

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



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Senior Football Championship Semi-Final



Hurling Championship: Injury-time rasper seals the deal for Boden



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The Long Fella Reports

A last gasp strike from Boden's Aiden Mellett that had the Vincent's net dancing was the crucial score that now sends Ballyboden into the Senior Hurling final in two weeks time (save the day). The Marino men had been camped on the Boden twenty for more time than their supporters felt comfortable with. Indeed Vincents had a goal chance even when the clock turned red....but they were happy to point the close-in free in the hope that they would get another chance to send the joust to additional time. The next attack fell to Boden, and forty minute introduction Conor McCormack offered Mellett a 'peppercorn' disguised pass to send him goalbound where he flashed his shot past Vincent's hapless goalman Dara de Poire.

On exit from Parnell there was much discourse among Boden supporters as to who may have been their side's MVP. Mellett came in for mention as did Shane Durkin, but arguably the bulk of the 'support' was for second half introduction David O'Connor. Boden supporters watched in almost silent concern for the opening half as St. Vincent's created some fine chances, particularly through the trickery of 'point of the attack' man Rian McBride. His three high quality points matched Boden's entire point contribution from play for the half. However Boden's more threatening trait......that of goal creation was to provide the most crucial score of the half. Conal Keaney worked hard to create the space for a goalbound shot that de Poire got his camán to. In failing to control the sliotar he offered the goal opportunity to Mellett and Paul Doherty....the latter who was credited with the score.

Doherty was also credited with a high quality dipping point from the stand whitewash that kept his side in the ascendancy heading for half time. Niall McMorrow grew into the game with some good interpassing and when the opportunities came he shot for points, a couple which he achieved. St. Vincents had their 'go-to' men also. John Hetherton playing around the forty bagged a fine point off his left, and his free-taking matched Boden's Paul Ryan in quality.

Boden fielded for the second half with O'Connor taking up duties alongside Luke Corcoran

in rearguard. Vincent's Rian McBride now found the going more difficult and the half developed a different quality to the opening thirty. Space dried up in the scoring zones and this opened up the opportunity for O'Connor to win primary possession as well as mop up the loose ball that was proving a menace to the Boden goal. Perhaps his 'previous lives' as a corner forward and a mid-field creator stood him in good stead as he provided some good cross-field balls for his half forward colleagues. One of these diagonal balls fell to Keaney close to the terrace sideline. His clever offload to Mellett was enough to see the posts being split and open a three point lead with the clock ticking down. Vinnies kept plugging away and were rewarded with two scored frees before Mellett's goal opened the door for Boden to close the game out.

Some late solid defensive work from Boden kept the gap to winning levels and the game finished with Vincent's pressing for the day-saving scores which they needed.

Overall this was a strange game in many ways. The opening half was arguably dominated by St. Vincents. On turn-around the game turned Boden's way with perhaps the 'lesser' names on the team-sheet showing best. As well as Mellett and O'Connor, Boden's finishing midfield of McMorrow and Durkin performed well. But Boden also got the most from David Curtin who provided some good assists which came to scores. Late on Niall Ryan showed his fitness to out-run the Vincent's defence and create a few scored frees from his cousin Paul. Indeed the latter's second half performance created continuity for the Boden attack with a few 'flat' passes to colleagues in open country.

Boden: Gary Maguire, Dean Curran, Luke Corcoran, James Madden, Shane Durkin, Simon Lambert, David Curtin, Niall McMorrow, Niall Ryan, Paul Doherty, Paul Ryan, Conal Keaney, Aiden Mellett, David O'Connor, Conor McCormack, Conor Dooley, Stephen O'Connor.

See more photos here

Junior A Championship - Boden fall in Semi to fine Maur's team



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The Junior A team were beaten by a fine St. Maurs team in an entertaining game in O' Toole Park on Sunday. The final score does not reflect the competitive nature of the game. It was only on the last ten minutes that this game ran away from Boden and their case was not helped by an ever strengthening breeze which favoured Maur's in the second half. Boden led by a point at half time but in the end could not match the physically stronger Maur's team. It was a very sporting game and Dan Boland was rightly proud of his charges for their efforts during the year. Good luck to Maur's in the final.

