



Ballyboden St Endas
Baile Buadáin Naomh Éanna
GAA Camogie & Ladies Football Club



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Senior football v Newtown Blues, Leinster championship quarter final, Gaelic Park, Drogheda, 10 November 2019



Ballyboden St Endas 1 – 11 Newtown Blues 0 – 5

Both teams took time to settle and found it difficult to break down the defences. Newtown Blues were first to score after five minutes. It took the visitors another 7 minutes to cancel this out when Cathal Flaherty kicked a long-range score. The home team was next on the score board with a pointed free and this was cancelled out by Ryan Basquel after good work by Ross McGarry and Alan Flood. The Blues went ahead again from another free and this time Collie Basquel cancelled it out from a free, to leave the half time score at 0 – 3 each. However, the talking point at half time was the decision by the referee, just before the half time whistle, to show a straight red card to Cathal Flaherty. The second half would be difficult having to play with only 14 players. However, the feeling was that we were there before and survived.

The Blues were first to score in the second half after just three minutes, but Ross McGarry cancelled this out a minute later. On 12 minutes Ryan Basquel put the visitors ahead for the first time with a pointed free but the home team got back on level terms a few minutes later. This would be their last score. On 20 minutes Collie Basquel fisted over a point after good work by his colleagues to turn over possession. Two minutes later he put the winners two points ahead from a free. With less than 10 minutes left on the clock, Conal Keaney was introduced and he made an immediate impact. Ryan Basquel was having some difficulty with his long range frees and when another long range free was awarded, Ryan passed to Conal

who fired over. The visiting supporters were beginning to relax with three points between the sides. Then on comes Michael Darragh Macauley and he too had an immediate impact. As he carried the ball into the danger area he was tripped, and a penalty awarded. As we were now in added time, Ryan wisely popped the ball over the bar to put four points between the sides. Conal Keaney won the next kick out and popped the ball over the bar. Collie Basquel fisted another point and then after being fed by Michael Darragh, Collie, from a tight angle, chipped the ball over the goalie and into the net. Did he mean it? 100%. He told me so and I also saw him scoring a similar goal at training on the previous Friday evening!!!! It's now on to Mullingar and a chance to get revenge on Garrycastle of Westmeath who ended Boden's run in Leinster exactly 10 years ago.

TEAM: Darragh Gogan; Bob Dwan; Shane Clayton; Cathal Flaherty; Brian Bobbett; Robbie McDaid; Kieran Kennedy; Declan O'Mahony; Aran Waters; Darren O'Reilly; Collie Basquel; Alan Flood; Ross McGarry; Ryan Basquel; Warren Egan. SUBS USED: James Holland; Tom Hayes; Conal Keaney; Donogh McCabe; Michael Darragh Macauley; Sean Gibbons.

[More pictures on FB here](#) (from Sean Gilheaney) [and on FB here](#) (from Troy Grogan)

Junior 5 All County Champions!



Abbotstown was the venue for our Junior 5 final against Skerries Harps. The same opposition beat us by 17pts in April in the round Robin in PUM. We knew we had to up our intensity levels to live with these skerries lads. The 4g surface in abbotstown is top class which

augured well for this eagerly anticipated final. We had great support considering the clash with our seniors in leinster club action in Drogheda.

We registered the 1st pt of the game from the lively James Roche at full forward. It settled our nerves after a jittery start. Our forwards were getting on a lot of ball but some smart tactical fouling by skerries was slowing us down. David Curtin was through with a goal chance but took the wise option and fisted it over the bar. That's the experience of a man playing in an adult championship final for the 13th time. Curtin and Josh were flying in midfield. Josh was breaking some lovely ball with our half back line ravenous for the loose ball. Doc, Dean and Joey were keeping skerries on the back foot with their incisive runs into the heart of their defence. Our running game was causing havoc on this surface. Roche clipped a free and another beauty from play to put us 5 up. We kept them to 1 pt from play in that 1st half but they slotted 3 frees.

Ray Grouke kicked a peach of a point to put 4 between us at the interval.

There wasn't much to say at half time. We were motoring well but just needed to be more clinical in front of goal. Josh Kane got the 1st pt of the second half to put us 5 up. We had more chances to extend our lead but failed to capitalise. Our full back line of Liam Mc, Conor Dunne and Mick Ryan were on top giving nothing away. The calming influence of big Al in goal was reassuring especially on kick outs. Conor Mckeown and Cian mellet covered every blade of grass, also dropping deep for kickouts and setting up attacks through the busy Paul Ryan and the ever industrious Eoin O'Dowd. With 5 between us, skerries got in for a goal. It woke us up but also gave them new found belief. The introduction of Ian lynch, Dan O'Riordan, Ben Kelly and Cashman paid immediate dividends with Dan getting the goal. We were on for a nervy finish. The lads stood up when they were needed, none more so than big Al in goal ,who pulled off a point blank save late on that would've seen extra time. Conor Dunne's dismissal for a second yellow was baffling in the dying moments. Thankfully we held on with some commanding defence from Brooksy and Ryan. James Roche finished the day with a 6 point (2 frees) salvo.

It was time for Mr. Ballyboden himself , Cathal Regan to collect the cup on behalf of the players. A proud moment for all of us and a great day for Cathal.

Myself (Donal Griffin) and Cathal O'Toole would like to thank our chairman Jack Nolan, who has been brilliant with us this year ably assisted by John Madden, our secretary. We would also like to thank Tony Duffy who provided us with minors this year. Great lads with a bright future in this club.

Thanks also to Dave and Keith O'Donnell who kept the training going after their season finished. Also Shane Brooks for his coaching and sound advice. We couldn't forget our Scutsy who kept this team going singlehandedly.

