

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



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**Message from the Hurling Chairperson** 



Boden Senior Hurlers progressed to a semi-final meeting with Coolderry after an emotion packed evening in a wet Parnell Park on Tuesday last. It was always going to be a difficult task to overcome this Clonkill team but no one could have imagined the circumstances in which this game took place. The untimely and tragic death of Annabel Loughlin brought grief to the small Westmeath community. The tragic death delayed and overshadowed the fixture which went ahead by agreement with the family on the evening of the funeral.

In the sadness of the evening, one could only admire the courage and tremendous pride in community which Clonkill brought to the task and they just came up short on the evening. We congratulate them on a fine performance and we are full of admiration for the spirit and pride they showed in Parnell Park. Ballyboden senior hurlers were not found wanting either...their dignified approach and respect for the opposition brought much credit to our club and we are all very proud of them.

The GAA community stood shoulder to shoulder with Clonkill last Tuesday evening and we now take their good wishes with us to the next round. We will keep the family and community of Clonkill in our thoughts and prayers over the difficult times ahead.

John Ryan (Chairperson of Hurling Section)

#### **Leinster Championship Semi Final**

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## BALLYBODEN ST. ENDA'S V COOLDERRRY (OFFALY)



Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> in Parnell Park at 2.00 pm



BBSE 2 25 CLONKILL 2-19 (After extra-time)



Leinster Championship Q/F

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Report from Dublin GAA website

Ballyboden St Enda's booked their berth on the Leinster Club SHC semi-final after Tuesday night's provincial quarter-final encounter with Westmeath champions Clonkill in Parnell Park.

It was a match played against the backdrop of great sadness following the death of three year-old Annabel Loughlin last weekend, daughter of Clonkill clubman and former Westmeath hurler Enda Loughlin, who was buried on Tuesday afternoon.

A minute's silence was observed before the game and after 80-minutes of action Ballyboden St Enda's formed a guard of honour for Clonkill as they exited the Donnycarney pitch. Boden advanced to face Offaly's Coolderry in the provincial semi-final in two Sundays time, again in Parnell Park (1.30).

It took extra-time before the freetaking of Paul Ryan and a late Paul Doherty goal sealed the progression of Joe Fortune's men.

Clonkill began by far the better and led 0-6 to 0-2 inside the opening 11 minutes with Eoin Price impressing in the opening spell, he finished the game with 0-4 from play.

But St Enda's eventually settled with Conal Keaney showing all his expertise and experience to grab two points in quick succession.

The Dublin champions led 1-9 to 0-10 at the break with their goal coming just shortly before the interval when Aidan Mellett pierced the Clonkill defence, his pass was missed by Conor McCormack but Niall Ryan was on hand to apply the finish to the net.

Boden led late on with the accuracy of Paul Ryan to the fore before a late goal by Luke Loughlin, a second counsin of Anabel Loughlin, brought the sides level.

A Niall McMorrow point edged Boden in front before Brendan Murtagh's free ensured extratime.

Early in the first period of extra-time Murtagh drove a penalty wide. A lucky escape for Boden and they took full advantage.

In extra-time the placed ball accuracy of Paul Ryan was again to the fore with Paul Doherty's late goal ensured victory.

SCORERS – Ballyboden St. Enda's: P Ryan 0-15 (0-12f, 0-3 '65'), P Doherty 1-2, N Ryan 1-

1, C Keaney, A Mellett 0-2 each, N McMorrow, J Roche, S O'Connor 0-1 each, Clonkill: B Murtagh 0-11 (0-7f), L Loughlin 1-2, E Price 0-4, N Mitchell 1-0, A Price, M Keegan 0-1 each

BALLYBODEN ST ENDA'S: C O'Donoghue; D Curran, L Corcoran, J Madden; S Durkin, S Lambert, D O'Connor; S O'Connor, F McGarry; C Keaney, C Dooley, N Ryan; A Mellett, C McCormack, P Ryan. Subs: C Basquel for McCormack (44), P Doherty for Dooley (52), N McMorrow for McGarry (52), J Roche for N Ryan (61), N Ryan for Basquel (70), C O'Neill for S O'Connor (72), M Travers for Lambert (82).

