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## Sixth West B Final in eight seasons

#### **West Limerick Junior B Hurling** Championship semi-final **Granagh Ballingarry 3-21 Croagh Kilfinny 2-8**

Granagh Ballingarry with a strong all round team performance eased into their sixth west Limerick Junior B Hurling Championship final in eight seasons against holders Adare of Knockaderry with a deserved 16 point victory over gallant neighbours Croagh Kilfinny at Pairc Caoimh O Luing, Feenagh on Saturday evening the Feenagh Kilmeedy officials had their pitch in top class coditions despite the heavy rains of the previous days for the clash of neighbours in the West Limerick Junior B Hurling Championships Semi-Final with Michael Browne of Dromcollogher Broadford in charge. Granagh Ballingarry No.9 Eoin Lynch and Croagh Kilfinny no.14 Tomas Neville traded white flags from open play for 0-1 each on 2 minutes.

Then Granagh Ballingarry boys despite playing into the wind hit 2-3 in a 13-minute spell through Eoin Lynch who split the uprights from a placed ball followed up with a pair of green flags courtesy of Jack Hartnett following good work by Michael Carroll and Kevin Ford and Michael Carroll following a long delivery by Jim O'Keeffe from open play and Eoin Lynch from a placed ball to leave it 2-4 to 0-1 in favour of the black and greens on 13 minutes. The Croagh Kilfinny boys from being over-owed had a pair of white flags through their no.15 Chris Casey from a placed ball on 15 minutes and open play on 17 minutes before Granagh Ballingarry landed five unanswered points through Jack Hartnett (play) on 18 minutes. Brian Sheehy (play) on 20 minutes Eoin Lynch (free) on 21 minutes Jack Hartnett (play) on 23 minutes and Eoin Lynch from a 65 two minutes later to leave it 2-9 to 0-2 in favour of Granagh Ballingarry on 25 minutes. Chris Casey won a point back for the Croagh Kilfinny boys from a placed ball 26 minutes before the boys from Knockfierna finished the opening half strong with a pair of white flags from open play through their own no.13 Owen Lynch on 27 minutes Kevin Forde on 28 minutes followed by a second Michael Carroll green flag on 29 minutes, following good work by Kevin Forde and a long-range point from open play by Jim O'Keeffe to send Granagh Ballingarry in at the interval leading by 17, 3-12 to 0-4.

The Croagh Kilfinny boys made a dream start to the second halfwith a cracking goal by their no.12 Mike O'Connell on 32 minutes before the inform Jack Hartnett raised another white flag for the Granagh Ballingarry boys to extend their advantage to 14, 3-13 to 1-4 on 34 minutes. Then after seven minutes of scoreless play Brendan Lynch of Granagh Ballingarry finally found the range when he split the uprights following a good solo run on 42 minutes before points were traded from open play by Jack Hartnett on 44 minutes and Conor Linehan a minute later to leave the Granagh Ballingarry boys sixteen ahead 3-15 to 1-5 at the end of the third quarter. Then points were traded from open play by Eoin Sweeney on 46 minutes and Brian Sheehy on 47 minutes. Substitute Bryan Meade on 48 minutes and Jim O'Keeffe a minute later to leave Granagh Ballingarry still 16 ahead, 3-17 to 1-7 on 49 minutes. A couple of wides were exchanged before Sweeney raised the Croagh Kilfinny boys second green flag to reduce the deficit to 13, 3-17 to 2-5 on 52 minutes. Then Granagh Ballingarry had a trio of white flags from open play through substitute Richie O'Keeffe on 53 minutes, Jim O'Keeffe on 55 minutes Richie O'Keeffe again on 58 minutes before points were traded from open play by Colin Barry on 59 minutes and Richie O'Keeffe one minute into added time and at the final whistle Granagh Ballingarry were worthy 16 point 3-21 to 2-8 winners.

They now qualify for their sixth West Junior B Hurling Championship Final in eight seasons, a first since defeating Feohanagh/Castlemahon 0-11 to 0-10 in the 2020 decider in Dromcollogher on Friday 25th June 2021 against holders Adare or Knockaderry. The Croagh/Kilfinny boys were very sporting in defeat and wished the Granagh/Ballingarry boys the best of luck in the final. Granagh/Ballingarry scored 3-17 from play, 0-3 from frees and 0-1 from a 65. Croagh/Kilfinny scored 2-6 from play and 0-2 from frees.

Granagh/Ballingarry: Keith O'Kelly, Mickie O'Keeffe, Mark Tierney, captain, Ger Ryan, Eoin Enright, Ronan Mullane, Mark O'Shea, Brian Sheehy 0-2, Eoin Lynch 0-5 (3 frees, one 65), Kevin Forde 0-1, Jim O'Keeffe 0-4, Brendan Lynch 0-1, Owen Lynch 0-1, Michael Carroll 2-0, Jack Hartnett 1-4. Subs Richie O'Keeffe o-3, Niall Carroll, Padraig McKenna and Edward Sheehy.