Thanks to Danny Griffin for getting sponsorship for the meal from Dublin tile and Bathroom Centre and C Sign & Print (Tom Collins).

Thanks to Paddy Brady for the meal and to the genial Mick Farrell and staff who always do a great job.

Lastly to the players. Delighted for this group of lads. Commitment, desire and will to win got us this County title. Enjoy the celebrations.

Back row L to R.

Shane Kelliher, Ian lynch, Donal Griffin, Liam McNamara, Shane Brooks Ray Grouke, Conor Dunne, Eoin Cashman, Josh Kane, Paul Ryan, Colum Reade, Ronan Kelliher, Cathal Regan (c), Mick McDonald, David Curtin, James Kinsella, Gearoid O'healithe, Paul Maher,

Front row L to R

Conor Mckeown, Kevin Feeney, Eoin O'Dowda, Dan O'Riordan, Ciaran Cashman, Ben Kelly, Tom Gillanders, Mick Ryan, James Roche, Cian Mellet, David O'Connor, Dean Ralph, Joey O'Donoghue, Alan Keane. Not in picture Mikey Ryan, Neil Lynch and Alex Murphy



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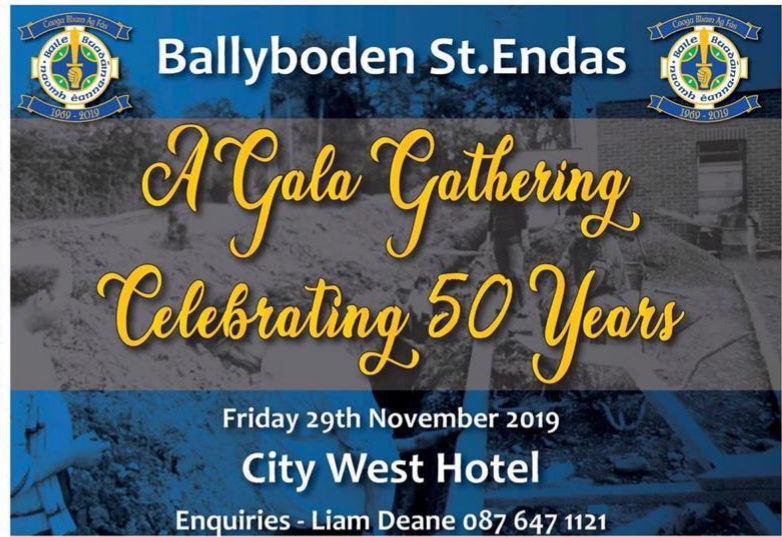
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Boden Under 21 Hurlers give way to classy Na Fianna

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Saturdays follow Sundays at this time of the year with a whole programme of championship semi-finals and finals. Leaving the excitement of the excellent senior football win to one side, a modest attendance graced the rail on a blustery Saturday afternoon at HQ on the Firhouse Road. A 'slicer' of a low wind cut its way from the dressing room into the score-board corner for this semi-final of the under 21 championship. Our Mobhi Road visitors fielded a well drilled and physically stronger side festooned with Minor and Under 21 Hurling Championship medallists and they were intent on reaching their fourth final (at this grade) in a row, the last three titles of which they bagged at the expense of Boden, Crokes and Vincents.

Boden won the coin-toss and elected to play with the gale in the hope of stealing a march on their opponents. However it was the visitors who led the charge and within a fifteen minute spell of relentless pressure they chalked up the three goals that ultimately decided the result.

The opening minutes may have provided some confidence for Boden after Kevin Desmond and Aiden Mellett had pointed after good work outfield from Luke McDwyer and Karl Reddy. But Na Fianna Raided down the centre through their centre-back Donal Ryan and he found Sean Currie who dispatched the ball over the black spot. Three goal hero from the quarter final Ciaran Cashman landed a score from wide on the rail side to give Boden a two point lead. Then the goals came in quick succession from Peter Feeney and a brace from Eoin O'Dea. In between Donal Burke added a quality team score to give his side a lead of eight and the game was only fifteen minutes old.

Boden's Shane Kennedy stopped the rot with a pointed free after Mellett was fouled. Currie and Kennedy exchanged points and Na Fianna's Stacey added to his team's tally to effectively put the challenge up to Boden. 'Not so easy' was the Boden response, and a fight-back was launched off the back of good ball-winning along the half-forward line. McDwyer pointed and was quickly followed by Boden's best player on the day Aiden Mellett. More points came from Kennedy and again Mellett, before Conor Barton arrowed his square pass to the grasp of Mellett. He danced through the cover and goaled out of the reach of the Na Fianna custodian. By the half Boden were only a point in deficit, 1.10 to 3.05.

The second half had little of the excitement of the opening half and defences seemed to be getting to grips with the runners. Boden's problem lay in how to place low ball-passes into space to mitigate the effects of the strengthening gale. Na Fianna ground out the points they needed in a gradual erosion of Boden's resolve. After a quarter, the visitors had notched points from Currie (65), Aodhan Buggy, Seafra Fitzgerald and Patrick Skelly. In response Boden were largely dependent on Kennedy from frees and Mellett from play. The relentless pressure on the Boden rear-guard told in the last quarter and Currie showed his class with two fine points and a host of good interventions on the Boden play. Another on the visitors to show well at this late stage was John Tierney and his point after a period of Na Fianna control emphasised the gulf in ability between the sides. Mellett had two decent goal chances but on both occasions his charge was halted by what may have been seen as 'one for the team' upendings by nervous Na Fianna defenders.

Na Fianna were well worth their win and surely will be the favourites to complete a four-in-a-row series of championship wins. The question on many lips of the assembled support was as to when this series of under-age titles would result in the coveted senior county win.

