here





Crumlin Christmas Toy Appeal





Every sick child deserves every chance

Help a sick child this Christmas

For Infection Control reasons all items must be new



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Flashing toys for distraction
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Paint
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Milton Containers
Steam sterilizer
Bottle warmer
Baby feeding
Spoons, bowls
Baby grows, vests e.t.c
Teenage gift sets
Teenage arts sets

The Club have arranged a Special Christmas tree under which members can place gifts or toys from the items above which will go to sick children from Crumlins Childrens Hospital this Christmas.

For more details contact Martin O'Donnell on 087 977 1677

Please give what you can THANK YOU CLOSING

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16th DECEMBER



Wow! The Boden Theatre Group were overwhelmed with the response to "The Shaughraun". We would like to sincerely thank everyone who came to see the play and helped make it one of our most successful productions to date with each night being a sell out! We received amazing feedback and were delighted it entertained audiences as much as it entertained us over the past 2 and a half months! It was such an enjoyable experience and we are very grateful to Pat Egan who was at the helm to expertly direct the show! We look forward to seeing you in the spring for our next production called "It's The Real McCoy". The Boden Theatre Group

GAA Healthy Clubs Ballyboden St. Enda's

What is GAA Healthy Clubs?

The Healthy Club project is a GAA initiative, backed by Irish Life and Healthy Ireland, and is focused on improving the health of the nation. The GAA, which reaches into every community on the island of Ireland, has always had a significant role to play in the health of the nation through its promotion of Gaelic Games. The association's Healthy Club project brings a new dimension to this work. The initiative capitalises on the key role played by GAA clubs in local communities and empowers clubs, like Ballyboden St. Endas, to deliver health and wellbeing information and programmes directly to their members and to the wider communities that they serve.

A number of clubs around the country have already signed up to the initiative and Ballyboden St. Endas plans to apply to the GAA in early 2018 to be included in the next phase of the project. The project encompasses programmes in relation to physical activity, healthy eating, emotional wellbeing, drug, alcohol and gambling addiction, youth and community development and activities for older members of the community. While many of these are already incorporated into the activities of the club we plan, through our involvement in the Healthy Club project, to create a more formal structure around these important issues for our members and the wider community.

What is Ballyboden St Enda's involvement?

The club has recently appointed a Health and Wellbeing Officer (HWO). A small project team has also been formed and they have already met with other clubs who are further along the Healthy Club journey. In early 2018 the Project Team will submit an application to be officially included in the next phase of the Healthy Clubs project and should we be successful funding will be available to us to support the delivery of a range of initiatives. What's next?

Our next step is to formulate an action plan and identify a number of events to roll out in

2018. If you feel you have skills or expertise to offer to this project or have any suggestions in relation to issues to be included as part of the project we would be delighted to hear from you.

Ballyboden Health and Wellbeing Committee Maretta Byrne, Health and Wellbeing Officer (HWO) Shay Devlin Nuala Dundon

Mobile: 087 630 7139 Email: marettabyrne@gmail.com

Juvenile Boys Section AGM 2017

The Annual General Meeting of the Juvenile Boys section will be held in the club on Monday 4th December at 845pm sharp.

All are welcome to attend.

Ballyboden St Endas Archive

The Club is setting up an archive with a view to collecting, in the first instance, any old photographs of Club members or teams, match reports, match programmes, videos of matches or any other documents or things relating to the Club. The archive will be organised and managed by Paddy Walsh, former chairman of the Club.

If you, or any family members or friends, have any such material, or other memorabilia or paraphernalia or items of interest that you would like to donate to the Club, you may contact Paddy Walsh on 087/9794748 or by email at – paddywalshbbse@eircom.net. If you wish to retain any original photographs or documents, copies will be gratefully accepted. Once the archive is established, the intention would be to put material on public display on suitable occasions. Members may also be granted access to the archive.

Daniels Voyage fundraiser



There was a fresh snap in the air as we gathered for our Daniels Voyage sponsored spin fundraiser. Starting at 10am in Supervalu Firhouse, the participants arrived and were not long in getting warmed up. Each volunteer met their 15 minute slot with great gutso. The banter was rolling, some even volunteering an extra shift. The buckets were fast filling up, we can't thank the generous public enough.

Daniel and his family came along to lend their support. There were a few tired legs but that certainly gave us a boost. The Tighes are an inspiration for all and it was a pleasure to have them there. Ballyboden St Endas were well represented by all, a credit to this great family club. The day flew by such was the involvement of everyone. The public were stopping and asking questions and we were delighted to raise awareness for Daniels Voyage. 5pm came around before we knew it, our day had come to an end. Myself and Tracey would like to thank the huge support Daniels Voyage got from Ballyboden St Endas. A big thank you to Peter Thornton from Supervalu Firhouse for allowing us to stage our spin fundraiser. If anyone has a sponsor card to return, you can contact myself for collection.

Agus aris, go raibh mile maith agaibh.

Martin & Tracey O Donnell.





Wanted: Sales and Marketing Skills for Boden Lotto



Do you have what it takes to market and sell the club lotto in the New Year? There will be a major relaunch of the club lotto as the significant fundraiser for the year in January 2018, and the club needs volunteers who will support a sales and marketing campaign. We also need people with IT and organisational skills to manage the books and communication in order to

ensure that the operation is run smoothly and efficiently. With the expected purchase of the Carmelite site and the associated costs to develop top class facilities for our future generations of players there, Ballyboden St. Endas urgently needs to raise funds, and we believe that the lotto is the most effective vehicle to facilitate members contributing to the club's future. The more volunteers that we have, the more the workload can be spread and no person will be asked to do more than they are comfortable to do. If you have the skills and would be willing to contribute some time, please mail Pat Nash at secretary.ballybodenstendas.dublin@gaa.ie with your name, email address and phone number – you'll be glad you did! Ciarán