

Granagh & Ballingarry GAA

John Lynch

GRANAGH-BALLINGARRY RETAINS CUP!

Friday 16th July 2021



Jim (Twin) Lynch Memorial Cup Final/West Senior Hurling League/Championship

Granagh/Ballingarry.....0-26

Feohanagh/Castlemahon.....0-14

In front of a big crowd at misty Ballingarry on Friday evening the homeside Granagh/Ballingarry won the Jim (Twin) Lynch Memorial Perpetual Cup Hurling Tournament for the second year in a row with an impressive 12-point victory over a gallant Feohanagh/Castlemahon.

This result sees them go top of the West Senior Hurling League Championship table on three points, two ahead of Adare and Knockadee to qualify for a final meeting with Adare on Tuesday 2? July in Croagh at 7.30pm. Granagh/Ballingarry GAA club chairman Andrew Holmes and his officials had the pitch in top class condition for this Memorial Cup Final in aid of Milford Care Centre with Eoin Curtin of Gerald Griffin's in charge. Both sides lined out minus key players due to holidays and work commitments etc. The home side Granagh/Ballingarry dominated the opening six minutes with four white flags through Seán O'Connor (free), Cathal O'Keeffe (2 play) and Luke Flynn (play) before points were traded from placed balls by James Guina on seven minutes and Seán O'Connor a minute later to leave it 0-5 to 0-1 in favour of the home side Granagh/Ballingarry, on eight minutes a couple of wides were exchanged before points were traded by James Guina from a placed ball on 12 minutes and Cathal O'Keeffe from open play on 13 minutes to leave four once more between the sides. Then a pair of white flags for the Feohanagh/Castlemahon boys through James Guina from a placed ball on 15 minutes and Seán Flanaghan from open play a minute later reduced the deficit to two, Granagh/Ballingarry o-6, Feohanagh/Castlemahon 0-4 on 17 minutes.

Then white flags were traded by Seán O'Connor from a placed ball on 18 minutes and Padraig O'Donnell from open play on 19 minutes before a pair of white flags for the Granagh/Ballingarry boys courtesy of Seán O'Connor from a placed ball on 22 minutes and Darragh Casey from open play a minute later increased the boys in black and green's advantage to four, 0-9 to 0-5 on 23 minutes.

The final seven minutes of this well contested open half were close and exciting with white flags traded from open play by James Guina on 25 minutes and Cathal O'Keeffe on 25 minutes and from placed balls by Seán O'Connor on 27 minutes and James Guina on 23 minutes before Feohanagh/Castlemahon's No. 11 Seán Flanaghan split the uprights from open play for the second time on 30 minutes to reduce the deficit to three, Granagh/Ballingarry 0-11, Feohanagh Castlemahon o-8, at the interval.

The home side Granagh/Ballingarry dominated the opening six minutes after the interval with five unanswered white flags through captain Thomas O'Donovan (2 play), Seán O'Connor (2 play and free) and Luke Flynn play, before James Guina Feohanagh/Castlemahon's No. 10 split the uprights from placed balls in 37 and 38 minutes to leave six between the sides, Granagh/Ballingarry 0-16, Feohanagh/Castlemahon o-10. Then Granagh/Ballingarry's No. 12 Seán O'Connor split the uprights following a good solo run on 39 minutes before white flags were traded by Jack Cagney from open play on 42 minutes and James Guina from a placed ball two minutes later to extend the home side's advantage to seven, 0-18 to 0-11 on 43 minutes. Then Seán O'Connor had a pair of white flags for the Granagh/Ballingarry boys from a placed ball on 45 minutes and open play on 47 minutes before points were traded by James Guina from a placed ball and Cathal O'Keeffe from open play extended the Granagh/Ballingarry boys' advantage to nine, 0-21 to 0-12 on 48 minutes.

Then points were traded by James Guina from a placed ball on 49 minutes to bring the Feohanagh/Castlemahon's No.10 tally to 0-10, and Seán O'Connor from open play on 50 minutes, Seán O'Connor from a 65 on 52 minutes and Padraig O'Donnell from open play a minute later to leave nine still between the sides, Granagh/Ballingarry 0-23, Feohanagh/Castlemahon 0-14 on 53 minutes. The final seven minutes was all Granagh/Ballingarry with a trio of white flags from open play through Cathal O'Keeffe on 54 minutes, Eoin Lynch on 56 minutes and Seán O'Connor on 60 minutes to bring his tally for the game to 0-13 (5 play, 7 frees and 1 65) to leave the home side Granagh/Ballingarry impressive winners by 12 points, 0-26 to 0-14 winners at the final whistle of the Jim (Twin) Lynch Memorial Cup Perpetual Cup for the second year in a row.

