

Granagh & Ballingarry GAA

BID TO BRIDGE FOUR YEAR GAP THIS FRIDAY

Friday 25th June 2021

Granagh/Ballingarry Junior B hurlers will seek to bridge a four-year gap when they flex their muscles against great rivals Feohanagh/Castlemahon for the third time since 2012 in their eagerly awaited 2020 West Junior B Hurling Championship Final this Friday June 25th in Dromcollogher at 7.30pm

This is the climax of the 2020 West Junior B Hurling Championship and the 37th final since Kilcornan beat Ardagh by one point, 1-6 to 1-5 in the first one in 1985. The trophy they are playing for is the Mary Sexton Memorial Perpetual Cup. Both sides are in the final on merit after playing a lot of good hurling on the way and it will be their third meeting in the decider since 2012 with the Feohanagh/Castlemahon boys winning the 23012 and 2017 finals and Granagh/Ballingarry the 2015 decider when the sides met in the fourth round of Group 2 on Thursday, September 10th last at Quaid Park, Coolyrue. Feohanagh/Castlemahon won by six points 2-13 to 0-13 and the Granagh/Ballingarry team was Conor Mulqueen, Mikey O'Keeffe, Donagh McCarthy, Mike Carroll, Mark Tierney, Colm Noonan o-1 (free), Seán Murphy, Edward Sheehy, Brian Noonan, Mark Snow, Jim O'Keeffe o-1, John O'Grady o-1, Jack Hartnett, Richie O'Keeffe o-7 (six frees lineball), Jimmy Shiels 0-2. Subs used Eoin Kennedy, Brian Mulqueen 0-1, Niall Carroll.

Feohanagh/Castlemahon scorers: Jamie Butler 0-10 (7 frees one lineball), Vincent Barry 1-1, David Kirwin 1-0, Michael Cremin 0-1, Gearóid Sexton o-1.

Both sides are in Friday evening's final of Group 2 on six points with Feohanagh/Castlemahon going straight to the semi final against Killeedy on the head-to-head rule and Granagh/Ballingarry in the Quarter Final against Croagh/Kilfinny.

West Junior B Hurling 2020 Championship

Group 2 Results

Round 1: Granagh/Ballingarry 1-12, Tournafulla

Round 2: Granagh/Ballingarry 4-11, Adare 2-9 Round 3: Granagh/Ballingarry 4-19, Dromcollogher/Broadford o-9

Round 4: Feohanagh/Castlemahon 2-13, Granagh/Ballingarry 1-12

Semi Final: Granaghj/Ballingarry 3-13, Feenagh/Kilmeedy 0-9

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Granagh/Ballingarry: Jimmy Shiels 0-1 free, Mickie O'Keeffe, Donagh McCarthy, Michael Carroll, Brendan Lynch o-1, Mark Tierney, Patrick Shelton, Edward Sheehy, Michael O'Rourke 0-1, Seán Murphy 1-1, Jim O'Keeffe, Brian Noonan o-1, Niall Carroll, John O'Grady o-5 3 frees 1 65), Jack Hartnet 0-1.

Subs used Eoin Enright, Brian Mulqueen 1-0, Gearóid Lynch 1-2, Kevin Mulcahy.

West Junior B Hurling 2020 Championship **Group 2 Results**

Round 1: Adare 1-14, Feohanagh Castlemahon o-

Round 2: Feohanagh/Castlemahon 1-11, Dromcollogher Broadford 1-10

Round 3: Feohanagh/Castlemahon 1-21, Tournafulla 0-12

Round 4: Feohanagh/Castlemahon 2-13, Granagh/Ballingarry 0-13

Semi Final: Feohanagh/Castlemahon 2-7, Killeedy 0-7

Feohanagh/Castlemahon: Don Malone, Mike Flynn, Eoin Murphy, Noel Corbett, Padraig O'Donnell, Patrick Lomasney, Mark Liston, Paddy Carroll, Tony Hartnett, Gearóid Sexton, David Donovan, Mike Cremin, David Kirwin, James Quilter, Vinny Barry.

Granagh/Ballingarry and Feohanagh/Castlemahon

West B Hurling Championship Final results since 2008

2008: Granagh/Ballingarry 0-9, St. Mary's Rath-

Replay: St. Mary's Rathkeale 2-10, Granagh/Ballingarry 1-10

2010: Killeedy 2-11, Feohanagh/Castlemahon 1-

Feohanagh/Castlemahon Granagh/Ballingarry 0-3

2013: Templeglantine 2-16, Feohanagh/Castlemahon 2-11

2014: Killeedy 0-13, Feohanagh/Castlemahon 0-

Granagh/Ballingarry 2018: Feohanagh/Castlemahon 1-8

2016: Granagh/Ballingarry 3-13, Newcastlewest

1-14 Feohanagh/Castlemahon

Granagh/Ballingarry 0-11

2018: Tournafulla 2-11, Feohanagh/Castlemahon 0-14

Granagh/Ballingarry West Junior B Hurling

Championship

Winning Captains: 2003: Brian Fitzgerald, 2015: Mark Tierney, 2016: Michael O'Rourke.

