

Granagh & Ballingarry GAA

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County Intermediate Hurling Championship Group 2, Round 2

Granagh/Ballingarry.....2-19 Tournafulla.....3-14

Granagh/Ballingarry came from two points down in added time, courtesy of a cracking goal by second half substitute Cathal O'Keeffe and a long range Denis O'Connor pointed free proved the way for a thrilling two point victory for the boys from Knockfierna over unlucky Tournafulla in Round 2 of Group 1 in the County Intermediate Hurling Championship in front of a big crowd at Páirc Caoimh Uí Lúing, Feenagh on Sunday afternoon to join Bruree on top of the group on two points to qualify for the quarter finals.

A big crowd turned out to watch this thrilling 38 score contest played on an excellent pitch with Johnny Murphy of Ballylanders in charge. Prior to the start of the game, a minute's silence was observed in memory of the late Jimmy Stapleton, Granagh/Ballingarry. The opening five minutes belonged to Anthony Hartnett of Tournafulla with a trio of white flags from placed balls before points were traded from open play by Tournafulla no 11 John Curtin on 6 minutes and Granagh/Ballingarry no 13 Sean O'Connor a minute later to leave it 0-5 to 0-1 in favour of Tournafulla on 7 minutes. Then the first green flag of the game arrived through Tournafulla no 14 Donal Brouder on 8 minutes before a trio of white flags for Granagh/Ballingarry in the next six minutes through Sean O'Connor, Denis O'Connor (free) and Donal O'Grady to reduce the deficit to three, Tournafulla 1-4, Granagh/Ballingarry 0-4 on 14 minutes. Then Cian O'Sullivan pointed from a placed ball for the Tournafulla boys before Sean O'Connor finished past Tournafulla's keeper to leave one between the sides, Tournafulla 1-5, Granagh/Ballingarry 1-4 at the end of the first quarter.

Then Denis O'Connor put Granagh/Ballingarry ahead for the first time with a pair of white flags from a placed ball on 17 and open play on 19 minutes before points were traded by Anthony Hartnett from a placed ball on 20 minutes and Jack Cagney from open play on 22 minutes, Conor Moroney play on 24 minutes and Jack Cagney play 27 minutes to leave Granagh/Ballingarry still one ahead 1-8 to 1-7. The third green flag of this hard fought close opening half arrived through Tournafulla no 10 Anthony Hartnett on 29 minutes before Sean O'Connor of Granagh/Ballingarry split the uprights following a good solo run on 30 minutes to reduce the deficit to one, Tournafulla 2-7, Granagh/Ballingarry 1-9 at the interval.

Granagh/Ballingarry dominated the opening seven minutes after the interval with a trio of unanswered white flags from open play through Sean O'Connor, Eoin Casey and substitute Cathal O'Keeffe before a pair of white flags by Tournafulla no 10 Anthony Hartnett from open play on 38 minutes and a placed ball two minutes later to level the score for the third time at Tournafulla 2-9, Granagh/Ballingarry 1-12 on 40 minutes. Then white flags were traded by Denis O'Connor from a placed ball on 41 minutes, John Curtin from open play on 42 minutes before a trio of unanswered white flags from open play for Granagh/Ballingarry through Sean O'Connor on 43 minutes and second half substitutes Niall Kennedy on 44 minutes, Cathal O'Keeffe on 45 minutes to leave the Granagh/Ballingarry boys three ahead 1-16 to 2-10 at the end of the third quarter.

Then points were traded by Sean O'Connor from open play on 46 minutes, Conor Moroney from a placed ball on 48 minutes to leave the boys from Knockfierna still three ahead. A couple of wides were exchanged before a trio of unanswered white flags for Tournafulla through substitute Michael Collins from open play on 52 minutes and Anthony Hartnett from a placed ball on 55 minutes and open play three minutes later to leave the sides level for the fifth time, Granagh/Ballingarry 1-17, Tournafulla 2-11 on 58 minutes. The final few minutes of this thrilling contest were very exciting with 2??? 11??? Munster U21 hurling championship medal winners Niall Kennedy showing his class when he split the uprights following a good solo run to put Granagh/Ballingarry ahead before Conor Moroney finished past Granagh/Ballingarry keeper John O'Grady a minute later to leave the Tournafulla boys two ahead, 3-14 to 1-18 on 60 minutes.

The Granagh/Ballingarry boys, far from being over awed, had a cracking Cathal O'Keeffe goal and a long range point from a placed ball by Denis O'Connor in added time to leave the Knockfierna men two ahead, but only just 2-19 to 3-14 at the final whistle after a most enjoyable contest to join Bruree on top of the group on two points to qualify for the quarter finals and play Bruree in the final group stage game on this Saturday 18th September in Croom at 5.30pm, qualify for the quarter final as group winners against Croom or Pallasgreen on Saturday 2nd or Sunday 3rd October, while Tournafulla pointless at the bottom of the group play Hospital/Herbertstown in the relegation semi final were gutted to have lost a two point lead in added time were very sporting in defeat and wished the Granagh/Ballingarry boys the best of luck in the quarter final. Granagh/Ballingarry scored 2-15 from play and 0-4 from frees. Tournafulla scored 3-6 from play and o-8 from frees.

