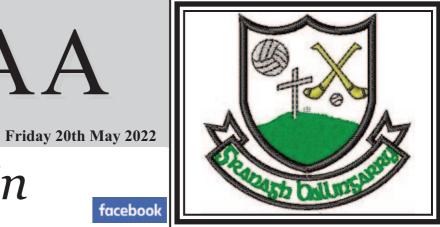


# Granagh & Ballingarry GAA

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First Half Penalty Goals Vital To Randal Og Win

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#### 2021 Munster Club Junior B Football **Championship Final Replay** Randal Og.....3-13

Granagh/Ballingarry.....3-8

A pair of penalty goals courtesy of Peter Collins in the 13th and 16th minute of the first half were crucial to Cork kingpins Randal Og five point victory over five times Limerick County Junior B Football Champions (Granagh/Ballingarry forced to field minus key players Denis O'Connor, Séan O'Connor, Thomas O'Donovan and also lost No. 4 Kieran Condron after 9 minutes due to injury) to become the first Cork club to win the Munster Club Junior B Football Championship Cup since Clann na nGael in 2006 after a thrilling delayed 2021 decider at sundrenched Knockaderry on Saturday afternoon.

Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry, took charge of this game of two halves, which must compare with any of the 13 finals of the past played on an excellent pitch in front of a big crowd, who gave great support to their teams, who produced fine passages of football, good movement, great scores and a very exciting second half. It was a very exciting second half, Granagh/Ballingarry who were twelve points down, 3-8 to 1-2 at the interval, far from being overawed had the deficit reduced to three, 3-8 to 3-11 with four minutes of normal time remaining on the clock with a late pair of white flags courtesy of Donncha Collins and sub Gearóid White sealed a five point victory for the Cork champions Randal Og made all the early running with a pair of white flags courtesy of Peter Collins from open play and Barry O'Driscoll from a placed ball in the opening three minutes when a brilliant forward surge by Granagh/Ballingarry involving Cathal O'Keeffe and Damien O'Donovan was finished past Randal Og keeper Ciaran Murray to leave the Limerick champions one ahead, 1-0 to 0-2 on 5 minutes.

Then after three minutes of scoreless play Granagh/Ballingarry were hit with a major blow when they lost their No. 4 Kieran Condron due to injury on 9 minutes and the game then turned nicely in favour of the Randal Og boys with a pair of white flags from open play courtesy of Conor O'Neill on 10 minutes and Séan Daly on 12 minutes followed up by a trio of white flags, two from the penalty spot by Peter Collins on 13 and 16 minutes and Donncha Collins two minute later to leave it 3-4 t 1-0 in favour of the Cork champions on 18 minutes. Aaron Smith won a point black for Granagh/Ballingarry from a placed ball on 20 minutes, then after four minutes of scoreless play Randal Og kicked four unanswered points from open play through Conor O'Neill on 25 minutes, Séan Daly on 27 minutes, Cathal Duggan on 28 minutes and Séan Daly again on 30 minutes before Granagh/Ballingarry No. 14 Aaron Smith landed his second white flag from a placed ball two minutes into added half to leave it 3-8 to 1-2 in favour of the Cork champions Cork Og at the interval.

The Granagh/Ballingarry team, far from being overawed, dominated the opening six minutes after the interval, shooting 1-3 through Cathal O'Keeffe 0-1, Aaron Smith 1-1 (0-1 free) and Keith O'Kelly 0-1 before a pair of white flags from open play for the Randal Og boys through Séan Daly on 39 minutes and Barry O'Driscoll three minutes later to leave it Randal Og 3-10, Granagh/Ballingarry 2-5 on 42 minutes. A couple of wides were exchanged before Granagh/Ballingarry No. 14 Aaron Smith split the upright following a good solo run on 47 minutes before referee Seamus Mulvihill awarded his third penalty of the game this time to Granagh/Ballingarry which Aaron Smith sent past Randal Og keeper Ciaran Murray on 50 minutes to reduce the deficit to four, Randal Og 3-10, Granagh/Ballingarry 3-6.

