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Boden Senior A Hurlers take St.Vincents and a semi-final place



Ballyboden St. Endas 1.18 St.Vincents 1.08

There are days when a championship game does not look like a championship game. Sounds simple, but what unfolded in Parnell Park on Saturday at tea-time was almost certainly not what either competing team would have expected. The side's last meeting at the same championship stage last year produced an enthralling contest that went to extra time before Vincents ran out as easy winners. Reversing the result was exactly what Boden set their store on, and in what was a gradual erosion of their opponent's resolve, they never looked in trouble over the hour. Boden's Paul Ryan accounted for 1.09, greater than Vincents sixty-minute tally. But Boden also had other aces on the field. Conal Keaney peeled back the years to deliver one of his best performances in a Boden shirt. Niall McMorow was another top performer for Boden as was James Madden, Simon Lambert and Stephen O'Connor.

The early exchanges set the tone for the game with Vincents big danger-man John Hetherton coming in for some close attention. On the opposite end Keaney was similarly close-marked, but his class showed up over the hour with some special points and the creation of Boden's only goal. The resulting penalty was mercilessly dispatched to the roof of the Vincents net by

Ryan. Keaney's game tally was four points.

Vincent's opened the scoring off the back of a strong breeze through John Walsh, but Keaney responded with an equaliser off his left. Hetherton put his side in front with a point from close in. Ryan cancelled the lead with the first of his frees. When Rian McBride pointed superbly for Vincent's off the side-line, the attendance of sea-gulls and pigeons as well as a few of the human species thought that the 2019 contest was about to be repeated. Ryan and 'Hedgo' exchanged pointed frees, before McMorrow, Niall Ryan and again Paul Ryan each pointed and opened the lead that was not pegged back over the game's remaining 48 minutes. Keaney added further to Vins problems with a classy point, seven to four. Vincent's responded well with a brace of points, before Boden finished the first-half scoring with points from McMorrow, Aiden Mellett and James Madden. The latter was showing up well through the half with a Herculean workrate that his midfield marker could not match. Half-time had the score at ten to six.

With the wind at their backs Boden opened the second half in style with four on the bounce. McMorrow, Keaney athletically and about to hit the deck, Ryan and again Keaney after Mellett found him, all pointed to effectively end the game as a contest. But there was better to come when Keaney capped his day with a superb catch when appearing to be well attended. In between Ryan was doing what he does best with three placed balls all splitting the post. Vincent's made some alterations to their attack by adding Conor Burke from the defence, but the result was already decided and even the addition of a goal from Hedgo did not dent the Boden lead sufficiently to give them hope of a semi-final place.

It is difficult to assess the current health of Boden's squad, given that Vincent's never appeared to look comfortable in the heat of battle. Suffice it to say that the concession of just 1.08 meant that defence appeared to be fairly durable. At Mid-field Boden's combination of McMorrow and Madden moved sweetly through the gears. Boden now await the draw for the last four.

Photos can be found on Facebook [here](#).

Boden team: Finn McGarry, Luke Corcoran, Sean McDonnell Conal Keaney, Simon Lambert, Shane Durkin, James Madden, Paul Ryan. Paul Doherty, Niall Ryan, Niall McMorrow, David O'Connor, Stephen O'Connor, Conor McKeon, Dean Curran, Aiden Mellett, Conor O'Donoghue, Kevin Desmond, Luke McDwyer, Pearse Christie, Eoghan O'Neill, Paddy Dunleavy, Richie Foley, James Roche, David Curtin, Ken Wigglesworth, Stephen Hiney, Conor McCormack, Conor Dooley, Conor Robinson.

Intermediate 2 Camogie

BBSE 3-16 3-3 CBC Portobello

After a gritty win away to Naomh Olaf in their championship opener last week, our Intermediate Camogie team recorded their second win over CBC/Portobello on Thursday evening. Under the new covid restrictions the game was played without supporters in wet and windy conditions, but that seemed to suit this young squad. They were up against a much more experienced and physical side but they were up for the challenge from the first

ball. Playing against the elements in the first half, our back line were solid, competing hard for every ball. But it was really our forward unit where the damage was being done with some very impressive inter-play. The full line of Erica Tobin, Chloe Murphy and Julie Vaughan were all on the scoreboard, notching up 1-2 between them within the first five minutes. Midfielder Ciara Barnes chipped in with a fine point and Hollyn Kennedy followed up shortly after with her first free of the evening. Kennedy went on to point 7 more frees which was a fine return given the conditions. A solid supply of ball continued in the first half with the forwards moving well and creating plenty of scoring opportunities. Several of these opportunities coming directly from some excellent Rachel Walsh puckouts driven into the teeth of the wind. Erica Tobin tapped over two more points either side of some Hollyn Kennedy frees leaving the half time score BBSE 1-10 1-1 CBC/Portobello.

CBC/Portobello came out revved up after the break and started to threaten for goals to try get a foothold on the game but they were dealt a blow when Julie Vaughan got the opening score of the half with a goal after running at the heart of the defence. Lucy O'Shea struck two long range back to back points before Olivia Meagher and Erica Tobin finished good work with points. CBC/Portobello were eventually rewarded with two goals after a period of pressure. But fresh legs were introduced during this half to help the Boden girls keep their noses in front. Aoife Barnes and Kiara Cunningham both had a particularly good influence on the game after their introduction. The scoring was closed out with three Hollyn Kennedy points and all focus immediately turned to this Thursday's clash on Collins Avenue against the unbeaten Whitehall Colmcille.

Team: Rachel Walsh, Yvonne Gargan, Clodagh Delaney, Sadhbh Nic Mhathuna, Anna O'Shea, Robyn Flynn, Erin Christie, Ciara Barnes (0-1), Lucy O'Shea (0-2), Hollyn Kennedy (0-8 F), Ciara Lambert, Olivia Meagher (0-1), Julie Vaughan (2-0), Chloe Murphy (0-1), Erica Tobin (1-3), Aine O'Brien, Aoife Barnes, Blathnaid Slater, Hollie Bolger, Kiara Cunningham, Eimear Butler, Sinead Hussey, Orlagh O'Shea (inj), Sarah Lambert (inj).

Ladies Football, Senior Championship Group 2, Wednesday 19th August 2020



Ballyboden St. Endas
Fingallians (Swords).

2.14
1.10

On a crowd-less Wednesday night in PUM, our Senior A ladies footballers recorded their third Championship win on the trot in an exciting and absorbing contest which could have gone either way until the last 5 mins.

The visitors opened the scoring after 4mins but was quickly followed by 'Boden's opener from the boot of Alanna McGarry. Our centre forward Aoife Durkin took a nasty knock in a collision with ex Dublin panelist goalkeeper Emer Ni hEafa after 10 mins and needed to be replaced by Simmone Reilly and it took us a while to adjust to this change.

Fingallians struck for goal midway through the first half but this was quickly followed by a goal of our own courtesy of the impressive Emily Flanagan.

Points followed from Hannah Murphy and Flanagan again and then two on the bounce from substitute Simmone Reilly. In the 22nd minute the Swords side were awarded a penalty, which would have put them 2pts ahead, but crucially the spot kick was sent low and wide

much to the relief of the home team. Points followed from McGarry again and Bronagh Lynn leaving us ahead at the break: 1.7 to 1.5.

The game was on a knife edge for long periods of the second half with both sides having periods of dominance. For a 10 minute period Boden became very wasteful, not converting good scoring opportunities which could have cost us the game, however Natalia Hyland having just pointed a free struck for goal immediately afterwards which gave us some breathing space. A vital factor in the victory was undoubtedly the players coming off the bench, Simone coming in early and scoring 2 points, Ciara Ruddy's strength and pace at centre back, Claire Kirwan speed and point taking (2pts.), Joanne O'Regan's (nee O'Sullivan) calming influence and experience and finally the legendary Valerie Mulcahy who showed she hasn't lost any of her scoring prowess notching the last 2 points of the game while having a ding dong battle with Dublin's Sinead Finnegan.

