

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



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#### Jensen Fleet Ltd Sponsor Jerseys for Senior Hurlers

Conor Dooley, Ciarán Maguire, Leanne Nolan (Jensen Fleet Ltd) John Ryan, John Small and Stephen O' Connor at the presentation of jerseys the Senior Hurling Team.

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Understaffed Cuala come up well short at HQ - The Long Fella reports

#### Ballyboden Sen. Hurlers 3 21 Cuala 0 16

A sharp easterly breeze took the soft sheen off a fine evening on Boden's home turf for Wednesday's visit of All-Ireland champions Cuala in round four of AHL1. The club had prepared well for their visit with a guard of honour comprising a mix of our Seniors and a fine gathering of our under 9 boys.

The home preparations took a slight backstep when the game got underway, with the visitors opening up in style with two fine points from Colm Cronin and Shane Stapelton. But the next action set the tone for a gutsy first thirty minutes from Boden.

Cuala broke through the home cover and had only Gary Maguire to beat for an early tally of 1.02. Our goalman not only got his hurley to the low shot, but also managed to interrupt Cuala's follow-up effort to thwart them for no reward. This incident set the tone for a very competitive first half which Boden eventually claimed, even though they were playing into the fresh breeze from the Cremorne end.

Niall McMorrow showed some subtle touches in the middle third and contributed two fine points. Cuala responded well for twenty or so minutes with Cian Waldron bagging one of their best. Aiden Mellett also looked sharp and matched McMorrow's tally. The last ten minutes turned out to be a preview of what the fine attendance were to expect in the second half. The period was capped with a well worked team goal by Conor McCormack. James Roche also played his part with a brace of fine points and a number of fluid passes into useful spaces.

Half Time 1.10 to 0.06.

Cuala, as in the first half, opened well for the second thirty. Cronin was again their main threat and bagged one on their early brace. However he met his match in Paul Doherty, who not alone equalled the Cuala-man's scoring efforts, but also dominated Boden's right side of the attack. His star act was his control of a high pass and follow through from sixty metres for the point of the evening. Mellett all but ran riot in the

increasingly open affair and added a further goal and four points to his earlier brace. His pace became Boden's main target and he kept his 'waste' to a minimum to be Boden's MVP. Another to shine was David Curtin who 'rolled back the years' with a finely finished point in between an overall polished performance. The home defence stood firm, especially when Cronin and Nicky Kenny ran at them, with Dean Curran, Malachy Travers and Luke Corcoran proving stubborn and resilient. Late on Conor Dooley came good and set up some good chances, one of which he kept for himself. Eoghan O'Neill came in as a late replacement and announced his arrival with a good finish to the Cuala onion-sack. Cuala tried hard to lift themselves, but Boden were all but rampant and

ran out east winners to guarantee their top spot in the league table. Boden Squad: Gary Maguire, Luke Corcoran, Dean Curran, David O'Connor, Malachy Travers, Stephen O'Connor, David Curtin, James Roche, Cillian Byrne, Niall Ryan, Paul

Doherty, Conor McCormack, Aiden Mellett, Conor Dooley, Niall McMorrow, Rob Leddy,

Other Results

• Junior C team beaten by Naomh Olaf - 3 06 to 3 12. Clickhere for AHL 3

Sean McDonnell, Eoghan O'Neill, Conor Robinson.

- Senior B team stay joint top after 4th win on trot BBSE 2 15 St. Pat's 2 07. Clickhere for AHL 4 table
- Junior A team fall to St. Mark's 2 07 to 1 13. Clickhere for AHL 6 table

#### Coming Up

AHL 6 V O' Tooles in Blunden Drive at 7.30pm on Tuesday, May 29 th

AHL 1 V Na Fianna in St. Mobhi Road at 7.30pm on Wednesday, May 30 th

AHL 3 V St. Peregrines in Blakestown at 7.30pm on Wednesday, May 30 th

AHL 4 v Cuala in Shanganagh Pk at 7.30pm on Wednesday, May 30 th

#### **Senior B Hurling League Match**

#### BBSE 2 - 15 St Patrick's (P) 2 - 7

The Senior Hurling B team had another fine win in their league match against St Patrick's (P) in Division 3. This win means that the B team has continued unbeaten in the current league campaign with 4 wins out of 4, which means that our team are joint top of their group.