Granagh/Ballingarry: John O'Grady, Sean Murphy, John Carroll, Edward Sheehy, Eoin Casey o-1, John Healy, Niall Cahill, Darragh Casey, Pat Carroll, John Cagney 0-2, Donal O'Grady 0-1, Luke Flynn, Denis O'Connor o-5 (1 free), David Condron, Sean O'Connor 1-6. Subs used: Cathal O'Keeffe 1-1, Niall Kennedy 0-3, Eoin Chawke.

Tournafulla: Christopher O'Connor, Mikey Finnegan, Jamie Lenihan (captain), Jeremiah Moroney, Eoin McMahon, Eoin Moroney, Gavin O'Reilly, Tom McCarthy, Mikie O'Mahony, Anthony Hartnett 1-8 (o-6 frees), John Curtin o-2, Cian O'Sullivan o-1 (free), Dean Smith, James Brouder 1-0, Conor Moroney 1-2 (0-1 free). Subs used: Zack Ryan, Michael Colins 0-1. Referee: Johnny Murphy (Ballylanders).

Tickets

Tickets for the Granagh/Ballingarry v Bruree County Intermediate Hurling Championship Group 1, Round 3 gamein Croom this Saturday 18th September at 5.30pm can now be purchased on www.universe.com and search for Granagh/Ballingarry Club. The link to purchase tickets is also posted on the Granagh/Ballingarry Facebook and Twitter pages. €10 for adult, €6 for student and €2 for under 6s. No tickets will be sale at the gate.

Camogue Rovers Ease to First Dinny Cup Win since 2019

Camogue Rovers.....2-24 Granagh/Ballingarry.....3-11

Camogue Rovers recorded a comfortable victory over a gallant under strength Granagh/Ballingarry in ideal conditions at Ballingarry on Sunday evening to claim their first Dinny Cup title since 2018. The winners laid a firm foundation for victory in the opening half leading by eight 1-12 to 1-5 at the interval Camogue Rovers scored 0-20 from play and 2-4 from play. Granagh/Ballingarry scored 3-6 from play and 0-5 from frees.

Granagh/Ballingarry: Jimmy Shiels, Mickie O'Keeffe, Donagh McCarthy, Niall Caroll, Eoin Herlihy, Eoin Enright, Patrick Shelton, Robert Noonan, Kevin Mulcahy, Eoin Lynch 1-1, Brian Noonan, Kevin Mulcahy, Eoin Lynch 1-1, Brian Noonan, Michael Russell 0-2 (1 free), Jack O'Donoghue 0-2 (1 free), Richie O'Keeffe o-6 (3 frees), Niall Fitzgerald 2-0, Kieran Condron.

Camogue Rovers Scorers: Michael Joyce 1-4, Anthony Punch o-7, Chris Crotty o-6 (4 frees), Anthony Neylon 1-2, Darragh Keane 0-3 and Evan Mulcahy o-

Referee: Michael Moloney, Caherconlish.

Presentation

After the game, Dinny Ahern made the presentation of the cup to winning Granagh/Ballingarry captain Mike O'Donnell and the man of the match award to Camogue Rovers' no 10 Anthony Punch. Thank you to Dinny A's for kindly sponsoring the medals and to referee Michael Moloney and his officials Andrew Holmes and his officials for having the field in top class condition and for taking photos.

West Junior B Hurling Group 3 Round 2

Granagh/Ballingarry made their first defence of their West Junior B Hurling Championship title when they clash with Adare in Round 2 of Group 3 on this Saturday 18th September in Croagh at 1.30pm. The 2021 West Junior B Hurling Championship is played on a league system in four groups, one group of 4 and three

Group 1: Feohanagh/Castlemahon, Tournafulla, Feenagh/Kilmeedy, Newcastle West.

Group Knockaderry, Monagea,

Dromcollogher/Broadford. Group 3: Granagh/Ballingarry, Adare, Askeaton.

Group 4: Templeglantine, Croagh/Kilfinny, Killeedy. Each team play the other once, with the top two teams in each group to qualify for the semi final. In the opening series of games on Sunday 12th September Granagh/Ballingarry received a bye while the Adare boys

were impressive 3-15 to 1-13 winners over gallant Askeaton at Ballingarry.

A tight match is expected this Saturday 18th September in Croagh at 3pm and your support would be appreciated for the boys in black and green and their new manager Niall McCarthy and his selectors to cheer them on in their bid to make a winning start to the defence of their West Junior B Hurling Championship title.