Fingallians battled till the end with centre forward Niamh Ward rattling the crossbar with a scorcher of a shot with 2 minutes to go which could have made the latter stages of the game very interesting but in fairness it would have been an injustice to the home side who over the course of the game were the better side.

Scorers: Natalia Hyland (1.2pts) Emily Flanagan (1.1pt) Alanna McGarry (3pts.) Simone Reilly, Claire Kirwan and Valerie Mulcahy (2pts.each) Hannah Murphy and Bronagh Lynn(1pt.each)

The team has now qualified for the Senior Semi Final with one game remaining v Kilmacud Crokes to decide which team tops the group and thereby receive a home tie in the semi's. That match is fixed for Wed.26th August with Crokes having home advantage. Best of Luck girls!

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

Senior D had a good win in Junior Championship against Ballinteer St. Johns C



Senior D Ladies Football



Another day on the road for our Senior D team, this time we travelled west to St Catherine's Park to play Erin Go Bragh in the Championship Semi Final.

The rain was biblical all day, but the sun shone on us for the first half and we held a solid lead of 2:10 to 1:5.

A game of two halves was mentioned more than once at the end of the game as Erin Go Bragh rallied and won the game by 2 points.

A fantastic game to watch for the neutral but horrible to be involved in as the result did not reflect the effort that all the Boden players put in.

We will get the team back for training on Monday and concentrate on winning the league. Boden Abu!

Ladies Football, Junior A Championship Shield. Wednesday 19th August 2020



Hard luck to our Senior B Ladies falling to Raheny in St Anne's Park in the Shield Semi Final. Despite trailing at the break, 1-01 to 0-7, our girls rallied and were 3:03 to 0:9 up at the second water break. However 3 late goals by the hosts in the last quarter sealed our B's fate with Raheny progressing to the Shield Final.

Hard luck to all our girls, including the Minor A girls who supported the team.
Best of luck to Raheny in the final.

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

Ladies Football, Junior C Championship Wednesday 19th August 2020



Congratulations to our Senior C ladies. The girls qualified for the Championship Semi Final after a comprehensive victory against a spirited Crokes side in Pairc De Burca, Stillorgan. Well done girls!

Minor A football Championship - Rock Steady Ryan sends Boden into semis



Four second quarter points from the boot of 'Dual star', Ryan O'Dwyer was the catalyst to revive Boden's fortunes and send the current Minor A football champions crashing out of this year's competition.

"This Castleknock side have won every major honour and raffle since under 10. They are a special group of players that have set the benchmark in juvenile football. Today our lads showed an incredible maturity to overcome adversity, control large parts of the game and win the one that matters most ", said a reflective Liam O'Dwyer after the game. Liam is very much a man of the people, if those people are angry dads that drink too much. When rifling through the pre match stats, this Hack discovered that Boden have only ever beaten this Castleknock side twice in nine competitive meetings over the last six years, so the odds were very much stacked against them.

Tough Start:

Following early points from O'Dwyer and Byrne, Castleknock showed their star quality by evening up the match at 2 a piece before catastrophe struck. A freaky defensive mix up allowed Castleknock's Matthew Lynham in behind for a clear shot on goal. Even a magnificent save from 'net minder' Eoin Donne wasn't enough to prevent the resulting 'tap in' and the first green flag was raised. The second green flag came five minutes later, following a bursting run from midfield by Castleknock and Dublin under 20's-star, Luke Swan. With 3 Boden players hanging out of him, the referee felt somewhat obliged to award a 20-meter free. The resulting 'training ground move' saw the net being rattled again by Swan himself.

"Six points down at the water break while playing with the wind. Lesser people would have said we were done for. But we have been with this group of players since the Academy and

know they have the mental strength", said Mentor Declan Maguire. It takes a bit of time to get to know the real Declan and a degree in criminal psychology would assist.

Comeback:

Trojan work from the midfield partnership of Kenny and Colcough was supplemented by the foraging abilities of Lynch and Behan. Boden began to impose their own game by scavenging more ball around the middle. Further points from Behan and Byrne were pegged back by one from Castleknock. Then, up steps O'Dwyer with four beauties that truly rattled the reigning champions. The pick of the bunch being.... 35 yards out and not able to get the ball to an inside forward, he decides, "Sod this" and strokes it over himself. "He's twice the player his aul fella ever was", said proud Grandfather Eddie O'Dwyer (who wished to remain anonymous). A scathing reference to his son and current Minor manager. Christmas dinner will be a tense affair in the O'Dwyer household this year.

Boden went to the break only two points adrift 0-8 to 2-4

Cauldron of silence:

Following the new Covid restrictions, the much clichéd "16th Man" was missing from the ground. But we spotted some Boden supporters with a newfound interest in tree climbing, fence peeping and loitering in high viz vests. We spoke with some of these supporters who would only be identified by their Twitter handles.....@Muirenn-houseinCharleville said, "This Social Distancing is a farce. If parents can't stand close to the side-line, how will coaches know what to do." @Fifi-30grandChinJob said "I heard Mick is turning the bar into a Spa and Yoga centre. It will be so super conviens, ya know like ya." While @Hugo-RangeRoverEvoque said, "Dealz!! in Rothfornham. Good Lord. As if having a Tesco wasn't bad enough."

Turning Point:

Following the unfortunate start, the back six of Mulligan-Lynch, Maguire, Gannon, Donaghy, Gavin & O'Sullivan were imperious. They closed down Castleknock's man mountains, shifted some heavy tackles and reduced the opposition to uncontrolled snap shooting.

"The thing that impressed me most was the maturity and composure shown by such a young team. When the defenders won possession, they calmly and patiently moved the ball forward and from side to side awaiting the right opportunity", said Boden veteran Tony Shields, who happened to be cleaning the gutters of the clubhouse at the exact same time as the match.

Sandwiched between two frees from the boot of Luke Byrne, came the 'Wonder Pass' (for those of you in attendance, this has officially been reclassified as a 'Pass') from centre back Alex Gavin. Alex perfectly executed the dying art of the 45 yard, two mile high in the air ball, targeted to land on the fingertips of the Boden forward, who incidentally, was busy reading the newspaper waiting for the ball to return from the sky. Thankfully, O'Dwyer put the crossword down just in time to palm the ball into the net. And with that, Boden took the lead that wouldn't be relinquished.

Controlling the Game:

The introduction of Sweeney at half time was pivotal in linking the play and giving options around the 25-meter line. Playing into 'Cremorne end' and with an ever-stiffening wind in their favour, Castleknock began to throw everything at it. Moving Swan into full forward, high balls began to rain down on the square only to be met by a back three that were never

going to be panicked. For each block down or enforced snapshot, the Boden lads got more and more confident that they would get the job done. Reducing Castleknock to a single point in 30 minutes of football, while playing with the wind, was a phenomenal achievement. "This is not an upset or a shock result," said weather beaten mentor Jack Donaghy, "we were fully confident of winning here today. Granted, we didn't plan on conceding 2 goals in the first 10 minutes, but I never had a doubt in my mind. It's on to game five now and the preparation for that will begin tomorrow." Stirring words indeed.

