



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



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Senior Hurling Championship Semi Finals

***HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINALS***

Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>

**Senior A V St. Vincent's**

in Parnell Park at 2.15pm

**Junior A V St. Maur's**

in O' Toole Park at 11.00am

***Please support – Bígí Linn***

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Football report 01/10/18



Our Senior footballers put in a fine performance against Na Fianna in the quarter finals of the SFC in Parnell Park to qualify for the semi-finals of the Championship on a scoreline of 2-13 to 0-15. Spearheaded by the Basquel brothers Ryan and Collie, our lads had too much quality and steel on the day and the subsequent draw sees us face old rivals Kilmacud Crokes in the semi-final on the 14th October, a mouthwatering prospect! Report by Shane O'Brien below and pics by Troy Gogan.

Elsewhere our Junior A's had great win over Whitehall Colmcilles in the Junior Relegation Championship in Sancta Maria. Report and pic below.

Minor Championship continues this weekend, your support, as ever, is much appreciated. See the website for fixture details.

### **Senior vs Na Fianna**

Saturday, 29th September 2018

Result: 3-13 to 0-15

Ryan and Colm Basquel contributed 3-07 between them to help Ballyboden ease past Na Fianna in the Dublin SFC Quarter-Final in Parnell Park on Saturday evening. A goal in each half from Ryan Basquel sandwiched an effort from brother Colm as Boden quickly ran away with proceedings in Donnycarney. After a cagey start, Boden flexed their muscles and hit Na Fianna for 2-03 for the loss of a single point inside seven first half minutes. Boden looked a different animal to the side that limped to a lacklustre draw with Oliver Plunkett's two weeks ago and looked a class above their North Dublin opponents. Ryan Basquel was Boden's point-scorer-in-chief against Plunkett's and he picked up where he left off; hitting each of Boden's three opening scores as the sides traded early scores. The impressive Aran Waters landed his solitary point of the evening from a tight angle to give Boden the lead on the quarter-hour mark, but his effort was quickly cancelled out by Dublin panellist Conor McHugh, who was one of Na Fianna's brightest sparks all evening.

That would be the last time the sides were level, however, as Boden would soon move three clear and never look back when Ryan Basquel struck for his first goal. Basquel picked up a

loose ball and fired to the bottom corner after a surging Darren O'Reilly run. Colm Basquel got in on the scoring act moments later when he kicked his first point of the day after the evergreen Conal Keaney found him with a glorious crossfield ball. Keaney kicked a point from range to move Boden five clear and Darren O'Reilly quickly added another to put two goals between the sides. Boden were completely dominant, with Michael-Darragh MacAuley and Declan O'Mahony lording the aerial battle in midfield. Na Fianna's kick out had well and truly been cracked and it yielded both possession and scores for Boden all afternoon.

A Conor McHugh point after a give and go helped to stem the tide momentarily, but Boden had their second goal within 60 seconds to effectively end the tie as a contest. Again, Colm Basquel was the beneficiary of a glorious Conal Keaney pass. Keaney split the Na Fianna defence with a pinpoint through ball, and Basquel did the rest; calmly dispatching the one-on-one with aplomb. Basquel and Keaney both added points as the half drew to a close, with Keaney's effort catching the eye as one of the scores of the day. Keaney showed the monstrous power of his left boot when he landed a huge score from the sideline near the 45 to put the icing on a near perfect first half performance.

Na Fianna opened the second half scoring within 30 seconds with a nice score from centre-forward Michael Deegan, but any aspirations of a fight back were quickly dashed when Boden were awarded a penalty after a foul on Robbie McDaid following a brilliantly worked kick out. Ryan Basquel emphatically dispatched the penalty for Boden's third three-pointer of the game to put 11 points between the sides. After a Robbie McDaid point, Ryan Basquel added another when he cut inside and landed what is fast becoming a trademark score. Boden would not score again for 16 minutes, however, as they began to wind down the clock. That allowed Na Fianna to come back into the game somewhat as they reeled off five points in a row. But Boden were never in any real danger and points from Ryan Basquel and Keaney enabled them to see out a seven-point win with relative comfort, despite losing both Michael-Darragh MacAuley and Cathal Flaherty to late dismissals.

