

Granagh & Ballingarry GA

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Granagh/Ballingarry Fought Hard to Book Semi-final Spot

Limerick County Junior B Football Championship Quarter-final Granagh/Ballingarry.....0-10 Fedamore......0-6

Newly-crowned West Limerick Junior B football champions Granagh/Ballingarry fought hard in difficult wet and windy conditions in Croom on Sunday to beat gallant East runner-up Fedamore by four points to qualify for the semi-final of the Limerick County Junior B football championship for the first time since 2018 against City champions Claughaun this Saturday 13th November in Clarina at 3p.m.

A small crowd watched this county championship semi-final hampered no doubt by the wet and windy weather played in heavy underfoot ground conditions with Mike Sexton of Bruree in charge. Fedamore with the wind at their backs in the opening half had a couple of wides before their No. 12 Cian Enright split the uprights following a good solo run on 3 minutes



cancelled out 2 minutes later by Brendan Lynch for o-1 all on five minutes. A couple of wides were exchanged before white flags were traded by Aaron Smith from a placed ball on 8 minutes and Craig McNamara from open play tow minutes later to level the score for the second time at 0-2 all in ten minutes. Then Fedamore No. 13 Jack Flavin kicked wide from a couple of placed balls before Granagh/Ballingarry No. 12 Aaron Smith landed his second white flag on 14 minutes to leave the West champions one ahead, 0-3 to 0-2 at the end of the first quarter at the water break. On the resumption of play white flags were traded from open play by Fedamore No. 13 Jack Flavin on 17 minutes and Granagh/Ballingarry No. 11 Jack Cagney who fisted over the bar three minutes later to leave one again between the sides, Granagh/Ballingarry 0-4, Fedamore 0-3 on 20 minutes. Five minutes later a pair of white flags for the boys in black and green through Aaron Smith with his third from a placed ball on 26 minutes and Jack Cagney a second from open play on 30 minutes, left Granagh/Ballingarry 0-6 to 0-3 ahead at the interval.

It was five minutes into the second half before white flags were traded from open play by Craig McNamara on 36 minutes and substitute Cathal O'Keeffe three minutes later to leave the Granagh/Ballingarry boys again three ahead, 0-7 to 0-4 to 39 minutes. Then Granagh/Ballingarry were reduced to fourteen players for a 10 minute spell when their No. 5 Eoin Lynch received a black card on 40 minutes before a pair of white flags from open play on 42 minutes and a placed ball on 45 minutes through Aaron Smith to increase the Granagh/Ballingarry boys advantage to five, 0-9 to 0-4 at the end of the third quarter at the second water break. When play got under way again Fedamore No. 13 Jack Flavin split the uprights from a placed ball on 48 minutes to reduce the deficit to foru, Granagh/Ballingarry o-9, Fedamore o-5. The standard of football in the next 7 minutes were poor with both sides guilty of inaccurate shooting hampered no doubt by the difficult underfoot conditions. Then Fedamore No. 11 Craig McNamara split the uprights following a good solo run to reduce the deficit to three 0-9 to 0-6 on 56 minutes. Fedamore created a number of good chances to level the score, which they failed to convert before Granagh/Ballingarry upped their game with a well taken point by substitute Jack Hartnett on 60 minutes to leave the West champions four ahead, but only just 0-10 to 0-6 at the final whistle after a hard fought contest, to qualify for the first Limerick County Junior A Football Championship semi-final since 2018 against city champions Claughaun this Saturday 13th November in Clarina at 3p.m.

Granagh/Ballingarry scored o-5 from play and o-5 from frees. Fedamore scored 0-5 from play and 0-1

Granagh/Ballingarry: David Clancy, Kieran Condron, Niall Cahill, captain, Thomas O'Donovan, Eoin Lynch, Darragh Casey, Eoin Herlihy, David Condon, Edward Sheehy, Luke Flynn, Jack Cagney 0-2, Aaron Smith o-5, 4 frees, Jack O'Donoghue, Denis O'Connor, Brendan Lynch o-1. Subs used Cathal O'Keeffe o-1, Jack Hartnett 0-1.;

Fedamore: Thomas Moyles, Eoin McCormack, Eoin Enright, Eoghan Hurley, Nicky Morrissey 0-1, Jerry Flavin, John Bourke, Paul Tracy, Richard Bate4man,

Ruairi Conaghan, Craig McNamara 0-3, Cian Enright 0-1, Jack Flavin 0-2, (1 free), Seaghan Gleeson, Hugh O'Donnell. Subs used Oisin O'Reilly and John O'Don-

Referee: Mike Sexton, Bruree.