Final Score: BBSE 1-12 Castleknock 2-05

The Panel: Eoin Donne, Luke Mulligan Lynch, Joe Maguire, Eoghan Gannon, Hugh O'Sullivan, Alex Gavin, Harry Donaghy, Harry Colclough, Daragh Kenny, Daniel Lynch, Ryan O'Dwyer (1-5 (1XF)), Eoin Behan (0-1), David Keogh (0-1), Conall McGlynn, Luke Byrne (0-5 (4xF)), Daire Sweeney, David Keane, Cian Leahy, Ronan Long, Richard O' Halloran, Kevin Hickey, Evan Welsh, Oisin King, Cian Hassett, Michael McDonald (Inj), David Monahan (Inj)

Photos can be found on Facebook [here](#).

Next up: A home semi-final against Kilmacud Crokes, Sunday 6th September @11am. The tree pruning service will commence at 10.55am

Minor B footballers bow out of the Championship



Back Row: David Monahan, Senan Dwyer, Cian Kelly, Jimmy Meaney, Reed Barry, Cian Hassett, David Gannon, Ciaran Duggan, Rian Power, Seamus Boyle, Sean Bury, Ronan McGowan

Front Row: Charlie Brady, Tom White, Thomas Culleton, Micheal Manning, Oisin King, Edward Phelan, Eoghan Duignan, Conor Casey (missing from photo: Oran Dunne, Josh Ennis)

Clanna Gael 0-13 Ballyboden St Enda's 0-9

After finishing runners up in our qualifying group our minor B footballers had to travel to Clanna Gael for a quarter final. Our opposition had breezed through their group running up big scores in all three games but we travelled knowing that if we played to our potential we had every chance of winning the game. The morning started on an ominous note with not one, but two dreaded Sunday morning texts robbing us of two key lads. Thankfully we had excellent re-enforcements from the U16 ranks in Ciaran Duggan and Jimmy Meaney to supplement the panel on the day. (Thanks to the U16 management for the support).

We started against the wind on a bright and breezy morning in Sean Moore Park. Clanna Gael started confidently with the wind and scored two early points before we got on the board with an excellent Cian Hassett point. The first half developed into a story of Clanna Gael taking their points when they could and our missed goal chances – superb work from Cian Hassett resulted in another excellent point which could have easily found the net while Cian Kelly was denied by a fine save from the goal keeper. A further goal chance was denied by some poor refereeing.

We reached half time unlucky to be 0-9 to 0-4 down. Conor Casey chipping in with two excellent points before the half was over – not bad for a lad with only one working hamstring!

Given the wind advantage and our decent performance in the first half we turned around optimistic that the deficit could be overturned. We started brightly with an Oisín King point and another from Cian Hassett closing the gap to 3 early in the second half. While our excellent full back line of Tom White, Rian Power and Tom Culleton made sure that Seamus's goal wasn't threatened Clanna Gael continued to do just enough to pick off points as the half progressed. Our midfield pair of Sean Bury and Ciaran Duggan at midfield supported by the excellent David Gannon and Micheal Manning at half back made sure we continued to enjoy most of the possession but our composure in front of the posts deserted us as the game entered the critical phase. Two more Cian Hassett points (0-5 in total) and one from the hard working Eoghan Duignan were all we could manage in the final 15. Clanna Gael matching us during this period to run out 4 point winners on a 0-13 to 0-9 score line.

The short season resulted in a number of injuries which didn't help our cause. We seemed to pick up broken bones as easily as scores over the course of the championship with David Monaghan (broken finger), Senan Dwyer (broken wrist) and Ronan McGowan (broken knuckles) all being key members of the panel ruled out of the final game. A case of what might have been for this group – their dedication and effort since the start of the truncated season has been excellent. It has been a pleasure for the mentors this year, our only regret being the truncated nature of the year meant we couldn't enjoy a full programme of games.

This is the end of minor football for 10 of the panel who will join the adult ranks next year. We wish them all the best and have no doubt that they will continue to represent the club well into the future.

Minor Ladies Football Championship



Best of luck to our Minor Ladies as Championship begins on Monday 31st August at 7.30pm.

Our 'A's welcome Lucan Sarsfields 'A' to Paire Uí Mhúrchú in Division 1.

Our B's travel to Jerome Twomey Park near Clonsilla to play to Westmanstown in Division 4.

Our C's play Ballinteer St John in Marley Park in Division 7.

Pictured are our Minor A & B Teams.

Boden ladies lose to a strong Jude's outfit but still proceed to Semi-final



Ballyboden St Endas 0-6 St Jude's 0-16

Having qualified for the championship semi-final with their thrilling victory over Na Fianna last weekend, this game would determine which team would top the table. Playing against a strong wind in the first half, the Boden girls fought valiantly to repel the St Jude's attack. Once again Síle Ní Coitir pulled off a fantastic save early on from close range and another St Jude's effort towards the end of the half saw the sliotar come back off the crossbar when a goal seemed inevitable. Boden did create some scoring chances against the wind in the first half but their efforts were unsuccessful except for a great point from Katie McDonald. Losing Mairead Luttrell through injury midway through the first half was a blow, nevertheless the Boden girls held out well against the elements and an impressive St Jude's outfit to reach half time just five points behind, 0-1 to 0-6.

With the wind at their backs in the second half it was expected that Boden would begin to reel in St Jude's on the scoreboard. Aisling Gargan scored a fine point to reduce the deficit however the opposition responded by getting the next five points. Despite their best efforts Boden could not reduce the deficit bar some late points from Doireann Mullany, Sarah Nagle and Katie McDonald. A goal effort from Aisling Gargan was saved well by the St Jude's goalkeeper to rule out any late chance of a Boden comeback. Meanwhile, St Jude's were increasing their lead picking off some fine points to run out comfortable winners in the end.

The Boden girls now have an away semi-final against the title holders St Vincent's next Sunday at 1.30pm and we wish the team and management the very best of luck.

Special thanks once again to the Camogie committee lead by Dan O' Sullivan for the pre match preparation, to Eoin Reid and the gang for manning the grounds on match day, to Ronan Feely for his PRO input and to Miriam Christie for photography.

Team: Síle Ni Coitir, Eve O'Donoghue, Hannah Hyland, Hannah Leddy, Sarah Nagle (Captain)(0-1) Mairead Luttrell, Grace Walsh, Laura Nagle, Doireann Mullany (0-1), Martha O Donoghue, Katie McDonald (0-2), Danielle White, Jodie White, Aisling Gargan (0-1), Darina Ryan (O-1, (f)), Ally Ramsden, Dearbhla Brennan, Laura Burns, Aoife Durkin, Eimear O'Leary, , Ciara O' Neill, Erin Christie

Hurling Feile 2020: A festival of hurling for three Ballyboden St Endas teams



Back in late February preparations were well advanced for the upcoming Feile 2020 competition due to be held in April. Most of the fundraising was complete, the boys had their photos taken and measured up for their new smart feile kit. Training was in full swing and an air of excitement was beginning to develop around the entire squad. Within two weeks everything changed utterly with the unwelcome arrival to our shores of 'you know what'. Training stopped, matches were abandoned and the dream of Feile2020 faded quickly. Despite the great weather there was the gloomy prospect that Feile2020 would never happen for our 2006 boys, and they would miss out on the 'rite of passage' in the biggest competition of their sporting lives so far. Thankfully, the spirit and energy of all our people helped to

regain a level of control over the calamity that wreaked havoc in our communities. We were given a second chance to get back on the pitch and show how resilient we had become. In a way that means we won! Despite all of the lockdowns, restrictions, guidelines, masks, sanitisers and cough etiquette, we could now follow in the footsteps of our brothers, sisters, ma's and da's and take to the field and start the longest awaited Féile na nGael in the history of the GAA. No sambos, cakes, gazebos or bagpipes on show last Saturday, just the happy faces of the 2006 boys who, at last, got to play. The added excitement is that on Saturday (maybe it's not a first), two Ballyboden teams played side by side in Cherryfield in the same Feile competition, which served to bring us all a bit closer together, while at all times, standing apart. The structure of the competition has changed by necessity, moving away from its traditional single weekend format to group matches played over two months. The boys returned to training in late June and finally Feile2020 got underway on Saturday with three of our hurling teams playing first round matches against St Vincents, Binn Eadair and Cuala.

