

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



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# Broadway Challenge This Friday!



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Football report 14/5/18



No football to report on from the weekend but our teams had midweek matches instead which also continue this week with the cup competitions and minor league. Reports below. See the website for this weekends AFL fixtures.

# Senior Football League v St Olafs 9 May 2018, Away

#### Result: 1-15 to 1-12

The final result would suggest that this was a close match but, while the end was tight, overall the away team dominated most of the match.

Two early points from play by Olafs set the scene before Ballyboden pulled one back through a free by Ryan Basquel. Olafs again put the pressure on with two points, one free. Boden then settled down with a fine point from last year's minor, Kieran Kennedy, rampaging from his half back position and followed by further points Barra McGarry (taking a break from his exams), two from Alan Flood and a pointed free by Ryan Basquel, to edge the visitors two points ahead. Olafs were not giving up and drew level with two points, (one free). Boden again piled on the pressure as half time approached with 3 points from Ryan Basquel (one free) and one from Barra McGarry. While Olafs replied with 2 points (one free), the score of the half was a fine goal from Alan Flood, following a pinpoint pass over the full back line by Bara McGarry to put Alan through and he made no mistake. Olafs finished off the scoring with a pointed free to leave the half time score at 1 - 10 to 0 - 9.

The third quarter was dominated by Boden but only manged to score four points by Darren O'Reilly, Collie Dunne and Ryan Basquel (2, one free) to leave Boden leading by 8 points and coasting to what everyone considered would be an easy victory. However, Olafs battled away and on 18 minutes got their first score of the second half, a well taken goal that raised

their spirits. They also got the next three points in about five minutes (2 frees) to leave the visitors only two points ahead with five minutes of ordinary time left to play. Ryan Basquel settled the nerves with a pointed free to leave three points between the teams. Determined defence ensured that Olafs did not score again and Boden held out over the five minutes of added time to deny Olafs a win that they thought they might achieve after their brief scoring burst. The visitors were not helped by the sending off of Cathal Flaherty late in the second half when Olafs were piling on the pressure. The 17-man squad worked extremely hard, none more so than the new midfield partnership of Sam Molony and Sean Gibbons.

TEAM: Darragh Gogan; Cian Murray; Cathal Flaherty; Graham Heavey; Kieran Kennedy; Darragh Nelson; Tom Hanafin; Sean Gibbons; Sam Molony; Collie Dunne; Ryan Basquel; Darren O'Reilly; James Madden; Barra McGarry; Alan Flood. SUBS: Brian Bobbett for Tom Hanafin; John Murphy for Collie Dunne.

#### Junior A vs Na Fianna, Tuesday, 8th May, 7:15pm, Mobhi Road Result: 4-09 to 3-20

After frantic efforts to assemble a squad for the game club members and players came up trumps.

At the outset the team expresses its gratitude to Liam Carter for encouraging Ciaran O'Reilly to play, Peter Hanrahan for Fiachra Madden and Jerry Corcoran for Chris Lambert, Karl Reddy and James Enright. It was a massive effort for which we are extremely grateful. Also thanks goes to Patrick Greville and Cormac O'Farrell.

Despite the late finalisation of the squad there was still plenty of talent on display. The game opened with some loose play by both teams which ultimately saw Chris Lambert bearing in one on one with the keeper. A low drive by Chris was well saved and fell to an incoming defender to clear. The game was barely two minutes old. First blood was eventually drawn by Lar who pointed a 45 into a stiff breeze. Another Boden break saw Gillo drive a low shot narrowly wide in the fifth minute. Boden's first goal came a minute later when Eamonn O'Reilly finished sweetly to the back of the net after good build up play with the final pass being provided by the the mercurial Ciaran O'Reilly having received the ball from Cian Lynch. In fact it was typical of the good team play by Boden in the half. Na Fianna finally found their rhythm and rattled off three points before goaling in the 10th minute. At this stage we were struggling in the middle sector but regrouped to score a point from 30m credited to Eamonn. After 2 more points by the hosts Lar stepped up for his second of the day. In the 19th minute Chris Lambert stormed through to score a point following good team play from Rob, Ciaran and Lar. Further points from Eamonn and Keith reduced the deficit to the minimum. However the last 8 minutes of the half saw our hosts convert six unanswered points. Our back line of Rory, Karl and Fiachra were trying manfully to hold back the tide, ably abetted by Ste in goal. Importantly they managed to restrict the number of shots on goal by Na Fianna. James was introduced to shore up the defence and covered a lot of ground tracking a sprightly opponent.