Support

Hopefully all the Gaels in both Granagh and Ballingarry will travel to Dromcollogher on this Friday June 25th for the 7.30pm throw-in to support the boys in black and green and their management team in their bid to bring the West Junior B Hurling Championship title and the Mary Sexton Memorial Cup back to the parish and club for the fourth time and a first since 2016.

Granagh/Ballingarry off to a winning start! **West Senior Hurling** League/Championship Round 1

Granagh/Ballingarry 2-17, Tournafulla 0-12 Granagh/Ballingarry got their West Senior Hurling League/Championship campaign off to a winning start on Tuesday 15th June in ideal conditions at Ballingarry with a deserved 11-point winning victory over gallant Tournafulla. A good

turned out to watch this first game of the season for both sides played on an excellent pitch with Jason O'Mahoney of Kildimo/Pallaskenry in

Granagh/Ballingarry dominated the opening nine minutes at Ballingarry with four unanswered white flags from open play courtesy of Cathal O'Keeffe (two), Damian O'Donovan and Luke Flynn before Anthony Hartnett opened the visitors; account when he split the uprights following a good solo run to leave the score o-4 to 0-1 in favour of Granagh/Ballingarry on ten minutes. The hurling in the next five minutes was poor with both sides missing chances before a long delivery by Thomas O'Donovan was finished past Tournafulla keeper Christopher O'Connor by Gearóid Lynch to extend the home side Granagh/Ballingarry's advantage to six, 1-4 to 0-1 on 17 minutes.

A couple of wides were exchanged before Anthony Hartnett won points back for Tournafulla from placed balls on 21 and 23 minutes to reduce the deficit to four. Then white flags were traded by Seán O'Connor from open play on 25 minutes and Anthony Hartnett from a placed ball on 28 minutes before the last point of the opening half fell to Micheál Collins of Tournafulla who split the uprights from out near the side line on 30 minutes to leave three between the sides, Granagh/Ballingarry 1-5, Tournafulla 0-5 at the interval.

Damian O'Donovan from a placed ball and Seán O'Connor from open play had white flags for Granagh/Ballingarry in the opening three minutes after the interval cancelled out from open play by Cian O'Sullivan on 34 minutes and James Brouder three minutes later to leave three once more between the sides, Granagh/Ballingarry 1-7, Tournafulla 0-7 on 37 minutes.

Granagh/Ballingarry now began to up their game with a trio of white flags in the next five minutes through Damian O'Donovan (2 frees) and Seán O'Connor (play) to extend the homeside's advantage to six, 1-10 to 0-7 on 43 min-

Then a pair of white flags from placed balls for Tournafulla courtesy of Anthony Harnett on 41 and 47 minutes cancelled out from play by Damian O'Donovan and substitute Denis O'Connor on 45 and 48 minutes to leave the boys in black and green still six ahead, 1-12 to 0-9.

A couple of wides were exchanged before a pair of white flags from open play for Granagh/Ballingarry through Limerick 2013 Munster senior hurling captain substitute Donal O'Grady and Seán O'Connor on 51 and 52 minutes were cancelled out by Conor Moroney from open play on 53 minutes and Anthony Harnett from a placed ball a minute later to reduce the deficit to six again, Granagh/Ballingarry 1-14, 0-11, on 54

Thomas O'Donovan, No. 9 Granagh/Ballingarry then split the uprights from long range on 55 minutes and Denis O'Connor added the home side's second goal a minute later to extend their advantage to ten, 2-15 to 0-11 on 56 minutes. Anthon Harnett won a point back from play for the Tournafulla boys on 57 minutes before Granagh/Ballingarry's No. 11 Damian O'Donovan split the uprights from a pair of placed balls on 58 and 61 minutes and at the final whistle Granagh/Ballingarry were worthy 11-point 2-17 to 0-12 winners of the two West Senior League/Championship points on offer. Granagh/Ballingarry scored 2-12 from play and 0-5 from frees. Tournafulla scored o-6 from play and o-6 from frees.

Referee: Jason O'Mahoney, Kildimo/Pallas-

Granagh/Ballingarry: John O'Grady, Edward Sheehy, John Carroll, Seán Murphy, Eoin Casey, Jack Cagney, Niall Cahill, Pat Carroll, Thomas O'Donovan 0-1, David Condron, Damian O'Donovan o-7 (5 frees), Luke Flynn o-1, Gearóid Lynch 1-0, Cathal O'Keeffe 0-2, Seán O'Connor 0-4. Subs used: Michael O'Rourke, Denis O'Connor 1-1, R. Noonan, Donal O'Grady, Eoin Herlihy.