The game, which was played on Wednesday 16th May, was a very hard fought game and after the first 15 minutes of play, St Patrick's led by 4 points. However thanks to a very well taken goal by James Enright, the momentum swung in our favour and just before half time Jonathan O'Driscoll pounced on a loose ball near the square to score another goal. This resulted in our team leading at half time by the score of 2 - 8 to 1 - 4.

On the resumption of the 2nd half, St Patrick's applied considerable pressure, but our defence was well marshalled by all defenders, especially Austen Lynch and Karl Weldon. Our midfield players of Chris Lambert & Mattie Weldon worked tirelessly to keep the forward line supplied with plenty of quality ball. Our forward line availed of the service provided and indeed all 6 forwards were on the scoring sheet. Shane Kennedy in particular had an outstanding game. A special word of praise also to Oisín Carolan who played his 1st game for the team as our goalkeeper. Our next league match is against St Peregrines on 30th May.

Scorers for Ballyboden were

Shane Kennedy 0 - 6 Morgan Ryan 0 - 3. Finn McDonagh 0 - 3. James Enright 1 - 0. Jonathan O'Driscoll 1 - 0.Mattie Weldon 0 - 2 Luke O'Donoghue 0 - 1.

Poc Fada - June 30th



## BBSE POC FADA 2018

### June 30th

- Hurling Section Fundraiser
- Teams of 4 in Cherryfield
- Juvenile Poc Fada as Curtain Raiser
- VIP Prize in Conjunction with event
- Raffle tickets €5 available from all Hurlers







#### Poc Fada – June 30th

Last year was our very first Poc Fada fundraiser and was a huge success. This year the big day is planned for 30 th June and we again appeal to ALL hurlers to become involved in this very exciting fundraiser with opportunity to get to know playing colleagues across all senior teams. If you haven't received your ticket allocation as of yet, please contact John Small 0872203585 or email johnsmall252@gmail.com

The 'Big Prize': 2x All Ireland tickets, Overnight stay in Dublin Hotel with meal included and, of course, transport by Helicopter to the Big game.

All for €5, fantastic value!!!

We are also introducing a Juvenile Poc Fada this year, over a reduced course and this is already proving to be a very popular initiative between the Adult Hurling and Juvenile Hurling section.

Last year's inaugural competition was won by a team captained by Mattie O' Sullivan who gave an emotional speech to a packed club house after the event. It is rumoured that he has been seen training in Cherryfield and that "back to back" titles is the ambition. It has never been done before, apparently!

The day itself will have a somewhat competitive edge but plenty of FUN in the process. It will be driven by many, many volunteers in the spirit of togetherness and comradery. Last year we had a fantastic craic that night in club and, for sure, this year will be no different where everyone will be welcome for the 'Big Draw' and enjoy the evening's festivities.

To be successful on the pitch, we must be successful off the pitch. Let us all come together to drive this and for sure will help all of us achieve our desired goals in 2018.



Best of Luck to our U21 Dublin Hurlers Aidan Mellett and Luke Corcoran as they play their opening round of the Bord Gais Energy Leinster Under 21 Hurling Championship in O'Moore Park, Portlaoise next Saturday (26th May) at 2pm.

For more information, see here

#### Football report 21/5/18

Senior vs Kilmacud Crokes Saturday, 19th May 2018 Result: 0-12 to 3-10

The visitors played with the aid of the wind in the first half but it was the home side that put the pressure on from the start with a couple of raids but due to tight marking by the Boden backs, no scores were conceded in these early raids. In fact, both sets of backs were having the upper hand as it took 14 minutes for the first score to come, which was a goal by Kilmacud Crokes. Barra McGarry responded within a minute with a point which was cancelled out almost immediately by a Crokes point. A point by Sam Molony and another

Boden point brought it back to a one point advantage for Crokes. As half time approached, Crokes pointed another free and then struck for another goal after some slack Boden marking to give the home side a five point lead. In added time, Ryan Basquel converted two frees to leave three points between the sides at half time.

