









U16A Ladies Footballers hit the jackpot in club lotto







It was a year which started off with our 2004 ladies aiming to round off their Juvenile years with their 4th straight Championship victories. However, along with all other teams, the best laid plans were scuppered when the competition stopped at semi-final stage in September lockdown.

The girls were lucky to be able to continue training but as the year drew to a close, it looked like it was to be a season without any prize to show for their efforts.

However that all changed last week when the call came through that the team's numbers had come up in the Boden Lotto - and the rollover jackpot was theirs - €10,500!

The team had answered the call a couple of years ago when the lotto was being promoted and the suggestion was made at the time about teams entering together.

The girls kept the entry going and they were rewarded when their numbers were drawn on Thursday night.

No big team celebrations of course in these strange times, but given the time of year, each member of the squad will have a few Euro extra to maybe bring the family out over Christmas, maybe an extra gift for long supporting parents, and maybe something small for themselves!

Congratulations girls and Happy Shopping!!

The winning numbers drawn were:

03 20 21 01

You can support Club Facilities Development and enter the next Club Lotto draw at the link below:

https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=133&PC=0&RP=#Anchor

You can take out an annual Club Lotto subscription here.

If you have any queries about the club Lotto, please email lotto@ballyboden.ie

Clubhouse reopens



The Ballyboden Clubhouse finally reopened last Friday. Don't miss out on the action, book yourself a table!

CLUB REOPENING!



THE CLUB WILL REOPEN TO MEMBERS ON FRIDAY 11TH OF DECEMBER.

In keeping with Government guidelines, we will be offering a full food service.

Booking is essential!

To reserve a table for up to six people, please text

085 232 1591

with your name, contact number, the number of people in your party & your requested date & time.

December Opening Hours
Friday 11 th - 6pm to 11pm
Saturday 12th & Sunday 13 th (Two sittings)
2.30pm to 6.30pm & 7pm to 11pm
Thursday 17 th & Friday 18 th - 6pm to 11pm
Saturday 19 th - 4pm to 11pm
Sunday 20 th (Two sittings)
2.30pm to 6.30pm & 7pm to 11pm
Monday 21st to Thursday 24th - 6pm to 11pm
Christmas Day & St. Stephens Day Closed
Sunday 27 th (Two sittings)
2.30pm to 6.30pm & 7pm to 11pm
Monday 28 th to Sunday 3 rd - January 6pm to 11pm
LAST FOOD ORDERS @ 9pm

Please bear with us as we refine the booking system. You will receive a confirmation text & your patience would be much appreciated

The news we have all been waiting for – the club is reopening! Reserve your table now at 085 232 1591!

Clubhouse menu



Take a look at the brand new Clubhouse menu!

A message from the chairman ahead of the Christmas break

We have all been through an unprecedented year in 2020, one that we never could have foreseen and one that we hope will not be repeated. As National organisations, the GAA, LGFA and an Cumann Camógaíochta responded brilliantly to the covid crisis and

delivered learning and other assets that allowed players to train and play safely right across the country. We in Ballyboden rose to the challenge, and our amazing volunteers stepped forward to create a safe environment for our players to come together to train, play and socialise. Every team had at least one Covid Supervisor and attendance records were kept, check-ins completed and recorded and hands and equipment sanitised. We can be hugely proud of the online and virtual skills challenges as well fun games and activities that were run to keep our players engaged, active and socialising. We finally got a series of games from July through to October when level three and level five brought a halt to competitive action. We were lucky and grateful that Government regulations allowed juvenile training to continue right through level five, and, due to the absence of alternative indoor activities, training sessions were fully attended in almost all cases. Many thanks to all of the mentors, coaches, FLOs, Covid Supervisors who enabled this to happen. Thanks also to Brian and Paul who supported us through the unknowns of training and playing through a pandemic. Thanks to the Facilities Maintenance Executive, especially Vivian Ruddy and Martin Durkin, and to Con Nagle who made sure that our facilities were safe and that signage and sanitisation equipment were in place. Finally, thanks to Eamonn Gormley for his invaluable support, direction and guidance during return to play.