#### At the break it was 1-13 to 1-6.

The second half started brightly but Na Fianna we're first on the boards with a point. Soon after Chris was again one on one and the keeper saved smartly. However we didn't have to

wait long for the Ciaran O'Reilly goal who coming in from the right drove the ball low and hard to the keeper's left. The game was wide open with both sides prepared to run at each other. David Leech and Keith covered a huge amount of ground in both defence and attack. Ruairi Kirwan stood manfoat the center of the defence and always seemed to have time in the ball despite intense pressure. Cian and James worked diligently to keep our hosts at bay. Karl was solid, almost imperious, in his command of the small square; he was supported honestly by Rory and Fiachra in the corners. Towards the end of the game was replaced by Ian Lynch who fought a line battle up front. Our movement up front was still causing the trouble with almost telepathic communications between the O'Reillys. Lar continued to bring the ball forward ably supported by the tireless running of Keith and Leechie. Gillo won hard ball and held it awaiting support. With the game opening up we scored and conceded 2 late goals, the first of ours was scored by Eamonn with a low drive from the left to the far corner with another O'Reilly assist. The second was punched home by Keith after great work by Cian and Ciaran and finally by Gillo who prevented the ball from going wide. In the end the second half was a much closer affair and had we taken our goal chances throughout the game the result would certainly have been different.

While it's disappointing to lose the quality of the football was really good from both teams. It was great to see Rob Donohue finally grace the football field for the first time this year.



#### **Hurling News**

Minor A Hurlers back in the groove! - The Shepherd Reports

#### BBSE 4 18 Cuala 2 22

Although somewhat deflated by both the county minors and seniors getting beaten by the Cats in Parnell earlier in the afternoon, the Ballyboden Minor A team pulled up their socks and set out to have a good crack at Cuala on Páirc Uí Mhurchú. All credit to the club, our own pitch looked even better than the turf over in Donnycarney.

Just like the two matches earlier, we were served up a scorefest on the Firhouse Road. It was great to see Mathew Fitzpatrick back in the swing of things at corner back. He played a great game, out in front of his man all day. Seán O'Donnell was in the other corner catching balls for fun while Conor Lowe was his usual tough as nails, no-nonsense full back. Cillian Wall also played a great defensive game and put in a huge shift at midfield. Within two minutes both teams had rattled the onion sack, ours was courtesy of Cian Corcoran who used his considerable skill and craft to deliver the goods. Malachy Codd scored four points in the first half alone and his were added to by Cillian Kirwan, Cillian Wall and Luke Mc Dwyer. Luke scored a cracker of a goal that could only be described as a thing of beauty, starting with a solo run from the wing out on the half way line and finishing with a rasper that the Cuala 'keeper could do nothing about. It reminded us old enough to remember of Diego Maradonna in the World Cup in Mexico '86. Ciarán O'Rielly also scored a Maradonnaesque smasher of his own by using his now renowned left boot to finish his goal. All of this left the boys in Blue up 3-7 to 1-11 at the break.

