

# Granagh & Ballingarry GA

Friday 24th Sept 2021 John Lynch



# Bruree Finish top With Late Kieran O'Dea Point

#### **County Intermediate Hurling Championship** Grouip 1 Round 3

#### Bruree.....0-19 Granagh-Ballingarry.....1-15

In difficult misty conditions at Croom's newly refurbished GAA Grounds on Saturday evening, a point from a placed ball by Kieran O'Dea, two minutes into added time earned Bruree a hard fought one point victory over neighbours Granagh-Ballingarry in the third and final Group 1 game in the Limerick County Intermediate Hurling Championship to qualify as Group winners on four points for a meeting with Group 2 second place Pallasgreen, while Granagh-Ballingarry in second place on two points play Group 2 winners neighbours Croom in the quarter final on Saturday

2nd in Rathkeale at 4pm. A big group turned out to watch this clash of neighbours despite both having qualified for the quarter finals after their opening round wins over Tournafulla with Eamonn Stapleton of Doon in charge. Ronan O'Halloran of Bruree hit wide from a 65 before white flags were traded from open play by Seán O'Connor and Ronan O'Halloran for 0-1 each on two minutes. Then Denis O'Connor on 3 minutes and Luke Flynn on 4 minutes had points from play for the Granagh-Ballingarry boys before points were traded from play by Kieran O'Dea on 7 minutes and Donal O'Grady on 8 minutes, Ronan O'Halloran (free) on 10 minutes and Denis O'Connor (free) on 13 minutes before a trio of white flags through Jimmy O'Dea and Brian Rourke from open play and Eamonn Lyons from a placed to leave the Bruree boys one ahead o-6 to o-5 at the end of the first quarter, water break.

On the resumption of play, points were traded by Jimmy O'Dea from open play on 16 minutes and Denis O'Connor from a placed ball on 18 minutes before Luke Flynn of Granagh-Ballingarry landed a fine point following a good solo run to level the score for the third time at 0-7 all on 20 minutes. Granagh-Ballingarry dominated for the next six minutes and created a number of goal and point scoring chances which they failed to convert before a trio of unanswered white flags for the boys in white and blue through Ronan O'Halloran from a placed ball on 30 minutes to send the Bruree boys in at the interval leading by three, o-10 to 0-7.

On the resumption of play, white flags were traded by Ronan O'Halloran from a placed ball on 31 minutes and Darragh Casey from open play on 32 minutes, Niall Kennedy open play on 33 minutes and Patrick Deady open play on 34 minutes to leave the Bruree boys still three ahead, 0-12 to 0-9. Then a pair of white flags for Bruree through Ronan O'Halloran from a placed ball 36 minutes and Sam Gronnelly on 37 minutes were cancelled out from play by David Condron on 38 minutes and Denis O'Connor two minutes later to leave the Bruree boys still three ahead, 0-14 to 0-11 on 40 minutes. A couple of wides were exchanged before a pair of white flags for the boys in black and green from open play through Jack Cagney on 42 minutes and Sean O'Connor a minute later to reduce the deficit to one, Bruree 0-14, Granagh-Ballingarry 0-13 on 44 minutes. Then drama unfolded when referee Eamonn Stapleton awarded the Bruree boys a penalty which Granagh-Ballingarry Keeper John O'Grady saved from Kieran O'Dea at the expense of a 65 which Ronan O'Halloran send between the uprights to extend the Bruree boys advantage to two 0-15 to 0-13 at the end of the third quarter, at the second water break. When play got underway again, hit 1-2 in a five minute spell from open play through Denis O'Connor with a cracking goal and appoint each by Niall Kennedy and Denis O'Connor to leave the boys in black and greet three ahead 1-15 to 0-15 on 51 minutes.

The Bruree boys, far from being over, hit four unanswered white flags through Kieran O'Dea form a placed ball on 53 minutes, Brian O'Rourke from open play on 55 minutes, Michael Lane from open play on 57 minutes and Kieran O'Dea from a placed ball two minutes into added time to leave the boys in white and blue one ahead but only just, 0-19 to 1-15 at the final whistle after a most enjoyable contest to finish top of Group 1 in the Limerick County Intermediate Hurling Championship on four points to qualify for a quarterfinal meeting with group 2 runners-up Pallasgreen, while Granagh-Ballingarry second in Group 1 on two points play Group 1 winners neighbours Croom in the other quarter final were gutted to ??? in added time were very sporting in defeat and wished the Bruree boys the best of luck in the quarter final. Bruree scored 0-1 from play 0-8 from frees and 0-1 from a 65. Granagh-Ballingarry scored 1-12 from play and 0-2 from

**Bruree**: Daniel Lane, Shane Feane, Patrick Lane, Eamonn Lyons 0-1 free, Jimmy O'Dea 0-2, Patrick Carey, Vincent Stanton, Patrick Deady 0-1, Tommy Connell, Kieran O'Dea 0-3, 2 frees, Frankie Barrington, Brian Sexton, Ronan O'Halloran o-7 (5 frees, 1 65), Brian O'Rourke 0-2, Sam Cronnelly 0-2. Subs used: Jimmy Lesley, Michael Lane 0-1, Matthew Howard.