CLONKILL: A Mitchell; D Egerton, J Kenny, M McGrath; A McGrath, P Dowdall, L Dolan; S Power, C Austin; L Loughlin, M Keegan, A Dowdall; A Price, E Price, B Murtagh. Subs: N Mitchell for Folan (inj, 10), J Smyth for A Dowdall (45), A Dowdall for A Price (61), J O'Brien for M McGrath (74), J Fagan for Power (74). REF: D Hughes (Carlow).

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Minor A Championship Final Kilmacud Crokes 2 21 BBSE 2 16



Minor A Championship Final Kilmacud Crokes 2 21 BBSE 2 16 O'Toole Park, Armistice Day, 2018 – The Shepherd Reports

Bending to the laptop to write this article is a difficult task. It is very hard to write about our club teams when we have been beaten, especially in a final. Twenty four lads who are on the cusp of entering into adult hurling gave of their very best over the past years to get to a Minor A Hurling Championship final. It's not easy to get to that stage. It takes a lot of discipline and dedication to practice week after week, month after month to get to within touching distance of being the best team in the county only to be beaten by what has been over the past eight years – the best team in the county. In truth this Crokes team have haunted us over the years. They have won everything all the way up and their victory over an excellent Ballyboden team proved that they are indeed the best in Dublin and good luck to them.

The story of today's match was the quintessential 'game of two halves'. Boden started strongly with an opening goal from a Malachy Codd, Cian Corcoran and Kevin Desmond combination which saw Kev bury to the net within the first minute. During the first fifteen minutes Cian Corcoran played havoc in the square winning an amount of ball and providing passes, scoring chances and frees for his team mates. Adam Kelleher added a 65 soon after the goal. Crokes got up for a point only to concede four more points from Adam Kelleher (another free) Pearce Christie, Luke Mc Dwyer and Adam again. Pearce scored a smashing point of his own making after a speedy run out to the wing. This left Ballyboden 1-6 to 0-4 ahead and we were flying. Adam slotted over another free after Crokes got up for a point and then the Kelleher smarts showed with a quick free across the wide pitch to Kevin Desmond for another over the black spot. Jack Kenny and Cillian Kirwan dominated the middle of the field during this period. However, Crokes were managing to hang in with another Eddie Gibbons free which was answered by Malachy Codd putting one over soon after. But on sixteen minutes our old nemesis Fionn Ó Ceallaigh pinged a scorcher to the net which Jack Lambert could do nothing about. They followed this with another free from Gibbons bringing our great start back to a two point lead (1-09 to 1-07) in our favour). All credit to our lads we rallied again with a point from Pearce on another of his winding runs followed by another free from Adam. The half backs (Patrick Dunleavy, Fergal Ryan and Enda Cashman) delivered plenty of balls into the forwards fair play to them. Ciarán O'Reilly was introduced in the twentieth minute for Malachy (nursing a long-standing injury) and got straight into the action. However, an eight minute spell followed which gave no score for either side at this stage which was frustrating for both sets of players. Then Crokes sent a scoreable free wide on the twenty eighth minute which was followed up by an accurate free from our Adam which got us going again. ON the stroke of the half hour Cillian Kirwan struck an absolute smasher from sixty five yards out which went straight over and Adam added another from a placed ball (65) just before the whistle. This left us in a comfortable position of being six ahead at the break, BBSE 1-14 KC 1-08.

On the resumption of play the match turned completely. Crokes scored a goal and six points without reply in the first ten minutes. We were on the ropes. Our full back line of Joe Mc Grath, Conor Lowe and Seán O'Donnell battled tirelessly but Crokes attacked like a swarm of purple and yellow wasps.

Whereas in our period of domination Crokes managed to keep the scoreboard ticking over we just couldn't get a score for love nor money when Kilmacud were scoring for sport. The old names came back to haunt us like Marlay's ghost. Gibbons, Ó Ceallaigh, Grogan et al were on fire. Even when Adam Kelleher struck one over which was flagged by the umpire the decision was reversed by the referee – nothing was going our way. Eoin Behan was sprung from the bench for Ciarán O'Reilly who had poured his heart into it.