Discipline could be a cause for concern for management as three players have now been given their marching orders in the last two games. Luckily, both players will not serve suspensions as both dismissals were second yellow card offences, but any future dismissals will undoubtedly prove more costly.

Report by Shane O'Brien: [Pics by Troy Gogan here](#)

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## Junior A vs Whitehall Colmcille





Sunday, 30th September 2018

**Result: 3-11 to 1-07**

A cool autumnal Sunday morning heralded another challenge for the Ballyboden Junior A team. After a series of three defeats by the smallest of margins in the round-robin stage of the competition the team was handed another challenge in the relegation section of the Junior 1 championship against a Whitehall Colmcille outfit that had also experienced narrow defeats. It's not a phase of competition that either team expected or wanted to be in but the day was here for the first chance to preserve our Junior 1 championship status.

After a few weeks of good preparation fielding a team was becoming a problem - the old adage of work being the curse of the drinking man should be replaced in our version with work being the curse of the student GAA player. (Maybe we should campaign to keep Sunday sacred). In any event a panel of nineteen was assembled for the game in Sancta Maria.

In an attempt to make the best use of the talent available the defence was re-jigged and our captain Kevin Cronin stood in at full back, flanked by Rory Jordan and Ryan Bradshaw. Karl Reddy manned the pivotal back position and was aided by Charlie McPartland and Barry O'Donnell. In the middle were the dynamic duo of Tommy Burke and Sam Lally. The half forwards were led by Eoghan Monahan with Cian Lynch and Conor Barton on the flanks. Up front Conor Deane had Rory Knight and David Gilheaney for company. The bench wasn't sloppy either with Daire Lambert, Conor Conway, Michael Dunne and James Hutchinson. Behind all these lads was the reliable Stephen McGrath between the sticks.

Playing with the wind Whitehall got off to a good start with a point after 2 minutes. Deano responded a couple of minutes later. Despite playing against the breeze Boden were doing most of the attacking but unable to get good space to get a shot off. After another Whitehall point Boden notched 1-2 with a peno from Deano deftly slotted into the corner and points

from Conor Barton and Mono. Boden were clearly in the driving seat but not pressing home the advantage. Further points were exchange before the break with Boden's coming from Gillo and Cian leaving the half-time score at 1-5 to 0-4.

A satisfactory first half but we left a lot behind in terms of poor shot selection and the final pass going astray. Gillo and Deano were causing lots of problems for the opposition. Rory managed to hit the post with a speculative shot at goal. Free from his usual Sunday captivity in JumpZone Conor Barton was leaping like a 10 year old and catching great ball from their kick-outs. The backs remained disciplined and gave up very few chances. Barry and Ryan came out of defence time after time after dispossessing their opponents.

The second half began like the first with Whitehall getting the first point. Boden remained calm and worked the ball down the pitch before delivering low hard ball into our speed merchants in the corners. Tommy and Sam were well on top and in the first 15 minutes of the half Boden added four points; split evenly from the boots of Gillo and Deano. A shout from the side line imploring Conor to "get his head off the pillow" had the desired effect. Boden were playing well but still not entirely convincing. To shore up the back Michael replaced Charlie and at the front Daire replaced Cian. Soon after Mono found the net with a low drive beyond the reach of the goalkeeper's outstretched left hand from about 20 yards out.

Unfortunately Whitehall responded with a goal five minutes later.

In the final 10 minutes Boden scored 1-2 the goal coming from Tommy Burke who had a Kevin McManamon moment. I reckon Tommy was going for the point! We continued to defend stoutly and overturn the ball almost every time they attacked. Big Michael Dunne, Conor Conway and Kev showing the way in this regard. Barry, Ryan and Rory were as tight as tight can be and hounded their opponents on every step.

