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BALLYBODEN ST.ENDA'S V KILMACUD CROKE'S



Sunday, October 21st in Parnell Park at 4.00 pm



Sunday next in Parnell Park is another huge day in the history of the club. Our Senior hurling team returns to the final after a gap of four years and in the meantime Kilmacud Crokes (once) and Cuala (on three occasions) have taken the trophy home.

We have been champions on six occasions and have been runners up on five. Our first final was in 1983 when we were defeated by Erin's Isle (their first and only victory). We returned to the final in 1988 to be defeated by St. Vincent's. Further losses took place in 2001 (Craobh Chiaráin), 2004 (UCD) and 2006 (Craobh Chiaráin).

The big breakthrough came in 2007 and the club entered a golden period with a glorious 5 in

a row. We lost out in the group stages in 2012 but returned to claim a 6th title in 2013. For the past 4 years we have been in the shadow of a seriously good Cuala team who have proven their credentials on the big stage. Their run came to an end in the semi final when they were toppled by a very strong Kilmacud Crokes team, a team which just fell short to Cuala on a number of occasions in the past few years. We are in no doubt about the challenge ahead on Sunday.

We are delighted to be back in Parnell Park on the biggest day of the club year. Our senior team will proudly represent every Boden hurler, past and present, when they take to the pitch at 4.00pm next Sunday. They have been brilliant ambassadors all year and their record so far this year is has been most impressive with just one loss in the League. We have a League final to look forward to but this game is by far our most important to date this year. The team and their management have left no stone unturned in their efforts to bring this title back to Boden.....all they need now is your support to be heard from the stands in Parnell Park on Sunday. They need YOU there.

Kind Regards John Ryan Ticket Details for Senior Final

Adult Stand: €20.00 (tickets.ie or selected Supervalu / Centra stores)

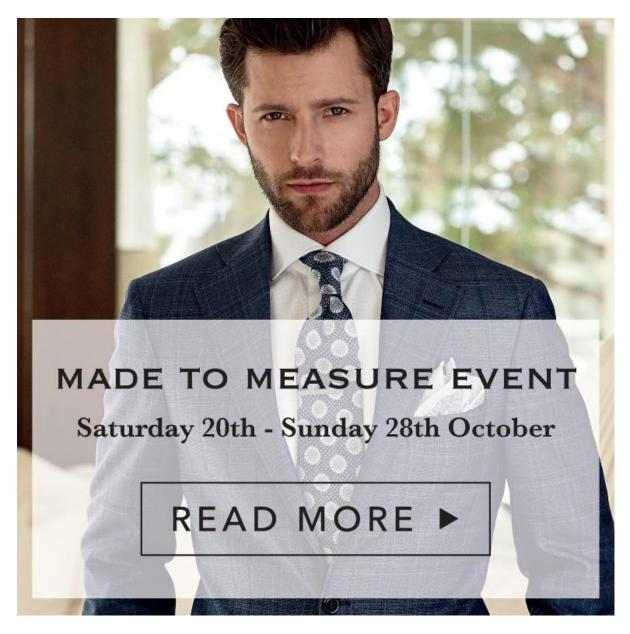
Juvenile Stand: €5.00 Adult Terrace: €15.00

Juvenile Terrace Pre-purchase: €3.00 Juvenile Terrace Match Day: €5.00

Student / Senior Citizen Concession available at the ground on match day with valid I.D Seating is on a first come, first served basis. Please note the Senior B final between Faughs and St. Oliver Plunkett's ER precedes this game.

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Boden ousted by Crokes in deluge at Parnell Park



Ballyboden St Enda's 0-09 Kilmacud Crokes 2-09

By Shane O'Brien

Ballyboden are out of the Dublin SFC after a six-point loss at the hands of local rivals Kilmacud Crokes in a rain-soaked Parnell Park on Saturday evening.

The concession of goals at crucial stages of the game, coupled with a wastefulness in front of goal, would be Boden's downfall in atrocious conditions.