Granagh/Ballingarry scored 0-18 from play, 0-7 from frees and 0-1 from a 65. Feohanagh/Castlemahon scored 0-5 from play and 0-9 from frees.

Granagh/Ballingarry:

John O'Grady, Edward Sheehy, David Clancy, John Kealy, Darragh Casey, Niall Cahill, Jack Cagney 0-1, Seán Murphy, Thomas O'Donovan 0-2, Robert Noonan, Cathal O'Keeffe 0-6, Seán O'Connor 0-13 (5 play, 7 frees 1 65), Eoin Lynch 0-2, Luke Flynn 0-2, Michael Russell subs used Gearóid Lynch, Eoin Herlihy, Eoin Enright, Kevin Forde and Jack Hartnett.

Feohanagh/Castlemahon:

Don Malone, Eoin Murphy, Jason Flynn, Shane Brouder, Jamie Whelan, Michael Nolan, David O'Brien, Kieran Guina, Jeff Reidy, James Guina 0-10 (9 frees), Seán Flanaghan 0-2, Padraig O'Donnell 0-2, John McEnery, Damien Brouder, Don Flynn. Subs used Jack Condon, Michael Cremin, Kevin Normoyle, Jack Fitzgibbon.

Referee: Eoin Curtin, Gerald Griffin's.

Presentation

After the game Granagh/Ballingarry club secretary John Lynch presented the Jim (Twin) Lynch Memorial Perpetual Cup to the Granagh/Ballingarry captain Thomas O'Donovan. Chairman Andrew Holmes presented the Man of the Match award to Seán O'Connor of Granagh/Ballingarry who finished with a personal tally of 13 points.

Treasurer Adrian Farragher also the proceeds of the sealed bucket collection to Kay Chawke of Milford Care Centre.

Thanks to all for your continued support and generosity for the Memorial Cup game and Milford Care Centre.

Munster Hurling

Championship Final Tickets

Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club will receive a minimal allocation of tickets for the Munster Senior Hurling Championship Final, Limerick v Tipperary, on Sunday next 18th July in Páirc Uí Chaoimh at 4.15pm and the draw for some will take place tomorrow Thursday 15th July at 8pm and will be streamed live on Facebook. Any club member who is going to the game

and have their €100 club draw membership paid and wish to be included in the draw must contact club chairman Andrew Holmes 087 9429228 or treasurer Adrian Farragher 087 9187269 by tomorrow Thursday 16th July at 6pm. All winners of tickets will be contacted regarding collection and payment.

Note: Club members are asked not to contact club secretary John Lynch about tickets for Sunday's game. We look forward to the co-operation of all the club members to implement the sale of tickets satisfactorily.

July County Club Draw

The next Limerick County GAA Club's draw is on Saturday 31st August with a top prize of €10,000. There are a host of other prizes to be won, 2nd prize €3,000, 3rd €2000, 4th €1,000, 5th exclusive prize Dilusso bathroom suite, 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 which commences at the end of July and County Club Draw for €150. Granagh/Ballingarry had 117 members in the June draw and two winners to date,

Nora Farragher €100 in March and Paul McCarthy €100 in May.

If you would like to still renew your membership, please follow the link

limerickgaa.ie/clublimerick-draw-signup/

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 coordinator Stephen Stapleton on 086 1960301. Note: all new names to be included in the July 31st draw must be in by Wednesday 28th July at 12 noon

First Half Goal Vital to Cork Win

Munster Senior Football Championship Semi Final

Cork.....1-16

Limerick.....0-11

Hard luck to the Limerick senior footballers who went under to Cork in the Munster Football Championship semi final at Páirc na nGael on Saturday. A goal in the sixth minute of the opening half from John O'Rourke helped send the Cork boys into their fifth Munster Senior Football Championship in-a-row against Kerry on Sunday 25th July in Fitzgerald Stadium, Killarney at 4pm. Limerick lost nothing in defeat on Saturday and enjoyed a very successful season reaching the Division 3 National League and Munster Championship semi finals.