Karl Reddy is an unsung hero - big man with a big heart who gives 100% every time. His constant driving forward out of defence was impressive. Rory Knight covered some amount of ground and was instrumental in preventing Whitehall attacks. Daire Lambert deserves a mention as he had a 100% record in scoring goals when he played - unfortunately the record fell today despite having a gilt-edged opportunity at the death. Gillo's movement, ball-handling and pace is a joy to behold; he can take a score too. Sam and Tommy demonstrated the value of real fitness today - it comes from hard work and the rest of the lads and management really appreciate the effort.

Sometimes goalkeeping is a lonely profession; it was today for Stephen for the right reasons. In addition to the good goalkeeping the kick-outs were perfect giving us the optimal chance of winning the ball. Maith thú.

All in all a good day out.

### **Fógra:**

A special mention for Conor Deane who just came home from abroad on Friday - he notched 1-4. He must have brought an O'Neill's ball with him.

Best wishes to Ross McGrath who injured himself in our last match and is undergoing cruciate ligament operation this week

Also a speedy recovery to David Leech who injured his shoulder in the same game.

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## **Senior A Camoige: Ballyboden St.Enda's vs Naomh Jude**

Ballyboden St.Enda's vs Naomh Jude

Game began much how it played out, with nothing going right for the ladies in blue and white. The scoring got off to a controversial start with the referee overruling both umpires

and giving a point to Naomh Jude, when the ball was waved wide. Despite Boden going ahead with two points from placed balls by Mairead Luttrell, Judes responded with a goal and a point. Only four points were added to the Judes scoresheet before the half time whistle went.

The second half seemed to be promising, the Boden side had plenty of possession within the first 10 minutes, but unfortunately couldn't convert. A goal chance from captain Martha O'Donoghue was saved on the line. The second half played out much as the first did; Judes kept the points ticking over, utilising their pace, accurate first touch and acute shooting skills. Boden added three points to their, score sheet, all from Luttrell. A tough match for the ladies, with nothing going their way. Final score, 2-10 to 0-6 to Judes.

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### **Minor A Championship – Boden Qualify for Semi Final – An Fear Ionad reports.**



BBSE 1 16 Lucan Sarsfields 1 10

Like the roads around Lucan at the moment this Boden minor team is very much a work in progress....mixing some sublime scores and excellent teamwork with errors that left the result in the balance until far too close to the end.

On a cold & blustery morning the Boden lads started well. An early point by Luke McDwyer was cancelled out but three unanswered scores from Adam Kelleher & Pearse Christie gave Boden a firm foothold in the game.

Then out of nothing, a Lucan goal saw them roar back and a couple of further points left everyone in blue under no illusions but that this was going to be a battle.

Lucan are a big physical side and the Boden full back line of Joe McGrath, Conor Lowe and Sean O'Donnell were under significant pressure. The line was rarely breached - with most of the Lucan scores coming from out the field - but when it was, Jack Lambert in goal wasn't found wanting. One fine save in particular, reacting quickly to an attempted lob - kept the gap from widening when Lucan were on top.

At the other end the lads kept tipping away. A point from the battling Kevin Desmond bringing the sides level before points from Feargal Ryan (from a free), and Ciaran O'Reilly put Boden in front - a lead they would not relinquish til the end.

A couple of positional changes - with Cillian Kirwan and Jack Kenny switching stabilised the middle third and Boden went in at half time two points ahead - the pick of the late scores from Malachy Codd, striking off the hurl under severe pressure from out on the left.

An early second half point from Luke McDwyer was again cancelled out. Then, another Lucan score had the gap down to the minimum.

Changes were needed - not least because the midfield dynamo, Pearse Christie was limping badly. Eoin Behan came on and contributed two fine points, and another u16, Joe Maguire put in a really solid shift in defence.

Intentional or not, the changes paid dividends and Boden were quickly on the front foot. Kevin Desmond ran on to a breaking ball and pulled to the net. The gap was now four.

The reshuffled defence with Ciaran McDonnell and Joe Maguire hurling well in the corners alongside the ever-solid Conor Lowe repelled all Lucan attempts at goal.

Outside them the halfback line - where Enda Cashman again looked composed in his favoured code - were limiting the Lucan supply but the gap was still only three with minutes remaining.