The second half started brightly for Ballyboden with three quick points, two by Stephen O'Connor and a pointed free by Ryan Basquel to bring the sides level. That was as good as it got for the visitors as Crokes scored a goal and four points in the next 7 minutes. Sam Molony and Warren got two points back but Crokes then added another three points. The game fizzled out with Collie Dunne and Barra McGarry scoring two points for Boden before Crokes finished the scoring with the last point of the game to leave 7 points between the sides, with goals again making the major difference.

TEAM: Darragh Gogan; Brian Bobbett; Cathal Flaherty; Graham Heavey; Stephen O'Connor; Tom Hanafin; James Holland; Declan O'Mahony; Sam Molony; Collie Dunne; Ryan Basquel; Darren O'Reilly; Barra McGarry; Alan Flood; Ross McGarry. SUBS: Warren Egan for Ross McGarry; John Murphy for Alan Flood. Not Used: Bob Dwan.

#### Minor A vs Naomh Jude Sunday, 20th May 2018 Result: 1-11 to 1-12

The Minor Football Division 1 League campaign continued on Sunday morning with the visit of neighbours St. Judes to Pairc Úi Murchu. The first half started with St Judes getting on top early on and building an early lead with some well taken points. The Ballyboden team slowly began to settle with well taken points from John McGinn, Sean O'Donnell and Cian Maher. A goal from St Judes stretched their lead but Ciaran O'Reilly replied shortly after with a well taken goal to leave St. Judes ahead 1.9 to 1.5 at half time.

The second half began with a point from St. Judes but the Boden players then began to dominate in many areas with Ruairi Mac Mathuna, Patrick Dunleavy and Cian Maher leading the way from defence. Points from John McGinn, Ciaran O'Reilly and Conor Lowe brought the sides level entering injury time. A well taken point from St. Judes with the last action of the game ensured that the League points returned to Tymon. Great credit is due to the Ballyboden players for the superb comeback after a slow start and the team will learn a lot from this match.

The league now takes a break for the exam period with the next match away against Na Fianna on Sunday July 1st. Best wishes to all Minor players doing exams in the coming weeks.

Thanks to the parents and Boden supporters who gave great encouragement to the team throughout the match.

Team: Adam Farrell, Joey Donohoe, Ruairi MacMathuna, Cillian Kirwan, Cian Maher, Patrick Dunleavy, Conor Hanrahan, Mark Walsh, Conor Lowe, Dean Ralph, Ciaran O'Reilly, Sean O'Donnell, Jack Kenny, John McGinn, Peter Gannon, Robert Cullen, Brendan Kavanagh.

Junior A vs St. Peregrines



Junior A vs St. Peregrines Sunday, 20th May 2018 Result: 3-16 to 1-08

Another wet Sunday morning following a sun-drenched Saturday and the Junior A team took to the field in Ballycullen. The pitches were in immaculate condition and geometrically perfectly lined - thank God the master of this craft steers clear of the club bar before his precision artistry.

The game started slowly with both teams struggling to adapt to the slippery conditions. Sharp turns led to the inevitable kissing of the turf. The ball resembled the oft referenced bar of soap - more like the little evasive hotel room variety rather than the old carbolic block of old. Our opponents were first to tame this uncooperative piece of imperial leather and put two points on us in the first five minutes. One could feel that a response wasn't far away and it duly arrived from the boots of the golden Sam and the spritely Gillo. Things were looking up when Mono hit a fine point long range point from the right towards the Everest like hill behind the goal. Boden were now in front. A couple of points from the visitors were answered by Karl Reddy who had abdicated his defensive duties to slot over a sweet point - apparently Karl's first football point since Go Games - well done Karl. However we still hadn't tamed the focal point of this game and Peregrines levelled the game with a long range point and went on to slot home a cheeky goal from a close in free that dropped to a surprised forward on the edge of the square who slotted home sweetly. Was this the portent of things to come? Absolutely not. A Boden raid down the right saw the ball move quickly around the goal mouth where it fell to Mattie Weldon who drove the ball sweetly to the top left corner

beyond the flying keeper. Mattie was wondering what all the fuss was about as this big piece of leather is much more forgiving than what he's normally used to.