Ballyboden St Endas A v St Vincents

This first match of Feile2020 for Ballyboden St Endas A will long remain in the memories of those who watched the game. Some of the sentiments expressed in the lead up to the match included "Feile in August doesn't sound right" or "It won't be the same excitement or intensity as the normal Feile". However, within a few seconds of the ball being thrown in all of those sentiments vanished, as it was clear that both sides meant business. St Vincents won the toss and chose to play with the wind. The early exchanges were fairly even but Vincents got in for two goals just before the first water break, leaving the score at BBSE 0-6, St Vincents 2-6. The match continued at the same ferocious pace with both sides trading score for score. At half time BBSE trailed by seven points on a scoreline of BBSE 1-8 St Vincents 3-9.

The second half picked up where the first half left off with the Boden lads growing in confidence and by the time the second water break was called the deficit had been cut to three points on a scoreline of BBSE 2-10 St Vincents 3-10. Those lucky enough to watch the match had no idea of what was to come. The final 15 minutes turned into a magnificent display of bravery and commitment from both teams. With three minutes left on the clock Ballyboden took the lead when the green flag was raised for our fourth goal, leaving the scores at BBSE 4-12, St Vincents 3-12. Almost immediately Vincents equalised with a goal, quickly followed by a point. In the final minute Boden were awarded a free from a difficult angle. As the tension arose across Cherryfield the free was coolly converted ending the match in a draw. A great relief for both teams in what can only be described as an epic encounter. This is the first match of our campaign with huge battles yet to come against Faughs and Crokes. But this day was all about the nineteen Ballyboden players who went into battle and delivered a strong performance against a hugely talented St Vincents team. Well done to both teams.

Result: Ballyboden St Endas 4-13, St Vincents 4-13.

Match day squad: Eoghan Woodcock, Simon Norris, Darragh Delaney, Coady O'Reilly, Damian Gibbons, Liam Dargan, Adam Edge, William Hook, Johnny Corr, Michael Kennedy, Darragh Kennedy, Fionn Callan, Darragh Durkin, Fionn Murphy, Callum O'Dwyer, Tiernan Kennedy, Alex Dunne, Ryan Gleeson, Darragh Ormsby.

Binn Eadair v Ballyboden St Endas B

Even the threatening sky couldn't distract from the stunning views from the pitch on Howth Head as the BBSE boys lined out for their match against the home side. Many of the lads admitted they were full of nervous energy as they looked forward to the start of the match. With the flip of a coin BBSE played into the strengthening wind for the first half and tore into the opposition from the first throw of the sliotar. Scores were hard to come by, as the lads kept piling on the pressure. With the wind at their backs and a few very good playmakers, Binn Eadair started to quickly move the ball forward and create scoring chances. The BBSE backs defended courageously keeping the scoreline down in order to use the wind advantage in the second half. The half time whistle couldn't come quick enough and it gave players and coaches time to regroup and work out the second half tactics.

As the second half started the intensity increased and Ballyboden didn't give Binn Eadair many chances to settle. A long distance point was followed by a great goal from Captain Oliver McDonnell, signalling the best period of play from our boys. It was game on as the lads sensed they could turn the match around. But Binn Eadair were no novices to the great game hurling and knew exactly what was required to hold back the relentless attacks from Ballyboden. They defended very well and contested every single ball as if their lives depended on it. Some might say that lady luck seemed to desert our boys as the sliotar refused to hit the back of the net or go over the bar. With five minutes ago victory seemed unlikely and the intensity dropped accordingly. Binn Eadair then moved forward and grabbed a few late scores to flatter the final result A disappointing result for the lads who knew that a different outcome was possible. But these are a great bunch of players and will undoubtedly bounce back. There is a long way to go in this competition with many hills and valleys to cross during the campaign. These boys are definitely up for the challenge.

Result: Binn Eadair (5-10), Ballyboden St Endas B (1-5).

Match day squad: James Brennan, Adam Kelly, Ronan O'Breartuin, Liam Clarke, Aidan Gormley, Cathal McClean, Alan Holland, David Worthington, Oliver McDonnell, Rian Mention, Charlie White, Ryan O'Neill, Stephen O'Connor, Micheal Larkin, James Greally, Adam Gorman, Ruairí Deignan, Aaron Campbell, Pearse Brewster, Luke Lennon

Ballyboden St Endas C v Cuala C

The grass was cut, the new kit nicely pressed, the forecast dry. What else would we need but opposition, a ball and a referee and when the unannounced shower abated, they each appeared by magic. The tension was building, and the air of expectation was heavy. Ah, we knew there would be days like this... Van Morrisson's Ma said so!

3.30pm and the referee releases the ball...we're away! Already both side-lines are in full voice, and such is the ferocity of the early exchanges, someone might do well to do a run to the timber yard, just in case we run out of wood. It is Ballyboden who are off to the better start, playing with a generous wind at their backs and when Aidan Healy batted a ball on the half-way line, followed soon after by some excellent fielding and striking by Joe and Harry, you think to yourself it will be a long day for anyone with their wind in their face. After 10 minutes of laying siege onto the Cuala backs, Boden eventually broke the deadlock when Harry Judge collected a ball on the 45 and delivered it inch perfect to Michael Candon who rattled the net on his first attempt. Michael is a big strong lad. The Cuala keeper (bravely

carrying an obvious leg injury into the game) is even more so, but the power of the strike was only going to have one outcome. First blood to Boden!

The breaking ball belonged to Ballyboden for the next 10 minutes, and Ballyboden half backs and half forward lines were working really hard off the endeavours of their midfielders and a couple of scores followed, signalling Ballyboden's intent to build a lead with this wind while they have it. Cuala, to their credit, had something to say about that, and in the 20th minute put together their first meaningful attack. Some very clever inter-play landed them in the unfamiliar surroundings of the Ballyboden half of the field, and the Ballyboden backs, obviously insulted by the cheek of the interruption, diligently retrieved the ball, and sent it windward, and back to the full forward line. Candon was again on the receiving end, but this time the Cuala keeper was equal to the shot, and favouring the good leg, hopped to push the ball onto the post and his net stayed intact. I remember remarking to myself that matches have often turned on plays like that. Drawing confidence from the heroics in the backline, Cuala launched ball after ball onto the Boden defence, who were equal to every one of them, and showed great calmness under pressure, and they fought back the tide with everything they could muster.

This was juvenile hurling at its best.

In the 1,320th second of the match (that's the 22nd minute in local currency), The referee found his whistle and awarded a free to Cuala inches from the Boden goal. 1,220 inches to be exact, or about 30m. Desperate to pull his team into this game, Cuala's free taker went for goal, when the point might have been a better option, and Ballyboden swept away the danger and launched another attack down the field, and this time the catch was by 13 and the strike from play resulted in a wide, and another 30m dash by the umpire to retrieve the match ball. With that, the referee called for oranges, and the half-time score was **Ballyboden St Enda 4-3 : Cuala 0-1 : The wind 0-6.**

With the orange peels tidied away, and the umpire back at his post, the second half resumed, and we wondered if the lead was enough to see Boden home, or would the Cuala ship hoist their sails and follow the wind to the promised land? Time usually tells these things, and it wasn't long before the half-time jellie babies kicked in, and Ballyboden continued to play with the intense vigour that served them so well in the first half of this tie. Keeping possession was the name of the game and they passed the ball by hand, by foot, by hurl and dare I say by telepathy. James Keogh received a pass on the half-way line and showing a slight of hand that magicians spend a lifetime trying to master, hand-passed to his teammate rushing by. The referee blew for a Cuala free – for thrown ball, or for speeding, we'll never know – and the threat abated for the time being for the visitors. Continued midfield dominance and excellent team play by this talented Boden outfit saw the Boden half forward line register 3-2 between them, and by the 38th minute the scoreboard read too many for Ballyboden, and not enough for Cuala, and Cuala's fate, sadly, seemed sealed.