Boden squad; Aiden Mellett, Ben Kelly, Ciaran Cashman, Cillian Kirwan, Conor Barton, Conor O'Donoghue, Daniel Nugent, Daniel O'Riordan, Joe McGrath, Jonathan O'Donoghue, Karl Reddy, Karl Weldon, Kevin Desmond, Kevin Lalor, Luke Basquel, Luke Corcoran, Luke McDwyer, Rob Donoghue, Ronan Wallace, Ruairi Hestor, Ruairi MacMahuna, Sean Gorman, Shane Kennedy, Matthew Nolan.

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Crokes crack belligerent Boden to retain County crown. Gizmo reports from the Minor A hurling final.



Final Score: **BBSE 0 -14 Kilmacud Crokes 0 -15**

A packed and rowdy O'Toole Park witnessed Ballyboden St. Endas being pipped at the post in the 2019 Minor A hurling County championship. "That was a real Smash & Grab", said parent "Slinky" O'Dwyer, so called because he's utterly useless but good fun to push down the stairs.

The Firhouse road outfit put their season long unbeaten record on the line against a very strong Stillorgan side in a sun-drenched O'Toole Park on Sunday morning last. With both teams brimming with County stars, only an absolute and utter moron would bet on the outcome. "I put a tenner on Boden with a lad in work" said a confident PJ Codd just before the throw in. On paper, Boden had a side stronger than a Linda O'Donnell Gin & Tonic but the positional changes and potential match ups was the pre-match terrace gossip. "It's a right scrabble bag of potential," said one insightful supporter.

Following the traditional opening five minutes of "Getting to know each other" Boden got off the mark with a well taken 65 from Fergal Ryan, closely followed by two frees from marksman Darragh Kenny. Through the hard graft of Christie, O'Donnell, Wall and Behan, Crokes were finding it difficult to get a foothold in the game. Reduced to living off scraps, the Crokes front six were given very few opportunities to raise any kind of flag. Their rare forays into the Boden defence were met by immovable, yet agile Jack Lambert, who's early point blank save and the resulting snap shot being palmed off the line by Maguire prevented Crokes from getting off to a flyer. Points from John McGuire and the ever-industrious Cian Hassett saw Boden extend their lead to 4 and, in truth, were doing all the hurling.

The back three of Mulligan Lynch, Dunleavy and Cashman were sublime, while ably assisted by Ryan, Maguire and Codd who were stationed in front of them, as has been the case all year, the defenders were building the platform for the forwards success. Epitomised by Maguire, who while carrying the ball from defence, shifted a couple of heavy tackles to release the sliotar to Kenny who calmly slotted the ball over the bar to give Boden a seven points to three lead at half time.

"We're well in control here, nearly overplaying it a bit". said weather beaten coach Emmet Carroll on his way to the dressing room for the half time reflection. Winning individual battles was key to Boden's 1st half success with Cashman reducing Crokes star man Brendan Scanlon to making runs akin to a squirrel caught in a peddle bin.

The second half saw the introduction of Conor Lowe and Ryan O'Dwyer to the half forwards while Crokes dropped an extra man into their defence in an effort to open up space for their front five. This seem to pay dividends as a couple of early Crokes frees, followed by a few long-range efforts got the score tied up at 9 a piece after just 10 minutes. The hard graft of Corcoran set up opportunities for Christie, Hassett, Beahn and Kenny to capitalise on and once again extend the Boden lead to 4 points with 15 minutes left on the old Rolex.

"Sometimes it's easier to come from behind then lead from the front." said Leitrim's own Tomás Ó Riordáin [mentor]. "We ran ourselves into the ground and as each Crokes point was landed, the pitch got that bit heavier." He went on to say, " we brought Adam, Harry and young Davy on and even their energy and work rate could not contain the Crokes momentum. I thought we had done enough when Davy [Keogh] landed that cracking point from the far touchline."

Having eroded our 4-point advantage, Crokes took the lead for the first time in the game in the 58th minute. After tacking on another quickly after, we were left chasing the elusive Green Flag but only getting a point for our efforts. Final whistle, one-point loss, Crokes cheering, Boden broken.

We caught up with an emotional Brendan Ryan [yes, he does have feelings] and asked for a reaction to the defeat, "As a group of mentors, we are extremely proud of what these lads have achieved. We played 14 competitive games and lost only one and, unfortunately, it was this one. Sh**e". Asked if nerves could have been a factor he said, "Yes, I think they were. All this week, I couldn't sleep in the afternoons....." Desperate for a coherent comment, I caught up with a philosophical David O'Connor [Part time mentor] and looked for his analysis of the game. "The lads today were immense and gave it their all, they are emotionally and physically drained. Sometimes in sport, you don't get what you deserve, but, hey, that's sport."

Fresh from shooting bats in Carmel Park (you heard it here first), hurling Chairman John Ryan said, "Although things didn't go our way today, it's great to be back in the Minor Hurling County Final. Boden has a rich tradition in Minor hurling, having appeared in 16 finals in the last 25 years." Asked if he would be buying a few pints to celebrate the achievement of getting to the final, he muttered, "It's a well known fact that Tipperary men don't buy pints. So, don't blame me for being a miserable sod, it's the geography of my birth."