At the break the sides were level at 1-6 apiece with points from Tommy and Bagsie.

After some tough talking at half time we knew that we had to up our performance levels and adapt to the conditions which had by this stage steadily improved. Players were beginning to find their feet and their team mates with good quick passes. In the middle Rob Donohue and Tommy were competing for and winning good ball. The backs by this stage had tightened up considerably nothing was getting past Conor and Karl - every team needs big men at the back. Once again Key, Fionnan and Mark were reminding our visitors that to breach our half back line they'd have to do something special. Mattie, Bagsie and Gillo set the tone for the second half with three smart points. Boden were now getting into their stride with quick ball being played into the inside forwards who if not taking their own scores played the supporting runners - one of whom was Sam who slotted home a fine goal. Boden were in complete control and further points from Mattie and Bagsie confirmed this. In fact Mattie worked another fine goal opportunity after turning and beating three players saw his missile rebound off the post. Cian Lynch followed up another fine performance with a goal that rolled agonisingly into the corner of the net. The game fizzled out as the gap continued to widen. A tough first half followed by a slick workmanlike second was enough to give Boden a well earned victory. The raids upfield in the second half by our visitors were well defended and where they got through Allen was there to make some fine saves. Allen's kick-outs and general play were the ideal launch pads of some swift attacks resulting in scores.

It was a great effort to get lads out for this back match and particular thanks to Mattie and Karl for their commitment to the club.

Squad: Allen Kennedy, Fionnan Keogh, Karl Reddy (0-1), Conor Conway, Keith Sweeney (0-1), Kevin Cronin, Mark McGee, Tommy Burke (0-1), David Leech, Sam Lally (1-2), Cian Lynch (1-0), Rob Donohue, Ruairi Kirwan (0-4), Eoghan Monahan (0-1), David Gilheaney (0-4), Matthew Weldon (1-2)





Junior B vs Kilmacud Crokes Sunday, 20th May 2018

**Result: 1-10 to 1-10** 

The JBs set out for revenge after been beaten by this Kilmacud team in the Cup only five days previous. This time we were playing them at home and we were up for the battle that was to unfold. Boden v Kilmacud games are always great games to be involved in, whether that is playing or managing.

Numbers were tight once again, we were down at least ten men but others stepped up and were giving their all for the cause. The pack was once again shuffled but such is the level of fitness and football ability in the panel, that lads will gladly play out of their comfort zone if it helps their fellow team-mates. I can't speak more highly about this panel of players. Jamie Kavanagh and James McTiernan started in midfield and Jamie was first to re-act to the throw in. A quick pass to James led to our first attack. Ross operating at wingforward, collected the ball at pace and a clever handpass to Neil led to our first score of the game. Rounding his man he unleashed a thunderous shot beating the Kilmacud keeper. Our defence were going to have to be alert today such was the pace of the opposition. Michael Dunne was accompanied by Brian Fitzgerald and Anthony Manning on the fullback line. Their control in the tackle was vital and helped disrupt their attacking play.

Andrew helped himself to two more points, one from a free. Kilmacud were now starting to impose themselves on the game. Their midfield were winning the high ball and immediately put our defence under pressure. Donal Mccarthy and Niall Bradley were now going to have to up their game at wingback. Kilmacud were spreading the ball to the wings and trying desperately to break down the JB defence. Alex Murphy shifted to centre halfback in the shuffle, was starting to time his tackle perfectly now. Instead of jumping in, he would stand his man up and then with a pinpoint tackle, he came away with the ball. We were just that little bit wasteful in front of goal. Maybe it was the nerves but a wee bit of composure was needed. We were making the inroads but when we arrived in the scoring zone, the shot selection was just of the mark.