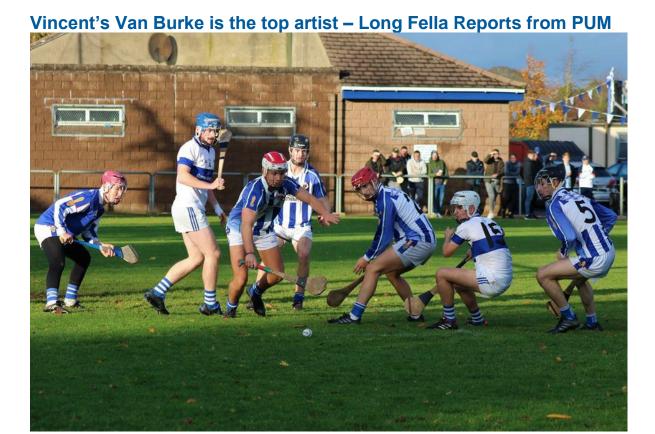
It was a full seventeen minutes before we registered our first score of the half, a very hard won point from the determined and tenacious Kevin Desmond. Feargal Ryan put a long range free over shortly afterwards which gave us some hope only to have that hope dashed by five more Crokes scores leaving the score at 2-21 to 1-16. The management made a few changes bringing on Joe Maguire and Peter Gannon but nothing could push back the tide. We took a small consolation from a goal from Cillian Kirwan who smashed a free from thirty yards out to the back of the Crokes net. But this was to be the last score of the game. On the final whistle the loud ballyhoo from the Crokes players and support was hard to take. The Boden

lads had given their all. They had poured every last drop of themselves into that match. They were beaten on the day and that's just it.

However, the great thing about sport is that there is always another day. There is always another competition and another match. We are very lucky. We will line out again against Crokes in the Minor A Football Championship Semi-Final next Sunday over in Silverpark. Paul Mc Laughlin and Liam Carter who were there to support the lads today will be planning and plotting the destruction of the purple and yellow already. Niall, Martin and Emmet will lead another assault on Crokes in the Hurling League Final the Sunday after that again. So there's lots to look forward to. There's plenty of young lads all over Dublin who would give their right arm to be able to play in just one of these big matches. Our boys get to play in a flurry of them and rightly so. They have trained hard for many years to get to this standard. They have had the best of coaching and are very fortunate indeed to get the opportunity to represent such a magnificent club. So it's on and up for Ballyboden Minors who are at the top in both football and hurling in Dublin – well done lads, your families, your club and your community is very proud of you.

Team: Jack Lambert, Joe Mc Grath, Conor Lowe, Seán O'Donnell, Patrick Dunleavy, Fergal Ryan (0-2f), Enda Cashman, Jack Kenny, Cillian Kirwan (1-1), Luke Mc Dwyer (0-1), Pearce Christie (0-3), Kevin Desmond (1-2), Malachy Codd (0-1), Cian Corcoran, Adam Kelleher 0-6 (4F, 1 '65) Ciarán O'Reilly, Eoin Behan, Ciarán Mc Donnell, Peter Gannon, Cillian Wall, Luke Mulligan Lynch, Joe Maguire, Darragh Kenny.

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St. Vincents centre forward Conor Burke was the star performer on show for this Under 21 Hurling Semi-final at a sunny Headquarters on Saturday afternoon. His scoring contribution of 13 points from play and frees was perhaps only half of the story of the game. His general play, assisted by a physical presence that allowed him to at times 'ghost' past Boden defenders, was of a quality that had the sizeable crowd nodding with approval and concern.....depending on which club you were from. Boden tried hard to stay with Vincents free-scoring forwards, but the task proved well beyond their efforts. The absence of upwards of half a team of likely first-fifteeners due to other championship commitments did not help Boden's cause, but even with a full compliment, the visitors would have laid down a serious challenge.

Burke opened the scoring with a brace, a free and a fine point on a diagonal run. More Vincents points followed from full forward Moloney and corner man Sweeney. By the quarter hour Vincents led by 7pts to just a single point from Luke O'Donoghue. The next Boden attack brought the only goal of the game. A high ball into the inner sanctum was caught by Eoin Monahan and his turn and strike hit the onion-sack. Goalman Conor O'Donoghue followed up with a long-range free to bridge the gap to just a brace. Vincents had other sharpshooters on show and three of them, Sean Lamb, Johnny Walsh and James Mulcahy added further gloss to the visitors tally. Shane Kennedy and Sean McDonnell replied for Boden. The half ended with fine save by O'Donoghue from a low net-bound shot from Burke. The follow up 65 was pointed by the ubiquitous Burke. Boden 1.04 to Vincents on 0.14.