Granagh-Ballingarry: John O'Grady, Eoin Herlihy, David Clancy, John Healy, Eoin Casey, donal O'Grady 0-1, Luke Flynn 9-1, Cathal O'Keeffe, Denis O'Connor 1-5 (0-2 frees), Niall Kennedy 0-1, David Condron o-1, Sean O'Connor 0-2. Subs used Eoin Chawke and John Carroll.

Referee Eamonn Stapleton, Doon.

#### **County Intermediate Hurling Cham**pionship Quarter Final

Saturday 2nd October Granagh-Ballingarry v Croom in Sean Finns Park, Rathekale at 4pm

Sunday 3rd October Bruree v Pallasgreen in Bruff at 1pm; Croagh-Kilfinny v Na Piarsaigh in Clarina at 1pm; Knockaderry v Effin in Páirc Caoimh Ui Luing, Feenagh at 1pm.

#### **County Senior Hurling Championship Quarter Final Sunday 3rd October:**

Kilmallock v South Liberties in Páirc na nGael at 2pm; Adare v Patrickswell in Páirc na nGael at 4pm. County Premier Intermediate Hurling Championship

#### **Semi Finals**

Saturday 2nd October: Mungret-St. Pauls v Glenroe in Kilmallock at 4pm.

Sunday 3rd October: Newcastle West v Cappamore in Kilmallock at 2pm.

#### **West Junior B Football Championship Semi Finals**

Granagh-Ballingarry v Athea; Knockaderry v Ballysteen. Date, time and venue to be confirmed.

#### **Adare Book Quarter Final Sport West Junior B Hurling Championship** Group 3 Round 2

#### Adare.....2-9

Granagh-Ballingarry.....1-9

Adare recorded their second successive win the Group 3 of the West Junior Ba Hurling Championship with a hard fought three point victory over holders at Croagh on Saturday afternoon to quality for the quarter final. A good crowd turned out to watch this Round 2 Junior B tie played on an excellent pitch with Michael Woulfe of Patrickswell in charge. Richie O'Keeffe and Rory O'Connor traded white flags from placed balls in the opening five minutes. A couple of wides were exchanged before white flags were traded by Michael Russell from open play on 8 minutes and Rory O'Connor from a placed ball a minute later for 0-2 all on 9 minutes. Then a pair of white flags from open play for Adare through Rory O'Connor on 12 and 15 minutes to leave the boys in red and black two ahead, 0-4 to 0-2 at the end of the first quarter at the water break. On the resumption of play, wides were exchanged before referee Michael Woulfe awarded a penalty to Adare which Jimmy Shields saved from Rory O'Connor on 18 minutes and then Granagh-Ballingarry playing text book hurling hit four unanswered points in a twelve minute spell through Kevin Forde, Brian Noonan and John Hartnett from open play and Richie O'Keeffe from a 65 to send the black and greens in at the interval leading by two, 0-6 to 0-2.

Adare dominated the opening five minutes after the interval with a cracking Brian Flynn goal and Jack Keating point from play before Croom flags were traded by Kevin Forde on 36 minutes and Brian Flynn two minutes later to leave Adare two ahead 2-5 to 1-6 on 38 minutes. Then Rory O'Connor with a pair of white flags from open play on 40 minutes and a place ball four minutes later to extend the Adare boys advantage to four, 2-7 to 1-6 at the end of the third quarter, at the second water break.

On the resumption of play Rory O'Connor from a placed on 47 minutes and Jack Keating from open play on 50 minutes raised white flags to extend the Adare boys advantage to six, 2-9 to 1-6 with ten minutes of normal time remaining on the clock. The hurling in the next five minutes was poor with both sides missing chances until a trio of white flags for the Granagh-Ballingarry boys courtesy of Richie O'Keeffe from a placed ball on 55 minutes and Jack O'Donoghue and Brian Noonan from open play on 58 and 59 minutes to reduce the deficit to three. That was as close as the Granagh-

Ballingarry boys were to get as the final whistle sounded shortly afterwards to leave the Adare boys three point ahead, but only just, 2-9 to 1-9 winners to go top of the group to qualify for the quarter final while Granagh-Ballingarry play Askeaton on this Saturday 25th September in the final Group 3 game to decide who joins Adare as Group 3 runners-up in the West Junior B Hurling Championship Quarter Finals. Adare scored 2-5 from play and 0-4 from frees. Granagh-Ballingarry scored 1-6 play, 0-2 from free and 0-1 from a 65.

Granagh-Ballingarry: Jimmy Shiels, Mickie O'Keeffe, Donagh McCarthy, Niall Carroll, Patrick Shelton, Mark Tierney, Kieran Condron, Eoin Lynch, Brendan Lynch, Mickie O'Keeffe, Kevin Ford 1-1, Brian Noonan o-1, Jack Hartnett o-1, Richie O'Keeffe 0-3, 2 frees/65, Jack O'Donoghue 0-1. Subs used Niall Fitzgerald.

The Adare scorers were Rory O'Connor o-7, 4 frees, Brian Flynn o-2, Jack Keating o-2. Referee: Michael Woulfe, Patrickswell.