It is time for all of us, players and mentors to take a well-earned break in order that we can come back refreshed and ready for 2021. The Coaching Executive as well as the Juvenile Boys' and Girls' Executives strongly recommend that all teams would take a break from Wednesday of this week, 16th of December until at least the week commencing 4th of January - and this does not mean that teams need to come back that week! To that end, the pitches in Sancta Maria will be closed and lights turned off for this period and we encourage all teams to take advantage of the break. We are aware that there are two or three teams who are in championship finals that will hopefully be fixed in late January or early February, and exceptional arrangements can be made to facilitate their preparation for those finals.

On behalf of the club Executive, I would like to thank all Ballyboden players, mentors, coaches, FLOs and Covid supervisors for your torjan efforts to bring joy and fun to the youth of Ballyboden, Rathfarnham, Knocklyon and Firhouse during this most difficult of years. Have a very happy Christmas and enjoy the well-earned break.

Ciarán

Club History Book sold out ...

The Club History has sold out. There are still some people who have pre-paid and preordered a book who have not yet collected it. We would like to complete distribution of the book in the next few days.

Please contact Paddy Walsh on 087 979 4748 to arrange collection of the book you ordered as soon as possible.

CLUB SHOP OPENING HOURS FOR DECEMBER



The Club Shop is reopening with extended opening hours in December:

Thursday 3rd, 10th, 17th 19:00 – 21:00

Saturday 5th, 12th, 19th 09:00 – 14:00

You can stock up on all your gear and get some great Christmas gifts!

An open letter from the GAA ahead of the All Ireland final

A chairde,

The next few weeks will generate great excitement across the island and in seven counties in particular as we look forward to All-Ireland hurling (Liam MacCarthy and Joe McDonagh Cups) and football finals (Sam Maguire and U20) we weren't sure we would see in 2020.

It has been an achievement involving so many people to get the championships played to this juncture and our aim is to try and finish out the competitions to the highest and safest standards possible.

Our players and those who prepare them deserve the highest level of commendation for their respective roles in helping us to stage the games and all of the training involved in advance.

Similarly, our board officials have worked tirelessly with the county teams to ensure that every measure needed was taken and adhered to allow us to keep our players safe, fit, and healthy.

Go raibh míle maith agaibh to them all for everything they have done to help shorten our winter. As a national sporting body we have a responsibility to not only our players and members, but to wider society too.

To that end, we are encouraging everyone to embrace and enjoy the three All-Ireland finals in the coming weeks in a safe and sensible manner.

It is extremely unfortunate that we can't facilitate supporters at our games but that is a by-product of the pandemic we have been living through.

While we can take pre-cautionary measures at our venues, before, during and immediately after our fixtures in attempt to look after those directly involved, we can't control what happens away from the field of play in the aftermath of games.

We learnt lessons after a number of clubs finals that prompted us to move to shut down our remaining club fixtures.

We are calling on all of those who support our games and teams to follow the health guidelines, practice social distancing and to exercise caution at all times while watching and indeed after the games.

We fully appreciate this is not the norm. In fact it goes against so much of what our games mean to people.

However, it would be a travesty if the huge positive that have been our games would turn out to be a negative in the run up to Christmas because we abandoned our collective responsibility to play our part.

Help the GAA to fulfil its role by playing your part and think for a minute about how you can watch and enjoy the games with both your safety and that of others in mind over the course of what should be a memorable fortnight of games.

Thanking you in advance for your ongoing support and co-operation and wish you every best wish for the festive season.

Le gach dea ghuí, Seán Ó hÓráin Tomás Ó Riain Uachtarán Ard Stiúrthóir

2011 Boys Christmas Funday



It was a warm welcome for the 2011 Boys on a chilly December morning at Sancta Maria. The boys bid a fond farewell as Under 9s at their Christmas Funday. A fantastic morning filled with smiling faces, fun and laughter from the Boys and Coaches alike! Well done boys. Thanks to Ian Connery and Niall Jordan for photos. To see more, please <u>click here.</u>

U11 Girls End of Season Fun



The U11 Girls and their coaches donned Christmas outfits for their final training session of 2020 on Sunday. The pods of girls rotated between 6 stations to participate in fun games such as tug o' war, rounders and obstacle courses. Everybody enjoyed themselves and are looking forward to meeting up again after the break. A huge thank you to all the coaches, FLO's and Covid Supervisors for all their hard work this year to ensure the girls had fun while improving their skills.

