



## Granagh Ballingarry Ease into first B Final since 2018

### West Junior B Football Championship semi-final

Granagh/Ballingarry.....3-13  
Athea.....1-8

Granagh/Ballingarry recorded a comfortable victory over a gallant Athea second string in ideal conditions at St. Kierans GAA club grounds in Coolcappa on Sunday afternoon to qualify for their first West Limerick Junior B Football Championship Final since they defeated Dromcollogher/Broadford 3-11 to 2-9 in the 2018 decider, after a replay at Mick Neville Park Rathkeale against 2019 champions neighbours Knockaderry this Saturday 23rd October in Athea at 3.30pm.

The game was played in ideal conditions in front of a small crowd on a top class pitch with John McGrath of Monagea in charge. Wides were exchanged before Athea No. 11 Andrew O’Riordan kicked a smashing goal on 3 minutes before white flags were traded from open play by Granagh/Ballingarry No. 11 Cathal O’Keeffe on 4 minutes and Athea’s No. 5 Michael Tierney a minute later to three between the sides, Athea 1-1, Granagh/Ballingarry 0-1 on 5 minutes. Then Denis O’Connor of Granagh/Ballingarry reduced the deficit to two with his second white flag from open play on 7 minutes before white flags were traded from open play by Athea No. 13 Kevin O’Keeffe on 9 minutes and Granagh/Ballingarry No. 12 Jack Hartnett 3 minutes later to leave two still between the sides, Athea 1-2, Granagh/Ballingarry 0-3 on 12 minutes. Aidan Corry split the uprights from a placed ball on 14 minutes to extend the Athea boys’ advantage to three, 1-3 to 0-3 at the end of the first quarter. On the resumption of play white flags were traded from open play by Cathal O’Keeffe on 16 minutes and Sheehan a minute later to leave three again between the sides, Athea 1-4, Granagh/Ballingarry 0-4 on 17 minutes. A couple of wides were exchanged before a Denis O’Connor 45 was finished past Athea keeper Colin Broderick by Brendan Lynch on 20 minutes followed up by a pair of white flags from open play through Denis O’Connor on 24 and 19 minutes to send the Granagh/Ballingarry boys in at the interval leading by two, 1-6 to 1-4.



Granagh/Ballingarry dominated the opening 8 minutes after the interval with white flags through Jack Hartnett on 32 and 34 minutes, Denis O’Connor on 36 minutes followed by a Jack O’Donoghue green flag a minute later to leave eight between the sides Granagh/Ballingarry 2-9, Athea 1-8 on 37 minutes. Andrew O’Riordan finally opened the Athea boys’ second half account when he split the uprights from placed balls on 39 and 40 minutes before Jack O’Donoghue raised his second green flag for the Granagh/Ballingarry boys a minute later to leave the boys from Knockfierna 9 ahead, 3-9 to 1-6 on 41 minutes. A couple of wides were exchanged before white flags were traded by Brendan Lynch from open play on 43 minutes and Andrew O’Riordan from a placed ball on 45 minutes to leave 9 between the sides, Granagh/Ballingarry 3-10, Athea 1-7 at the end of the third quarter at the second water break. When play got under way again Andrew O’Riordan, his fourth white flag for Athea from a placed ball on 47 minutes to reduce the deficit to 8. The final 13 minutes were all Granagh/Ballingarry with a trio of white flags through Jack O’Donoghue from open play on 50 minutes, Denis O’Connor from a placed ball on 55 minutes and Edward Sheehy from open play on 59 minutes. At the final whistle Granagh/Ballingarry were worthy 11 point winners, 3-13 to 1-8. They now qualify for their first West Junior B football championship final since 2018, against the 2019 winners Knockaderry on Saturday 23rd October in Athea at 3.30pm. Granagh/Ballingarry scored 3-12 from play and 0-1 from a free. Athea scored 1-3 from play and 0-5 from frees.

**Granagh/Ballingarry:** Denis Sheehy, Kieran Condrón, Niall Cahill, Gearoid O’Leary, Eoin Lynch, Darragh Casey, Eoin Herlihy, Davin

Condrón, Edward Sheehy 0-1, Gearoid Lynch, Cathal O’Keeffe 0-2, Jack Hartnett 0-3, Jack O’Donoghue 2-1, Denis O’Connor 0-5 (1 free), Brendan Lynch. Subs used Niall Fitzgerald for Gerard O’Leary, injured.

**Athea:** Colin Broderick, David O’Connor, Conor Fitzgerald, Pierce O’Brien, Michael Tierney 0-1, Michael Dalton, Jack Hunt, Martin Chawke, Luke Gleeson, Colm Hassett, Andrew O’Riordan 1-5, 0-4 frees, Brian Sheehan 0-1, Kevin O’Keeffe, Aidan Curry 0-1 free, Jack Denihan. Subs used John Geoghegan, Eoin Horgan and Dan McMahon.

Referee: John McGrath, Monagea.

### Granagh/Ballingarry seek 5th Junior B football title

Granagh/Ballingarry will be hoping to take the Jim McCarthy Memorial Cup home for the sixth time when they flex their muscles against neighbours Kockaderry in the eagerly awaited West Junior B Football Championship final this Saturday 23rd October in Athea at 3.30pm. This is the climax of the 2021 West Junior B Football Championship. It is the 37th final since Feenagh/Kilmeedy beat Granagh in the first one in the centenary year in 1984 to become the first winners of the Dr. Jim McCarthy Memorial Cup. Tremendous support is anticipated for both clubs as Knockaderry will be all out to avenge the opening round group 2 one point defeat by the boys from Knockfierna.