The game was barely a minute old when Craig Dias gave Crokes raised the first green flag of the evening, and Shane Horan goaled midway through the first half just after Boden had hauled themselves level.

Crucially, at one stage Boden went 24 minutes without scoring as Crokes hit 1-04 without reply to move seven points clear, and in such perilous conditions, such a lead was always going to be virtually unassailable.

Conditions played a part in Boden's disastrous start, when the ball skipped through for full forward Dara Mullin, who unselfishly squared to Dias, leaving him with the simplest of finishes.

Boden replied strongly and reduced the arrears almost instantly when Colm Basquel jinked his way through the Crokes' defence and curled over their first point of the day.

A Pat Burke free restored Crokes' three-point buffer, but two pointed frees from Ryan Basquel, and a snapshot from Robbie McDaid had Boden level on the quarter hour mark. Paul Mannion and Colm Basquel traded frees to leave the scores level after twenty minutes, but it would mark the last time the sides were level as disaster struck for Boden.

First, Andrew McGowan split the posts with the outside of his right boot to give Crokes the lead again. Boden went long from the resulting kickout and surrendered cheap possession, which was quickly converted into a second Crokes goal.

Andrew McGowan ran unopposed at the Boden defence and fed wing-forward Shane Horan, who benefitted from a slice of luck when his shot was deflected into the back of the net past Darragh Gogan.

With Crokes leading by four, Boden had plenty of opportunities to cut the deficit before the interval, but thrice balls were dropped short into the hands of Crokes netminder David Nestor.

Michael Dara MacAuley also saw a rasping shot come back off the underside of the crossbar, with Nestor beaten all ends up, as half time approached.

Boden were made to pay for their wayward shooting when Dara Mullin curled over to extend Crokes' lead to five on the stroke of half time.

There was a feeling that Boden needed a strong start to the second half if they were to mount a comeback, but it never materialised. Substitute Ross McGarry had the chance to get Boden off the mark in the second half, but instead became the fourth player to drop a ball into Nestor's hands. Yet again, Boden were punished almost instantly when Shane Cunningham fired over his first point of the day to put two goals between the teams.

Crokes were in the ascendency and sniffed blood, and for almost ten second half minutes, Boden couldn't make it out of their own half. However, Crokes finishing deserted them and they only had a long-range Paul Mannion free to show for a period of utter dominance.

With Boden clinging onto their championship lives by their fingertips, Ryan Basquel landed a huge score that proved to be the catalyst for a Boden revival.

Suddenly, momentum was with the 2016 All Ireland Champions and they began to show their mettle, winning almost every ball.

For ten second half minutes, every Crokes kickout was won, sometimes uncontested by the Boden midfield as they attempted to stage a miraculous comeback, and three pointed frees

from Colm Basquel (2) and Ryan Basquel left a score between the teams with eight minutes of normal time remaining.

A comeback not only seemed possible at this stage, but entirely likely as Crokes had no answer to the pressure that was being applied to their kickout and simply could not retain possession.

But as conditions continued to worsen, the ball became more difficult to handle and one handling proved enough to lift the Boden siege. A wayward Nestor kickout was fumbled, and rather than providing a platform for another Boden attack, it enabled Crokes to relieve some of the pressure on their goal by holding possession in the final third.

An off the ball foul allowed Paul Mannion to land a monster free and put two scores between the teams once again. That score seemed to kill off any hopes of a comeback and a pointed free from Cian O'Connor sealed the result. There was still time for the impressive Andrew McGowan to round off the scoring with his second point from play.

It was a game that will go down as one that Boden lost, rather than one that Crokes won. The Stillorgan side did nothing spectacular but were clinical when they needed to be. Boden simply weren't. In total, five balls were dropped into David Nestor's hands, and only three of their nine points came from play, something that will always be punished in a championship semi-final.

Boden were on top for large periods of the game, but just couldn't convert that dominance into scoreboard pressure, and they will surely rue the 24-minute scoreless spell they endured which saw Crokes pull away.