Luke Mulligan Lynch came on for Ciaran O'Reilly and he joined Peter Gannon in a battling full forward line that helped close out the game with Boden winning by four points.

It's a win that comes at a cost though with the bench having to be emptied to cover for injuries. An anxious wait on Malachy Codd and Pearse Christie in particular before the next match in a fortnight.



Two wins from two guarantees Boden a semi-final place. The final group game - against Cuala - will decide who tops the table.

With the senior hurlers and the u13 Camogie team already into their semi-finals, [Photos, by John Kirwan, from the Lucan v Boden Minor Hurling Championship match, Sunday 30/9/2018 can be found here.](#)



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**Minor B team just falls short...An t-Iománaí ar an gClai reports**



Collinstown was the location for this highly anticipated clash of the two minor B teams and no more than the planes landing across the road we had to buckle up for the expected turbulence ahead.

Boden played into a tricky wind in the first half after losing the toss. The pitch itself was particularly narrow – apparently at the request of Sky Sports which unfortunately curtailed our normally silky style of hurling.

Na Fianna started particularly well and threatened to break through several times and only interventions from Daragh O'Neill and Darragh Murphy prevented the sliotar hitting the back of the net. Na Fianna pointed several times before John McGuire broke through their defence to score a point from the left hand side. James Kinsella, Ruaidhrí Nolan and Evan Rossiter worked hard in the forward line but Rob Lambert was the next to find himself on the score sheet, with a nice point from close range. This was followed by several more scores and frees

Thomas O'Neill, Darragh Murphy, Alan Mc Govern marshalled the full back line with authority but could do little to prevent Na Fianna picking points off with a decent wind at their backs. The lads were five points down at half time but were confident that with the wind advantage in the second half they could do a bit of damage.

Na Fianna changed their style to a running game in the second half to attempt to counteract the loss of the wind advantage. The first Na Fianna goal came against the run of play and then as Boden pushed on looking for scores the inevitable happened and more space opened up at the back. Mathew Nolan had no choice but to take the man down and was given no chance as the ball was driven into the roof of the net from the resulting penalty.

Seán Lambert and Benjamin Hurley worked tirelessly at midfield and were supported by Cillian Brandon, David Barret and Darragh O'Neill in the half back line.

There is no goal like a Turbo Goal – what they may lack in finesse they certainly make up for in regularity and definitely gave the team the lift they required. We pushed on and introduced several players, Liam Mac Pháidín, Michéal Manning, Kevin Kirwan and Peter Byrne who worked hard but were chasing the game by this point. Unfortunately we just ran out of runway! Roll on the Commercial's game!

Laoch na hImeartha: Daragh O' Neill. An excellent performance from start to finish!

Match Day Squad:

Benjamin Hurley, Cillian Brandon, Darragh Murphy, Darragh O'Neill, David Barrett, Evan Rossiter, Jacques Dalton, James Hanrahan, James Kinsella, John McGuire (0-8 4f), Liam Mac Pháidín (0-1), Matthew Nolan (0-2), Peter Byrne, Robert Lambert (0-1), Ruaidhrí Nolan, Seán Lambert, Thomas O'Neill

An tIománaí ar an gCláí

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## **Boden's New World Record Holders**





To mark the 20th anniversary of the team in the Croke Park museum set their sights on breaking the world record for the largest ever hurling training session.

The existing record was 578 but the intention wasn't to break it but to smash it!

To do this over 40 clubs were invited to participate - as always we here in Ballyboden were eager to play our part and we gratefully accepted an invitation to bring a group of 50 into Croker.

On the night we ended up with 54 Girls and boys from the u12 & 13 Hurling and Camoige groups. Given the huge numbers it was a miracle that we all eventually got on the pitch but once we did the boys and girls led by 10 mentors joined in the giant session.

We had a good spot right in front of the Hill End goals and beside our neighbours from Thomas Davis. The session had to last at least 30 minutes with all participants more or less in unison. Our group certainly showed that boden girls and boys are a match for anyone in the country with the level of skill they all showed. After 35 minutes of intensive drills the hooter sounded.