Thanks to Suzanne Gormley for the photos. For more <u>click here.</u>

U10s Festive Fun



Our U10s had their final training session of the year in Sancta Maria and everyone was very Festive! Very Christmassy!! - well done to all the girls. Thanks to Charlie Kennedy for the pics, more here.

Merry Christmas from our U9s



Our U9s have <u>a very special wish</u> for everyone, taken at their last training session of the year in Sancta Maria. The coaches all chipped in and there were treats and selection boxes for the girls, with the surplus being donated to a local Christmas Food Appeal. Well done to all, and very happy Christmas from our U9s. Thanks to Clare and Eamon for the pics and the Christmas vid.

Support local business: Courtville - Matthew Weldon Jewellery



Rare, unique, beautiful and sustainable jewellery is the speciality of Courtville- Matthew Weldon.

Based in the corner of Powerscourt Townhouse centre on the first floor, it is a small shop with expert gemologists and antique /vintage jewellery experts on hand to assist with all your jewellery requests.

The services we offer are:

Antique and vintage jewellery,

Engagement rings,

Bespoke jewellery,

Irish silver,

Valuations.

We cater to all price points and have an ecommerce website - but please note due to high turnover of stock sometimes pieces dont make it onto the website so always worth calling in or following us on instagram.

If you are looking for something truly special, with quality gemstones, excellent client service and keen value definitely worth exploring Courtvilles collection

Support local business: Jensen Fleet Solutions



At Jensen Fleet Solutions we know that a business fleet is essential to smooth operation. We specialize in personalized professional vehicle leasing whereby we take the hassle out of fleet management, leaving you free to focus on your business. Why Use Us?

- Dedicated account manager
- We specialise in small fleets
- Any queries answered immediately
- Your personalised partner throughout the contract
- Fully Irish owned and operated, stay local, shop local
- 100% Independent

For the consumer we offer fantastic second-hand ex lease vehicles for sale. These vehicles are one owner Irish vehicles, with full-service histories and warranties.

We welcome any AA Inspection on our vehicles as we are extremely confident in the vehicles, we sell

Think of Jensen for all your motoring needs.

Baile Buadáin le Gaeilge 2020 - Tá an áit dúinn uilig ann



An Club ar Oscailt Arís

Tá an-áthas orainn go bhfuil an club ar oscailt arís!

Bhuail triúr ó Mheitheal Oibre na Gaeilge le chéile chun cigireacht a dhéanamh ar na piontaí.

Carúil na Nollag - Rogha Joe Johnston

Roghnaigh Joe carúl deas dúinn don Nollaig - Coinnle an Linbh Íosa

Is féidir leat éisteacht leis an gcarúl agus é á chanadh ag Séamus Ó Beaglaoich:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gWaU6lRDIKI

COINNLE AN LINBH ÍOSA le Caoimhín Ó Cinnéide

Tá coinnle an Linbh Íosa

a' soilsiú 'nár dtreo i bhfuinneoigín aoltha

fanfaidh Muire go ló Seo féile na saoithe

na mbocht is na mbrón, Seo aoibhneas 'nár gcroíthe

Seo síocháin go deo

Cloigíní binne san oíche do chloin,

Féiríní aoibhne na Nollag dá roinnt

Ceolta chruit shíomhar

Ag aingil dá seinnt i mainséar san tuí bhuí

Tá'n leanbh go doimhin.

Seo féile an Rí bhig

Seo féile 'bheidh buan, A sheas trís na haoiseanna

Go lá lom an Luain Guím Nollaig dheas aoibhinn

Gach síth agus suan Ar chairde mo chroíse

Go sroisfidh siad cuan.