There are, however, plenty of positives to take from the 2018 championship season and one would have to assume that Boden will be there or thereabouts this time next year.

Photos by John Kirwin here





Minor Football Championship Fixtures this weekend



Our 3 Minor Football teams are all in action at home at 11 am on Sunday.

Our Minor A's Play Whitehall in their Group stage in PUM

Our Mnior Bs play St Brigids in The Minor D Championship Quarter Final in The Prunty pitch

Our Mnior Cs play St Sylvesters in The Minor E Championship Quarter Final in Ballycullen.





Ballyboden St. Enda's 1-4 Round Towers, Clondalkin 3-19 Boden's final division 5 league game took place in the gloriously sunny surroundings of Sancta Maria against a Towers team aiming for promotion. Boden on the other hand were battling at the other end of the table.

The game started brightly for Boden with Gillo on the end of an intricate move that saw him put his shot wide from a very tight angle in the second minute. Towers had gone in front with a point in the first minute. Despite winning plenty of possession from Adam Farrell's kickouts we were unable to create clear cut scoring chances. Mono and Conor Barton were fetching good ball in the middle and Deano at centre forward worked tirelessly to prise an opening in the resolute Towers defence. Gillo and Cian Lynch were lively and did their best work too far from the Towers goal to be a serious threat. Ciaran Cashman ploughed a lonely furrow in the corner winning good ball and trying to hold it up for the cavalry to arrive. In the other corner James was getting little change out of his tight marking opponent. Boden were working hard but not reaping the rewards unlike our opponents who kept the score board ticking over.

At the back Alex Craven and Aidan Garvey were displaying manly qualities associated with players a lot older. Time and time again Alex recovered ball that wasn't his and coolly transferred it to a team mate. Aidan exhibited the fighting spirit that we've come to know and was equally positive in driving forward from wing back. Rory and Kev battled bravely against experienced canny and skillful footballers. Rory's tenacity saw him intercept passes and Kev's physical presence stemmed the incoming tide. On the wing Shane Bobbett emerging from an unseasonal hibernation was working his socks off - never afraid to go forward he was the catalyst for numerous attacks. At centre half back Karl Reddy was again displaying his raw powerful talent in defence and in attack. As the half drew to a close Gillo managed to put a gloss on our tally cheekily lobbing the keeper for a goal and quickly following it with a point.

The second half saw the introduction of three players; Daire Lynch (brother of Cian) both of whom were watched by a proud mammy on the sideline, Ciaran Dempsey who doesn't seem to age, and hurling star James Enright. Those changes and a few positional switches raised the intensity of the Boden challenge. unfortunately this didn't manifest itself on the scorebard. Goal chances came and went. Conor Barton was clean through on goal and taken out of it from behind. - all we got was a point from the resulting free. Later Cian found himself one on one with the keeper who saved briliantly. Later a superb crossfield ball from Demo again found Cian whose effort was again saved. Finally Gillo shot wide from close in.

All in all a disappointing result which didn't reflect the effort of the lads. There was much to commend in this performance both in defence and in attack. The presence of "older" * lads like Deano (who won't thank me for saying it), Demo and James who were on a lot of ball brings strength and a "presence" that we require. The youth as represented by Sam and Karl bring a lively skillful balance to the team. Deano acting like a General offered himself as the out-ball, moved the ball smartly and generally encouraged those around him.

A word of gratitude to the lads who represented the club today and throughout a tough season. Kev, Rory, Mono, Gillo and Conor have almost been ever present -others would have been only for their elevation to greater challenges (Tommy, Dave, Ruairí, Barry and Cathal). The team is also grateful to Cormac and Liam of the minors who have encouraged Alex, Aidan, Daire and Adam to play today. During the season there have been others. The four lads today were particularly impressive - Adam is a solid goal keeper who managed to pick our midfielders and wingbacks on the kick-outs and position himself properly when they attacked. We'll claim Alex as one of ours as he's played so many games - his progress to a

commanding and imposing corner back has been impressive. Likewise Aidan's introduction has been seemless. Today was Daire's debut and he didn't disappoint - rock solid and tough. Best of luck to the minors in their upcoming championship games.