The second-half start that Boden needed eluded them and Vincents piled further pressure on with points from Burke (2), Mulcahy and Sweeney. Bodens Cashman raised his side's total with a free. Boden tried hard for goals and twice were brought down within sight of their aims. Each resulting free was hit with venom by O'Donoghue, but the Vincents defence was equal to the challenge. Late poins from O'Donoghue from a 65 and one from play by McDonnell hardly dented Vincents lead and they finished the stronger with more superb points from Burke and Moloney.

Best of luck to St. Vincents for the final against Na Fianna or St. Brigids. Boden used Conor O'Donoghue, Eoin Monahan, Luke Basquel, Sean McDonnell, Rob Leddy, Ruairi Kirwan, Ruairi Hestor, Tommy Glynn, Cillian Byrne, Karl Reddy, James Holland, Shane Kennedy, Michael Boland, Ciaran Cashman, Daniel O'Riordan, Luke O'Donoghue, Aaron Coffey

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**Under 21 B team V Naomh Mearnog** 



Hard luck to our Under 21B Hurlers who put up a brave performance against a very good Naomh Mearnog team in their Championship Quarter Final Portmarnock on Saturday. A final score of 2-18 to 0-08 was harsh on Boden.

Let's paint the town Blue & White Boden flags for sale



Ahead of our Senior Hurlers Leinster Semi Final clash against Offaly Champions Coolderry next Sunday in Parnell Park, flags large and small are for sale. They are currently available to buy behind the bar and are €5 each.

Let's show our support for our Hurlers and paint the parish and Parnell Park blue and white this week!

Good Luck to the boys!

Boden Abú!

#### **Football Section AGM**



### Football Section



## **Annual General Meeting**

Thursday 15th November 2018 at 8.30pm

Elections will be held for the positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer & Board delegate

Nominations should be emailed to darbytimbs@gmail.com

Minor A Camogie BBSE V Na Fianna 11.11.2018



Our Minor A team travelled north side on a sunny Sunday morning for their second group game against Na Fianna. Both teams had won their opening games. Early exchanges were fast and furious with Na Fianna exerting a physical presence that we struggled to come to grips with. Both defences stood strong and scores were hard to come by. Na Fianna led by 4 points to 2 at the break and were first to score in the second half and opened up a 4 point lead. Boden got a well worked goal to reduce the gap to one. The girls took control of the game with further points and two goals. Na Fianna continued to battle and were rewarded with a goal. Boden held on for the win, final score 3-4 to 1-7. Next up is another away game to Castleknock.

#### U15 Hurlers are U15 'A' Shield Winners





BBSE V St Judes – Sunday 11/11/2018

A beautiful sunny Sunday morning, more September-like than November...Hurling weather...a perfect day for the meeting of Boden's Under 15A Hurlers and their counterparts from St. Judes...near neighbours and fierce rivals. The prize, the Shield Final title...a consolation for a surprise early exit from the Championship proper at the hands of eventual winners Na Fianna...The 'real' prize...bragging rights over their neighbours and consolidation of a run of fine form that had they displayed a little earlier in the season, would have undoubtedly delivered silverware before the season curtain-call. Much at stake then!

The Boden 15's group are a dedicated and determined bunch of lads and the A's, last season's League champions, were determined to emulate their 'B' Panel brethren who had the previous week been crowned champions of their competitive Division 4 league after a

comprehensive victory over Bray Emmets in a Play-off decider on their opponents home turf.

The A's would also concede home advantage but the venue was only a hop and a skip from base and a healthy crowd showed up at St. Pauls Community School in Walkinstown to lend support and balance the numbers with a sizeable 'Judescontingent. So the scene was set for a battle royale and what followed was a joy to behold for all present right until the final whistle.

The Judes lads came out of the blocks all guns blazing and tore into a sluggish Boden side with a ferocious determination which caught Boden by surprise to some extent. They raced into an early lead and when they found the net in the 10thminute they were by then 5 points to the good with Boden yet to register their first score.