At half time the we were a point down, 1-3 to 0-7. Only a point, we were still in it. No need to panic. The management asked the lads to raise their game, get in Kilmacuds faces. Don't let them settle on the ball, get on the front foot and feed the forward line quicker. Just settle on the ball, heads up. Stay positive. There was a marked difference once the referee got the second half under way. Ross Traynor sent over a glorious point to level the game. Now we were playing. Shane Tully was stamping his authority, screaming for the ball and great off the shoulder play. A neat one two with Neil and Shane was on the score sheet, splitting the posts. But Kilmacud are a strong outfit and when a high ball was sent in, their corner forward rose and took in the ball. I don't know whether he meant it but what looked like a pass to his team-mate ended up in the back of the Boden net. He seemed to slice the ball fooling everyone, now we were under the cosh.

Kilmacud sniffed a win and went into a four points lead. The JBs could have dropped their heads, felt sorry for themselves but that is not in our DNA, we keep going. Neil Lynch sent the ball high over the bar after Jamie won the balk in midfield and found Neil out on the wing. Cutting inside and a quick give and go with Andrew, he sent the ball over the blue spot.

Three points down with four minutes left, we had to believe we could get a result here. The tackling was frantic, Kilmacud were now under severe pressure. Rian Cannon broke up a Kilmacud attack and sent in a low ball to Andrew who turned his marker and with huge composure, sent the ball high between the posts. Only a point in it. I overheard the referee say forty seconds left. Their keeper placed the ball, kicked it high down the centre of the field. Jamie knocked it down for James who in turn fed Shane out on the left wing. He was pulled down as he burst away from his marker. There was literally seconds left, the referee was staring at his watch by now. Up steps Andrew, places the ball on the grass, a big intake of breath, a couple of steps back. The tension was huge. Up he steps, connects with the ball and for a second it looked as though the ball would bounce back of the cross bar. But it sailed just over and we got a draw after defeat stared us in the face. The referee immediately blew his whistle. Game over. Our unbeaten run in the league carries on for now.

Up next is Round Towers Lusk out there on Tuesday, another tough game but that's just the way the JBs like it. Nothing comes easy in life but if we approach each game in the right frame of mind, we are in with a shout. This panel of players have a never say die attitude, they keep at it because anything can happen in a game if you give your all. We can ask for no more. Boden Abu.

Report by Martin O'Donnell.

## Under 16 A Football - Round 8 - An over enthusiastic fathers perspective

Delighted to do the write up on the Castleknock game and tell it straight. Back in the day I played ball at the highest level: Division 6 Minor, Division 8 Junior I even subbed up for the Junior 5 side, TWICE. Not to mention my inter county career, having gotten a trial for Dublin South, Under 14's back in '85. I could have been great only the selectors hadn't a clue.

My young fella plays with the 16's, he's not a bad lad but needs to be shouted at to get going. Castleknock are a tough outfit having beaten us, all but once, down through the years. I couldn't believe the coaches put out the team they did, why they don't just ask me I'll never know. Although, I do me best to give me opinion any chance I get. I know they are just too shy to ask me.

We got a fast start by pushing up on their short kick outs and racing into a 5 point lead. Ryan O'Dwyer, Eoin Behan and Luke Byrne doing all the damage.

I was doin' me best to get the ref to give us a few decisions by letting the odd "Eff you" and "For Eff sake" but the deaf "Eff'er" just kept giving them to the other team. One of the mothers, the one with the head like Matress Mick, had the cheek to tell me to 'Calm down'. I'm always bleedin' calm, she's the one who needs to calm down.

Now there's nothing about tactical play that I don't know but I just couldn't work out the fluid, free flowing football that was been played by the Boden lads. Those coaches, "Haven't a cluuuuuue". Scores from Cian Hassett and Kevin Hickey meant that we went into the half time break 4 points up.

I spent half time telling anyone who'd listen, how I would manage the team but all the parents must be on a health buzz or somethin' cause they all walked to the top end of the pitch.

The second half began with some great defensive work from David Monaghan, Richie, Eoghan and Harry Donaghy. Breaking forward at pace and delivering quality ball was the key to the early scores. I do me best for the team by roaring instructions at the boys, telling them how to play and where to pass the ball. They don't never say it to me but they know I am the 16th man an an asset to the team.