# **September County Club Draw**

The next Limerick County GAA Club draw is on this 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 month with the option to join our own ten monthly draw and County club can for €150. Granagh-Ballingarry had 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 price 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 co-ordinator Stephen Stapleton on 086-1960301.

**Note:** All new names to be included in the September 25th draw must be in by today, Wednesday, 22nd September.

#### €15,000 Jackpot on Saturday

There was no winner of the €14,900 jackpot in the Granagh-Ballingarry GAA Club lottery drawn on Saturday 18th September. The numbers drawn were 2, 12, 24 and 31. Lucky dips of €20 each went to Mary Roche, promoter Paddy Hennessy; Margaret Madigan, promoter Pat Cagney; Eamonn Byrnes, promoter Eoin Kennedy; Eileen Condron, promoter online. The next draw for a jackpot of €15,000 will be held on Saturday 25th September in Buckley's Bar, Ballingarry. 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, the link to play is on the club Facebook or Twitter pages which ceases at 6pm every Saturday. Thank you for

your continued support.



# **Club Diary**

### Wednesday 22nd September

County Premier under 19 Football Championship Final: Mungret-St. Pauls v St. Patrick's in Mick Neville Park, Rathkeale at 6.45pm.

County Junior A Football Championship Relegation Semi Finals: South Liberties v Ahane in Doon at 7.30pm; Dromcollogher-Broadford v Na Piarsaigh in Mick Neville Park, Rathkeale at 8.30pm.

West Junior B Hurling Championship Group 1 Round 3: Feohanagh-Castlemahon v Feenagh-Kilmeedy in Mountcollins at 8.15pm.

### Thursday 23rd September

County Intermediate Football Championship Quarter Final: Drom-Broadford v Rathkeale in Kilbreedy at 7.30pm.

County Premier Junior A Football Championship Quarter Final: Kilteely-Dromkeen v Fr. Casey's in Mick Neville, Rathkeale at 7.30pm.

#### Friday 24th September

County Senior Football Championship Quarter Final: Monaleen v Fr. Casey's in Pairc nan Gael at 7.30pm. County Premier Junior A Football Championship Quarter Final: Mountcollins v Athea in Mick Neville Park, Rathkeale at 7.30pm.

West Junior B Hurling Championship Group 2 Round 3: Monagea v Knockaderry in Pairc Caoimh Ni Luing Feenagh at 6.15pm.

# Saturday 25th September

West Junior B Hurling Championship Group 3 Round 3: Granagh-Ballingarry v Askeaton in Newcastle West at 3pm.

West Junior B Hurling Championship Group 4 Round 3: Templeglantine v Croagh-Kilfinny in Sean Finns Park, Rathkeale at 5pm.

County Senior Football Championship Quarter Final: Oola v Galtee Gaels in Fitzgerald Park, Kilmallock at

County Senior Football Championship Relegation Semi Final: St. Kieran's v Na Piarsaigh in Croagh at

Final: Kildimo-Pallaskenry v Mungret-St. Pauls in Clarina at 5pm.

County Intermediate Football Championship Quarter

County Intermediate Football Championship Relegation Semi Final: Glin v Monaleen in Askeaton at 5pm

County Premier Junior A Football Championship Quarter Final: Monagea v Newcastle West in Dromcollogher at 4pm.

#### **Sunday 26th September**

County Senior Football Championship Quarter Finals: Ballysteen v Adare in Sean Finns Park, Rathkeale at 1pm; Claughaun v Newcastle West in Mick Neville Park, Rathkeale at 1pm.

County Senior Football Championship Relegation Semi Final Ballylanders v Galbally in Fitzgerald Park, Kilmallock at 5pm.

County Intermediate Football Championship Quarter Finals: St. Senans v Pallasgreen in Clarina at 1pm; Bruff v Gerald Griffins in Newcastle west at 4pm.

County Intermediate Football Championship Relegation Semi Final: St. Patrick's v Crecora in Rathbane at 5pm.

County Junior A Football Championship Quarter Finals: Banogue v Bruree in Croom at 11.30am; Mungret-St. Pauls' v Ballybricken-Bohermore in Claughaun at 12 noon; Feenagh-Kilmeedy v Adare in Ballingarry at 5.30pm; St. Patrick's v Camogue Rovers in Mungret at 12 noon.

County Under 19 A Hurling Championship Quarter Finals: Killacolla Gaels v Naomh Eoin in Bruff at 12 noon; Knockaderry v Cappamore in Kilbreedy at 12

West Junior B Hurling Championship Group 1 Round 3: Newcastle West v Tournafulla in Quaid Park, Coolyroe at 6pm.

# **Tuesday 28th September**

County Under 19 A Hurling Championship Quarter Final: Garryspillane v Croagh-Kilfinny-Rathkeale in Mick Neville Park, Rathkeale at 7.30pm.

# Sympathy

Granagh-Ballingarry GAA Club officials, players and members extend sympathy to the Twomey family, Granagh on the death of Mary Ita Twomey.

Ar deis lámh Dé go raibh a anam dílis.