To their credit, Boden hung in there when it seemed they could be overwhelmed by the intensity of Judes' excellent endeavour. After a few nervy misses, it befell the talismanic Rhys McDonnell to play the captains part and deliver Boden's first score from an almost impossible situation when under extreme pressure on the sideline around halfway.

A couple of frees tacked on by Rhys began to eat into the deficit but Judes would restore their advantage before another super score from Hugh O'Sullivan from the right sideline on the run demonstrated Boden's determination to get to the pitch of the game and let their opponents know that they meant business too! O'Sullivan, operating at full-forward was mobile and quick to roam in search of early ball and took his marker on a tour of the final third of the pitch which the No. 3 found unsettling and cracks began to appear in the steely Judes defence.

The mobility of the two Cians, Kelly and Durkin in the corners created opportunities for the busy Conor Casey, Connell McGlynnand Rhys McDonnell to play early ball inside and keep the Judes backs under pressure.

By Half-time Boden had started to gain control of midfield as they matched their opponents physicality and work rate and in particular Michael McDonald was to the fore in making his considerable presence felt and was a stalwart throughout the entire game. His efforts were matched by the hard working Josh Corcoran and Conor Casey around him as every ball was fiercely contested by both teams and on a few occasions, the referee had to step in to terminate frantic rucks with neither side giving an inch. By half-time the teams had reached parity on a score-line of 0-09 to 1-06.

The second half promised much if the helter skelter first half was to be any barometer and it didn't disappoint. Normal service was resumed with the contest remaining tight in every part of the pitch but soon there were signs showing that Boden's tenacious backs were beginning to dominate their positions and deliver more ball into the opposite half. The assured Conor

Barnes in goal seemed to be getting an extra 15 meters on his puck-outs and Boden's tails were rising it seemed.

Everyone of the backs put in an extraordinary effort and the team were by now going through the gears and were not only at the pitch of the game but at fever pitch! The unflappable Alex Gavin had his hands full throughout with the towering Judes full forward giving him a run for his money but as usual, Alex came out on top of this personal duel ultimately, taming the beast so to speak! Reed Barry's relentless swashbuckling style had worn his man down and by half-time and the Boden half back-line of David Gannon, Mathew Ormsby and Setanta Sudway had started to take control of affairs and stem the early tide somewhat.

In the second period, despite losing Setanta to injury, they shored things up even more with David Gannon in particular delivering a stellar performance in text-book defending and he ruled the roost for the remainder and inspired those around him, combining their strengths in shutting out Judes bar a solitary point in the second half!

David Keane had entered the fray by now and swept all before him with his usual full throttle style. From half-back, Thomas Culleton was showing his best in the full backline and his consistency throughout the season has him right up there for recognition as one of the contenders for player of the season for the team. However, I think Thomas might have to wait another year for that accolade at least as the stand-out player of the year has to be the irrepressible Davy Keogh who despite carrying a couple of injuries got himself fit enough to start from the bench for this encounter and following his introduction at half-time, displayed all his usual grit and determination and abundance of energy and skill to bring a new dimension to Boden's play that was just too much for Judes to handle. Davy's intervention saw the likes of Rhys McDonnell and Hugh O'Sullivan raise their respective games and with Michael McDonald and Conor Casey still flaking into it and Connell McGlynn imposing himself even more, Boden's game went up another notch. Some excellent moves and teamwork delivered some spectacular scores with O'Sullivan nudging Boden ahead with another very smart score from a tight angle at a pivotal stage of proceedings with the game still very much in the melting pot!

The two Cians at corner forward were by now tearing up the Judes defence and there was a sense that a Boden gaol would drive a nail into Judes bubble!

The way Boden were playing it was inevitable and the goal finally arrived from the hurl of Cian Kelly with a rasping shot that flew past the Judes keeper after he smartly rounded his marker. Cian received a deserved (standing) ovation from the Boden support when replaced by Thomas Brosnan shortly after. His goal gave Boden a five point lead with less than ten minutes remaining and it took the wind out of Judes sails...and the floodgates duly opened as Boden hit top gear which saw them canter to the final whistle with two further goals from the excellent Rhys McDonald and a clever finish by Evan Welsh who whipped one to the net to put the cherry on top of a fantastic performance and effort from the team who to a man played for the collective and gave their all for each other and the club to deliver another trophy in emphatic style and overcome a vociferous Judes challenge on the day...All credit to them for their performance but no other team would have lived with our lads on the day such was their determination to do themselves justice following a disappointing season by their own standards on a couple of fronts but a season that saw them develop and mature

further into a formidable side that will certainly be challenging on all fronts again next season.