More photos here

Hurling fixtures

- Sunday, October 14th Minor A Championship R3 Cuala V BBSE in Shanganagh Park at 11.00am
- Sunday, October 14th Minor D Championship R3 Commercials V BBSE in Rathcoole at 11.00am

Club Development Fund Draw



Minor A footballers prove too strong for Mun



BBSE 5-12

Ballymun 0-06

The Minor A Football Championship campaign continued on Sunday morning with the visit of Ballymun Kickhams to a pristine Pairc Ui Murchu on a windy and cool morning. Ballyboden won the toss and elected to play with the breeze towards the Cremorne end. Early points from John McGinn and David Ward following good play from Peter Gannon gave the home side an early advantage but Ballymun settled into the game and replied with a point. John McGinn and Enda Cashman added further points before Luke McDwyer showed great skill to finish the ball to the net to give the home team a six point advantage. The Ballyboden defence was being well marshalled by Cillian Kirwan, Kevin Desmond and Joey Donohoe with Ballymun getting very few chances. John McGinn and Mark Walsh added further points

before an excellent save from Jake Turley prevented Ballymun from raising a green flag. Two late points from Ballymun left the half time score 1.7 to 0.3 in favour of the home team.

Ballymun had the wind advantage in the second half but Ballyboden settled quickly with the half back line of Conor Hanrahan, Sean O'Donnell and Cian Maher driving forward to set up good chances for the forward line. An excellent move ended with a fine shot from David Ward to the roof of the net for Ballyboden's second goal. Mark Walsh and Conor Lowe were beginning to dominate at midfield with Ballyboden now in the ascendancy. Pearce Christie announced his arrival on the pitch with a well taken goal which was quickly followed by another fine goal from Luke McDwyer to stretch the lead for the home side. Ciaran O'Reilly and Cian Maher added further points with John McGinn punishing any indiscretions by Ballymun with accurate free taking. John McGuire, Dean Ralph and Jack Kenny added great energy to the team following their introduction and continued the high work rate throughout the pitch. Ballymun added two points before hard work by Pearce Christie resulted in his second goal to close out a comfortable win for the home side. The Ballymun goalkeeper made some superb saves in the second half to prevent the Ballyboden forward line adding further goals.

Great credit is due to both teams for the spirit in which the match was played.

Once again,a special thank you to the club members responsible for the maintenance of Pairc Úi Murchu in its excellent condition. Thanks to the parents and the large Boden support who gave great encouragement to the team throughout the match.

The next championship match is at home against Whitehall on Sunday October 21st with vital points at stake for both teams.

We wish our injured squad members a speedy return to full fitness.

More pics by John Kirwan here

Minor A Squad:

Enda Cashman, Pearce Christie, Malachy Codd, Jacques Dalton, Kevin Desmond, Joey Donohue, Patrick Dunleavy, Peter Gannon, Conor Hanrahan, Jack Kenny, Cillian Kirwan, Conor Lowe, Ruairi MacMathuna, Cian Maher, Luke McDwyer, John McGinn, John McGuire, Sean O'Donnell, Ciaran O'Reilly, Dean Ralph, Jake Turley, Cillian Wall, Mark Walsh, David Ward.

Under 16A Football Championship - A referees perspective



Got the call from the referee coordinator, "You're down to ref Boden and Catherine's in the final round of the 16's football championship this week". "Oh joy!!", I said to her, "a bunch of testosterone filled teenagers in a do or die championship game. Sweet mother of divine" Now, I know what you're thinkin', "Who the hell are St. Catherine's?" Damed if I know but they must have something to do with Westmanstown Gaels, cause that's where it was played.

I arrived at the pitch to the sound of the teams warming up; the deafening roar of coaches who think they'll be spotted for Jim Gavin's job. "Oh spare me, it's gonna be one of those games....."

In fairness, the first 15 minutes was end to end stuff with Catherine's and Boden exchanging scores and the former playing the better football. But then Boden then settled into their stride, playing some lovely intricate football through Monahan, Leahy and Donaghy. This helped feed the scoring beasts of Byrne and O'Dwyer who kept the score board ticking over at a rate of knots.

Everything was going swimmingly until I started getting the "AH REF" this and the "HEY REF" that. That's when I had to remind 'the line' that they were at a juvenile football match and not the Baltinglass Mart.

Half time came with Boden leading 1-11 to 1-4.

The break gave me enough time to check my mental well being. Oppps, I'm still in top form, I hope I get 'Effed' out of it in the second half and get me out of this good mood I'm in. I was looking forward to another 30 minutes of roared abuse, my parentage brought into question,

my eyesight questioned, my knowledge of the game questioned, my impartiality questioned. The only thing they wouldn't question is what I really thought of them......

Boden brought on Hickey, Jackson, Power & Mick Mac at half time and the fresh legs ripped up and down the wings. This allowed Sweeney, Gannon, Behan, Mulligan-Lynch and Leahy to add their names to the list of scorers. Great defending from O'Hallaran, Jackson and Dunne coupled with fielding master class from the midfield duo of Maguire and Colcough, meant that Catherine's were living off scraps. Speaking of scraps, as things started to get heated, my yellow card got a couple of outings, "I'd rather referee a rat fight in a septic tank than a gang of teenagers". When they all focused on football, the game ebbed and flowed with Catherine's bagging a couple of goals late on. But Boden closed the game out with a superb composure and confidence, running out winners 5-26 to 3-8

Don't know what team he was on, but Man of the Match for me was some young lad called "Forfuck Sakeref", I heard his name being roared over and over again.