Although reduced to 14 men at the break the lads kept up a ferocious pace and managed to stay ahead throughout the half. Liam Murphy and Kevin Kirwan from Cuala did most of the damage for the visitors but they were well chaparalled by the solid, hard-working 'Boden defenders. Ruairí Mac Mathúna and Patrick Dunleavy on either side of Feargal Ryan kept out an amount of ball and fed the eager forwards generously. The scoring continued in the same vein as the first thirty minutes with Mal adding another two points to his tally and Mc Dwyer on fire from play and from frees. (He got two frees and Feargal Ryan got another). The score of the half however was Cillian Kirwan's powerhouse of a goal. From the minute he won the ball it was going nowhere else other than blasting through the Dalkey defenders, their 'keeper and their pride! As legs tired from Herculean efforts, Cian Corcoran made way for Ciarán Mc Donnell, Joe Mc Grath came on for Malachy Codd and Daragh Kenny jumped on board instead of Adam Kelleher. Jack Lambert came under pressure in the second half but dealt with it all like a lad who was at it all his life – not a bother. Ciarán O'Reilly added two lovely points from tight angles and Darragh Kenny made his mark by finishing the scoring with a tasty point of his own. The day ended BBSE 4-18 to Cuala's 2-22. A great game on a lovely evening on a smashing pitch.

#### Minor B share the Spoils - An t-Iománaí ar an gClaí reports

#### Baile Buadáin Naomh Éanna 3-9 CLG Fine Ghallainn 4-6

The hurley repair guy was put on standby as Fingallians came to town and to be fair they didn't disappoint! It has become a feature recently that 'A Teams' only turn up with 13 players which causes no end of difficulty for our match day squad selection committee so the game played out like a mini sevens game from the sunshine of Kuala Lumpur, on the prunty, as one team and then the other took turns to attack! Boden were first off the mark. The 'Turbo' was running on maximum for this encounter and we could not believe our eyes when James Hanrahan chipped the keeper from close range to give us the best of starts. This was followed by a neat point from play and we began to wonder was this going to be one of those days.

Our defence was on top and some fantastic performances at the back kept Fingallians to long range points and the odd free! Eoin Duffy put in a man of the match performance at the back

winning every ball that came his way. Darragh O'Neill and David Barrett kept the half forward line quiet. The forwards too put in a great shift with Adam Fisher and Cillian Brandon covering a massive amount of ground.

Boden looked good for a win leading by 6 points with 10 minutes to go. But 'Is iomaí cor sa tsaol' and despite our best efforts a late flurry of points and an even later goal brought Fingallians level. Fingallians subsequently pointed a free with only two minutes on the clock however Mathew Nolan got one last chance from a dead ball from which he made no mistake. A draw a fair reflection – probably not! But it gives us great hope for the future!

#### Match day squad:

Adam Fisher, Benjamin Hurley (0-1), Cillian Brandon, Darragh Murphy, Darragh O'Neill, David Barrett, Díoma Murphy Rourke, Eoin Duffy, James Hanrahan (2-0), James Kinsella, Kevin Kirwan, Liam Mac Pháidín (1-2), Matthew Nolan (0-3), Peter Byrne, Robert Lambert (1-1), Ruaidhrí Nolan, Sean Lambert (0-2), Thomas O'Neill

#### **Upcoming Fixtures**

- Tuesday (15/5) AHL 6 V Naomh Olaf in Ballycullen at 7.30pm
- Wednesday (16/5) AHL 1 v Cuala in PUM at 7.30pm
- Wednesday (16/5) AHL 3 v St. Pat's (P) in Sancta Maria at 7.30pm
- Wednesday (16/5) AHL 4 v St. Mark's in Ballycullen at 7.30pm

### Under 16 A Camogie fall to Crokes defeat

U-16 Division 1 League – vs. Crokes – 12th May '18 Crokes 4-10

## BBSE 0-11

While the score line does not make for great reading, there was a lot to admire in the performance of our U-16 girls in Silver Park on Saturday. A combination of injuries and other commitments meant that we were missing 5 of our first 15, with others struggling for fitness. However, our depleted squad really took the game to the high-flying Crokes and, in truth, the score board at the end was not a true reflection of the competitive nature of the game.