So Comhghairdeas to the boys on both U-15 panels on their respective victories and a productive season and a special mention and thank you to all of the U15 Mentors and coaches including Paudie O'Neill and Darragh Spain who gave so much to the boys this year and have helped them hugely in their personal and collective development.

Niall Sudway and Brendan Bury step down from their roles within the camp and go out on a high and on a successful note...fair dues to them and huge thanks for all of their sterling work and commitment to the cause over the years...their legacy will be fruitful no doubt and the continued tireless and selfless contributions from Tommy Keogh, Ray Casey and Gavin Duff will ensure that the 2003 group will remain in good hands and receive the best guidance, training and coaching going forward...Onward and upward...Boden Abú!





Congratulations to our U14C boys football team on winning Division 7 as a result of a pulsating 4-17 to 4-10 play off win against Robert Emmet's at Greentrees Park on Saturday. This follows a strong finish to the season with the lads needing to win every game since early September.

In that run the highlight was a last gasp 1 point win against Man O'War as well as comprehensive results against local rivals Ballinteer and Crokes.

It goes a long way to easing the pain of narrow defeat in the Feile final. Well done to the boys and the mentors.

**U14s Crowned Division 1 Ladies Football Champions** 



#### **U14 Div1 Ladies Football Championship Final**

#### Ballyboden St. Enda's versus Lucan Sarsfields 11th November 2018

The U14 Division 1 Championship came to its conclusion on Sunday in Westmanstown when the winners of the U13 Championship Ballyboden St. Endas took on Lucan Sarsfields in a replay of the final after a drawn game in Castleknock two weeks earlier.

Lucan came out of the blocks the strongest but failed to convert on their early pressure and it was Boden who got the first score with a point from Clodagh Reid. In a first half where scores were hard to come by with great defending from both sides, it was Ballyboden who got a crucial breakthrough with a fisted goal from Hannah Byrne. Boden then kept the scoreboard ticking over with further points from Caoimhe O'Sullivan, Aine Rafter, Kate Donaghy and Leah Cunningham with only a single point from Lucan in response. As half time approached, Sinead Daly scored a pointed free for Lucan to leave a 6 point gap at half time – 1-5 to 0-2.

Half Time Score Ballyboden St. Endas 1-5 Lucan Sarsfields 0-2

After coming back from an 8 point deficit in the first game, Lucan knew that the game was still alive and after conceding another pointed free to Donaghy, they then broke away to score a goal with Daly converting after a flowing move to cut the deficit to 4. However, that was as close as Lucan got to a comeback with magnificent defending from Ballyboden keeping Lucan at bay. As Lucan committed more bodies to attack, the Boden girls worked some great

scores over the next 15 minutes, adding 4 goals, 3 from the deadly Cunningham. To their credit the Lucan girls never gave up and finally added to their tally when Sophie McIntyre netted after her penalty was initially saved by Boden keeper Shauna Feely.

With another couple of points traded, the final whistle blew with Boden the victors by 5-8 to 2-4 and as heavy rain started to fall, the cup was presented to Ballyboden captain Alice Rudden followed by jubilant celebrations from the large travelling Boden support after a superb team performance.

Final Score Ballyboden St. Endas 5-8 Lucan Sarsfields 2-4

This was a wonderful way to finish off a great year for this team. The finishing of the forwards was terrific with scores from all 6 starting forwards and another from Ella McNair off the bench. But just as much credit goes to the defensive unit who kept a usually free-scoring Lucan to just 6 scores in the match. The full back line of Abbie Brennan, Sadie Codd and Emmajane Weir was immense. The half backs of Megan Deignan, Alice Rudden and Megan Dignam were also superb throughout, knowing that if Lucan got some momentum that they could mount another comeback. In midfield, Leonie Power and Sarah Gleeson and Ella Reid when she was introduced all won a huge amount of ball to keep Lucan at bay and to feed the Boden forwards. The other subs, Shona Kenny, Laura Rourke, Sarah Cooney and Elly Rogers all did their bit, having all played their part in getting the team to this stage.