Limerick bid for 22nd and hat-trick of Munster titles on Sunday

The best of luck to manager John Kiely, our own Donal O'Grady a member of the management team, and the Limerick senior hurlers who play Tipperary in the Munster Championship Final on this Sunday 18th July in Páirc Uí Chaoimh at 4.15pm. Limerick will be bidding to win a 22nd title and to make a hat-trick of titles for the first time in their history last achieved by the Tipperary boys in 1987/88/89.

Munster U20 Hurling Championship Semi Final

The best of luck to the Limerick U20 hurlers and their management team who play neighbours Clare in the Munster Championship Semi Final on Monday 19th July in Pairc na nGael at 8pm. Please support.

Cul Camp

The Granagh/Ballingarry Cúl Camp held in our club grounds in Ballingarry from Monday 5th to Friday 9th July was enjoyed by all the 120 children who attended. Thanks to the coaches and our two club co-ordinators Emma Noonan and Orla Keating.

Bid to Bridge Three-Year Gap Next Tuesday

Granagh/Ballingarry will seek to bridge a three-year gap when they flex their muscles against holders Adare for the fiftieth time since 2008 in their eagerly awaited 2021 West Senior Hurling Championship Final next Tuesday 20th July in Croagh at 7.30pm. This is the climax of the 2021 West Senior Hurling Championship and the 22nd final since Monagea beat Kilfinny 1-4 to 0-3 in the first one in 1902. The trophy they are playing for is the Liam Hough Memorial Cup. Both sides are in the final on merit after playing a lot of good hurling on the way to finish joint top of the league/championship table on 8 points with Granagh/Ballingarry's only loss was to neighbours Knockaderry in Round 3 while Adare lost out to Tuesday opponents in Round 4.

Granagh/Ballingarry and Adare West Senior Hurling Championship Final Results since 2008:

2008 Granagh/Ballingarry 0-13, Adare 0-11 played in Templeglantine on Sunday 24th.

2015: Granagh/Ballingarry 1-14, Adare 1-13 played in Seán Finn's Park, Rathkeale on Monday 26th October.

2016: Adare 3-24 Granagh/Ballingarry played in Seán Finn's Park, Rathkeale on Sunday 28th August.

2017: Adare 3-14 Granagh/Ballingarry 1-15 played in Seán Finn's Park, Rathkeale on Saturday 4th November.

Support

Hopefully all the Gaels in both Granagh and Ballingarry will travel to Croagh on next Tuesday July 20th for the 7.30pm throw-in to support the boys in black and green and the management team in their bid to bring the West Senior Hurling Championship title and the Liam Hough Memorial Cup back to the parish for the fourth time since 2008 and a first since 2018.

Tickets

Due to restrictions Granagh/Ballingarry will receive an allocation of 100 spectators for next Tuesday evening's West Senior Hurling Championship Final v Adare in Croagh at 7.30pm. Tickets €10 and will be on sale at the gate on the evening from club officials.

Note: Please have €10 with you as no change will be available.

€14,000 Jackpot on Saturday

There was no winner of the €13,900 jackpot in the Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club lottery held on Saturday 10th July. The numbers drawn were 14, 15, 24 and 25. The lucky dips of €20 each went to Mary Roche, Louise Enright, Jim Noonan and Aoife Kennedy. The next draw will be held this Saturday 17th July for a jackpot of €14,000. 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 lottery online.

Just Follow the link **HERE**

Many thanks for your continued support.

Club Diary

Thursday 15th July

Munster U20 Football Championship Semi Finals

Cork v Kerry, Páirc Uí Chaoimh at 7.30pm;

Tipperary v Waterford in Semple Stadium, Thurles at 7.30pm.

Sunday 19th July

Munster Senior Hurling Championship Final

Limerick (holders) v Tipperary in Pairc Uí Chaoimh at 4.15pm.

Monday 19th July

Munster U21 Hurling Championship Semi Final

Limerick v Clare in Pairc na nGael at 8pm.

Tuesday 20th July

West Senior Hurling League/Championship Final

Adare (holders) v Granagh/Ballingarry in Croagh at 7.30pm.

Munster U21 Hurling Championship Semi Final

Cork (holders) v Tipperary in Semple Stadium, Thurles at 7.30pm.

Wednesday 21st July

Munster Minor Football Championship Quarter Finals

Limerick v Tipperary in Páirc Uí nGael at 7.30pm.

Cork v Waterford in Fraher Field, Dungarvan at 7.30pm.