The team: Jack Lambert, Luke Mulligan Lynch, Paddy Dunleavy, Enda Cashman, Joe Maguire, Malachy Codd, Fergal Ryan (0-1 x 65), Sean O'Donnell, Pearce Christie (0-1), John McGuire (0-1), Eoin Behan (0-1), Cian Corcoran, Darragh Kenny (0-7 (4 x F)), Cian Hassett (0-2), Ryan O'Dwyer, Cillian Wall, Harry Donaghy, Daire Sweeney, David Monahan, Peter Gannon, Rian Power, David Keogh (0-1), Adam Kelleher, Rhys McDonnell, Eoin Deignan, Oisín King

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Hurling Section AGM

An Rannóg Iomána – Hurling Section

Annual General Meeting

Sunday, November 17th 2019 at 4.30pm

Elections will be held for the following positions:



- Chairperson
- Vice Chairperson
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Bórd Delegate



Nominations by e-mail to
bodenhurling@gmail.com by November 10th

Medal Presentation to Senior B Hurlers



Martin Garvey from Eurogas presented the Senior B hurlers with their medals on Friday night in the club. The presentation was addressed by John Ryan and Brendan Moran. Martin presented the League Cup to Naoise Maguire and then presented medals to the team. Thanks to Martin and his wife Siobhan for their attendance on the night and for their support throughout the year.

Míle Buíochas

As this year draws to a close in the Adult Hurling Section, sincere thanks to all who have contributed reports and photos throughout the year. Special thanks to The Long Fella, Gizmo, Wordsworth, Le Fear Bog, An Fear Cliste, The Limrick Layder, The Shepherd and to anyone else who contributed.

Thanks to our Photographers, in particular to Miriam Doyle, Clíona Mellett, John Kirwan for their tremendous assistance throughout the year.

Match Report: U16A Hurling Championship County Final 09/11/2019



The scene was set fair for an all-merciful tussle between these best of frenemies...Ballyboden St Endas and Kilmacud Crokesin the U16 A Hurling Championship Final at Dublin GAA HQ on Saturday afternoon last. A pitch inspection was required following a week's deluge leading up to the game but the powers that be declared Parnell Park good to go and so a fitting stage for both these talented outfits determined to battle it out for ultimate honours!

Boden were slight favourites going into the game following a stellar season with only one defeat on the opening day of the league, their only blot of an otherwise faultless campaign. This team has been superbly managed all season and have been making steady improvements as the season unfolded with many stand-out performances but none more so than the notable championship victories away against 2018 Championship winners, Na Fianna and against arch local rivals Faughs in the Championship semi-final...revenge for the lone league loss to the same opposition. Faughs remained unbeaten otherwise to clinch the League title and rest it back from Boden who were League Champs in 2018 !

So all very tight amongst these great rivals in a very competitive category and all the more pleasing then to watch our lads perform as they have all season...But today was the culmination of theirs and their coaches & mentors hard work all year...They had got themselves into a Championship Final...the least they deserved collectively and they went into it confident and with no fear!

A good crowd braved the bitter cold and when the action got underway, it heated up almost instantly as full-forward Hugh O'Sullivan found the net from Boden's first attack in the opening minute! Having sprinted to around the '40' to gather a well directed pass, Hugh turned swiftly on his heels and showed a clean pair to the Crokes full-back who had tracked him...As he made a bee-line towards the Crokes goal, there was only one thing on Hugh's mind but as he progressed over the '21' it seemed like half the Crokes backline were swinging off him, yet somehow he managed to retain control of the sliothar as he drove on goalward and as the Crokes keeper advanced, he flicked the sliothar into the air, while still at full pelt and batted it past the onrushing goalkeeper into the net.

It was the proverbial dream start for Boden...but things got even better within a minute as Thomas Culleton also found the net after great work by corner forward Cian Durkan who had linked well with Michael McDonald, rounded his marker and managed to dispatch a pass inside for Thomas to apply the finish from close range with a sweetly struck first time ground stroke. Crokes didn't know what had hit them and were firmly on the back foot after Rhys McDonnell pointed two long range frees to leave Boden 2-02 ahead after 8 minutes. However, Crokes began to settle thereafter and got to grips with the middle third where Michael McDonald had been running amok in an advanced role and Reed Barry and Alex Gavin had been clearing all before them in the defensive line.

A few 'soft' frees went Crokes way which allowed them find their feet and edge back into the game and they managed to tack on two more points from play before the break to give themselves a lifeline and a real opportunity to chase the game with the wind at their backs in the second period.

The half-time scoreline of 2-05 to 0-04 looked healthy on paper from Boden's perspective but with a stiff breeze blowing straight up the pitch, it felt like Crokes had got off a little lightly, particularly in light of the two early goals which were in effect the only difference between the teams at the midway point.

Still, there was plenty reason for optimism as although Boden had struggled somewhat in the 2nd Quarter, our defence has been rock solid all season with David Gannon, Sean Bury and Tom White easy to rely on and never found wanting when called upon the whole season

through...Josh Corcoran at half-back was also putting in another strong performance and the injured Mathew Ormsby had worked hard to be fit for the final and to his credit made the bench on the day and offered a sound option as fresh legs when required later on. In fact the Boden bench offered solid options in defence if required so preventing Crokes grabbing a couple of goals would be key to finishing the job.

Soon after the restart, it appeared marquee player Davy Keogh was struggling with injury and his ultimate departure from the fray was a huge blow to Boden. Conor Casey was his usual combative, tigerish self, scrapping for every ball in the midfield area but the supply line into the forwards had dried up despite best efforts as Crokes grew in confidence and prowess.

Despite a good Boden point from play by Connell McGlynn soon after the restart, it was Crokes that roared into action first with a swift point from play quickly followed by a rather fortuitous goal in the opening minute to set them immediately on their way to recovery. With their tails up, they overpowered Boden for the next five minutes racking up two goals and two points from play and a pointed free to forge ahead by 5 points as the 3rd Quarter closed in. The momentum had well and truly shifted at this stage!