Slick Granagh/Ballingarry prove too strong for Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore County U-21 B Hurling Championship Group 2

Granagh/Ballingarry.....1-23 Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore....0-11 In the much delayed County Under 21 B Hurling

Championship Group 2 Round 1 match at bitterly cold Na Piarsaigh grounds in Caherdavin on Thursday night under lights Granagh/Ballingarry got their campaign off to a winning start with a comfortable victory over gallant Bally-

bricken/Bohermore/Fedamore. A good crowd turned out to watch this game despite the late 8.30p.m. throw in played on an excellent pitch with Mike Browne of Dromcollogher/Broadford in charge. The Granagh/Ballingarry boys laid a firm foundation for victory in the opening 18 minutes shooting 1-7 from open play through Luke Flynn 0-3, Sean O'Connor and Michael Russell o-2, Eoin Lynch 1-0 and Sean Murphy 0-1 before their opponents finally opened their account through a well taken point following a good solo run by their No. 5 John Bourke on 20 minutes. The remaining 10 minutes of this onesided opening half was again all Granagh/Ballingarry with white flags by Gerard Lynch (play) to send the West Limerick side in the interval leading 1-12 to 0-1 at the first water break. Gearoid Lynch and Don Owens traded white flags from open play in the opening four minutes after the interval before a trio of white flags by Granagh/Ballingarry No. 11 Michael Russell from placed balls and one from open play in a six minute spell to leave it 1-17 to 0-2 in favour of the boys in black and green on 40 minutes. Then a pair of white flags by Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore from open play courtesy of Michael Martin on 41 minutes and Don Owens on 42 minutes were cancelled out by Michael Russell from a placed ball on 43 minutes and Luke Flynn from open play before points were traded by Luke Flynn from open play, Don Owens from a placed ball, Michael Russell (play), and Cian Enright (play) in a two minute spell to leave it Granagh/Ballingarry 1-20, Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore 0-6 at the end of the third quarter at the second water break, when play got under way again points were traded from open play by Darragh Casey on 46 minutes and Michael Martin on 47 minutes before a pair of white flags from open play for the

Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore boys through Jack Cross on 48 minutes and Con Enright two minutes later Granagh/Ballingarry 1-21, Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore 0-9 on 50 minutes. Then a pair of white flags for Granagh/Ballingarry through Michael Russell on 52 minutes and Sean O'Connor on 54 minutes were cancelled out by Con Enright on 56 minutes Don Owens on 60 minutes. The final whistle sounded shortly after leaving Granagh/Ballingarry worthy 1-23 to 0-11 winners to get their County U-21 B Hurling Championship Group 2 campaign off to a winning

Granagh/Ballingarry scored 1-18 from play and 0-5 from frees; Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore scored 0-10 from play and 0-1 from a free.

Granagh/Ballingarry: Keith O'Kelly, Mark O'Shea, Eoin Enright, Eoin Herlihy, Eoin Lynch, Darragh Casey 0-1, Brian Sheehy, Luke Flynn 0-5, Sean Murphy o-1, Sean O'Connor o-3, Michael Russell o-10 (5 frees), Paudie Murphy, Padraig McKenna, Eoin Lynch 1-0, Gearoid Lynch 0-2. Subs used Brian Mul-

Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore: Jamie Slater, James Fleming, Colm O'Riordan, James Keogh, John Bourke 0-1, Pat Byrnes, James Hickey, Jack Cross, Cian Enright o-3, Brian Fitzgerald, Michael Martin o-2, Aaron Hickey Michael Clifford, Don Owens 0-3 (1 free), Darragh Keogh.

Referee: Michael Browne, Dromcollogher/Broadford.