This capped a great season for the U14 girls having won Dublin Feile and finishing runners up in the league. With 18 of the 21 also on the double winning Camogie team, a well-earned break in Carlingford is in store where they join the rest of the 2004 and 2005 girls for what promises to be a great weekend.



At the beginning of the year the U12 boys football and hurling squads entered unknown territory as they prepared for their first grading games and the chance to compete against clubs from all over Dublin.

They had practiced and played hard over the previous few years, it was now down to the business end where results and table placings would be visible on the web in every corner of the planet. No more pretend draws, no more suddenly forgetting the scores, there was now nowhere to hide.

The early pre-season challenge games were played in cold, wet, windy, snowy and all round miserable conditions, bad enough to (almost, but not quite) forgive anyone wanting to stay at home in front of the fire with a cup of cocoa. Nevertheless, training and match day turn out among the boys was consistently high and the coaches noticed a new high level of intensity that promised great things to come.

The five football teams and four hurling teams successfully advanced through the grading games and secured places in the divisions targeted by the head mentors: Divisions 1, 4, 6, 8 & 10 for football and 1, 4, 7 & 9 in the hurling. No other club came close to fielding as many teams in both codes. This also meant that our mid-division teams were often playing against the top teams from other clubs.

If there were ever any concerns that the teams were playing 'out of their league' then the boys quickly dispelled any such notions. All the years of hard training paid off as they tore into the opposition week in and week out. Word quickly spread among the Dublin GAA fraternity that Ballyboden St Endas U12's were a force to be reckoned with.

All teams did themselves proud by finishing comfortably in the top half of their respective leagues. The teams also played in many tournaments and challenge matches, the highlight in the football was winning the shield competition in a highly competitive tournament hosted by the great Cooley Kickhams club in Co Louth.

The annual Feile Iomana (U9-U12) was also a great success with all four teams playing. Two teams entered in the summer camaint games with the finals held out at the excellent Abbotstown high performance facility in late August. Between grading games, leagues, tournaments and challenge games, the combined hurling teams played a total of 108 matches. Another highlight was the four bus trips to support the senior hurling team in Parnell park during the latter stages of their victorious campaign to win the county championship. Up to fifty of the boys' squad and coaches attended in what proved to be a great success and very enjoyable for the boys.

As the season comes to an end, there is much to look forward to in 2019 as we move on to 15 a side matches on bigger pitches. There are currently almost 90 boys in the football panel and over 50 in the hurling squad, with the majority of the boys playing both codes. Attendance at training and matches is consistently very high and there is a great sense of camaraderie among the boys.

Having negotiated their first season in the leagues, the boys now face into a new round of grading games early in 2019 before the leagues start up again. Based on the performances this year they will take it in their stride.

There is a great deal of optimism among the coaching staff that the boys will be even more successful next year playing at U13 level.

They would like to thank all parents and guardians for responding promptly to the Teamer invites and ensuring that the boys were on time at all the different venues in order to prepare

#### **U10s Ladies Footballers Host Celbridge**







In their last football matches of the year, our U10s hosted Celbridge at Sancta Maria on Saturday. All the Boden girls played really well in a very competitive series of games. Well done girls!!

#### **Courses/Workshops for Coaches/Mentors**

Ballyboden St Enda's Coaching & Games Development 2018 – 2019

Coach Education Courses Nov 2018 – March 2019 The following are the courses/workshops that are taking place;

**Child Protection Course (Mandatory for all coaches)** 

**First Aid Course** 

**Resistance Training Workshop** 

Hurling Workshop - "Reading the Game Principles"

Warm-Up Workshop

2 Academy Workshops

Foundation Award Course (Mandatory for all coaches)

Award One Child Course -Football/Hurling/Ladies Football/ Camogie

Please see the attached document which has all the details of these courses and how you can register.

