



Camogie Catch-Up

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Easter Break.....

Ok, so last week we took a bit of a break but we're back on track for this edition of Camogie Catch Up. Thanks again to all of those who submitted results, team news and photographs. This week is quiet with the Easter Break so a great opportunity for anyone who has not had a chance to submit some news yet to do a quick catch up for their team!!

Last week you may have seen the first of our "Young Boden Stars" section and congratulations again to Séona Gannon. If you have a player on your team, a daughter or a friend in the club that you would like to be profiled please let me know. Simply fill out a few of the questions, attach a small photograph and email me at lucey1@hotmail.com

Thanks,

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Sweet start for Senior A team

(Boden 4-14 Erin's Isle 1-6)

Senior A team made a fantastic start to their season overcoming a gallant Erins Isle team 4-14 to 1-6. Sancta Maria was the venue of choice and there was great support in the stands for this highly anticipated fixture. Boden got the stronger start of the two and led from start to finish.

Sharp shooting in attack from the trio of Paula McGrath, Emer Lucey and Dearbhla Brennan gave little chance for the Isles defence to settle. Kim Hickey and Anne Griffin both set their stall in the early minutes and worked extremely well from start to finish. It was the other Hickey on the squad, Elaine who spent the hour sweeping across the Boden defence and proved, with an outstanding performance, that the move from the forwards to the backs may not be a bad one after all!!

Louise O Hara was a constant threat for the opposition and pulled off some fantastic scores from play and from placed ball but the real surprise of the night came in the last 10 minutes. The Boden girls were really starting to get into their stride again and the re-introduction of Orla Smith into the full forward line provided that surprise. With the number 3 on her back, Orla contributed a whopping 3 goals in the closing stages to leave the sides 4-14 to 1-6 at the final whistle.

Congratulations to Riche Sweetnam and his management team of Conor Sheehan, Bernard Curtis and Nuala O Sullivan on a super start to the 2010 league.

Academy Watch

SENIOR A NEWS

HATRICK HERO

Smiles all round for Orla Smith who made her move from full back to full forward and has jumped into poll position as Top goal scorer!!!



ON YER BIKE!!

Congratulations to Susan Kennedy on her recent (and very long) cycle to Galway from Maynooth.

CAPTAIN & VICE CAPTAIN

Congratulations to Ciara Lucey and Anne Griffin who were recently appointed Captain and Vice-Captain respectively for the coming season.

Ballyboden Academy at the Hermitage has been ongoing every Saturday morning at 10am. 85 girls between the ages of 6 and 9 have been regular attendees since September, and reaching the Easter weekend break, four of these girls, Hollyn Kennedy, Orla Hannan, Sinéad Sweeney and Yvonne Gargan have yet to be marked absent in any one of the 16 sessions.

We average over 60 girls at our stations of camogie, football and fundamental activities and games every week, and progress at their skills has impressed coaches and parents alike. We've a great crew of volunteers from the Under 16 and minor camogie teams assisting with parents and club coaches in bringing on the future Boden stars.

Any other girls wanting to join the fun should ask for Mary Hyland at the Hermitage, and hurls and helmets are provided for any girl that needs them.

Keep up the good work girls and coaches!

Picture shows a few of early arrivals on Sat. March 27th,



Match Reports

Super strong performance by U13A's against Lucan last weekend...

After a disappointing defeat to Crumlin in their first league game, the U13A girls followed this up with some strong performances.

A difficult trip to Erins Isle resulted in a narrow victory in which the girl's showed great fighting spirit. This was followed last weekend by a home match against Faugh's which again proved to be a very close affair. Faugh's were credited with a dubious late point to earn a draw which was probably a fair result.

This weekend the girls had a difficult trip to a Lucan side that are the standard bearer's at this age. The girls produced their best performance of the year so far, and with 5 minutes remaining trailed by only 3 points and were trying desperately for an equalizing goal. Unfortunately Lucan held out and got a couple of late scores to win by 2-5 to Boden's 1-1.....a scoreline that didn't reflect the closeness of the game. All 18 girls played to the best of their ability, and if the girls produce this level of performance for the rest of the year we will enjoy more good days than bad!!!

Finally, **congratulations** to the 7 girls selected for the Dublin U13 academy for 2010,...



Olaf's too strong for Panthers this week

Ballyboden Panthers took on Naomh Olaf in an away game this Sunday. Unfortunately the girls had their first loss of the season losing 4 scores to nil.

By the end of the first half we were down 3 points and within a minute of the second half, a fourth score by N Olaf, despite some brave goal keeping by Alex O'Connor. However, the girls picked themselves up and brought the pressure back on Naomh Olaf's for the rest of the game. They were very unfortunate not to put some scores on the board with a number of narrow wides.

We were tight on numbers again with the Easter Holidays impacting on our player availability. Once again the Panthers had to rely on their super sister subs from the Academy, Niamh Ryan and Aisling Murray to help the team out. Both of them had excellent games upfront. Anna Shanley showed her commitment to the team by making a trip up from Wexford on Sunday morning as she knew the team was short of players. That commitment was also shown on the field by Anna and the rest of the team. In the second half the girls played superb camogie and we look forward to meeting Naomh Olaf again in the league where hopefully we can reverse the result!

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