Our crew returned to the Cusack stand for a well earned rest and a sandwich!

After a few minutes the lady from the Guinness Book of records announced the news - a new world record of 1,772 had been set!

And we thought we have a lot of players on Sancta Maria on a Monday - no more giving out about not having any space!!!

Well done to all the boys and girls who took part.

[For more photos by John Kirwan see here](#)

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## U14A's reach Championship Final



### U14A's reach Championship Final

Our U14A Camogie team reached their Championship Final at the weekend without hitting a ball after their final group match against Kilmacud was conceded before the weekend. This meant that by virtue of their 4 wins out of 4, that the girls go straight to the Final at the end of October. They now await the winner of a Semi-Final between the 2nd and 3rd place teams in the group.

However, not being ones to rest on their laurels, the girls headed out to Naomh Mearnóg on Sunday for a friendly which proved a useful competitive outing. Fortunately for them, the match coincided with Naomh Mearnóg's family fun day so the girls had a selection of burgers and ice cream to choose from before getting to meet their childhood favourites (pictured)



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## U11s in Camogie Action



Our U11s were in camogie Go Games action on Sunday morning, with matches against Faughs at home in Ballycullen, and away to Commercials. The girls showed all the character we have come to expect from them in training: strong in the tackle, competitive and fighting for every ball, and greatly improved confidence and skill in striking the ball - all against very tough opposition. Well done girls!!

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## No Dance Classes for next two weeks

No social dance class for the next two weeks we're back Thursday 11 October with Jive Waltz Foxtrot Quickstep and Line Dancing 8.30-10.30! It's 10 Euro pay as you go and our Social Dance in Ballybodens GaaClub with Aidan Clerkin is Friday 19th October. All welcome

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## Volunteers wanted in BBSE!

## Volunteers needed



It may not have worked out so well in 1916, but we are offering something different.

Our adult and minor hurling mentors need your help with:

- First aid,
- Umpiring,
- Nets and flags
- Line, etc.

Please contact Ger Soffe:  
Mobile: 087-7538923  
Email: [gersoffe@eircom.net](mailto:gersoffe@eircom.net)

The Mission of the Adult Hurling Committee is to promote the development of hurling at adult and minor levels in Ballyboden St. Enda's GAA Club.

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## Club Archive

Progress on establishing a Club archive is ongoing and I would like to thank those who have already donated material to the archive. I would ask all members or former members to check their records or files to see if they can unearth any material which they can donate to the archive e.g. photographs, match reports or anything relating to the Club. If members have such archive material that they wish to keep, we would appreciate if they would let us have a copy of same.

My email address is: [paddywalshbbse@eircom.net](mailto:paddywalshbbse@eircom.net).

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## Siúltóiri Schedules Aug - Oct

Siúltóiri Schedules [here](#)

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## Dance Classes at BBSE!



DANCING!!

It's back - Dance class starts back in Ballyboden St Enda's this Thursday 5th July 8.30-10.30.. If you fancy some Jiving , Waltzing, a bot of Foxtrot or quickstep then pop along to the club house. It's 10 Euro pay as you go

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## Gaelic For Mothers and Others





## Ballyboden St Endas Ladies Football Gaelic for Mothers and Others ("G4M&O")



**Gaelic 4 Mothers and Others**  
**join now!**

**Who can Play?**

- Past players
- Women from non-LGFA backgrounds
- Mothers and non-mothers

You just need to be a woman and have a heart for the game!

**Training every Friday Evening @ 19:30 in  
Cherryfield (opposite Ballyboden Clubhouse)**

Interact with other women/mothers in the community

A Social Outlet  
Learn about Ladies Gaelic Football  
Be physically active

**Interested?**  
Come on down and give it a go!

**Contact : Catherine 087-9732769**



This month's edition includes:

- An interview with Former GAA President Aogán Ó Fearghail about significance of the 100-year anniversary of Gaelic Sunday
  - A report on the dangers of defective hurling helmets
  - A preview of the 2018 M Donnelly GAA All-Ireland Poc Fada Finals
  - A feature on the success of the inaugural Táin Óg Youth Hurling League
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