Boden were then dealt another cruel blow when lively full forward Hugh O'Sullivan had to be replaced following an ankle injury. To lose two key players in such a tight game was hard luck but replacements Evan Walsh and Cian Kelly were excellent options to bring in and hit the ground running when introduced. Another pointed free from Rhys McDonnell reduced the deficit to 4 as Boden tried to rally but alas that would be Boden's last score of the game and Crokes ran out comfortable winners in the end on a scoreline of 3-15 to 2-07.

Heartbreaking for the Boden boys but mainly because they knew they hadn't done themselves justice on the day. Although they showed great mettle in battling to the bitter end, they didn't produce anything like their true form and that was a bitter pill for them to swallow. The 'tightness' of this group was even more evident in the immediate aftermath with tears from all and even the lads who were unlucky not to get a run out on the day due to the way matters unfolded on the pitch were united in disappointment with their comrades. The strength of this group all year has been the strength in dept created by the management team and to see the improvement in lads over the course of the season and commitment to the cause in training etc is very gratifying. Ben O'Mahony is one such example to all and he has been trojan when called upon all season as have Setatnta Sudway who has also had to battle through injury this season, Michael Hanrahan, Kevin Harty and Dylan Smyth, exceptional lads who pushed hard all year and worthy of all accolades bestowed on them after a great season for this team. Thomas Brosnan, also brought much to the table not least some telling scores in tight matches but whether a regular starter or replacement and where game-time may have been curtailed by injury or whatever, each member of this panel can be proud of their achievement this season and more importantly of their collective achievements in reaching this stage and standard of competitive GAA ten years after first entering academy.

So they now depart the juvenile scene and hopefully will continue to play this great game...some will play together again at various levels and there is no doubt that members of this particular bunch will excel if they so wish to do so. Whatever, they can all reflect on a

journey that has taken them from boyhood to manhood and be proud of their respective achievements to date and confident in their aspirations for the future.

A big thank you to them all for the thrills & spills they have provided us supporters along the way and massive THANKS to ALL the coaches and Mentors who have guided the boys over the years to this point, particularly Ray Casey, Gavin Duff, Tommy Keogh, Niall Sudway, Brendan Bury, Jerry Corcoran Paddy Brosnan and expertise and precious time kindly given by Darragh Spain, Mick Keville and Paudie O'Neill...all of whom gave the lads the gifts of self-belief and utter enjoyment in learning great skills while forging lifetime bonds...A MASTER CLASS from all concerned...for less important stuff...there's master card !

Bualadh bos agus buíchas to all concerned...Onwards and upwards...Boden Abù !

Many thanks to Peter Hanrahan for the photos. [For more, see here](#)

U14B Camogie Narrowly Defeated in Division 4 Shield Final

Naomh Peregrine's 1-3

BBSE 1-1

The incessant rain of the previous few days meant a switch of our Shield Final from Peregrine's own pitch to the unfamiliar surroundings of the IT in Blanchardstown. A great crowd of supporters arrived as the girls were put through their warm-up paces.

Although the sod was immaculate and the pitch perfect a gale blew straight down the field into the near goal and Tara wisely took advantage of the elements in the first half. The team was missing one of its main stalwarts in Sarah but still drove at the Peregrines goal in a wave of attacks. However the usual sure touches were missing on occasions and the match remained scoreless for a long time. Finally Emma made the breakthrough to score a great point, and then soon after centred for Eimear Kirwan to finish to the net.

It was a lead that our girls deserved but in spite of the efforts of Aodhbha, Lauren, Rachel Greally and Emily we were unable to raise another flag. Then coming to the break, Peregrine's pointed a free to leave just a goal in it at the break. In spite of the mentors' urgings that the game was there for the taking in the second half, not even the most optimistic supporter really believed we would be able to hold out for long against the strengthening gale and the skilful opponents.

But these girls are made of stern stuff and surrender is not part of their vocabulary. There followed one of the greatest defensive displays put up by any team in a long while as each and every girl worked to a standstill to guard the goal. Eimear McDonnell was as steady as a rock in goal and her long puck outs were crucial in lifting the siege at times. The full back line of Ellen and the two Hannahs were brilliant and averted danger on numerous

occasions. Jodie was brilliant and suffered a few injuries, but even these could not keep her down. Grace's second half display was massive while Nicola fought tooth and nail for every ball. In the midfield Rachel Byrne was an able deputy for Sarah, while Hannah Leahy was unmarkable, leaving opponents trailing in her wake time and again. Apart from the girls already mentioned up front, our player of the match was Tara, who literally covered every blade of grass on the field – one minute clearing from our full back line, and within a minute gathering possession in our full forward line and threatening the Peregrine's goal. Our subs of Millie, Caitlin, Sophie and Ciara also played their part and never let their opponents rest on their laurels.

In spite of the Trojan defensive effort, the pressure had to take its toll and Peregrines scored a point after 2 minutes of the second half and another after about 10 minutes, to leave us defending a one point lead for 20 minutes against a fearsome wind. That's when these girls really showed their mettle and redoubled their efforts and risking life and limb in the process. So much so that as the game entered the last minute we still held that one-point advantage, when yet another long delivery dropped in our square and ended up in our net.

Everyone expected the game to now peter out to its inevitable conclusion, but again the girls had not read that particular script. Instead they worked the ball up the field and won a free about 50 metres from the Peregrine's goal. Tara dropped it in and there was an almighty "schemozzle" on the Peregrine's goal line. Powerful attacking was matched by last gasp defending before finally the ball was worked from the danger area by Peregrine's, who had somehow managed to escape conceding a goal by a hair's breadth.

The final whistle sounded soon after and our girls had come up agonisingly short. They may have lost a game but the character they showed, and the dignity they showed as they congratulated the victors spoke volumes as regards the journey these girls have taken this year. After a little well-earned rest, thoughts will soon turn to the coming season, as they aim to build on the great work they did this year.