Tournafulla: Christopher O'Connor, Gavin O'Reilly, Jamie Lenihan, Jeremiah Moroney, Daniel Brosnahan, Eoin McMahon, Zac Ryan, Cian O'Sullivan 0-2, Tom McCarthy, Anthony Harnett o-7 (six frees), John Curtin, Conor Moroney o-1, Dean Smith, James Brouder o-1, Michael Collins. Subs used: Liam O'Sullivan, Mickie M, Mike F. Jessie O'Mahoney.

Referee: Jason O'Mahoney, Kildimo Pallaskenry. Second Win for Granagh/Ballingarry

West Senior Hurling League/Championship Round 2

Granagh/Ballingarry 2-18, Newcastlewest 0-13 Granagh/Ballingarry intermediate hurlers recorded their second straight win in the West Senior Hurling Championship with an impressive ten-point victory over 2020 County Intermediate Hurling champions in ideal conditions at Ballingarry on Saturday to go joint top of the league/championship title with holders Adare on four points.

A big crowd turned out to watch this second round league tie played on a top class pitch with Donnacha O'Callaghan of Feohanagh/Castlemahon in charge. Both sides were forced to line out minus key players due to extra work commitment and injury.

Damian O'Donovan and Mike McMahon traded white flags in the opening two minutes, then Granagh/Ballingarry had a trio of white flags in as many minutes through Damian O'Donovan and Denis O'Connor and Damian O'Donovan again from a placed ball before points were traded by Mike McMahon from a placed ball on seven minutes and Thomas O'Donovan from open play a minute later to leave three between the sides, Granagh/Ballingarry 0-5, Newcastlewest 0-2 on eight minutes. Then Mike McMahon had a trio of white flags for the Newcastlewest boys from placed balls in the five-minute spell before Granagh/Ballingarry's No. 14 David Condron landed a fine point to leave one between the sides, Granagh/Ballingarry o-6, Newcastlewest 0-5, at the end of the first quarter at the first water-break.

When play got under way a long delivery by Eoin Casey of Granagh/Ballingarry went all the way past Loigh Fitzgerald in the Newcastlewest goal on 17 minutes before Mike McMahon landed his fifty point from a placed ball for Newcastlewest a minute later to leave three between the sides, Granagh/Ballingarry 1-6, Newcastlewest 0-6 on 12 minutes.

A couple of wides were exchanged before Seán O'Connor of Granagh/Ballingarry on 21 minutes from open play and Mike McMahon of Newcastlewest from a placed ball on 23 minutes traded white flags before the second green flag of the half for Granagh/Ballingarry through their No. 14 David Condron on 24 minutes to give the boys from Knockfierna on six points 2-7 to 1-7 lead. Then Mike McMahon landed his seventh white flag from a placed ball for Newcastlewest on 30 minutes to reduce the deficit to five, Granagh/Ballingarry 2-7, Newcastlewest 0-8 at the interval.

The opening seven minutes after the interval was all Granagh/Ballingarry with a trio of white flags through Damian O'Donovan from a 65 Seán O'Connor and Gearóid Lynch from open play before Mike McMahon of Newcastlewest send a 65 between the uprights to leave seven between the sides, Granagh/Ballingarry 2-10, Newcastlewest 0-9 on 38 minutes.

A couple of wides were exchanged before a pair of white flags from open play for Newcastlewest courtesy of Eoin Hurley on 42 minutes and Mike McMahon 45 minutes were cancelled out by Damian O'Donovan on 47 minutes and Jack Cagney on 50 minutes to leave Granagh/Ballingarry still seven ahead 2-12 to 0-11. Then points were traded by David McMahon from open play on 52 minutes and Denis O'Connor from a placed ball on 56 minutes. Denis O'Connor from open play on 57 minutes and Mike McMahon from a placed ball to leave seven still between the sides on 58 minutes. The final two minutes plus was all Granagh/Ballingarry with four unanswered white flags in an eight-minute spell through Luke Flynn, Thomas O'Donovan, Gearóid Lynch and Denis O'Connor. At the final whistle Granagh/Ballingarry were worthy ten point 2-18 to 0-13 winners of their second straight win in the West Senior Hurling/League Championship to join holders Adare at the top of the league/championship title on four points and can now look forward with confidence to their Round 3 game against neighbours Knockaderry on one point on this Saturday 26th June in Knockaderry at 7.30pm. Granagh/Ballingarry scored 2-15 from play 0-2 from frees and 0-1 from a 65. Newcastlewest scored 0-4 from play o-8 from frees and o-1 from a 65.