But great teams are great warriors, and Cuala took to the field after the last water break, determined to have the last say. And have it they did. Maybe they have some jellie babies of their own, and the last 15 mins saw them outplay the home side in almost every part of the pitch. The spirit and attitude that they showed is a credit to them, and the way their mentors kept them going was exemplary. It's hard to hurl positively when your fate is sealed, but in No. 4, Cuala had a player who reminded us why underage sport is the best sport there is. Small in stature, but massive in heart, he fetched, and harried and hooked and blocked, again

and again and again. So much so, that when he dropped to the ground injured near the Ballyboden side-line, nobody was surprised, he had given of so much. First on the scene to attend was the Boden First Aider to assess his ailments (while under instruction to maybe remove his batteries), and not to let the team down, the corner back shrugged his shoulders on resumed his post. Mighty stuff altogether.

Ballyboden continued to play with great skill right to the final whistle and they deserved every score that they worked hard for. They too, have their heroes, too many to mention here, and you will hear about them all in games to come, I'm sure. Their first Féile victory. Satisfaction all around. To Cuala, thank you for the game, you are a fine team, and you played with great spirit, and are true sportsmen. Remember, you got the last score of the game. That means, the comeback had started. You just ran out of time.....

Score: Ballyboden 8-6 : Cuala 0-2.

Match day squad: Daniel Morgan, Harry Judge, Conor O'Donnell, Liam Doyle, Michael Candon, Aidan Healy, Mike O'Byrne, Johnny Davitt, Martin McSweeney, James Keogh, Joe Rafter, Ben Greally, Eoghan Butler, Matti Basinski, Brendan Barry, Jack Morley

Special thanks to our reporters Neil Kennedy, Eamonn Gormley and Tommy Keogh for bringing the matches to life for all of those who wanted to attend matches but were not allowed. Thanks also to Brian Delaney, Eamonn Gormley and Tommy Keogh for the photos. A big thanks to the volunteers who ensured that all attendees at the matches enjoyed the games in a safe and socially distanced manner. To see team photos and great action shots please click [here](#).

Under 16C Boys Championship: Ballyboden St Endas V St. Sylvesters

On a wild and wet night in Ballycullen our under 16C football team came up against a strong well coached Syls B team in round 2 of the championship. Both sides had secured big wins in round 1 in very different conditions. Boden started with the elements in their favour but it was Syls who settled quickest and some strong direct running from midfield saw them secure a couple of early points. The Boden lads stuck the task though and gradually settled into the game with Alex Stewart, Paul O'Grady and Dan Kennedy showing well in the early exchanges and Andrew Duffy getting on some ball in the inside line. After a couple of wides and a couple off the post and scrambled away Kevin O'Donoghue opened the Boden account with a nice point from the D. St Syls though had a number of very strong good footballers who we were struggling to deal with and they were having a lot of dangerous attacks into the wind but the inside line of Josh Coyle, Jason Callaghan and Tom McGrenery all intervened at crucial stages to deny the opposition. As we approached half-time trailing 3 point to 1 despite being a little below par Syls struck a blow. A strong attack down the middle saw a point blank shot touched

onto the crossbar by Tim Giblin but the rebound cruelly landed back to the syls forward to finish to the net. Ht Syls 1-3 Boden 0-1.

After a half-time pep talk and a request for improved work rate the Boden lads thundered into the second half. Dan Kennedy, Eoin Walsh and Liam Smithers thundered into the game and the lads had multiple attacks thwarted with last ditch defending from Syls. Their keeper punched a number of dropping balls clear and defenders got bodies on blocks. After 5 minutes of pummelling the defence with no return Syls got a breakaway and their wing forward got the goal of the night cutting in skilfully from the left slaloming through the recovering defenders and finished an unstoppable shot to the net. Undaunted the lads returned to attacking hard and driven on by Matthew Gray, Oran Kelly and Conor Murphy in the middle third Boden got a foothold in the game. Strong running from Dan Kennedy and Liam Smithers was finally rewarded when Liam forced the ball to the net for an important goal and this was followed quickly by a rasping point from Eoghan Walsh which could have easily hit the net. Our tails were up and we very nearly scrambled a second goal when Liam Smithers forced their keeper into another point blank stop after good work in the buildup from Conor Reynolds.

Unfortunately the dreaded water break on a wet and windy night broke our momentum. Syls glad of the break reorganised and settled and recovered their composure and tagged on a couple of points to put some daylight between the teams again. Tim Giblin made yet another brilliant save at point blank and tipped a goalbound shot over the bar but could do nothing about another shot to the top corner that sealed the win for Syls. To their credit our lads continued to work hard to the final whistle with Alex Stewart getting on a lot of ball and driving the team forward. A late Syls attack led to a soft penalty after the forward went to ground easily and it was dispatched to the net. The final scoreline of 4-9 to 1-2 was in no way a reflection of the game and whilst Syls deserved the win our lads will regret a slow start and a low return when playing with the wind.

We remain second in the group and play our final match away to Barrog on Saturday 29th to decide the final placings in the group. Hoping for better conditions and a better outcome.

Team: Tim Giblin, Josh Coyle, Jason Callaghan, Tom McGrenery. Oran Kelly © ,Conor Murphy, Sam Byrne, Alex Stewart, Matthew Gray, Paul O'Grady, Eoghan Walsh, Dan Kennedy, Liam Smithers, Kevin O'Donoghue, Andrew Duffy, Conor Reynolds.

U16 Camogie Championship



U16 Championship started with U16A's grinding out a draw with Cuala while U16B's had a great start with victory over Raheny B

U15 Girls Championship: Craobh Ciaran Vs. BBSE U15B



Boden's u-15B camogie girls opened their championship account in Clonshaugh against Craobh Ciaran on Sunday and the only pity is that the current pandemic meant that the crowd was limited, as the match proved to be an absolute exhibition by two fine teams.

Boden played in the first half with the aid of a gale force wind but struggled to take full advantage. The opening goal from Tara was quickly cancelled out, as was a second goal by Hannah Bury. Ciarans began to take control of the game early in the second quarter and went into a lead but we hung in there and finished the half with a peach of a long range point by Lily.

At half time we trailed by a goal and the omens were not good. With us having to face the elements in the second half damage limitation was the expectation but these girls did not read that script and continued to give as good as they got. The third quarter was even but after the final water break the Boden girls upped the performance and laid siege to the Ciarans goal. A couple of unfortunate wides followed but our girls were not discouraged and finally got the goal they richly deserved to leave the minimum between the sides. Then Tara got possession and slotted the equalising point.

The girls continued to press but just could not get the lead point. With the clock gone into the red Ciarans finally lifted the siege and got the ball into the Boden half. Our girls defended stoutly, but the referee then harshly penalised us for a push in front of our goal. The free was converted and the referee blew the final whistle on the puck out to leave us losing by the minimum margin.

Final score: Boden 4-4 Chiaráin 5-2

It was an unfortunate end but the spirited and skillful performance of this team will live long in the memory.

As well as those already mentioned, Rachel Byrne was brilliant at full back. Emma took the game to the opposition at every opportunity. Eimear Kirwan had the game of her life, while Millie and Liadan fought like their lives depended on it. But overall this was a team performance where everyone played their part to perfection.