I have already mentioned Shane, and it was great to see him back. Also Ciaran Cashman slotted in nicely for his first football game of the season.

* = over 21 !!!

Panel

Adam Farrell

Alex Craven

Kevin Cronin

Rory Jordan

Aidan Garvey

Karl Reddy

Shane Bobbett

Eoghan Monahan

Sam Lally

Cian Lynch

Conor Deane

Conor Barton

James Hutchinson

David Gilheaney

Ciaran Cashman

James Enright

Ciaran Dempsey

Daire Lynch



JBs league game v Plunketts. BBSE 4-8; Plunketts 1-8.



Stakes were high for both teams in this league encounter. A playoff spot was up for grabs, the chance of promotion was the carrot. Plunketts are a formidable force, we were going to have to bring our A game and then some. Conditions were perfect, not a breeze to be had and Pairc Ui Murchu was in excellent condition. The warm up was intense, now we had to transfer that on to the field of play.

The opening ten minutes was a very tit for tat affair. Tackles were hard, we tagged on points and Plunketts kept the scoreboard ticking over with scores of their own. Cormac Smyth and Ian Clarke were back from their all-Ireland win and that experience was absolutely vital now. Cormac was on the front foot and was making inroads into Plunketts half. Andrew Kerins was the benefactor and he latched on to ball in from Cormac time and time again. Collecting the ball, feigning a pass and then sending the ball high over the bar, Andrew was on fire. Ciaran O Brien in midfield was winning his personal battle with his marker. He was immense, winning the high ball and despite being tackled hard by a number of players, Ciaran came away with the ball and fed Kevin who calmly split the posts.

Adam Carney was a constant thorn in the side of Plunketts corner back. The ball was played into space and Adams turn of pace was a sight to see. He was drawing the foul and Andrew kept Bodens scoreline ticking over with some excellent free taking. Further scores from Vinnie Moran and Kevin made it a one point game at half time. 0-6 to 0-5 in Bodens favour.

As I predicted Plunketts were trying to drag us into a slugfest of a game. There were an awful lot of off the ball incidents from the opposition. If we were going to be victorious we needed to get back to playing ball. Go hard but fair, if you get hit, get the feck up and put the ball over the bar. We needed warriors now. No regrets.

Heroes are often the unassuming type. They will go about their business very discreetly, often preferring to fly under the radar. The JBs are fortunate to have one such Hereo, our goalkeeper Alan Keane. His heroics have kept us in games on so many occasions. The Dubs have Cluxton, the JBs have Keane! From an amazing double save to an even more amazing penalty save, he is a colosul force in goal. He is so calm under pressure, never gets flustered. His distribution is spot on, even at times acting as a sweeper. Although that can leave management with some hearts in the mouth moments at times. Alans penalty save came about when Plunketts were bizarrely awarded a spot kick even though Boden had clearly kicked the ball away from danger. Plunketts protested that contact had been made with their forwards leg when the only contact had been with the ball. Alan stood his ground, the Plunketts forward took a big run up to the ball and struck it with some force straight down the middle. Alan read it perfectly, and parried it away. What a save, what a Man!

Goals from Andrew and Adam settled our nerves a bit. Our defending was outstanding at this stage, bodies were been put on the line. Our Captains fantastic, James McTiernan and Michael Dunne, we're leading by example. Some of the blocking was first class. Dermot Manley never gave a blade of grass, simply breath taking at times. He was rallying his teammates, always positive in his approach. Cormac Smyth got in on the goal scoring act along with Brian. The referee blew his whistle for full time with Boden victorious with a scoreline of 4-8 to 1-8.