As the half wore on we were getting stronger and stronger, we could actually do this and put them to the sword. There hasn't been such a shock since the news that I was colour blind came completely out of the green!!!

But Castleknock got lucky, a jammy pass to their midfielder, a jammy run past a few Boden lads, a jammy hand pass to an on rushing half forward and a jammy shot that lifted the roof of the net. Game Over. Jammy gits.

But, I blame the coaches, gobshites, the lorrra them.

In-anyways, that's that for the elusive league title. Now I'm goin' back to the bar for a comprehensive character assassination of everyone an anyone. Care to join me? If not, ur gettin' it first?

Final Score: Castleknock 3 - 11 BBSE: 1 - 15

Last league game of the season or, as we call it now, Championship - warm up friendly: Lucan on Wednesday night



"Memories"

What defines a successful feile (or festival) for any U14 player? Is it success on the field or the memories created?

This author contends it is 100% about the memories and here's why.....

Saturday 7th April and the girls receive their brand new set of jerseys in time for the original scheduled feile of 13 April. Thanks to the extremely kind sponsorship of Hunters Estate Agents, Rathfarnham the girls look a million dollars! - "Memories"

#### Saturday 19 May

10.45am and the 24 girls of the U14C team gather in a sunny PUM to play host to our visitors from Ballinteer St Johns, Na Fianna, Shankill and St Sylvesters.

- 11.00am and the girls enter the dressing room to see it festooned with each of their names, team number and jerseys hanging on their own peg "memories"
- 11.25am all five teams gather on PUM to parade behind their club banners following the bagpiper arranged by Colm Bolger and Stephen Campbell "memories"
- 11.35am All five teams and supporters come to attention as the piper plays Amrhan Na bhfiann while the tricolour is raised. This is real hairs on the back of the neck stuff "memories"
- 11.45am Adam the Physio has arrived and is warming up the girls while the mothers are distracted and flustered "memories"
- 11.55am club legend Cliona Mellett is on hand to take the photo and record the day for the girls and their parents "Memories"
- 12.00pm match 1 versus BSJ and a nervy start from Ballyboden with quick goals conceded. Supporters and neutrals wondering was this going to be a tough day. Second half and some order restored but losing eventually on a score line of 1-1 to 2-4. Boden scorers........
- 1.00pm Match 2 vs Shankill. Every girl knew all games from now on were must win and the supporters saw a different team and attitude with every ball contested and defending like lions the girls ran out eventual winners 4-1 to 2-1. As a footnote Shankill were competing in their first ever feile in ANY code. History was being made for them as well in PUM "memories". Boden scorers......
- 1.45pm the ice cream van arrives and all is good in the world. Matches? What matches! All that matters is the 99 and slush puppies! "memories"

2pm - lunch time. The girls are sunning themselves on the "veranda" outside the hall enjoying the simply lavish feast laid on by Deborah Heavey and Lynn Mulready's U13 parents. "Was this especially for us?" asks one of the U14 players "yes" comes the reply "because for today you are the most important people in the club" - "memories"

3pm Match 3 vs St Sylvesters. News filters through that Syls have beaten BSJ which opens the whole group up. Beat Syls and we were in with a shout. Walls get built and walls get

knocked down but the wall that was the Boden defence was NEVER coming down! The team demonstrated to all present they wanted a final spot more than anything. This team had come of age - "Memories" Final score Boden 2-5, Syls 0-1. Boden scorers......

- 4.00pm Match 4 vs Na Fianna. Another must win and the winning mentality continues along with the Boden defensive wall. Final score Boden 1-4 Na Fianna 0-1. Along with Boden, Na Fianna were the only C team in the league and feile. Two great clubs providing an opportunity for EVERY girl to play our national game "memories". Boden scorers......
- 4.50pm. The numbers have been checked and double checked. Ballinteer, Sylvesters and Boden finish on 6 points each. Colm Bolger is nervous did he count the points conceded correctly? Treasurer Donagh is called upon to get his accountants abacus and the results are ratified by all five team mentors
- 4.55pm Cathal walks the long walk across PUM to break the news. Girls and parents don't know what to think as his face looks down hearted. He explains it was complicated maths to arrive at the top two teams that would qualify for the final and at the end of it we now have to go home.....to prepare for the final tomorrow against Ballinteer!
- 4.56pm Euphoria! Players, parents...and mentors are overjoyed. The idea of being in a feile final was just too much to take in. "Memories"