Then white flags were traded from open play by Randal Og substitute Seadhna Crowley on 53 minutes and Granagh/Ballingarry No. 10 Jack Carney on 55 minutes before Cagney again split the uprights for Granagh/Ballingarry two minutes later to reduce the deficit to three, Randal Og 3-11, Granagh/Ballingarry 3-8 on 57 minutes. That was as close as Granagh/Ballingarry were to get as Donncha Collins on 59 minutes and substitute Gearóid White on 62 minutes added white flags from open play to seal a



thrilling hard fought five point 3-13 to 3-8 victory for Randal Og to become the first Cork club Clann na nGael in 2006 to be crowned Munster Junior B Football champions. Granagh/Ballingarry minus a number of key players battled all the way to the final whistle lost nothing in defeat and sportingly staged on the field as Limerick Munster Council delegate Seamus Twomey presented the Munster Junior B Football championship trophy to winning joint captains Seamus Crowley and Conor O'Neill to the joy of Randal Og support present. Randal Og scored 1-12 from play, 2 penalty goals and 0-1 from a free. Granagh/Ballingarry scored 2-5 from frees, 1 penalty goal and 0-3 from frees.

Randal Og: Ciaran Murray, Padraig Duggan, Stephen Crowley, Eoin Murray, Cal Nyhan, Ian Crowley, Cian O'Neill, Conor O'Neill o-2, Peter Collins 2-1 (2 penalty goals), Kevin Dunlea, Cathal Duggan 0-1, Padraig O'Sullivan, Barry O'Driscoll o-2 (1 free), Donncha Collins 1-1, Séan Daly 0-4. Subs used Seadhna Crowley 0-1, Gearóid White 0-1, Padraig O'Sullivan.

Granagh/Ballingarry: David Clancy, Kieran Condron, Niall Cahill, captain, Eoin Casey, Luke Flynn, Darragh Casey, Brendan Lynch, David Condron, Edward Sheehy, Jack Cagney 0-2, Cathal O'Keeffe, Séan Murphy, Keith O'Kelly 1-1, Aaron Smith 1-4 (1 penalty goal, 0-2 frees), Damien O'Dnovan. Subs used Denis O'Connor, Jack O'Donoghue. Referee: Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry.

Thank You Thank you to our own Jimmy Chawke and James Flynn for streaming Saturday's game live on Face-

book and James also for his updates on Twitter.

**Watch the Game HERE** 

#### **Social Gathering**

After the game on Saturday a social gathering in Knockaderry community hall Peter Collins of Randal Og received the Knockaderry/Clouncagh Community Council sponsored Man of the Match award. Both teams and supporters were treated to tea and sandwiches and goodies for which the Knockderry club officials and ladies committee must be thanked.

#### **Munster Club Junior B Football Championship Roll of Honour**

2006 Clann na nGael, Cork. 2007 An Croman, Kerry. 2008 Tuosist, Kerry. 2009 Churchill, Kerry. 2010 Na nGaels, Kerry. 2011 Brosnan, Kerry. 2012 Scartaglen, Kerry. 2013 Asdee, Kerry. 2014 Valentia/Young Islanders, Kerry. 2015 Sneem/Derrynane, Kerry. 2016 Lispole, Kerry. 2017 Ballybrown, Kerry. 2018 Kilgarvan, Kerry. 2019 not completed due to Covid 19. 2020 No competition due to Covid 19. 2021 Randal Og, Cork.

## **West Junior A Football** League/Championship Round 6

Granagh/Ballingarry have received a walkover from Dromcollogher/Broadford in round 6 of the West Junior Football League/Championship to go top of the Féile on 12 points, two ahead of St. Kieran's who have a game in hand against St. Senan's. In the final county stage game on Wednesday 25th or Friday 27th May Granagh/Ballingarry play St. Kieran's in the top of the table clash in Ballingarry at 7.30p.m. with the winners to play the fourth place team in the semi-final and the losers the third place team.

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#### Limerick make it to first Munster **Football Final since 2010**

Munster Senior Football Championship Semi-final Limerick.....2-10 Tipperary.....o-10

Hearty congratulations to manager Billy Lee, Newcastle West and all involved with the Limerick senior footballers on their thrilling six point 2-10 to 0-10 victory over Tipperary at Semple Stadium, Thurles on Saturday evening to qualify for their first Munster Senior Football Championship final since 2010 against holders Kerry on Saturday 28th May in Fitzgerald Stadium, Killarney at 3p.m.

Thrilling Draw at Cusack Park Munster Senior Hurling Championship Round 4 Limerick.....1-21

Clare.....0-24 Hearty congratulations to Limerick senior hurlers manager John Kiely, our own Daniel O'Grady, coach/selector and the rest of the management team on their thrilling 1-21 to 0-24 draw with neighbours Clare in round 4 of the Munster senior hurling

championship in front of a big crowd at Cusack Park, Ennis on Sunday. The sides will renew rivalry again when they clash in the Munster Final on Sunday 5th June in Semple Stadium, Thurles at 4p.m.