The lads can be very proud of themselves, I know the management is. As I said to them, it was a tough, tough game and to come away with a victory goes to show how far we have come as a team. This has now put us in the playoff final, our opponent yet to be confirmed. It is a massive achievement, to keep that level of professionalism is a credit to the entire panel. Their mental strength can never be doubted. The Boden roar and support will be needed in the final. I know the JBs will do themselves and the club proud. Boden Abu. Report by; Martin O Donnell.

Bluffers guide to this weekends Under 16 football championship





Liam O'Dwyer has promised free pints (of water) to all who come out to support the 16's in this weeks round of championship fixtures. Please don't underestimate what it means to the players. Here are all the details and, to make you sound like a seasoned supporter, a few key phrases to throw around the side line;

A's - Quarter Final Knock Out - Thomas Davis - Kiltipper - 3pm

Key phrases: "I was there when these two teams met in the hurling a few weeks ago, Jaysus it was a titanic battle." or "These two met in the quarter final of the 15's championship as well, that's mad, isn't it" or "How is Maguire still a coach on this team, the useless moron"

B's - Quarter Final Knock Out - Naomh Fionnbarra - John Paul Park - 3pm

Key phrases: "There must be great strength and depth at this age, if that's the second team" or "I said it all year, they'd peak for the championship" or "Despite the coaches, the lads play a lovely style of football"

C's - Group Stage Last Round - Skerries Harps - Ballycullen - 3pm

Key phrases: "There's a great spirit in this team" or "Thank God we got the home draw" or "I am not being condescending but there's no point in explaining the tactic's, you just won't understand"

Minor A Hurling Championship - Round 3



Ballyboden St. Enda's 2-15 Cuala 0-16

With Storm Callum well on its way, the sun shone brightly for this top of the table and final group game in Shankill. These teams have become very familiar with one another over many years of underage hurling and we knew this would be a nail-biter. Early points from Luke McDwyer and Kevin Desmond settled the nerves. Following Cuala's only score from play in the first half, McDwyer struck for a fine goal after five minutes and the signs were looking good. With Joe Maguire being deployed as an extra defender, our backs had everything under control in the early exchanges and keeper Jack Lambert was hardly threatened. Our full back line of Joe McGrath, Conor Lowe and Sean O'Donnell showed great composure in clearing their lines. Fergal Ryan read the play cleverly and sent numerous clearances out of the danger area. Enda Cashman can be very pleased with his hard work in containing Cuala's best player, Liam Murphy. Unfortunately injuries have been a major issue for this squad in 2018 and after seven minutes, Darragh Kenny had to be helped to the side line with a recurring ankle injury. He was replaced by the energetic Eoin Behan who pointed shortly afterwards from a long delivery by Jack Kenny. Adam Kelleher joined the scoring with two from play in the first period and two from frees, both following hefty challenges on the industrious Ciaran O'Reilly. Kelleher's 100% strike rate from placed balls is noteworthy. Our midfield duo of Cillian Kirwan and Pearce Christie are developing a fine reputation for their massive work rate which they continued in style today. Cillian pointed on the run before half time.

Half time: Ballyboden St. Enda's 1-8 Cuala 0-5

As expected, Cuala came storming back and three points from Liam Murphy brought the margin to a goal within five minutes of the restart. A superb individual goal from Kirwan, following a block, solo and beautiful strike to the Cuala net, steadied the Boden ship. Our opponents continued to add points and managed to bring the margin to just two. However, when our forwards began running at the Cuala defence, scoring opportunities opened up and

some fine points followed with Kelleher (3), McDwyer (2), Desmond and Ryan adding to the scoresheet.

So we're through to a county minor semi-final having topped the group. That game, against St. Vincents, won't happen for a few weeks, with football group stages to be completed and a bank holiday rest in between. This team has shown an enormous capacity for hard work. A lick of polish is all that's needed before we face the stern tests of the knockout stages. Scorers: Adam Kelleher 0-7 (4 f), Luke McDwyer 1-3, Cillian Kirwan 1-1, Kevin Desmond 0-2, Eoin Behan and Fergal Ryan 0-1 each.