Croagh/Kilfinny: Robert Lynch, Jamie Burke, Liam Lenihan, Kenneth Lenihan, Jim Lenihan, Richie Lenihan, Jack Shiels, Colin Barry 0-1, Geoffrey Foley, Kevin Dee, Conor Lenihan, Mike O'Connell 1o, Eoin Sweeney 1-1, Tomas Neville o-1, Chris Casey 0-3 (2 frees). Subs used Bryan Meade 0-1, Cian Sheehy, James Broderick.

Referee Michael Browne, Dromcollogher/Broadford. County Junior A Football Championship Semi-Final

#### **Preview**

Sunday 9th October in Bruff at 3p, sees the eagerly awaited meeting of 2021 West and County Junior B Football champions and defeated Munster finalists Granagh/Ballingarry and two time winners Hospital/Herbertstown in the semi-final of the Limerick County Junior A Football Championship.

Hospital/Herbertstown and co, ???? a football stronghold winner of two County Junior A Football Championship titles in 1975 under Na Fianna (Hospital/Herbertstown/Knockainey) and 1983 Hospital/Herbertstown, two County Intermediate football championship titles, Na Fianna 1977, Hospital/Herbertstown 1989 and were defeated Limerick County Senior Football Championship finalists in 1991, 1992, 1993 and 1999. Granagh/Ballingarry can lay claim to five Limerick County Junior B Football Ballingarry 1989, Championship titles, Granagh/Ballingarry1996, 2002, 2010 and 2021 have reached the County Junior A Football Championship semi-final on two occasions, going under narrowly to eventual winners Mungret/St. Paul's I 1990 and Na Piarsaigh in 2006.

Sunday's semi is a rematch of the recent final Group 2 stage game won 0-14 to 0-12 by Granagh/Ballingarry at Paddy Carroll Memorial Park, Ballyagran to finish level in the group on 6 points with Camogue Rovers. Hospital/Herbertstown and Ahane to qualify straight for the semi-final, Camogue Rovers for the quarter-finals against Ballybricken/Bohermore and Hospital/Herbertstown and Ahane play off for the second quarter-final spot as a result of a draw made by the CCC. Both sides are in Sunday's semifinal on merit after paying a lot of good football on the way.

#### **Results Group 2**

Round 1: St. Patricks 1-8, Granagh/Ballingarry 0-9; Camogue Rovers 3-11, Hospital/Herbertstown 2-10.

Round 2: Ahane w/o, Granagh/Ballingarry scr; Hospital/Herbertstown 4-10, St. Patricks 4-5.

Round 3: Hospital/Herbertstown 5-8, Ahane 0-11; Granagh/Ballingarry 2-13, Adare 0-4.

Round 4: Hospital/Herbertstown o-8, Adare o-6,; Granagh/Ballingarry 0-16, Camogue Rovers 1-6.

Round 5: Granagh/Ballingarry 0-14, Hospital/Herbertstown 0-12.

Play-off Hospital/Herbertstown 2-12, Ahane no-14. County quarter-final: Hospital/Herbertstown 3-9, Banogue 1-14.

## **Support**

Bruff is the place to be on Sunday at 3pm to cheer on the boys in black and green and their management team of Shane O'Grady, Mark O'Sullivan, Andrew Holmes and first aid official Theresa Noonan to a historic County Junior A Football Championship Final spot against Camogue Rovers or Mungret/St.

## **RESULTS**

County Senior Football Championship quarter-finals: Fr. Caseys 1-14, Kildimo/Pallaskenry 0-8; Monaleen o-9, St. Kierans o-6.

County Senior Football Champioship Relegation Final: Ballylanders 2-16, Galbally 1-11.

County Intermediate Football Championship quarter-finals: St. Senans 0-10, Gerald Griffins 1-5; Mungret/St. Pauls 3-16, St. Patricks 2-5.

County Premier Junior A Football Championship quarter-finals: Feenagh/Kilmeedy Kilteely/Dromkeen 1-13; Cappamore 1-10, Athea o-

County Premier Junior A Football Championship **Relegation Final** Ballybrown 1-7, Monaleen 0-6.

County Junior A Football Championship Quarter

Camogue Rovers 0-10, Banogue 1-14.

County Junior A Football Championship Group 2 Play-Off Hospital/Herbertstown 2-12, Ahane 0-14.

West Limerick Junior B Football Championship

Semi Finals St. Kieran's 1-9, Ballysteen 2-4, Knockaderry 5-9, Dromcollogher/Broadford o-5.

City Junior B Football Championship Semi Finals Kildimo/Pallaskenry 3-9, Claughaun 2-5 Na Piarsaigh 2-7, Mungret/St. Paul's 1-9.

South Junior B Football Championship Semi Finals Ballylanders w/o, Croom Scr Castletown/Ballyagran 0-12, Galtee Gaels 0-6.