#### Jim Twin Lynch Memorial Cup in aid of Red Cross

Three teams, Feohanagh/Castlemahon, Granagh/Ballingarry (holders) and Feenagh/Kilmeedy are entered in the third annual Jim Twin Lynch Memorial cup 2022, with all proceeds of a basket collection at the semi-final and final going to the Irish Red Cross Ukranian appeal. Granagh/Ballingarry v Feohanagh/Castlemahon is provisionally fixed for Saturday 4th June in Ballingarry at 7.30pm and the final Feenagh/Kilmeedy v Granagh/Ballingarry or Feohanagh/Castlemahon to be confirmed.

#### **May County Club Draw**

The next Limerick County GAA Club draw is on Saturday 28th May 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 Capri 4 seater round rattan garden furniture set for your garden, 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 club draw which stars in June and County Club Draw for €150. Granagh/Ballingarry had 117 members in the second draw in April. If you would like to still 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 GAA Club draw co-ordinator Stephen Stapleton on (086) 1960361.

**Note** all new members to be included in the May draw must be in by Wednesday 25th May at 12 noon.

#### **Player Profile** Name: Séan O'Gorman



Club: Granagh/Ballingarry. Favourite position: Half forward. Favourite Club player: Edward Sheehy. Favourite County player: Gearóid Hegarty. Biggest influence on my career: parents and coaches. What age did you start hurling: 5 years old. Toughest player to mark in training: Ian Sheehy. What would you do if you won the lottery: Give up school.

Where do you see yourself in ten years time: Playing adult hurling with Granagh/Ballingarry. Favourite other sport: Soccer.

Biggest achievement so far on West Academy: winning numerous underage medals.

## **Club Gear**

Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club tops, hoodies, tracksuits, shorts and socks can now be ordered online at http://222.laochrasport.ie/.../clubs/granaghballingarryclub



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## Meeting

A special general meeting of Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club takes place on Thursday 19th May in the Clubhouse, Ballingarry at 8.45pm to ratify the development committee's proposal. All members are requested to attend.

#### Results

Munster Minor Football Championship semi-final Kerry 1-16, Cork 0-5.

Munster Minor Hurling Championship final: Tipperary 1-22. Clare 0-25 (Tipperary won 3-0 on pe-

Munster Senior Football Championship semi-final: Limerick 2-10, Tipperary 0-10.

Munster Senior Hurling Championship Round 4: Limerick 1-21, Clare 0-24. Cork 2-22, Waterford 1-

Munster Club Junior B Football Championship Final: Randal Og 2-12, Granagh/Ballingarry 3-8.

All Ireland U-20 Football Championship Final: Tyrone 1-20, Kildare 1-14.

Leinster Minor Hurling Championship Final: Offaly 0-21, Laois 0-13.

#### **Lottery Draw**

There was no winner of the €18,300 jackpot in the Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club lottery draw held on Saturday 14th May in Buckley's Bar, Ballingarry. The numbers drawn were 10, 13, 15 and 24. The lucky dips of €20 each went to Martin Fogarty, promoter online, Lyndsey Buckley, promoter Buckleys Bar, Ballingarry, Jim Kennedy, promoter Eoin Kennedy, Bertie Hanley, promoter Eoin Kennedy.

The next draw for a jackpot of €18,400 will be held on Saturday 21st May in Condron's Bar, Ballingarry. Tickets are €2 or three for €5 and are on ale in local shops, bars and from promoters.

Note: You can now play online and the link is available on the club Facebook, twitter, which finishes at 6p.m. on Saturday. Thank you for your continued

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#### **Club Diary** Thursday 19th May:

lingarry at 7.30pm

West Junior A Hurling League/Championship Round 4: Granagh/Ballingarry v Askeaton in Bal-

Munster Minor Football Championship semi-final Tipperary v Cork in Semple Stadium, Thurles at 7pm

## Friday 20th May:

West Senior Hurling League/Championship Round 4: Granagh/Ballingarry v Knockaderry in Ballingarry at 7.30pm

## Sunday 21st May:

All Ireland U-20 Hurling Championship Final Limerick v Kilkenny in Semple Stadium, Thurles at

Munster Senior Hurling Championship Round 5: Cork v Tipperary in Semple Stadium, Thurles at 4pm. Clare v Waterford in Cusack Park, Ennis at