Thanks to Ger Delaney for the report.

U13 Football Boys Battle On Through the Weekend



Following a week of biblical deluges, the weather took a kinder turn at the weekend allowing two U13 boys football teams to play some early winter matches.

On Saturday afternoon up at a dry but cold Sancta Maria, Team 2 lined out for an important playoff match for promotion to Division 3. This team has played exceptionally well all season in a very competitive league with nothing to separate the top four teams. A strong side representing Fingal Ravens stood in the way of victory and they proved to be formidable opponents.

The match was clean, free-flowing and played at high intensity, much to the appreciation of a sizeable number of supporters from both clubs. Points were hard to come by but goals posed no problems as the teams rattled each others nets numerous times, despite the valiant efforts of both defences, particularly the goal keepers.

At the end, there was little to separate the teams in terms of fitness and skills, the Ravens boys were just that little bit more clinical in front of goals. Our boys kept going to the final whistle but Fingal Ravens kept turning over the scores, earning a hard fought win. We live to fight another day as the playoff matches continue.

For a brief moment on Friday evening, it seemed that the stationary traffic jam stretching from beyond Ballyboden to the outskirts of Naas signalled a mass exodus of Dublin football fans to watch Team 1 play a challenge match against Round Towers of Kildare.

Over an hour later it was close to the Sallins exit on the N7 before the minor collision revealed itself as the cause of much stress for drivers and passengers as they attempted to reach Kildare town for the scheduled kick-off time. Everybody got there eventually, most simply relieved to be outdoors and breathing the clean cool air of Kildare.

The match was played on a large pitch which, although soft underfoot, was in almost immaculate condition despite all of the week's rain. The game started at a blistering pace with Ballyboden playing some of their best football of the year. They quickly raced into a commanding lead and it all seemed to be going to plan. Inevitably, the intensity levels dropped and Round Towers took full advantage playing some great football to leave the game delicately balanced at half time.

Both sides raised their efforts in the second half producing a spectacle of entertaining football. Scores were quickly traded at each end, the speed and movement of both forward lines was of the highest quality and stretched the defences to the limits. Although Ballyboden St Endas won out in the end, it is fair to say that both teams brought out the best in each other, and the match was played out in the highest spirit of comradeship and competition.

Afterwards, tea, sandwiches and snacks were laid on by the hosts and was much appreciated by the visitors from Ballyboden.

We would like to express our sincerest thanks for their hospitality, especially after the challenging journey to get there.

Well done BBSE and Kildare Round Towers U13 boys.

Thanks to Eamonn Gormley for the photos.

[For more, click here.](#)

U13a Camogie Win County Final Replay



From the drawn county final two weeks earlier, which to say the old cliché of "coming back from the dead" is a complete understatement. We were 3pts down and 1 minute left to go on the clock..... with grit, determination and heart, this exceptional group of girls fought their way back from the jaws of defeat to get a draw.

Yesterday's match was an absolute cracker. Our girls were determined not to let St Judes get the upper hand, as they did in the drawn match. Lauryn Jennings in goal was brilliant, with good puck outs and some excellent shot stopping. The full back line of Ellie Mulroe, Millie Larkin & Olivia O'Brien were ultra-steady, they won every ball that came in blocking and clearing and ensured we kept a clean sheet. The half back line of Karrie Rudden, Ruby Murphy & Ruby Cummins stopped numerous Judes attacks and set up most of our attacks into the Judes half. Karrie cleared a savage amount of loose ball as she played the sweeper role to perfection. Ruby Murphy & Maya Gorisch were given the hardest tasks of having to man mark two of Judes best players, which they did to perfection. The midfield trio, yes trio you heard right were Maya Wynn Gorisch, Joy Ralph & Rachel Moloney worked their socks off for the 60 minutes. Winning tackle after tackle, hooking, blocking, tracking back, driving forward to set up attacks and create scores. As the old saying goes the "engine room" was alive and well yesterday. The half forwards of Emma Moran, Emma Fogarty, Sarah Furlong and Kate Brosnan linked well with midfield to create and execute some very well worked team scores. They fought tirelessly to stop Judes attacking down the field showing great technical skills, hooking, blocking, tackling and winning dirty ball on the floor under a lot of pressure. The full forward line of Alexandra O'Reardon, Karla Cosgrove, Cara Cosgrove, Rachel Heavey and Rachel Vaughan converted some good scores throughout the match and kept the scoreboard ticking over for Boden. Taking into account Judes also played with a sweeper in their defence our forwards all worked like trojans to ensure Judes were constantly under pressure when they had possession. The amount of turnovers Boden won were endless. Special mention as well to Maggie Donaghy who was injured for both finals due to a bad hand injury.

These girls are a credit to themselves, their families and our club. The 2006 Camogie mentors are very proud of the girls. As we said to the girls championships are hard won & they certainly earned this one.

Thanks to a few people on the day Leo Heavey, Ray Cosgrove for umpiring, Dean Ralph for sort of doing the linesman role... lol. Liam Callan, Derek Lawlor, Donal Griffin & Fergus Corrigan who all volunteered to give our girls a bit of extra morale support on the opposition side. The girls mentioned afterwards this really helped them "so thanks lads". Throughout the year to all the parents who've help put up nets, collect flags thank you so much. To Ashleigh Cummins, Paul Moran and especially Rosanne Brosnan for washing the jerseys. To Dearbhla Brennan our senior A camogie player who gave the girls a talk on match day preparation etc before the final... a massive thank you. To Tricia Ralph, Roni O'Brien for stepping in occasionally as FLO's. To Kathleen O'Leary & Deborah Heavey who keep myself, JJ, Tommy and Des on the straight and narrow.... or should I say are the real bosses. To the coaches John Jennings, Tommy Mulroe & Des Murphy. Along with a few sessions from Mick Keville you have all done a marvelous job, a huge thank you to you all. It was a real team effort. #Bodenabu

Finally a massive thanks to Walls2Workstations for sponsoring our new set of jerseys. A big shout out to Michael, Gerry & Stuart. Feel free to visit their website on <http://www.w2w.ie/>

Thanks to Philip Larkin for the report and photo.