#### **Document available here**

Some of the courses are for specific age groups so pls check each course. There will be more courses added in 2019

With regard to mandatory workshops (Foundation course & Child Protection Course) can you ensure that if they have not yet completed these courses, they do so with a matter of urgency.

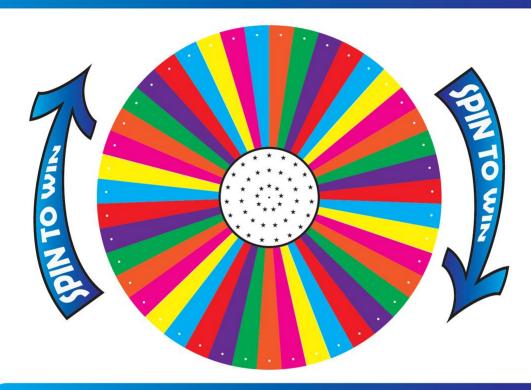
Ensuring our coaches have the highest level of qualifications is a main focus of the club, so please make a special effort to attend/complete the courses that apply to your particular age group/team.

Also attached is the Dublin County Board planner with the details of all the county board workshops taking place over the next 12 months which you can register for also.

**Dublin County Board planner** 

**Boden Spin the wheel begins Nov 17th** 

# SPIN THE WHEEL @ BODEN



COMMENCES SAT 17TH NOV AND EVERY SAT NIGHT @10PM

## — €500 — JACKPOT STARTING OFF

WITH DOZENS OF OTHER PRIZES TO BE WON

(YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO SPIN THE WHEEL)

### THE BODEN THEATRE GROUP PRESENTS

# RUMOURS

WRITTEN BY NEIL SIMON

DIRECTED BY JOE KEARNEY



BALLYBODEN ST. ENDA'S GAA CLUB

TUESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup>/ WEDNESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup>/ THURSDAY 22<sup>ND</sup>/ FRIDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 2018 @ 8PM

TICKETS: €10 - TO RESERVE RING CAROL 086 4070015/ GER 086 8516387

PERFORMED BY KIND PERMISSION FROM SAMUEL FRENCH

The Boden Theatre Group will perform Neil Simon's hilarious comedy "Rumours" from Tuesday 20th Nov. to Friday 23rd Nov. @ 8pm in the club hall. "Rumors," is a madcap farce that follows guests as they arrive at a friends 10th wedding anniversary dinner. As the

couples arrive at the house to celebrate, they find their hosts and their servants nowhere to be found. There are cover-ups, deceptions, mistaken identities and laughs as the try to find out where their friends have got to!

Tickets are €10 and can be reserved by calling Carol: 0864070015 or Ger: 0868516387



Local estate agents Hunters who have previously sponsored Ladies Football are holding an information evening for "First Time Sellers" and are pleased to extend the invitation to all club members and friends



IF SHE CAN'T SEE IT SHE CAN'T BE IT – 20x20, A NEW INITIATIVE FOR WOMEN IN SPORT, CALLS ON THE PEOPLE OF IRELAND TO GET BEHIND & CELEBRATE WOMEN'S AND GIRLS' SPORT.

The campaign, championed by Ireland's National Governing Bodies and Local Sports Partnerships, is calling on the people of Ireland and all those involved in Irish sport and physical activity to get behind female sport in a concerted effort to increase media coverage, boost attendances and ultimately, grow involvement in female sport and physical activity by 20% by the end of 2020. Watch out for our Boden Camogie Senior Team promoting the new 20x20 Women in Sport initiative over the coming weeks starting with Sarah and Laura Nagle.

**Club Development Fund Draw** 



**Annual singles pool competition** 







## Annual Singles Pool Competition

Entries are now been taken for the 2018 / 2019 Singles Pool Competition.

The competition will be run in the same "Champions League" format as last year.

i.e. There will be Groups of 4 or 5 players with 3 or 4 games to be played in the group stages over November & early December.

Please Text or WhatsApp Tom Reville @ 087 221 1828 to confirm your participation.

Closing date for entries is 9pm on Thursday the 8th Nov.

The entry fee is only €5



**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

**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.

My email address is: paddywalshbbse@eircom.net.

My mobile number is 0879794748. Paddy Walsh

**Dance Classes at BBSE!** 



#### DANCING!!

It's back - Dance class takes place in Ballyboden every Thursday from 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