Team: Jack Lambert, Joe McGrath, Conor Lowe, Sean O'Donnell, Jack Kenny, Fergal Ryan, Enda Cashman, Cilian Kirwan, Pearce Christie, Luke McDwyer, Kevin Desmond, Adam Kelleher, Ciaran O'Reilly, Darragh Kenny, Joe Maguire. Subs: Eoin Behan, Peter Gannon, Ciaran McDonnell, Cian Corcoran, Luke Mulligan Lynch.

Click on the link for photos courtesy of Miriam Christie https://flic.kr/s/aHsmkb63Dq





This match was pushed back to facilitate a fun run at Commercials and by the time one o'clock came even the sun had turned up to view this highly anticipated clash. Commercials had won their opening game but had to get something from this fixture to guarantee their progress.

Boden played into the clubhouse end in the first half and with no wind or rain to contend on Sunday the lads had no excuse but to play open expansive hurling.

Slow starts have blighted our team this year and to be fair we didn't disappoint. Commercials got off to a flying start with some long range points and a couple of frees. Boden trailed 0-5 to 0-1 after ten minutes but somewhere around the fifteen minute mark we started to hit some kind of form. Ben Hurley and Seán Lambert got a hold around midfield and Mathew

Nolan cleaned up in and around the box. Commercials threatened to break through several times and only interventions from Ruaidhrí Nolan and Jacques Dalton prevented the sliotar hitting the back of the net. David Barrett kept his man under severe pressure during the first half and Hugh Nolan and Thomas O'Neill mopped up the rest.

James Kinsella and Evan Rossiter worked hard in the forward line with Adam Fisher and Liam Mac Pháidín chipping in with a few points from play. John Mc Guire kept the scoreboard ticking over with a couple of frees.

Goals win games – but not this one unfortunately and when Turbo time came around he didn't disappoint bundling both man and ball into the back of the net. This was followed by a Seán Lambert goal to leave Commercials leading by three at half time.

The lads were excellent in the second half and there were some feisty exchanges between the two teams. Boden introduced several players early in the second half, Kevin Kirwan, Peter Byrne and Eoin Duffy who all made an immediate impact. A late goal from Evan Rossiter couldn't save the day. Unfortunately it was just one of those nearly days!

However not all is lost start dusting out the trophy cabinet the shield is on its way home to PUM for sure!

Laoch na hImeartha: Seán Lambert who worked tirelessly from start to finish!

Match Day Squad:

Adam Fisher (0-1), Benjamin Hurley, Darragh O'Neill, David Barrett, Evan Rossiter (1-0), Eoin Duffy, Hugh Nolan, Jacques Dalton, James Hanrahan (1-1), James Kinsella, John McGuire (0-2 2f), Kevin Kirwan, Liam Mac Pháidín (0-3), Matthew Nolan (0-2), Peter Byrne, Robert Lambert (0-1), Ruaidhrí Nolan, Seán Lambert (1-0), Thomas O'Neill

Buíochas leis an ngrianghrafadóir, Ted Dalton. More Photos here

An tIománaí ar an gClaí







Crokes 5-8 BBSE 2-12

Saturday in a wet Silver Park saw our gallant U-16 girls being undone by a couple of late goals. Although we led until about the last 5 minutes against a fancied Crokes side, a couple of unfortunate defensive lapses allowed Crokes to snatch the lead at the death. Nevertheless, with a minute to go we only trailed by a point and were pressing strongly for an equaliser, which would have been well deserved.

This was a brilliant performance by all our girls, to cap what has been a great and an enjoyable year, at the start of which they were not fancied to compete at the business end of the season. They were a great group

The girls have improved out of all recognition and there will certainly be better days ahead for all of them.

U14Bs Come Up Just Short Against Clontarf



Commiserations to our U14B's who came up just short in their Championship Shield Semi-Final against Clontarf on Saturday. In relentless rain and wet conditions out in St. Anne's Park, our girls got off to a great start and lead by 3-01 to 1-02 at the break. Unfortunately, the scores proved much harder to find in the second half and eventually, what was a very good Clontarf side, managed to peg back the deficit. Although the girls showed brilliant resolve and played right to the final whistle, it just wasn't to be. Well done to the girls for all their efforts yesterday and well done too, to all the parents who braved the conditions!!