November County Club Draw

The next Limerick County GAA Club draw is on Saturday 27th November 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 €500 voucher, 6th to 9th €500, 10th to 13th €250, 14th to

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 Teresa McCarthy won the exclusive star prize in August. If you would like to renew your membership please follow the link **HERE**, sign up 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 co-ordinator Stephen Stapleton on 086-1960301.

Note: All new names to be included in the November 27th draw must be in by Wednesday 24th November.

Saturday's County Junior B **Football Championship Semi-Final**

Ballybrown GAA Club grounds in Clarina is the venue this Saturday 13th November at 3p.m. for the eagerly awaited meeting of newly-crowned west champions Granagh/Ballingarry and city kingpins Claughaun in the Limerick County Junior B Football Championship semi-final. This is the first ever meeting of the sides in this competition. Four times winners Granagh/Ballingarry 1989, 1994, 2002, 2010 defeated neighbours Knockaderry by 5 points 1-11 to 1-6 in the West Final and Fedamore by 4 points, 0-10 to 0-6 in the county quarter-final will be aiming to reach the county final for the first time since 2018 when they unfortunately went under to Dromcollogher/Broadford by a point, 2-6 to 0-18 at Knockaderry. City champions Claughaun fielding their second string side were impressive 1-16 to 0-9 winners over Mungret/St. Paul's I the city final and seven point 3-12 to 2-8 winners over south runners-up Croom in the county quarter final to set up Saturday's semi-final meeting with Granagh/Ballingarry, will be aiming to reach their first ever final in this competition.

A tough hard fought contest is expected with neither side fearing the other and confident of victory to reach the final. Your support would be appreciated in Clarina this Saturday at 3p.m. to cheer on the boys in black and green and their management team of Shane O'Grady, Denis O'Sullivan and Andrew Holmes in their bid to reach the Limerick County Junior B Football Championship Final for the sixth time and a first since 2018.

Tickets

Tickets for the Granagh/Ballingarry v Fedamore County Junior B Football Championship semi final in Clarina this Saturday 13th November at 3pm can now be purchases on www.universe.com search for Granagh/Ballingarry club. The link to purchase tickets is also posted on the Granagh/Ballingarry Facebook or Twitter page. €10 per adult, €6 for students, €2 for

Note: no tickets will be on sale at the gate.

Club Mugs

Having been inundated with queries and requests in recent weeks we are pleased to announce that we will shortly be putting through an order for the much coveted Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club mugs and travel mugs (see picture on the club Facebook), mugs are €10 each while travel mugs are €15 each. They would make an ideal Christmas present for a family member or friend. Anyone looking to put through an order can email club treasurer Adrian Farragher at afarragher83atyahoo.ie by 5pm today Wednesday 10th November and the order will be submitted on Thursday 11th November. It is hoped delivery will arrive in early December. The initial order is expected to be around 100mugs. So, book early today to avoid disappointment (if we receive requests in excess of €100 we will endeavour to facilitate that number. **Limerick Number Plates**

The official number plates 21-4-team are now available in shops in Limerick city and county. Please support as proceeds go to the Limerick hurling and football training fund.

Lottery

There was no winner of the €15,600 jackpot in the Granagh/Ballingarry GAA club lottery on Saturday 6th November. The numbers drawn were 17, 20, 21 and 24. The lucky dips of €20 each went to Laura



O'Keeffe promoter Conor O'Keeffe, Amy Buckley promoter Donal Mulcahy, Dan McAuliffe promoter Condron's Bar, Gráinne Power promoter (online). The next draw for a jackpot of €15,700 will be held in the Rock Bar, Granagh on Saturday 13th November. Tickets are €2 each or three for €5 and are on sale in local shops and bars and from promoters.

Note: You can now play the weekly draw online and the link to play is available **HERE** and finishes at 6pm every Saturday. Thank you for your continuing support.

County Junior B Football Championship Final The 2021 Limerick County Junior B Football Championship Final Granagh/Ballingarry or Claughaun v Knockaderry or Galbally is fixed for Sunday 21st November at Pairc Caoimh Uí Luing, Feenagh or Bruff at 2.30pm.