We all shook hands and I was told what a great ref I was and a fabulous job I did. This is all solid research for my college Psychology Thesis, "All mentors are bi-polar". Until next week when we do it all over again.

P.S. A word of congratulations to Jack who renewed his wedding vows at the weekend, entrusting the managing of the team to those other two gobsh**es.

Back Row: Daragh Kenny, Alex Gavin, Oran Dunne, Ryan O'Dwyer (1-8), Harry Colcough, Michael McDonald (0-1), Joe Maguire, Rian Power, Cian Hassett, Dean Jackson, Eamon O'Dea, David Monahan

Front Row: Cian Leahy (0-2), Kevin Hickey, Eoin Behan (0-1), Harry Donaghy, Luke Byrne (4-8), David Kane, Nathan Mullen, Eoghan Gannon (0-2), Luke Mulligan Lynch (0-1), Daire Sweeney (0-3)

U10 football feedback!



Following our U10 Footballers very successful trip to The Downs GAA club in Mullingar a few weekends ago, when the lads won the U10 Pat Walsh Memorial Cup, it looks like the boys were winning on and off the pitch! U10 mentor Tony Duffy received the following email from the Underage Chair Dave Monaghan.

Tony,

Your U10 team and management put on a great display of football in winning our top trophy, The Pat Walsh Cup. More importantly they proved themselves great ambassadors for your club re attitude and sportsmanship both on and off the field. We hope you can come down next year again to defend this years win.

Rgds Dave Monaghan

Minor Chair The Downs

Well done to the boys on conducting themselves so well and to the mentors and parents for all they do for the lads. Boden Abú

U16 B & C football Championship update

Our B and C teams had mixed fortunes over the weekend with our B's falling to St Jude's in Ballycullen in C Championship with a scoreline of 5:09 to 2:03. This result places them

second in their group earning them a place in the Quarter Finals on Saturday 20th October opponents and venue TBA.

Meanwhile our C's fared somewhat better in D Championship drawing 3:07 to 1:13 with Croi Ro Naofa in Killinarden Park in Tallaght.

The lads are topping their group and play their final group stage game on Saturday 20th October when they face Skerries Harps in Ballycullen.

And BTW the 'Ref' in the previous report forgot to add that the U16 A's are through to the A Championship Quarter Finals!

Ladies football Donate €2,000 to Aoibheann's Pink Tie following world record Footballathon



Thanks to the generous support of sponsors and players the Ladies Football section was able to donate €2,000 to the very worthy charity of Aoibheann's Pink Tie. This money was collected by players via their sponsorship cards for the world record Footballathon held on 18th August last. Pictured at the handover of the cheque to Mick Rochford of Aoibheann's Pink tie were Cathal O'Toole, Ladies Football Chair along with U14 players Alana and Roisin

Aoibheann's Pink tie provides financial and practical support to children and their families battling cancer in Ireland. It is a charity with tremendous links to and support from the Dublin GAAl community and the section and club are proud to be able to play a small part with this donation.

https://aoibheannspinktie.ie/

Regan's Regal Ladies Rejoice & Reach Championship Final!



Ballyboden St Endas 11-13 Na Fianna 3-6

On Saturday afternoon last (October 6th) the Under 15 Young Ladies of Boden put in a terrific performance in Cherryfield against Na Fianna to reach the Championship Football Final.

From the moment the ball was thrown in, the Boden girls were up for this one against their northside rivals. Early scores from Alanna Hodgins and Laura McHugh put Boden in the ascendency and further scores from Aoife O'Connell, Shauna Finlay, Chloe Murphy, Angel O'Toole and Aoibhe Morris meant that Na Fianna were well behind at half-time. Credit at this stage also to the Boden defence led by Ciara Duffy, Grace Clabby, Fiona McDonnell and Laura Pendlebury – all of whom worked hard to keep Na Fianna at bay. In the second half there were further inspirational Boden performances from Emily Regan, Eimear Hayden, Alannah Mehigan, Amy Casey-Omorere, Gráinne Noctor and Chloe Regan. Ciara Deane excelled in goal and was always alert for a Na Fianna come-back and it was great to see Lara

O'Neill back in action again for Boden in the second half. The full squad received a mighty and deserved applause from the large assembled crowd at the final whistle. As Loreto Hayden observed, Cherryfield became Cherryfield!