An early Crokes point was cancelled out by a free from Katie. A Katie "45" was then cancelled out by Crokes who then took the lead before Katie kept up the "tit for tat" by again levelling things. Crokes then moved up a gear and scored 1-4 without reply, before Katie stopped the rot by pointing after a great passing movement involving Julie and Mia. Katie then swapped points with Crokes, and Mia tested the Crokes goalie before Sarah converted the rebound. Crokes then scored another goal just before the break,

Julie began the second half with a point, but we were out of luck just then when a Crokes goal was allowed when most of us were hoping a square ball might be called. A couple of Crokes points followed before a foul on Julie led to a point from Katie. Then a long free out of defence from Lucy found Julie free and she did the rest with a tidy point. Julie was really motoring at this stage and brought the best out of the Crokes goalie, before Katie slotted the resultant "45". However the gods were not smiling on us and a rare attack by Crokes resulted in the ball shaving the wrong side of Sarah's post for their fourth goal. The gap was wide, but

the girls fought to the very end and were rewarded when Lucy soloed the length of the field before slotting one of the points of the game.

As the final whistle sounded the main feeling was of a job well done by the girls, in spite of the final result. There were a lot of positives to take from the day – not least the character shown by the team, who are already looking forward to the next game.

#### Under 14 B camogie claim Judes win

On a sunny Saturday morning in Tymon park, with the M50 roar behind the girls, the U14B Camogie team played St Judes in what was a highly competitive match by both sides. The early part of the first half was pretty tight with nothing between the teams but the Ballyboden girls started to get their groove. At the end of the first half, Ballyboden were ahead by three points thanks to two fine scores by Emma Fisher (who illustrated to the coaches that she plays better up front than in the defense) and a fine point from newbie to the B team Lucy Mc Cathy. The scores on the door were supported by a rock solid defence by Abbie Morley, Naomi Coote, Niamh O'Farrell and Alana Newe ensuring that Judes were no score at half time. The girls continued to grow and came to life in the second half with Kate O'Brien securing a hat trick of goals that any county player would be proud of supported by the tireless team effort of the forward line of Siofra Kelly, Aisling Duffy and Saoirse Pender who made sure that the sliotar stayed in the Judes half and got the ball to the full forward Kate. Not to be left out, midfielder Ciara Jelly interrupted Kates hat trick with a goal of her own. The second half defence was as able as the first half with the addition of Lucy Regan and Laura Rourke who helped keep the Judes score to no score for most of the second half. Despite pulling off a wonderful save in the second half and a clean sheet from a goal perspective, the bulk of Grace Regan's work as goalkeeper was taking the long range frees one of which was superbly caught by Ciara Jelly and promptly knocked across the bar. Having played her first match since feile injury, Tara O' Kelly continued to demonstrate her tireless work rate through out the match with her trade mark move of breaking at least one broken hurl during the match. The FLO Melissa Pender was urgently called for emergency treatment to Tara at half time when it looked like Tara "broke a nail", but expert female advice from the entire team indicated that she could carry on without a replacement nail! Carrying an injury, Anna Lambert ably provided water to the team and encouragement to the ref on the rules!

Final score Ballyboden 4-4 Judes 0-3

#### **Big win for Under 13 B camogie**



#### U-13B League – Cherryfield – 13/05/18 BBSE 6 - 1 Thomas Davis 1- 1

On Sunday our U-13B team welcomed the previously undefeated Thomas Davis team to Cherryfield for their fourth league game. We were hoping to build on victories in our previous two games but we knew that the task would be difficult against the previously undefeated Davis.