Club Fundraiser

— BALLYBODEN ST ENDAS — CLUB FUNDRAISER

We are running a fundraiser that will see the club get 5 euro on each book sale we make on the acclaimed 'Be the Best You can Be in Sport' by Paul Kilgannon.

The book is a guide for the young sportsperson, but is of interest to coaches and sports fans alike. It contains input from over 50 of Ireland's leading coaches, sport stars, coaching academics, and sports science professionals. See the promotional video attached.

This is the perfect Christmas present for any

young sportsperson, coach or indeed anyone who has an interest in sport.

It is full of practical information, insights, stories and inspiration.

The book is illustrated by our own club man David Sweeney.

- The more books we sell the more money we make for the club.
- The more our members read it, the more we will all learn and improve.
 It's a win-win for our club.

HOW IT WORKS

- 1. TEXT YOUR NAME AND QUANTITY OF BOOKS TO TOM O'DONOGHUE AT 087 783 9898 BY THE 8TH OF DECEMBER.
 - 2. YOU WILL GET A TEXT WHEN THE BOOK IS READY FOR COLLECTION.
 - 3. PAY ON COLLECTION.
- 4. WE ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS HONOUR THEIR COMMITMENT TO PURCHASE.

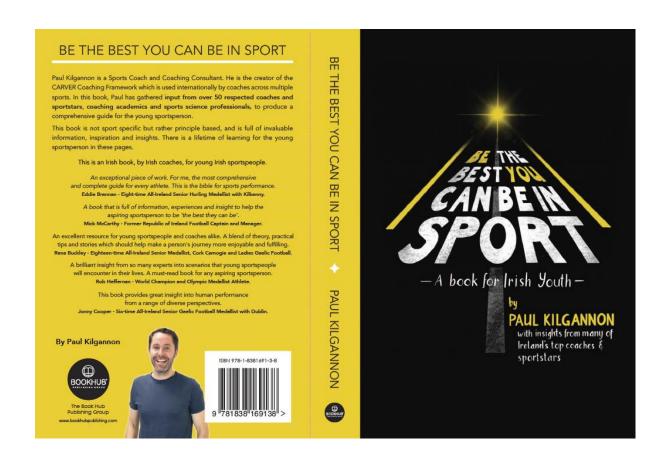


Local Initiative - Darragh's Hurley Repairs



Darragh plays underage for Ballyboden and has started this local enterprise.

Be the Best You Can Be in Sport



GAA November 2020 Newsletter



Here is the latest edition of the GAA Club Newsletter for members. https://www.gaa.ie/stories/read-the-latest-club-newsletter-november-2020/

This month's edition includes the following.

- Details of the GAA's €9.5M club and international unit financial support package
- Bloody Sunday remembered
- Games Promotion Officer Conor Herbert preaches to the converted
- Menu of resources to assist hurling and camogie coaches
- How Croke Park became a sustainable venue
- How to get your club winter ready

Correspondence can be sent to clubnewsletter@gaa.ie

Covid Practice - Update

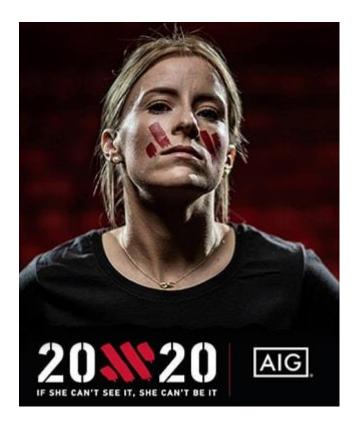
As a club, we have been very diligent regarding implementation of measures to ensure the safety of spectators and players, and this has been as a result of hard work and effort by many, many people who have been tracking player check-ins, stewarding games, providing signage and sanitiser, ensuring a 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.

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

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/51OTk69ctQc

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

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 coutresy 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

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.