U13A v Lucan Sarsfields



BBSE 4:05 Lucan Sarsfields 2:08

Stunning Comeback Puts Boden U13As into Camogie Div 1 Championship Final Everyone on the sideline for this one now knows how Martha & Mary felt when their brother rose from the dead! We'd like to claim credit for a tactical master stroke but, being honest, we still haven't quite worked out who or what it was that convinced the Boden u13A's to rise from the dead.

Eight points down with less than fifteen minutes to go the Boden girls outscored Lucan by 3-3 to 0-1 in the closing stages to win by three. Cue scenes of great celebration as the Boden 13A's made it through to the Division One Championship Final against Erins Isle in a fortnight.

It was not looking likely early on. The throw-in was delayed and it looked like our girls were delayed even further as they were very slow to start. An early Lucan point was cancelled out by a Julie Brady free but we were under pressure all over the field. There were some heroic performances....Enya Kennedy in goal was assured on the bread & butter stuff and made a few brilliant saves as well.

The full back line in front of her - Grace Cadell and the Well-Dunnes - Ailbhe & Caoilin - were under intense pressure but never buckled. Special mention as well to Isabelle Morris, who worked selflessly in midfield to curb the influence of u14 Dublin star, Clara Finn. Indeed, by the end, it was Isabelle who had the upper hand - one of the key elements in the turnaround.

That said, there was little sign of what was to come, even at the start of the second half. We turned five points down (1-4 - 0-2) but super subs, Aoibheann Roche & Lily Burden in the full forward line had an immediate impact. Aoibheann's first goal kept Boden in touch but things were to get worse before they really started to improve.

So eight points down with 12 or 13 minutes to go....& under pressure. What to focus on? We weren't conceding much. The half-back line was solid - Sadhb Ni Chiarain battling well, Heather McGrath & Jennie Maguire covering ground and making

A few changes including the return of Amy Brennan who put in a great shift in midfield freed

up Ailbhe Christie & Nessa Codd to start to hurl.

Suddenly Boden were in the groove and the superior fitness and running ability of Ailbhe Christie & Isabelle Morris started to show.

Ellen Sweeney & Aisling Quinn were working hard around the half-forward line and Abbie Fitzgerald was beginning to find spaces in which to do real damage.

Two flowing moves involving most of the above saw Aoibheann Roche in for two more goals - a brilliant return that swung the momentum entirely in Boden's favour. Julie Brady kept tapping the frees over and suddenly Boden were level.

After that it was all hands to the pump. Heather McGrath & Jennie Maguire made some fine clearances. If the half-back line was breached Grace Cadell, Caoilin Dunne and Sadhb Ni Chiarain always did enough to protect the goal. Great work all over the field meant Lucan never really had a chance to claw things back.

A great performance and a real team effort. Every single one of the 17 played their hearts out & made a contribution. Well done all.

Thanks to Miriam Christie for the super photos....more of which can be found here...https://flic.kr/s/aHsmpb9Ts1



BBSE 1-0 Olafs 1-3

The shield semi-final on Sunday morning was another daunting assignment for our U-13B team when we faced Olafs "A" team in Cherryfield.

In spite of having been placed in a championship that was clearly too high a standard for them, and being obliged to face all "A" teams, the team has displayed remarkable resilience and character when faced with these superior odds. The previous championship performances from our girls were good, but Sunday topped the lot.

Predictably the early stages saw our defence under sustained pressure but they refused to yield. Eimear McDonald was steady and dependable in goals, with her long deliveries consistently putting our forwards on the front foot.