September County Club Draw

The next Limerick County GAA Clubs draw is on Saturday 25th September 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 a 128GB iPad, 6th to 9th €500, 10th to 13th €250, 14th to 30th €100.

Entry to the draw is just €10 per week with the option to join our own ten monthly draw and county club draw for €150. Granagh/Ballingarry has three winners to date, Nora Faragher 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 fol-

low the link, **HERE**, sign up and select Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club on 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 September 25th draw must be in by Wednesday 22nd September

Club Draw Winners

The first Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club monthly draw for 2021 too place in Dinny A's Bar, Ballingarry on Saturday 11th September. The following were the monthly winners for July:

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MONTHLY DRAW

July 2021

€400 Prize Winner

€100 Prize Winners

Cian Cagney c/o John Carroll

Joan Broderick c/o Jim Chawke

Con O'Keeffe c/o Denis O'Connor

Eugene Reidy c/o Pat Cagney

August winners:

Granagh-Ballingarry GAA



August 2021

€400 Prize Winner

Pat Joe Boyce c/o Mike Chawke

€100 Prize Winners

Derry Lyons c/o Donal Mulcahy

Lorraine Irwin c/o Donagh McCarthy

Helena Cronin c/o Pat Cagney

Congrats to all the winners and thanks to all our loyal members for your continued support.

Club Diary

Friday 17th September

County Senior Hurling Championship, Section B, Group 1, Round 3: South Liberties v Garryspillane in Páirc nan Gael at 7.30pm.

County Junior A Hurling Championship, Group 2, Round 3: Kilteely/Dromkeen v Monagea in Kilbreedy at 7.30pm.

Saturday 18th September

County Senior Hurling Championship, Section A, Group 1, Round 3: Ballybrown v Na Piarsaigh in Páirc nan Gael at 6pm.

County Intermediate Hurling Championship, Group 1, Round 3: Granagh/Ballingarry v Bruree in Croom at 5.30pm.

County Junior A Hurling Championship, Group 3, Round 3: Caherline v Ballybricken/Bohermore in Cappamore at 4pm; Crecora v Old Christians in Mungret at 5.30pm; Templeglantine v Drom/Broadford in Tournafulla at 5pm.

County Junior A Hurling Championship, Group 2, Round 3: Garryspillane v St. Kieran's in Kilmallock at

County Junior A Hurling Championship, Group 1, Round 3: Mungret/St. Paul's v Askeaton in Clarina at 5.30pm.

West Junior B Hurling Championship, Group 1, Round 3: Newcastle West v Feohanagh/Castlemahon in Knockaderry at 3pm; Tournafulla v Feenagh/Kilmeedy in Dromcollogher at 1pm.

West Junior B Hurling Championship, Group 3, Round 3: Granagh/Ballingarry v Adare in Croagh at 1.30pm.

Sunday 19th September

County Senior Hurling Championship, Section 1, Group 2, Round 3: Ahane v Doon in Páirc nan Gael at 2pm.

County Senior Hurling Championship, Section A, Group 2, Round 3: Ahane v Doon in Páirc nan Gael at 2pm.

County Senior Hurling Championship, Section B, Group 2, Round 3: Adare v Kildimo/Pallaskenry in Páirc na nGael at 6pm.

County Premier Intermediate Hurling Championship, Group 1, Round 3: Cappamore v Murroe/Boher in Caherconlish at 1pm, Knockainey v Mugret/St. Paul's in Claughaun at 1pm.

County Premier Intermediate Hurling Championship, Group 2, Round 3: Dromin/Athlacca v Glenroe in Kilfinane at 1pm, Newcastle West v Bruff in Croagh at

County Intermediate Hurling Championship, Group 2, Round 3: Hospital/Herbertstown v Pallasgreen in Kilteely at 1pm.

County Intermediate hurling Championship, Group 3, Round 3: Croagh/Kilfinny v Knockaderry in Newcastle West at 1pm.

County Intermediate Hurling Championship, Group 4, Round 3: Kilmallock v Effin in Kilbreedy at 1pm.

County Junior A Hurling Championship, Group 4, Round 3: Killeedy v Claughaun in Sean Finns Park, Rathkeale at 1pm, Ballybrown v Rathkeale in Askeaton at 5pm, Staker Wallace v Castletown/Ballyagran in Bruff at 2pm.

County Junior A Hurling Championship, Group 2, Round 3: Garryspillane v St. Kieran's in Kilmallock at 4pm, Ahane v St. Patrick's in Caherdavin at 8pm.

County Junior A Hurling Championship, Group 1, Round 3: Doon v Patrickswell in Kilbreedy at 8pm, Feenagh/Kilmeedy v Monaleen in Mick Neville Park, Rathkeale at 1pm.

West Junior B Hurling Championship, Group 4, Round 2: Templeglantine v Killeedy in Sean Finn's Park, Rathkeale at 5pm.