Initial exchanges were very even, although the Davis goalie was slightly busier than our goalie Ruby. After a few close escapes for their goal, Eimear finally broke the deadlock with a great goal and Tara added to it with a goal from a "45". Davis replied with a point, before Eimear again found the back of the Davis net, to leave us with an 8-point lead at the break. We knew the first score of the second half would be crucial, and the girls were determined to get it. A superb save by Jodie at the foot of our post was followed by a brilliant block from the resultant "45" by Hannah Bury, who took off on one of her trade mark solo runs, leaving friend and foe in her wake. Bodies were being put on the line by both sides and finally we won a "45" which Tara put brilliantly sailing over the bar. From there on our girls never let up Eimear completed her hat-trick, Tara added another goal and Lucci got in on the scoring act with a goal, while Davis replied with a deserved goal of their own.

Although the final score would suggest a relatively comfortable victory for us, nothing could be further from the truth. The game was in the balance up to the final 10 minutes and our defence had to withstand some serious Davis pressure during the entire second half. This really was a team victory with each and every one of the girls contributing handsomely to the overall effort. As well as the girls already mentioned, Rachel Byrne shone throughout, Hannah Leahy and Sarah gave us a vital edge at midfield throughout most of the game, while Sophie, Millie and Ellen put in Trojan work.

Our next match is Wednesday next, and we are all eagerly looking forward to it.

As the 2018 Senior Championship gets underway, our Juvenile inter county players are busy training behind the scenes preparing for their various end of season Tournaments in August. Some of our Ballyboden U14 hurlers were part of the winning teams in an inter county blitz versus Offaly and Antrim on Saturday 12th May.

The lads, pictured below in no particular order, are: Scott Mcdonald, Jack Hutchison, Barry Maguire, Sam Doyle, Jim Kennedy & Leon Kennedy.

Well done lads!

## U13 Hurlers Win Places in Divisions 1, 3 and 5 after Grading Series

## Boden U14 Hurlers don the county colours!



Last Saturday saw all our 3 of our U13 hurling teams play their final grading matches and awarded places in Divisions 1, 3 and 5 respectively, positioning all 3 nicely for competitive hurling, and allowing for continued movement and player development between teams.

For all 3 teams these have been a very competitive series of matches, with both Team 1 & 2 playing against 'A' teams from other clubs, while our T3 played all their games against other clubs' 'B' teams. This weekend we finished out with 2 wins out of 3.

#### BBSE A v Na Fianna A

This has been a strong grading series from Team 1, with strong wins in all their grading games.

Saturday was their last grading match – the boys warmed up with an air of confidence and seemed quite relaxed. Many of them had enjoyed watching the Team 2 beating of Oliver

Plunketts in the previous game. Indeed, some of the lads from that match also featured here as they have throughout the grading series.

This game started at full force especially with Na Fianna straight out of the blocks and went 1:02 to 0:01 – they were tough opponents. The Na Fianna mid-field particularly were very strong but did not command the game – between the half-backs, mid-field and half-forwards, we won the battles that needed to be won in that area, with some super blocks made.

Boden were only 2 points up at half time – Na Fianna came out fighting in the second half like we knew they would – we stood up to them and the frees began to come for us - 15 in total – and we closed out the game with a well-deserved the win.

#### FT: BBSE A 4:10 Na Fianna A 1:06

Foireann: Scott McAllister, Gavin Leddy, John McSharry, Kieran Burke, David Quinlivan, Darragh Smith, Dylan Timbs, Sean Luz, Leon Murphy, Kevin Byrne, Ryan Culleton, Alex Young, Sean Keary, Conor Butler, James Rusk, Nathan Comerford, Luke Fitzpatrick, Lee McConnell

#### BBSE B v OPER A

Coming into this game, our opponents Oliver Plunketts Eoghan Ruadh were unbeaten, and as they warmed up in a Mayo-esqueelaboration of cones, we could certainly see a number of pretty big lads dotted throughout their panel.

From the throw in, OPER went straight down the pitch and popped over a straightforward point, but our lads immediately adjusted, and from there, went straight onto the front foot and put over seven without reply. That first point was the only time they would lead.