U12s Take On Crokes at Benildus All Weather



A late call up for our U12 Camogie as they took on Kilmacud on Saturday at a hastily arranged challenge on a miraculously available Benildus All Weather following a week of rain and cancellations. This was the first meeting between the clubs at this level for a while,

with Crokes playing in the Go Games 2 team group while our girls played in the 3 team group this year.

In the event, the lateness of the call up necessitated Boden sending 2 teams which were augmented by several U11s, who very kindly stepped up for the day. Two hotly contested games of camogie resulted, with plenty learned by the coaches, and all the girls now looking forward to league and championship adventures as U13s next year! Well done to all the girls!!

50 from 50



As Ballyboden St Enda's 50th Gala Gathering Celebration approaches, it's time to find out more about a selection of our players, mentors & members who have contributed to the club's success.

Last Friday was the start of the 50 day countdown to our Gala Gathering. Log onto www.ballyboden.ie or check our social media pages on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) each day to read one of our 50 from 50 profiles ..

If you want to share a profile each day on your social media don't forget to add #bodengaa
Missed a profile? See all our published Fifty from 50 profiles here

<https://www.ballyboden.ie/members/fifty-from-50/>

Are you interested in Social Media / Promotion?



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Ballyboden St. Enda's have a dedicated group of members who are passionate about promoting our great club through our website, newsletter and social media channels. However, with continued success and growth, we require an increasing amount of coverage so we're looking for anyone who would like to get involved on the Communications Team to contact...

Club PRO Sinéad O'Dea at pro@ballyboden.ie



Boden Theatre Group Presents - "50 Shades of Boden"



BODEN THEATRE GROUP PRESENTS

50 SHADES OF BODEN

DIRECTED BY
MICK KEVILLE

**WEDNESDAY 13th/ THURSDAY 14th/ FRIDAY 15th/
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BALLYBODEN ST. ENDA'S HALL - TICKETS €10

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THE YEAR SO FAR

DECEMBER 2018

- Publication of Jubilee Calendar.
- Launch of Anniversary Logo and Gear

JANUARY

- Signage with new logo at club venues.
- Handball launch with U15 doubles

FEBRUARY

- Lecture by Professor Paul Rouse.
- Football Section 50th: 8 aside tournament (Padraig Cullinane Cup) and social evening

APRIL

- Time Capsule questionnaire (100 Under 12s)
- Archive exhibition in the Clubhouse

MAY

- Archive exhibition in Ballyroan Library.
- 50th Anniversary Golf Tournament.

JUNE

- Juvenile Girls 50th: Mini All-Irelands blitzes
- Hurling Section 50th: 7s tournament (Kevin Griffin Cup), Poc Fada and social evening

AUGUST

- Juvenile Boys 50th: Caoga Craic fun day
- Ladies Football Section 50th: 7s tournament, social evening and presentation to 2004 and 2005 Club All-Ireland winning teams
- 50th Anniversary Mass

SEPTEMBER

- Commemoration of the club's inaugural meeting of September 18th, 1969 in Ballyroan Boys' N.S.
- RTE's Ceilí House broadcast from Clubhouse

OCTOBER

- Camogie Section 50th: A 50th anniversary dinner and reunion of past and present camogie players and mentors

OCTOBER / NOVEMBER

- Fifty from 50. Profiles on a cross section of fifty members, past and present, shared, one per day, via Club social media

STILL TO COME

November 20th to 23rd

Fifty Shades of Boden - The Boden Theatre Group comedy production is a take on the humour from throughout the years.

Friday 29th November

Gala Dinner and Gathering in the City West Hotel open to all Ballyboden St. Enda's members and friends.

[Tickets for the Gathering at €70 per person \(tables of 10 for €700\) can be booked from Liam Deane at 087 647 1121](#)

November

Anniversary video featuring club members supported by footage and photos from throughout the years.

December 11th

Publication and launch of the Club History

December 8th

50th Christmas Party for active retired

50th year (1969-2019) Gala Organising Committee

There was a massive response to our milestone 50th year “Gala Gathering Celebration “ 29th November City West Hotel.

With 4 weeks remaining to cut –off date for Gala tickets (10th November) over 500 bookings have been received.

We want to make this an enjoyable celebration of the past 50 years to include players and members over the past decades and to the present adult players and juvenile parents that will take the club in to the next decade or two.

The following have Volunteered to Organise the event Ken Giles -Grainne Nolan - Helen Deignan- and Emer Kennedy Gannon taking care of Hotel and Function arrangements

Our Promotion and ticket sales team Tara Barry -Mary Hyland – Donagh O Farrell - Fiona Kelly –Teresa Kilduff- Cliona Mellet -Pat Doyle -Brendan Moran - Mick Farrell & Liam Deane

Please indicate your intentions to attend the Gala with any of the above ASAP
..... Table Bookings of 8 , 10, 12, can be organised in advance - ... Transport to and from the hotel will be provided !!! Enquires Liam @ 087-6471121

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Who can play?

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**Past Players, Women from Non-Playing
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You just need to be 25+!