#### Sunday 20th May

- 8.30am at Tallaght Stadium. Not one late arrival! Little did either team know but this was to be the first female juvenile GAA final to be played in Tallaght. Another historic moment "Memories"
- 9.00am we are shown to the away dressing room and ponder if this is where Ronaldo sat on his visit to Tallaght! "Memories"
- 9.05am down the tunnel and out onto the pitch for warm up. The early arrival supporters roar on the girls and they respond by singing! "Memories"
- 9.30am and the match is on. Heart break as two early goals go in but the Boden girls steady the ship and dominate possession and score three points in the first half. HT score BSJ 2-1 Boden 0-3. A four point deficit did not deter these Boden girls and they again held the upper hand in possession in the second half but just could not get that much needed goal. Three points are scored to close the gap but Ballinteer break and get an unbelievable cracker of a goal. Heads down but not for long. The fight is brought back to Ballinteer who seem shocked by the Boden response but they also have a defensive wall which could not be breached. Final score BSJ 3-1 Boden 0-6. Six scores to four! So close! Massive disappointment but "memories" nonetheless
- 10.15am. Abbie Melia, captain for the day gives an excellent speech and recognises a truly superb performance by the Boden team and warmly congratulates Ballinteer.
- 10.25am. An upset dressing room comforted by proud coaches. Dave, Tony and Cathal and hardworking FLO's, Teresa and Anne. "What has been achieved by this team is truly magnificent" "memories"

6.00pm Back to the clubhouse for the customary pizza and spice bags! Stephen Campbell presents the medals on behalf of a proud ladies football section and the club. Singing, dancing and food make everything good in the world again - "Memories"

#### The best memory?

EVERY girl played a huge part in the weekend across the four qualifying matches and the most cherished memory for the coaches is that ALL 24 played in the final. That was the least the girls deserved as that is the ultimate "memory" of feile 2018.



A squad of U12 footballers accompanied by coaches and parents headed west on Sunday afternoon to play an invitation challenge match against The Downs GAA club, one of the oldest and finest clubs in Westmeath, currently celebrating 125 years in existence. In the intervening years access from Dublin to the midlands has improved considerably, and with the club's fine facilities just a stone's throw and clearly visible from a nearby exit off the N4, journey times were likely to be quicker than negotiating Dublin's packed roads at rush hour. Despite the predicted ease of finding the location, it seemed to pose a major challenge for many of the navigators, totally reliant on the latest mapping and satellite technology! As far as we aware, everybody who started the journey managed to arrive at the destination as match preparations began. The BBSE boys (plus coaches and parents) were very impressed with the covered and seated stand at the main pitch, a far cry from the conditions on the sidelines at Ballycullen this past winter.

With about 30 players in each squad, two matches were played. Both were very entertaining and competitive. A stiff breeze seemed, at intervals, to blow up, down and across the pitches, often at the same time. This made it difficult to score long distance points. To their credit all

teams managed to achieve this and put on a display of high quality football with some great scores. Ballyboden finished off strongly in both matches and emerged with two wins.

After the final whistle the boys attention quickly changed, fuelled by rumours of food in the main hall. Some of the fastest sprints of the day were recorded as they raced to get first choice. There was no need to hurry however, as our hosts laid on a fantastic spread of sandwiches, buns and hot tea. There was more than enough for second and third servings and it was greatly appreciated by the guests. All of the travelling boys, coaches and parents want to thank Joe Daly of The Downs club for the invitation to play against their U12 team, and for the great friendship and hospitality extended by the club to the Ballyboden St Endas visitors. We hope we can reciprocate in the near future. In the meantime we wish them very well with many future successes as they celebrate their 125th anniversary.