Up next week-end is Finians and if the team give as good a performance as this nobody will have any complaints.

U14s Girls Football



Div 5 U14 League BBSE 2:3 Naomh Olaf 2:9

Our U14B girls knew they were going to have a huge battle on their hands coming up as they met Naomh Olaf this evening.

Our back line totally knocked the Niamh Olaf team who have had huge scores in the last few weeks and With the brilliant Charlotte in goals the other team had a hard time pushing through our brilliant defensive team. All the extra work on kick outs paid off- our girls won every kick.

The midfield combinations dominated the pitch for most of the game and moving the ball up to the forward line.

The forwards used every chance and took their scores with gusto. Unfortunately the Naomh Olaf team managed to get extra points over at the end but our girls can hold their heads high after a brilliant display across the whole pitch.

Ar aghaidh go dtí Craobh na Feile ag tosú an tseachtain seo chugainn le cluiche baile i gcoinne Erins isle. Tá ár gcailíní réidh le haghaidh aon dúshlán. Ádh mór cailíní!

Foireann: Ciara Allen, Isabelle Anslow, Lauren Byrne, Laoise Cahill, Grace Callaghan, Alannah Callaghan, Karla Cosgrave, Charlotte Gallagher, Maya Gorisch, Ella McCabe, Tara Meeney, Emily Menton, Ellis Mulroe, Sienna Murphy, Allie Nealon, Ella O'Rourke, Ruth Ryder, Éabha Ryan, Rebecca Ryan, Corinne Power.

Thanks to Jill Allen for the pics and report.

U13 Boys Hurling teams back in action



At long last the U13 boys resumed competitive grading games at the weekend. Team 1 toggled out against St. Jude's, while Team 2 played away to Thomas Davis. Team 3 had a rest weekend but are rearing to get going again over the coming weeks. The boys hurled brilliantly and will be back training hard in St. Colmcille's on Monday evening. Keep up the great work boys.

U13s Girls Football and Camogie



Football

Another full weekend of fixtures for the U13s last weekend, as the Boden girls found themselves called into action almost every day.

First up were the U13 Div 1 footballers, who faced FoxCab in a postponed clash at Cherryfield on a windswept Thursday evening as the tail-end of Storm Ellen blew itself out. Making the most of the conditions in the first half, the Boden girls quickly asserted themselves over the visitors and never looked back – this was a strong performance even allowing for the conditions, and one in which saw they ran out 8:12 to 2:03 winners.

On Saturday afternoon, our Div 8 footballers had a tough time of it in Tymon, losing out to a strong Jude's team – nevertheless the Boden girls never stopped battling to the final whistle – well done girls.

Later, on Saturday evening, our Div 4 girls faced a strong Templeogue Synge Street team on the same Cherryfield pitch on which Templeogue had run out easy winners in pre-season. Not so this time! The Boden girls put in a very strong performance in an absorbing contest, eventually winning out 8:04 to 4:10

Camogie

On Sunday morning, football gloves and gumshields were swapped for huris and helmets as the girls switched codes. The Div 1 girls were on the road facing a tough challenge away to Erins Isle. This was a predictably a hard fought encounter that ebbed and flowed, but the Boden girls eventually got on top, asserting themselves in the final quarter to win out. Over at the Ballast Pit, also on Sunday, it was a different story for the Div 3 selection lined out against a strong Skerries Harps A team. Again a characterful performance from the Boden girls, but in this game Skerries were too strong and ran out easy winners.

Well done to all the Boden girls and good luck in the forthcoming fixtures.

U9 Girls Go Games



Our U9 Girls had their first Camogie Go Games on Sunday and again this week they showed up in force. We played Faugh's at home and took a trip away to St Brigids Plenty of matches were played and lots of skills demonstrated by all. Keep up the good work and practice girls. We are getting into the swing of these go-games now!

Pictures: Seamus Cater, Emma Doyle & Clare Keely.

Senior B hurlers - new training tops



The senior B hurlers got new training tops last week with support from Niche Engrave. On these jerseys there is tribute to their manager and former club chairman Brendan Moran. Brendan gave his all to this group over the past 3 years and we hope these jerseys will keep his memory and link to the team strong and it will continue to inspire them over the coming years.

Club President John O'Neill RIP



A Ballyboden and GAA giant left us on Sat (Aug 15th). It is with great sadness that we learned that club President and Trustee, John O'Neill, has gone to his eternal reward. John was a Corkman, a GAA man and a Ballyboden man to his marrow, and his legacy will be felt for generations in Rathfarnham, Knocklyon, Firhouse and Ballyboden. He filled many roles in running teams and running Ballyboden St. Enda's through the last forty plus years, and everything he did was approached with a principled stance, with passion and with a little bit of divilment.

John truly loved Ballyboden St. Endas; he enjoyed the company of fellow members, enjoyed a pint in the bar, loved GAA and especially football, and he made it his life's work to ensure that the club's ethos, culture and assets were fiercely protected and defended. He was a man of hugely high standards and morals and insisted that Ballyboden St. Endas would adopt and maintain similarly high standards in all aspects of club activity. John visited the club in the last weeks of his life, and it was a relief to the Executive to hear from his daughter Sheena that the President approved of the improvement works undertaken during lockdown! John suffered ill health in the last number of months, but such was his courage, faith and backbone that he was ready to leave this world to rejoin his beloved wife Maureen. I am absolutely certain that Chief O'Neill will be looking down on us from above and holding us to account for the principled stewardship of the club which he paid such a huge part in building. It is often said, but in this case it is undeniably true - Ní bheidh a leithéid arís ann.

Everybody in the club extends our sincere sympathy to all of the O'Neill family on the loss of their dad and grandad and our President.

Covid Practice - Update

As a club, we have been very diligent regarding implementation of measures to ensure the safety of spectators and players, and this has been as a result of hard work and effort by many, many people who have been tracking player check-ins, stewarding games, providing signage and sanitiser, ensuring a safe environment etc. This has been tremendously hard work on top of the normal effort to train and prepare teams and compete in games, and we have received compliments from referees and opposition mentors as to the quality of the preparation and precautions taken at games.

As the numbers of cases reported increases across the country, we must remain steadfast and diligent in implementation of the protective measures and procedures. Can we especially:

- Continue with health check-ins before every session
- Continue to sanitise equipment used after every session
- Avoid car-pooling to training or games. If car-pooling cannot be avoided and members of different households must travel in the same car, then masks should be worn.
- Encourage all club members and players over the age of 16 to download the HSE app to their phones as this is hugely helpful for tracing in the event of a scare.
- Continue to insist that all players bring their own water bottle to training and matches. Shared water bottles must not be used.

- Check-in to the GAA app to confirm health status should be done on the morning of an evening session or the night before for a morning game or session.

Many thanks for all your efforts up to now - let's continue to be diligent to ensure that we can complete our full programme of games in a safe manner.

Club shop open on Thursday evenings

The club shop will reopen on Thursday evenings for 90 minutes between 8 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

There is a strict limit of two customers in the shop at a time, except in the case of parents and young children.

Face coverings should be worn at all times in the shop and customers are additionally encouraged not to try on any items of clothing.

Golf classic August 28th



Annual Golf Classic 2020



Edmondstown Golf Club Friday 28th August



18 Hole Stableford Four Ball
Great Prizes

Meal & Presentations after round included
€400 per team

Sponsor a Tee €100 or a GREEN €200

Entry's now been taken, Phone / Text:

Liam Deane - 087 647 1121

**Sponsorship monies raised goes to individual
Sections / Teams**

Our postponed Annual Golf classic is rescheduled for August the 28th from its normal May date

AIG SKILLS COMPETITION



Ladies, record your skills and be in with a chance to win €1,000!