County Intermediate Hurling Championship Quarter Finals Saturday 15th October

Granagh/Ballingarry v Croom in Croagh at 3.30pm. Sunday 16th October

Bruree v Pallasgreen in Kilteedy at 1pm.

#### Lottery

There was no winner of the €6,500 jackpot in the Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club lottery draw held on Saturday 1st October in Buckley's Bar, Ballingarry. The numbers drawn were 3, 12, 27 and 30. The lucky dips of €20 each went to Geraldine Mulqueen, Bernie Mulqueen promoter online, Bernie Carroll promoter Kevin Carroll, Eoin Chawke promoter John Carroll, Emma Noonan promoter The Rock Bar, Granagh.

The next draw is for a jackpot of €6,700 and the draw will be held on Saturday 8th October in Condron's Bar, Ballingarry. Tickets are €2 each or three for €5 and are on sale in local shops, bars and from promoters. You can now play online and the link is available on the club Facebook/Twitter which finishes at 6pm on Saturdays. Thank you for your continued support.

## **Check Lotto Results Buy Ticket Here**

#### **October County Club Draw**



The next Limerick County GAA Club Draw is on Saturday 29th October with a top prize of €10,000. There are a host of other prizes to be won: 2nd €3,000, 3rd €2,000, 5th €1000, 5th exclusive prize of a €500 for Tully Travel Agents, 6th to 9th€ 500, 10th to 13th €250, 14th to 30th €100. 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 had 117 members in the September draw and three winners to date: Teresa McCarthy €3000 in August, Joan and John O'Grady in May, Den and Norina Sheehan in June winning **€**100.

If you would like to still renew your membership, please follow the link **HERE** select Granagh Ballingarry GAA Club and the number of draws you wish to sign up for. You can also contact the Granagh/Balling Club draw co-ordinator Stephen Stapleton on o86 1960301 to be included in the October 29th draw.

**Note**: All new names to be included in the October 29th draw must be in by 12 noon on Wednesday 26th October.

## Club Gear

Granagh/Ballingarry GAA club tops, hoodies, tracksuits, shorts and socks can now be ordered online-





#### **CLUB DIARY** Friday 7th October

County Junior A Hurling Championship Quarter

Paatrickswell v Doon in Caherdavin at 8.15pm.

#### **Saturday 8th October**

County Senior Hurling Championship Quarter final Doon v Kildimo/Pallaskenry in Fitzgerald Park, Kilmallock at 3.30pm.

County Premier Intermediate Hurling Championship Round 7

Knockainey v Newcastlewest in Ballyagran at 3pm, Dromin/Athlacca v Glenroe in Kilfinane at 3pm, Bruff v Cappamore in Kilteely at 3pm, Effin v Monaleen in Fedamore at 3pm.

County Intermediate Football Championship Semi

Na Piarsaigh v Mungret/St. Paul's in Claughaun at

County Junior A Hurling Championship Quarter Dromcollogher/Broadford v Castletown/Ballyagran

in Páirc Caoimh Uí Luing, Feenagh at 3.30pm.

County Junior A Hurling Championship Relegation

Semi Final Ballybrown v Garryspillane in Bruff at 4.30pm.

#### **Sunday 9th October**

County Senior Hurling Championship Quarter Final Patrickswell v South Liberties in Fitzgerald Park, Kilmallock at 2pm.

County Intermediate Hurling Relegation Semi Final Caherline v Kilmallock in Hospital at 12noon.

County Junior A Hurling Championship Quarter

Crecora/Manister v Killeedy in Seán Finns Park, Rathkeale at 3.30pm.

County Junior A Hurling Championship Relegation

Ahane v Blackrock in Fedamore at 12 noon.

County Premier Junior A Football Championship

Croom v Feenagh/Kilmeedy in Ballyagran at 3pm.

County Junior A Football Championship Semi Finals Mungret/St. Pauls v Camogue Rovers in Croom at 12

Granagh/Ballingarry v Hospital/Herbertstown in Bruff at 3pm

## Tuesday 11th October

St. Kieran's v Kilteely/Dromkeen in Doon at 7.30pm.

## Saturday 15th October

County Intermediate Hurling Championship **Ouarter Final** Croom v Granagh/Ballingarry in Croagh at 3.30pm

County Intermediate Football Championship Semi

Feohanagh/Castlemahon v Cappamore in Bruff at 3.30pm.

## **Sunday 16th October**

County Senior Hurling Cup Quarter Final Mungret/St. Paul's v Ballybrown in Claughaun at

County Intermediate Hurling Championship Semi

Bruree v Pallasgreen in Kilteely at 1pm.

County Intermediate Hurling Cup Final Hospital/Herbertstownh in Knockaderry in Cloarina at 3pm.

County Intermediate Football Championship Semi

Dromcollogher/Broadford v St. Senan's in Newcastlewest at 3pm.

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