Thanks to Eamonn Gormley for photographs. For more, click here



A brilliant night in City West last Friday saw team Hairspray come out winners in the end but it really was a massive effort from all the teams, supporters and indeed the wider club who enthusiastically got behind the event in great numbers. The organisation was suberb as usual from Ken and the team, these things dont run themselves so we owe the committee and all who contributed to the event a huge debt of gratitude. Many thanks to all.

More photos here

EirGrid U20 Leinster Football Championship.



Best of Luck to our U20 FootballersKieran Kennedy, James Madden, James Holland & Ross McGarry in Dublin's opening game of the newly structured Eirgrid GAA Football Under 20 All Ireland Championship. This year sees the introduction of a round-robin format at the group stage.

The young Dubs meet Longford in Glennon Brothers Pearse Park in Longford town on Monday 28th May at 7pm.

For more information on the Leinster Gaa site, see here

**Electric Ireland Leinster Minor Football Championship** 



The Dublin lads got their Leinster campaign off to a convincing start, with a strong win over Louth in the first round of Championship at home in Parnell Park on Monday May 7th. Dublin, captained by our own Enda Cashman, will face Meath in Group 1, Round 2 this evening (Wed 23rd May). The game throws in at 7pm in Pairc Tailteann in Navan.

Wishing Jake Turley ,Enda Cashman and Malachy Codd and teammates the best of luck. For more details, see here

## DUBLIN MINOR HURLERS CRUISE TO 20-POINT VICTORY OVER LAOIS



Well done to our Dublin Minor hurlers, Darragh Kenny, Fergal Ryan, Pearce Christie and Jack Lambert on their great win over Laois in last Saturday's Electric Ireland Leinster MHC Tier 1 clash at O Moore Park, Portlaoise.

The young Dubs will host Wexford next Saturday (25th May) in their concluding game of the Tier 1 round-robin section. All counties progress to the Leinster MHC Quarter Finals with placings in the group deciding quarter final opponents fro Tier 2. Best of Luck lads.

For a match report, see here

**Annual Golf Classic** 



## Annual Golf Classic 2018



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U-13B League – Marley Park – 20/05/18 Ballinteer 0 - 0 BBSE 8 - 1

The scoreline might suggest that our U-13B team had a comfortable victory in our league match with Ballinteer St. John's on Sunday morning, but this would not do justice to a very competitive match and a gallant John's team.

In fact, John's shaded the early exchanges and Ruby in goal and the defence had to be on their toes to keep the game scoreless in the early minutes. Gradually however we began to get a foothold in the game. An accurate delivery from Hannah Leahy found Sophie in space and she opened the scoring with a great goal. The game ebbed and flowed, before our girls pounced on a couple of defensive lapses for Millie, Tara and Rachel Grealy to get in for goals. Ellen then came on and with Hannah Bury they formed a strong defensive spine that Johns found difficult to break down. Hannah Brennan and Rachel Byrne were also covering an amount of ground on the wings while in the corners Grace Carruth and Ciara were letting nothing past them. Millie then got in for a second goal and soon completed her hat trick before Rachel Grealy completed the first half scoring with a point.

The half time lead looked reasonably healthy, but Johns had shown enough in the first half to indicate that they were still dangerous. Sarah arrived from county football trials at half time and did great work in the second half. Johns came much more into it after the break and we found scores much harder to come by but the girls continued to push forward, with Jodie and Emily in particular having some great moments.

Overall a very satisfying day out, and Keith, John and the whole management team are delighted with how the team is developing and improving from week to week.



Pictured here are Boden's 2011 girls showing all there strength in a Tug of War competition against Ballinteer last Saturday in Marley Park.

This was fitted in during the half time break of a fun football Blitz . Thanks to all the coaches who helped out on the day





#### **Under 10 Ladies Football**



"Two of the U10 girls teams who played some excellent stuff versus Raheny in Sancta Maria on Saturday.

#### **U10 Hurling Update**



Last Saturday was a fabulous day and we saw some fabulous hurling from our U10 against Judes in Tymon. Three super performances with three positive results to match. Great to see all the effort and skills improvement from the lads. Well done boys!

#### **The Boden Session**





#### 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-good-samaritan-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**



# Ballyboden St. Endas Summer Camp 2018





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