Winter Training in St Colmcilles CS Hall Tuesday 8.30



Contact: Maura 087 0523775

The Gaelic4Mothers&Others initiative is a great way for mothers and other women to play Ladies Gaelic Football in our club.

Boden's Gaelic4Mothers&Others are looking for new members so why not come along on Tuesday evenings this Autumn & Winter.

Concussion Management

Concussion Management Guidelines for Gaelic Games

▣ Prepare

▶ Perform

✚ Recover

GAA

Prepare Perform Recover

If in Doubt, Sit Them Out

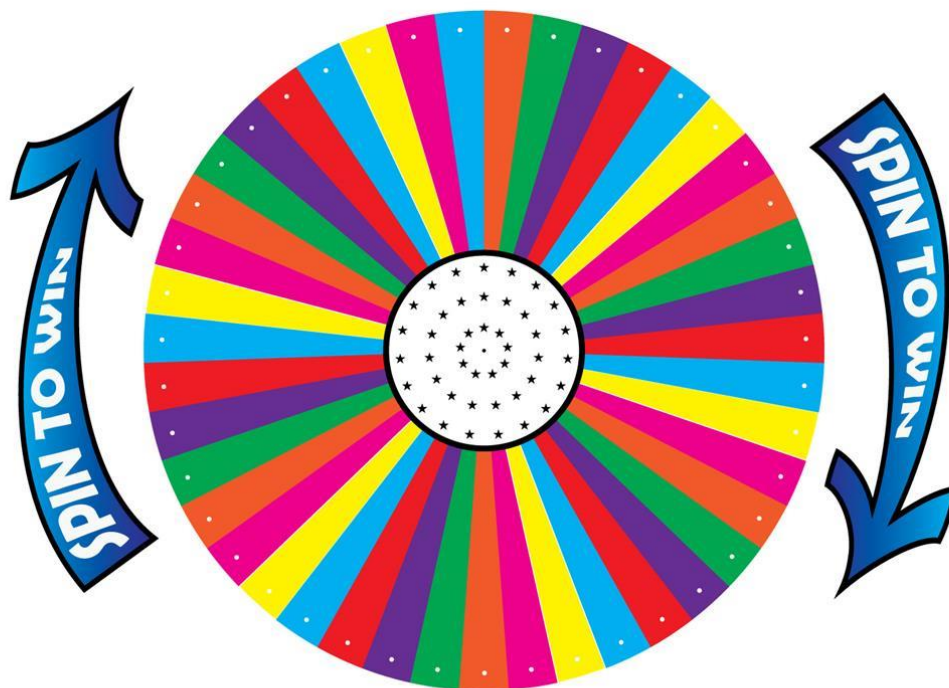
Gaelic games can be physical sports, and, while collisions are not a primary element of our games, they can occasionally happen. There has been an increasing number of concussion injuries over the past year, and it is important that team managers, mentors and first aid people can recognise the symptoms and know the correct actions to take in order to ensure the safety of the player. Player safety is the most important consideration in a concussion, or any injury situation. It is widely reported that an inter-county player collapsed in a dressing room a week after an initial concussion diagnosis.

SPARC lead physiotherapist, Eamon O'Reilly has kindly created the below protocol for dealing with concussion and shared the GAA Medical Scientific Welfare committee guidelines, and we ask all those involved with teams to familiarise themselves with the guidelines and with the 'If in Doubt, Site Them Out' tag line. In order to ensure player welfare and to collate club data on the occurrence of concussion injuries, SPARC will see any club member with a concussion or suspected concussion free of charge, and we strongly encourage club players to avail of this generous and important offer.

[The GAA Concussion Management Guidelines](#)

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BODEN GEAR ONLINE

The club, together with O'Neill's, are delighted to announce that all your Boden merchandise is now available for purchase online, for delivery to your home.

The online shop can be accessed through the link to the O'Neill's website (below) which will appear on the club website.

Delivery charges also apply but it's free delivery for orders above €50.

White club shorts are the only item yet to be added to the online catalogue, and will be updated soon.

Please note that the online price is higher than the prices that will continue to apply in the club shop as O'Neill's need to apply consistent pricing across their website.

<https://www.oneills.com/shop-by-team/gaa/ireland/ballyboden-st-enda-s-gaa-club.html>

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#33 Brendan 'Darby' Timbs

Posted by Neil Buckingham on 12 November, 2019

The post **#33 Brendan 'Darby' Timbs** appeared first on **Ballyboden**.

Seniors progress to Leinster Semi final

Posted by Neil Buckingham on 11 November, 2019

A hard fought victory in Drogheda yesterday saw our Senior Footballers progress to the semi-finals of the Leinster Championship. An uneventful first half produced just 3 points apiece and a sending off for Boden's Cathal Flaherty. The second half saw much better fare with the strength of the Boden bench making a telling contribution in...

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Junior 5 All County Champions!

Posted by Neil Buckingham on 11 November, 2019

Congratulations to our Junior C Footballers as they were crowned Junior 5 All County Champions after a thrilling 1-12 to 1-09 victory over Skerries Harps in Abbotstown yesterday. A Dan O'Riordan goal in the dying minutes clinched the win with James Roche top scoring with 6 points. Captain Cathal Regan proudly lifted the cup to...

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Minor A's fall to Castleknock in Championship SF

Posted by Neil Buckingham on 4 November, 2019

Minor A Football Championship Semi-Final. 03/11/2019 Vs. Castleknock. Venue: Pairc Úi Murchu. Result: Ballyboden St. Endas 1.11 Castleknock 1.13 The Minor A Football Championship reached the semi-final stage on Sunday morning with the visit of Castleknock to Pairc Úi Murchu. Conditions were perfect for football with the pitch in its usual superb condition despite...

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