#### Support

Hopefully all Gaels in both Granagh and Ballingarry will go to Athea this Saturday to support the boys in black and green and their management team at 3.30p.m. and cheer them on in their bid to bring the West Junior B football championship title and the Dr. Jim McCarthy Perpetual Memorial Cup to the parish and club for the sixth time, to go joint top of the roll of honour with the Knockaderry boys on six titles.

### West Junior B Football Championship Roll of Honour

Knockaderry: 6 -1988, 1999, 2005, 2006, 2015 and 2019.

Granagh/Ballingarry: 5 – Ballingarry 1989, Granagh/Ballingarry 1996, 2010, 2016 2018.

Drom/Broadford: 3 – 1992, 2009, 2017.

Kilcornan: 3 – 1994, 2007, 2008.

Newcastle West: 3 – 2003, 2011, 2012.

Adare: 3 – 1997, 1998, 2021.

Killeedy: 2 – 1985, 1987.

Mountcollins: 2 – 1990, 2000.

Feenagh/Kilmeedy: 2 – 1984, 2013.

Ballysteen: 2 – 2001, 2014.

Feohanagh/Castlemahon: 2 – 2002, 2003.

Cappagh: 1 – 1995.

**County U-21 B Hurling Group 2 Round 1**  
Ballingarry is the venue this Sunday 24th or Monday 25th October at 12 noon for the clash of the home side Granagh/Ballingarry and Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore in the opening round of group 2 in the Limerick County U-21 B Hurling Championship. Please support.

#### October County Club Draw

The next Limerick County GAA Club draw is on Saturday 30th October with a top prize of €10,000. There are a host of other prizes to be won, 2nd €3,000, 3rd €2,000, 4th €1,000, 5th exclusive prize of two nights hotel break with dinner, 6th to 9th €500, 10th to 13th €250, 14th to 30th €1,000. Entry to the draw is just €10 per month with the option to join our own ten monthly draw and county club draw for €150. Granagh/Ballingarry has three winners to date Nora Farragher who won €100 in March and Paul McCarthy who won €100 in May and Terence McCarthy won the exclusive star prize in August. If you would like to renew your membership please follow the link [HERE](#) and select Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club and the number of draws you wish to sign up for. You may also contact the Granagh/Ballingarry club draw coordinator **Stephen Stapleton on 086-1960301**. Note all new names to be included in the October 30th draw must be in by Wednesday 27th October.

Limerick Number Plates

The official number plates 21-L-Liam are now available in shops in Limerick city and county. Please support as proceeds go to the Limerick hurling and football training fund.

#### Club Diary

**Saturday 23rd October**



### West Junior B Football Final

Granagh/Ballingarry v Knockaderry in Athea at 3.30pm.

West Junior B Hurling Championship Final  
Adare v Newcastlewest in Seán Finn’s Park, Rathkeale at 3.30pm.

County Intermediate Hurling Championship Final

Effin v Croagh/Kilfinny in Newcastlewest at 2pm

County Junior A Hurling Championship Relegation Semi Final

Ahane v Monaleen in Claughnaun at 3.30pm.

Premier Junior Football Championship  
Munster Club Play-Off

Croom v Mountcollins in Dromcollogher at 3pm.

### Sunday 24th October

County Premier Intermediate Hurling Championship Final

Mungret/St. Paul’s v Cappamore in Pairc na nGael at 1.30pm.

County Senior Hurling Championship Final  
Patrickswell v Kilmallock in Pairc na nGael 3.45pm.

County U21A Hurling Championship Group 1 Round 1

Newcastlewest v Blackrock in Newcastlewest at 12noon

County U21A Hurling Championship Group 2 Round 1

Monaleen v Bruff in Monaleen at 12 noon

County U21A Hurling Championship Group 3 Round 1

Belville Gaels v South Liberties/Crecora in Quaid Park, Coolyroe at 12noon

County U21B Hurling Championship Group 1 Round 1

Knockainey v Askeaton in Knockainey at 12noon

St. Patrick’s v Sarsfield’s in Rhebogue at 12noon

County U21B Hurling Championship Group 2 Round 1

Granagh/Ballingarry v Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore in Ballingarry at 12noon.

Croom v Knockaderry in Croom at 12 noon.

County U21B Hurling Championship Group 3 round 1

Claughaun v Templeglantine in Claughaun at 12 noon

Dromin/Athlacca v Drom/Broadford v Athlacca at 12 noon.

County U21B Hurling Championship Group 4 Round 1

Tournafulla v Caherline in Killeedy at 12noon

County Junior A Football Championship Semi Final

Ballybricken/Bohermore v Camogue Rovers in Fedamore at 12noon.

### Monday 25th October

County Junior A Hurling Championship Relegation Semi Final

Old Christians v Staker Wallace in Caherconlish at 3.30pm.

County U19B Hurling Championship Semi Finals

Dromin/Athlacca v Kildimo/Pallaskenry in Mick Neville Park, Rathkeale at 2pm.

St. Kieran’s v Caherline in Kilbreedy at 2pm.

County U21B Hurling Championship Group 2 Round 1

Granagh/Ballingarry v Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore in Ballingarry at 12noon.

Tuesday 26th October

County Premier U21 Hurling Championship Group 1 Round 2

Na Piersaigh v Ballybrown in Rhebogue at 7.30pm

Doon v Adare in Kilbreedy at 7.30pm.

### Wednesday 27th October

County U19A Hurling Championship Final  
Coshlea Gaels v Naomh Eoin in Knocklong at 8pm.

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