See details on the links below. Best of luck

<https://www.aig.ie/Skills>

Some previous entries:

- Instagram page: <https://www.instagram.com/aig.ireland>
- Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/AIGIreland/>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/aigireland>

Dealing with Positive Symptomatology

Summary of Changes

From June 29th, contact training permitted for Gaelic Games

Interim Guidance on dealing with positive symptomatology issued – [Dealing with Positive Symptomatology](#)

Facilities permitted to open from June 29th

Astro turf facilities – for club members

Hurling ball walls

Walkways – all control measures, bar the need to adhere to social distancing, removed

Outdoor Handball Alleys

Officer Training/Meetings (Subject the guidelines prepared by the National Health and Safety Committee – [Guidance on holding Indoor Meetings](#))

The following are allowed to open from June 29th providing Government Regulations for the relevant sector is followed and all required third party insurances and assurances are in place

Bars Serving Food

Businesses operated by third parties using GAA premises under licence or lease

(Exception: Gyms)

Astro Turf Facilities – recreational use by non-GAA members

Playgrounds

It is hoped that the following may be allowed open for Phase 4 (from July 20th) – however, the GAA will confirm the position on each of these in the lead in to Phase 4:

Club/County Gyms

Dressing Rooms (subject to advice on Close v Casual Contacts)

Indoor Handball Alleys, subject to guidance laid down in Handball Return to Play

Document

Use of facilities by community groups / recreational users

Bars not serving food

GAA Coaching and Games

From webinars, skills challenges & virtual training sessions, it's been a busy few months for the GAA community. Our Games Development Department has been busy providing assistance to coaches, players, teachers and parents to make this difficult time easier.

GAA Learning Website

The GAA Learning platform at learning.gaa.ie is host to a series of Games Development initiatives building on the vast array of resources and courses published in recent years that are now providing a very valuable outlet for Coaches, Players, and Teachers without the opportunity to perform their usual roles in the promotion and playing of our games.

Some of these initiatives include:

-GAA Primary Challenges – Lesson Plans & Physical Activities for Primary School Children

-Coaching Webinars – Live and recorded webinars with leaders in Coaching and Coach Education

- 100's of activities to Coach Hurling, Football, Handball and Rounders on the GAA Coaching Planner <https://learning.gaa.ie/planner/>
- Games Development Conference Videos and Presentations from 2014 to 2020 <https://learning.gaa.ie/GamesConference2020>
- 'GAA 15' Injury Prevention Programme - <https://learning.gaa.ie/gaa15>
- Céim ar Aghaidh Resources for Primary School - <https://learning.gaa.ie/ceim>
- The Skills of Hurling - <https://learning.gaa.ie/hurlingskills>
- The Skills of Football – <https://learning.gaa.ie/footballskills>
- Online Courses and Workshops for Coaches, Players, Referees and Administrators
- LGFA and Camogie Resources and Programmes

#GAAPrimary Challenges

The #GAAPrimary Challenges is a series of learning & physical activities for children in Primary School. During these particularly challenging times for families, the #GAAPrimary Challenges are designed to help teachers and parents to work on the cross-curricular lesson plans with children to meet their learning needs. Gaelic games-themed lessons are across all curriculum subjects and are for children at every class level, based on the GAA Céim ar Aghaidh/Step Ahead resource. For some fresh air and physical exercise, inter-county stars set Skill Challenges weekly that can be done at or near your home. There are also fun competitions and prizes to be won on the @GAALearning twitter page. Primary teachers are encouraged to share lesson plans, learning material and ideas by email to gamesdevelopment@gaa.ie or on social media using #GAAPrimary.

<https://youtu.be/5lOTk69ctQc>

Webinar Series

To help coaches through this difficult period, the GAA, an Cumann Camogaíochta & the LGFA have created a series of Coach Development Webinar sessions taking place on Tuesdays & Thursday at 7.30pm. Information on future sessions can be access through our twitter '@GAALearning' and past sessions can be viewed on our Youtube Page 'GAALearning'

National Hurling Development Manager, Martin Fogarty, is hosting Hurling specific webinars every Monday on various aspects of the game and how best to coach it. For more details, visit out twitter @GAALearning

Coach Survey

The Coach Survey was launched this week with the GAA, LGFA & Camogie Association joining forces to help shape the future development of Gaelic games. The aim of the survey is to get to know more about coaches involvement, their role, experiences and how they envisage their coaching future. The form can be accessed through the link below. If you have any queries about the survey, you can email gamesdevelopment@gaa.ie

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Az-95HFEa8>

For more information on any of these resources, please visit our website '<https://learning.gaa.ie/>' or twitter page @GAALearning

Ireland's Fittest Family 2020 – Applications Open!

Ireland's Fittest Family is back! Have you and your family got what it takes to win Ireland's most extreme fitness competition?

Now in its eighth series, this year will see the competition be more challenging than ever before!

We are scouring the country to find the fittest, fastest and strongest families to be coached to victory by our four returning coaches, **Davy Fitzgerald, Anna Geary, Derval O'Rourke and Donncha O'Callaghan.**

Mairéad Ronan is back to host the highly competitive tournament too.

Given the current covid-19 pandemic, the production will follow HSE guidelines to ensure that strict social distancing and health and safety is adhered to throughout the competition by all crew and families taking part.

Does your family have what it takes to win the €15,000 cash prize and be crowned Ireland's Fittest Family 2020? If so, apply now!

Requirements

- * Minimum age is 14 years old by 01 August 2020
- * Each family must be comprised of four immediate members
- * Series will be filmed between August – September, 2020

The online application form can be found at rte.ie/irelandsfittestfamily

If you have any questions you can email – fittestfamily@animotv.ie or call the production team on 085 837 5387.

Enjoy 50 Shades of Boden at home

In these strange times of social distancing, self isolation and cocooning, you can take time out for a laugh and a giggle with Boden Theatre Group's last production "50 Shades of Boden". Thanks to John Galvin for recording.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TnJb9x-rgvg>

Ballyboden St Enda's Players & Management- Social distancing..



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Important message on social distancing courtesy of BBSE players and management

#IAMSOCIALDISTANCING

<https://youtu.be/xVdfFVZ6dIc>

Ballyboden St. Enda's Player's Assistance

BALLYBODEN ST. ENDAS PLAYERS ASSISTANCE



Ballyboden St. Endas GAA are aware of the potential hardship the current situation regarding COVID-19 could bring to people in our community.

We would encourage all of our club members to check in on elderly neighbours and vulnerable people in our community, and especially older club members who live close by.