Ruby stood tall at full back while Hannah Bury and Ellen were rock solid in the corners. Grace Delaney held the centre of defence very well and she was well supported on the wings by Emma and Rachel Byrne. As usual, Sarah and Hannah Leahy were our midfield generals and they have developed a formidable partnership. In spite of the standard of opposition they have not been bettered all year and again they covered every blade of grass on Sunday, and edged the midfield battle. In the forwards Tara led the line brilliantly, while on the wings Jodie, Rachel Grealy, Grace Carruth and Hannah Brennan worked their socks off, both in attack and falling back to defend when the occasion demanded. Because of the overall quality of the opposition, ball into the full forward line was limited, but Eimear Kirwan, Millie and Liadan made the most of everything and the Olafs backs had to work very hard to clear their lines.

After about 20 minutes Olafs did break the deadlock with a point, but that was to be their only score in the first half, and we were very unlucky not to go in level at the break as a free from Tara just went the wrong side of the upright.

Our girls came much more into the game in the second half and forced a succession of brilliant saves from the Olafs goalie. At the other end Olafs added a couple of points to stretch the lead to three points and then seemingly put the game to bed with a goal as the game entered the final 10 minutes. However the Boden girls had not read that particular script and were not prepared to go down without a fight. More pressure led to some Olafs last-gasp defending, but finally we got a deserved reward when a well-struck free from Hannah Leahy went all the way to the Olafs net. The match was very much back in the melting pot, but unfortunately the final whistle sounded a little earlier than we expected to only add to the feelings of "what might have been"

These girls have been an absolute revelation this year and they can look forward to next year with great hope. On a hiding to nothing having been placed in the Division 3 championship, they gave their all every day and should be rightly proud of their efforts. The future is bright for all of them.

Clear Blue Skies For U11 Camogie Go Games



It was clear blue skies for all four of our U11 camogie teams, who were in Go Games action this weekend in sunny Ballycullen against Naomh Jude and Cuala.

The girls' attendance and application at our Monday evening sessions at the hockey pitch has been excellent, as they work hard to master the techniques of this most challenging and enjoyable of games. The girls are building up their skills and developing their team play in their weekly sessions and through practice at home, so it was no surprise at all to see all the training and great attitude translate into a very strong showing on the pitch in Sunday's games. Some great performances against strong opposition ensued, as the girls demonstrated just how far they have developed the skills of camogie.

Well done to all the girls. Thanks to Dave Rusk for the pics.

U9 Girls Last Camogie Matches of the Season



After a miserable wet start to the weekend the U9 Girls were delighted that their final Camogie matches of the season were being played in blazing sunshine early on Sunday morning. Three teams played away, facing stiff competition from Faugh's GAA, while a further two teams faced a young Thomas Davis squad at home in Sancta Maria. All the girls put in a huge effort to practice the skills they'd learned throughout the year. Thanks to our Lead Mentor Seán O'Toole, all the coaches, FLO's, parents, competitors and the girls themselves for a wonderful season.

Photos by Tom and Suzanne. Click here for more.

Club Development Fund Draw



The Boden Session



(A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO GERRY HOGAN)

A NIGHT OF MUSIC, SONG, DANCE POETRY & COMEDY

ALL WELCOME- FROM 9pm









Social Dance Friday 19th October



Social Dance Friday 19th October Ballybodens Gaa Club with Aidan Clerkin Doors open 9.30pm Admission 10 Euro All Welcome

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

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

Email: gersoffe@eircom.net

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.

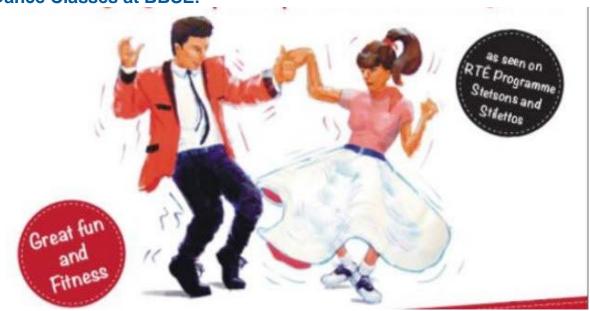
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Dance Classes at BBSE!



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