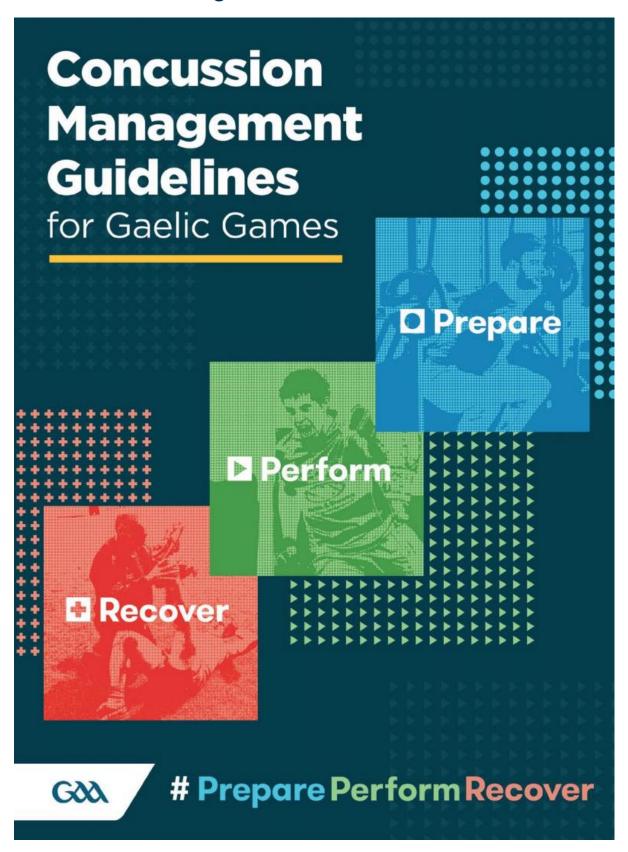
suggests or encourages illegal activity.

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.

Concussion Management



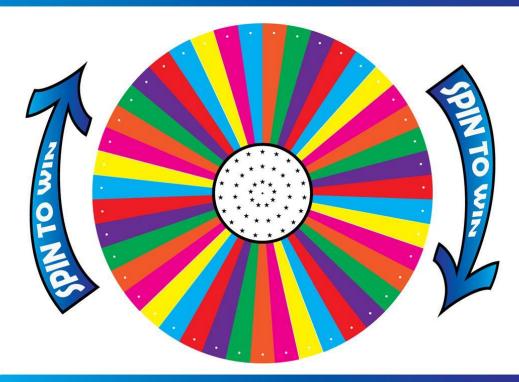
Gaelic games can be physical sports, and, while collisions are not a primary element of our games, they can occasionally happen. There has been an increasing number of concussion injuries over the past year, and it is important that team managers, mentors and first aid people can recognise the symptoms 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

Spin The Wheel

SPIN THE WHEEL @ BODEN



EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT @ 11pm 3 PEOPLE TO SPIN EVERY NIGHT

43 Prizes on the WHEEL, Including €1000, €500, €300, €200, €100, €50 42" Smart TV, Vintage Wine Collection Presentation Box, Club Lotto Membership

AND DOZENS OF OTHER PRIZES TO BE WON

(YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO SPIN THE WHEEL)

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 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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Club is open!

Posted by Susan McManus on 12 December, 2020

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The post **Club is open!** appeared first on **Ballyboden**.

Open Letter: GAA members urged to enjoy All-Ireland Finals safely

Posted by Alan Kinsella on 11 December, 2020

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The post **Open Letter: GAA members urged to enjoy All-Ireland Finals safely** appeared first on **Ballyboden**.

Jackpot Winners

Posted by Cliona Mellett on 10 December, 2020

Congratulations to our U16A Ladies Football team syndicate who won tonight's bumper Jackpot of €10,500. Great excitement in the camp! A very nice and early Christmas present!

The post **Jackpot Winners** appeared first on **Ballyboden**.

Club Shop opening hours for December

Posted by Susan McManus on 30 November, 2020

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19th 09:00 – 17:00 You can stock up on all your gear and get some

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Ladies Football Section AGM

Posted by Cliona Mellett on 24 November, 2020

The Annual General Meeting of Ballyboden St Enda's Ladies Football section will be held on Tuesday 15th December 2020 at 7.30pm. In light of the ongoing Covid-19 restrictions, the AGM will be staged virtually which allows us to proceed on an online platform. A link will be available nearer the date. Motions for consideration at...

The post Ladies Football Section AGM appeared first on Ballyboden.