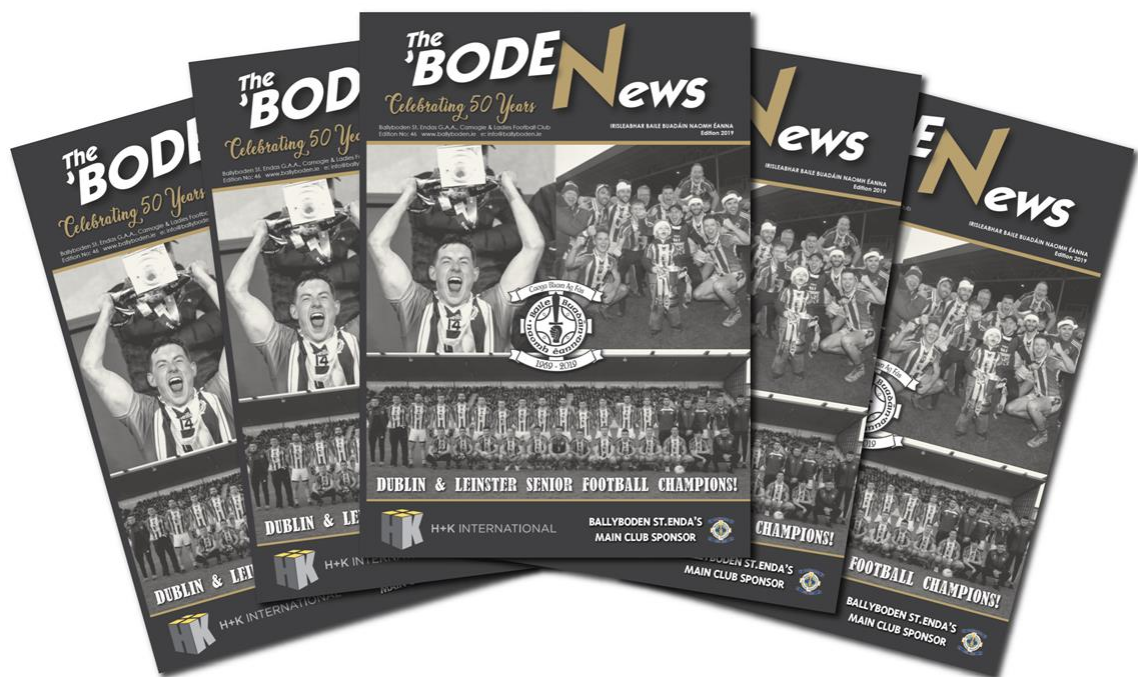
Our adult player's committees would also like to volunteer their assistance to support any member of the community who is unable to leave their house.

We are here to help you or a family member who may need assistance in acquiring necessities such as food or medical prescriptions.

If you or any family member need support please feel free to contact Sinead on 086 3010829/ email pro@ballyboden.ie or contact Ronan at 086 1250752.

#bodengaa

2019 Boden News Annual is now available



The [2019 Boden News Annual](#) is now available in the club. Packed with news, reviews and features and a special Caoga Bliain ag Fás section. It's a must read for all club members! There is a donation box to help offset some of the printing costs if you want to donate.

Thanks to Neil Buckingham, Sinéad O'Dea, the Comms committee, our wonderful club photographers and all who contributed to the book.

WHATS APP / COMMUNICATIONS

Everyone with access to Club/Team social media platforms has a responsibility when using these social media platforms to not do or post anything online that might tarnish Ballyboden St Enda's and the GAA's image and reputation.

No Club social media platform should be used to post or share material which is :

violent, sexually explicit, obscene, hateful, or defamatory.

suggests or encourages illegal activity.

engages in trolling, bullying, or abusive activity.

engages in the disparagement of any race, ethnicity or religion.

In the event of misuse, there is an obligation from team managements along with the recipients of the inappropriate posts to call it out and address it with the poster of the content. If we do not adhere to this, our Club and particularly those involved in the posts (complicit or otherwise) of inappropriate material all stand to blame.

Ciorcal Cainte - Temporarily postponed due to Covid-19



CIORCAL CAINTE

Gach oíche Dé Céadaoin
óna 9 go dtí 10

**Buail isteach is beidh caint is comhrá againn. Is cuma
an bhfuil tú ag tosú nó cad é an caighdeán atá agat,
beidh céad míle fáilte romhat!**

Ciorcal Cainte continues every Weds
from 29th Jan (9-10pm)

Everybody is welcome.... contact Seán 087 9086100

Bingo every Tuesday 8.30 pm - Temporarily postponed due to Covid-19



Trad Music Session Every Thursday - Temporarily postponed due to Covid-19

Seisiún Ceoil Traidisiúnta

**In éineacht le Ceoltóirí
“Céilí House”**

**Gach Déardaoin sa
Bhéar ag 9.30pm**



Fáilte roimh chách!

GAA July 2020 Newsletter



Below is the link the to monthly GAA newsletter which carries information on a range of club-related topics and issues

<https://www.gaa.ie/stories/read-the-latest-club-newsletter-june-2020-x7811/>

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

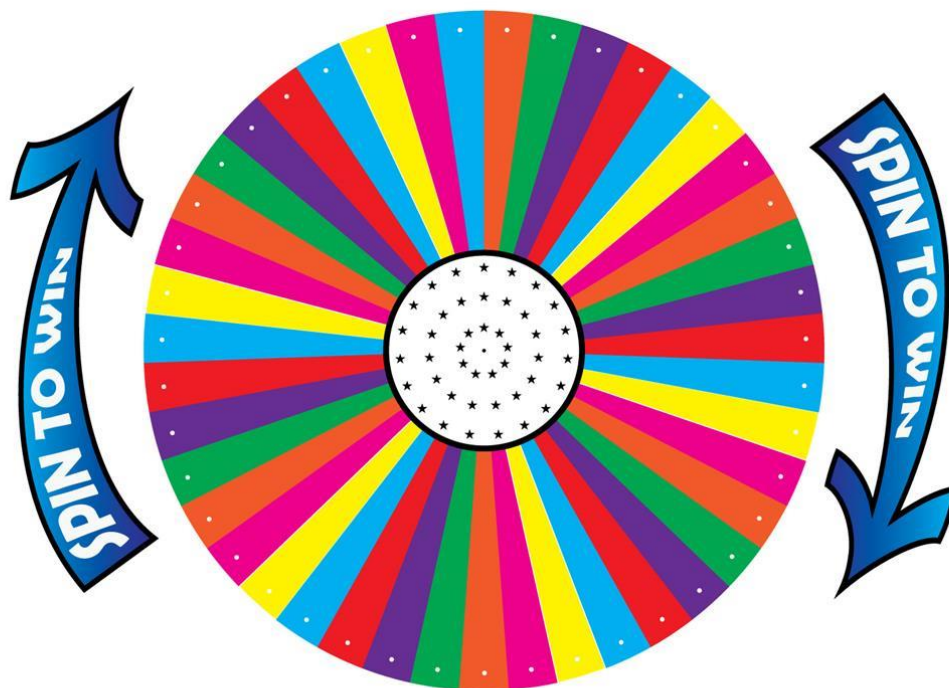
injuries over the past year, and it is important that team managers, mentors and first aid people can recognise the symptoms and know the correct actions to take in order to ensure the safety of the player. Player safety is the most important consideration in a concussion, or any injury situation. It 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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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.

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Bereavement – Murray

Posted by Alan Kinsella on 24 August, 2020

The club community are saddened to hear of the passing of Frank Murray. We would like to offer our sincere condolences to the Murray family and friends. Especially to Frank's son in law Alan Kinsella and Grandchildren Anna and James Kinsella who are both players with the club. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam....

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Posted by EamonnTreacy on 23 August, 2020

Ballyboden St. Endas 1 18 St.Vincents 1 08 The Long Fella Reports... Photos by John Kirwan There are days when a championship game does not look like a championship game. Sounds simple, but what unfolded in Parnell Park on Saturday at tea-time was almost certainly not what either competing team would have expected. The side's...

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Ballyboden St.Enda's Statement

Posted by Neil Buckingham on 20 August, 2020

Unfortunately, a Ballyboden St. Enda's adult player has tested positive for Covid-19. The player himself is well, and he and his family are isolating in accordance with protocol. The HSE has been notified and contact tracing is taking place. Unless individuals are specifically notified otherwise by the HSE, contact in the context of GAA activity...

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Guard of Honour for John O'Neill

Posted by Neil Buckingham on 17 August, 2020

As a mark of respect to former Chairman, Club President and Trustee, John O'Neill, there will be a guard of honour at the club on Tuesday, 18th of August at 11:30. We ask club members to assemble in the club from 11:15 wearing club tops if possible. John made a huge contribution to Ballyboden St....

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