Granagh/Ballingarry: John O'Grady, Sean Murphy, John Carroll, Seán Murphy, Thomas O'Donovan, 0-2, Jack Cagney 0-1, Eoin Casey, Luke Flynn 0-1, Pat Carroll, Seán O'Connor 0-2, Damian O'Donovan o-6 (1 free 1 65), Denis O'Connor o-4 (1 free), Eoin Herlihy, David Condron 1-1, Gearóid Lynch 0-2. Subs used: Michael O'Rourke, Kevin Forde, Jack Hartnett, Josh Quill Mulcaire, Darragh Casey.

Newcastlewest I. Fitzgerald, M. Mulcahy, M. Murphy, E. McMahon, L. Woulfe, N. Enright, Darragh McMahon o-2, Mike McMahon o-10 (8 frees 1 65), Thomas Quilligan, A. McCarthy, Seamus Hurley, M. Kelly, Eoin Hurley 0-2, M. Cremin, E. McMahon. Subs used: L. Barry, M. Quilligan.

Membership Due

Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club membership fees for 2021 are now due and are €40 for adult players €120 with club draw, €20 for students and non players €15 for Bord na nÓg, €120 per family. Non players who pay €100 club draw fee in full will automatically became members for 2021 fees should be paid on or before July 1st to club registrar John Carroll.

Note: All adult players' membership fees must be paid through the clubforce app with direct debit options available before the return to play on June 7th.

To train or play for the club you have to be insured. If you have not yet registered we ask that you do so. It is generally felt by club officers that any member or player should feel obliged to get their membership paid asap and we must reiterate that people who have not paid will not be covered by insurance or entitled to any privileges whatsoever from the club.

June County Club Draw

The next Limerick County GAA Club's draw is this Saturday 26th June with a top prize of €10,000. There are a host of other prizes to be won, second prize €3,000, 3rd €2,000, 4th €1000, 5th exclusive prize of a La 75-inche Smart TV, 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 tenmonthly draw which commences in July and the County Club draw for €150. Granagh/Ballingarry had 117 members on the play draw with Paul McCarthy winning €100.

If you would like to renew your membership please follow the link limerickgaa.ie/clublimerick-draw-signup/ and select Granagh/Balling

arry 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 1960301. Note all new names to be included in the May 26th draw must be in by today Wednesday 23rd June at 12 noon. Please support.

West Senior Hurling League/Championship Round 3

Knockaderry is the venue on this Saturday June 26th at 7.30pm for the clash of neighbours Granagh/Ballingarry and Knockaderry in Round 3 of the West Senior Hurling League/Championship Granagh/Ballingarry are joint top of the table with Adare on four points after two straight wins over Tournafulla and Newcastlewest while Knockaderry are on two points along with Newcastlewest after going under Feohanagh/Castlemahon in their opening game and defeating Tournafulla last time out. Your support would be welcome for the boys in black and green and their management team at Knockaderry on this Saturday 26th June at 7.30pm to cheer them on in their bid for a hat-trick of wins in the West Senior Hurling League Championship.

West Junior A Hurling Round 3

Granagh/Ballingarry B team play Rathkeale A team in Round 3 of the West Junior A Hurling League/Championship on this Sunday 27th June in Ballingarry at 12 noon. Please support.

Cul Camp

The Granagh/Ballingarry Cúl Camp will be held in the club grounds in Ballingarry from Monday July 5th to Friday 9th. Booking is now accepted online on www.kellogs.gaa.ie/booking

Best Wishes

Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club officials would like to wish the best of luck to all our players and members of the parish who are sitting exams in the coming weeks.

Jim (Twin) Lynch Memorial Cup Final, & West Senior Hurling League/Championship Round 5

The second annual Jim (twin) Lynch Perpetual Memorial Cup Huirling Final will be contested by holders Granagh/Ballingarry and Feohanagh/Castlemahon provisionally on Sunday 11th July in Ballingarry at 7.30pm with all proceeds of a bucket collection going to Milford Care

Munster Senior Football Championship Quarter Final

We wish the Limerick senior footballers and their manager Billy Lee the best of luck this Saturday 26th June against Waterford in the quarter final of the Munster Senior Football Championship in Pairc na nGael at 3pm.

CLUB DIARY

Friday June 25th

West Junior B Hurling Championship Final Granagh/Ballingarry v Feohanagh/Castlemahon in Dromcollogher at 7.30pm.

Saturday 26th June

Munster Senior Football Championship Quarter Limerick v Waterford in Pairc na nGael at 3pm

7pm. West Senior Hurling League/Championship Round 5

Kerry v Clare in Fitzgerald Park, Killarney at

Granagh/Ballingarry v Knockaderry in Knockaderry at 7.30pm. Sunday 27th June

West Junior A Hurling League/Championship Round 3:

Granagh/Ballingarry v Rathkeale in Ballingarry at 12 noon. Munster Senior Hurling Championship Quarter

Final

Clare v Waterford in Semple Stadium, Thurles at 3.30pm.