All the mentors are extremely proud of this fine team and their performances this year, none more so than elderly club stalwart Ken Regan who has worked on many drills with the team since their days in the Boden nursery. The team now march on to the Dublin Championship Final in late October and here's hoping that they can bring the Cup back to the club. Well done young ladies and thanks to the following mentors for all their great work with the team this year; Ken Regan, Stephen Campbell, Loreto Hayden, Aoibheann Murphy, Alan Deane, Barry Regan and Gerry Duffy.

U14 A's make Division 1 Championship Final



Our U14 ladies footballers lined out against perennial rivals St. Brigids in the Division 1 Championship Semi Final on Sunday. After having been pipped to the league title by Brigids in May, the Boden girls were determined to get their revenge in the Championship clash. The Boden girls started strongly, assisted by a strong wind at their back, and raced into a 2-7 to 0-1 lead after 20 minutes. However, 2 goals from Brigids before half time meant that the lead at half time was not as healthy as it might have been and facing into the strong wind in the second half, the tie was still wide open with 30 minutes to play.

Brigids came out strongly after the break but the Boden defence was outstanding limiting the early Brigids scoring to 3 points. After 10 minutes, the Boden girls netted for the 3rd time and this proved to be crucial in taking the sting out of the opposition. The next 10 minutes saw just a point a piece as the defences from both teams continued to dominate. Brigids finally netted in injury time but at that stage, it was too late and the Ballyboden girls ran out

Final Score: Ballyboden U14A 3-15 St. Brigids 3-6

Seniors Coach Our U12 Ladies Footballers



Despite the rain, our u12 girls turned up in huge numbers to training at the Hockey Pitch last Thursday, and were joined by two of our Senior Players, Aoife Martin and Niamh Crowley who came along and coached the girls. A big thanks to to Aoife and Niamh for their time and expertise from all the u12s. The girls really enjoyed the coaching session.

Gaelic for Mothers and Others (G4M&O) make history in Boden



Ballyboden's G4MO Ladies made history for the club on October 6th by participating in their first National Blitz in Naomh Mearnog. With 102 teams and over 2,000 people showcasing their skills, there were some great scores and even better craic. The blitz day is completely recreational and all players treated the blitz in a fun and fair play manner with BBSE playing teams from Laois, Westmeath and Leitrim. Although the scores were not recorded, the matches themselves were very competitive and the Boden G4MO team did the club proud in their first ever All Ireland blitz.

The Boden G4MO team started out in June 2018 with 35 players and has grown continuously over the last 4 months to over 70 members. The ladies football section have been very supportive in helping to get the initiative off the ground and we look forward to going from strength to strength in the coming years.

Ballyboden's G4MO winter training continues in the St. Colmcille's Secondary school hall on a Tuesday's from 20.30 - 21.30 New players are always welcome.

2009 Boys update



Hurling continues to be popular with our younger members with 75 U9 boys at hurling training last week.

The club continues to field 8 teams in the Go Games with great success and more importantly great fun for the boys.

Well done boys and keep hurling!

A note to parents as the evenings draw in training has changed to Sancta Maria, hurling training Wednesday 7-8pm and football Friday 6.30-7.30pm.

U12 boys in Parnell Park to support the victorious Senior Hurlers



The under 12 boys were out in force again to support the seniors as they swept to victory against St Vincents in Sundays' semi-final.

Let's hope they can go the whole way and win the county final against Crokes! Whatever happens they should know they will have the full support of the younger lads who appreciate their brilliant skills and who hope to emulate their heroes in the years to come. C'mon Boden!

Thanks to Brian Gorman of the photo.

Ciorcal Cainte

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Beidh an Ciorcal Cainte ag tosnú ar an 3ú lá Deireadh Fomhair do sheasúr an Fhomhair. Buail isteach tráthnóna Dé Céadaoin óna naoi go dtí a deich. Beidh fáilte roimh gach éinne, is beidh cupa tae is briosca ag Mick dúinn.

Ciorcal Cainte is starting on the 3rd of October.

It will continue on Wednesdays from 9 to 10 in the club.

All are welcome.

Further information contact Sean at 0879086100

Dance classes resume this week

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

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

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

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.

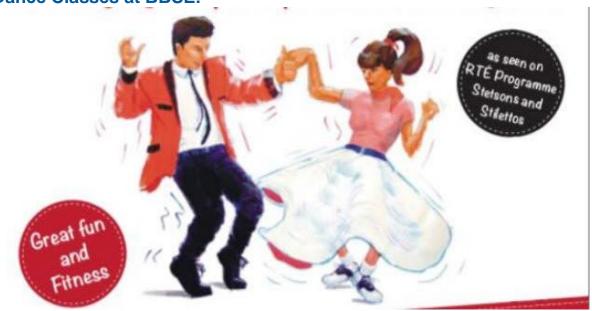
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Dance Classes at BBSE!



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