Winter Training

Granagh/Ballingarry Brod nan ÓG training programme will start on this evening Wednesday 10th November at 6.30pm in the Croom FAA Astro turf and wall ball facilities. The programme will run for 5 weeks (weather permitting) with each night being divided into two sections: Section One running from 6.30pm

to 7.20pm and Section Two running from 7.30pm to 8.20pm.

Section One is for players born in 2010 to 2012 and Section 2 for players born 2007 to 2009. The aim of the programme is to enhance and nurture the basic skills of the game of hurling, first touch, hand to eye co-ordination, lifting and striking etc. It is hoped to have guest coaches each night and who better to kick us off this Wednesday other than our own Donal O'Grady and current intermediate the former dual county minor player David Condron to take the reins

Club Diary

Wednesday 10th November

County U21 A Hurling Championship Group 1 Round 3

Blackrock v Kildimo/Pallaskenry in Knocklong at

County U21A Hurling Championship Group 3 Round

South Liberties Crecora v Killacolla Gaels in Mick Neville Park at 7.30pm

County U21A Hurling Championship Group 4 round 3

Cappamore v Coshlea Gaels in Doon at 8pm.

Thursday 11th November County U21 Premier Hurling Championship

Group 2 Round 1

Croagh/Kilfinny/Rathkeale v Ahane in Kilbreedy at 7.30pm, Garryspillane v Patrickswell in Caherdavin at 8.30pm.

Friday 13th November

County Premier U21 Football Championship Group 2

Fr. Casey's v Na Piarsaigh in Mick Neville Park, Rathkeale at 8pm.

County U21B Football Championship

Group 1 Round 1 Belville Gaels v Ahane in Rhebogue at 8.30pm. Saturday 13th November

County Junior A Hurling Championship Final Caherline v St. Kieran's in Kilmallock at 2pm. County Junior B Hurling Championship Semi Finals Bruff v Adare in Fedamore at 3pm.

Blackrock v Cappamore in Knocklong at 3pm County Junior B Football Championship Quarter Fi-

Galbally v Knockaderry in Bruff at 2pm Claughun v Granagh/Ballingarry in Clarina at 3pm County U21 A Football Championship Group 2 Round

Ballylanders v Croom in Ballylanders at 2.30pm. Sunday November 14th

County U21 Premier Hurling Championship Group 1

Adare v Kilmallock in Seán Finn's Park, Rathkeale at

County U21 Premier Hurling Championship Group 2

Garryspillane v Mungret/St. Paul's in Mick Neville

Park, Rathkeale at 12noon. County U21A Football Championship Group 1 Round

Killaculla Gaels v Ballybricken/Bohermore/Fedamore in Caherelly at 12 noon.

County U21A Football Championship Group 4 Round Oola v Kildimo/Pallaskenry in Oola at 2.30pm.

County U21B Football Championship Group 1 Round

St. Patrick's v Granagh/Ballingarry in Rhebogue at 12

County U21 B Football Championship Group 2 Round

Bruff v St. Senan's in Bruff at 12 noon.

County U21B Football Championship Group 3 Round

Sarsfields v Galtee Gaels in Pallasgreen at 12noon. County U21B Football Championship Group 4 Round

Athea v Knockaderry in Athea at 12noon

Tuesday 16th November County Premier U21 Hurling Championship Group 1

Kilmallock v Ballybrown in Mick Neville Park at 8pm Doon v Na OPiarsaigh in Knocklong at 8pm County Premier U21 Hurling Championship Group 2

Croagh/Kilfinny/Rathkeale v Patrickswell in Kil-

breedy at 8pm. Ahane v Mungret/St. Paul's in Caherdavin at 8.30pm.

County U21B Hurling Championship Group 2 Round Granagh/Ballingarry v Croom in Mick Neville Park,

Rathkeale at 8pm. County U21B Hurling Championship Group 4 Round

Caherline v St. Kieran's in Rhebogue at 8pm

Sunday 21st November

County Junior B Football Championship Final Granagh/Ballingarry or Claughaun v Knockaderry or Galbally in Pairc Caoimh Uí Luing, Feenagh or Bruff at 2.30pm.