All over the pitch during the opening quarter, our lads were winning their own personal battles, and getting to the ball first. They also pressed up and marked close on the OPER puckouts, so for a lot of this period the OPER goalkeeper found it near impossible to find his man as our lads shadowed, harried, and got first to the ball, so puck out after puck out was either dropped back in by our half back line, or was run back in by our midfield and centre forward.

Notwithstanding our scoring though, the OPER lads remained very dangerous, and 2 quick goals brought them right back to within 2 points. This had now developed into a real battle between the two teams, but goals from Torna MacGearailt (2), Daniel McCarthy and Luke Fitzpatrick - from a well-executed free through the OPER defence - saw Boden take a 10 point lead into the break.

The second half was a much more evenly contested affair as OPER came out after the break like a train, and our full back line was repeatedly called to the pump. Despite our best efforts, the OPER goals did come, but just as they were getting back to within touching distance, our pressure at the other end yielded results as a series of well taken points, and Zenan Spain nettingour 5th goal, saw Boden run out 6 point winners.

This made it a well-deserved 3 wins out of 4 for these lads, and a place in Div. 3.

#### FT: BBSE B 5:12 OPER A 5:06

Foireann: Scott McAllister, CJ Ballance, Kieran Burke, Alex Brady, James Rusk, Mark Keogh, James Casey, Mark McGlynn, Rian Meaney, Luke Fitzpatrick, Daniel McCarthy, Matthew Callan, Louis Kearney, Torna MacGearailt, Zenan Spain, FionnFlanagan.

#### BBSE C v Westmanstown Gaels A

Despite the one sided appearance of this particular result, our C team have been doing very well in this grading league, beating both Raheny 'B' and Clontarf 'B' in the process, and only losing out to the group's 2 'A' teams: St Marks and Westmanstown. These boys are a real credit to the club.

As sometimes happens in these grading games though, this one turned out to be a bit of mismatch between a Westmanstown 'A' team and our C lads. Despite this, Boden still fronted up, and put in a performance of characteristic determination which saw them come in third in a group otherwise made up of A's and B's. Very creditable indeed by a truly spirited group of hurlers: well done lads – and despite this result, a well-deserved tilt at Division 5 awaits!

#### FT: Westmanstown 3:10 BBSE 0:01

Foireann: Cormac Nolan, Colm Prendergast, Conor Carton, James Lawlor, Daragh Corbett, Sean Keogh, Tadhg Tuile, Conor Reynolds, Christopher O'Sullivan, Cathal Keogh, Cathal O'Toole, Jack Doran, Sam Kelly, James Archbold, Harry Judge, Ryan Fusco.

Very well done to all three teams.

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

## **U10 Football Update**



The boys ventured out to Naomh Mearnog last Saturday morning. It was a glorious morning for football!

Each boy performed with great gusto and determination resulting three out of three wins. Well done lads....more of the same please next time out.

Many thanks to Naomi Bartley for the photos. For more, see here

## U9 Football, an update



Our U9's played Templelogue Synge Street and Clan Na Gael last weekend in football. 76 boys togged our for Ballyboden!

The games were competitive and enjoyable. The boys look forward to their hurling matches next weekend. Well done boys.

## GAA monthly club newsletter

http://www.gaa.ie/news/read-the-latest-gaa-club-newsletter-april-2018/

## 98FM Best of Dublin awards

Please support the following two nominations for the 98FM Best of Dublin Awards

Club member and Firefighter/Paramedic Colin Nugent who is nominated under the Dublin hero category. Colin is a true hero as he was the Good Samaritan in this story https://www.independent.ie/irish-news/i-want-to-say-thank-you-dad-in-search-for-goodsamaritan-who-saved-his-life-after-his-heart-stopped-while-out-walking-36244105.html

Local business and Takeaway Silvio's Templeogue who have been a great supporter of the club. They are nominated under the best takeaway category

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## **Boden Summer Camp**

