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Granagh & Ballingarry GAA

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Granagh/Ballingarry bid for Munster Football Glory on Saturday

Knockaderry is the venue on this Saturday 26th March at 2.30p.m. for the eagerly-awaited meeting of five times Limerick County Junior B Football Championship winners Granagh/Ballingarry and Cork king-pins Randal Og in the much delayed 2021 Munster Club Junior B Football Championship Final.

Preview

Tremendous support is anticipated for both clubs in this the 13th final in the competition since Clann na nGael Cork won the first one in 2006. Randal Og will be contesting their first final and hoping to become the second Cork club on Saturday to win the title since Clann na nGael in 2006. Their opponents Granagh/Ballingarry reached the decider in 2010, where they went under to Na nGael Kerry by three points, 1-10 to3-11, and will be hoping to become the second Limerick club to raise the Munster Club Junior B Football Championship trophy since Ballybrown caused a major shock by lowering the colours of much-fancied Cromane from Kerry in the 2017 decider.

RANDAL OG

The Randal Og club is a Junior B hurling and football club, centred in Ballincarriga, South east of Dunmanway town in the heartland of Carbery, the South West GAA Division of County Cork. Ballincarriga and the surrounding townlands comprise of a quiet rural area of West Cork, an area dominated by a 16th century castle built on a towering rock no more than a few hundred metres from the Randal Og O Mir-thile, local Gaelic chieftain and from whom the club takes its name.

In the other direction, less than a mile to the north, the River Bandon flows by on its way to the Atlantic ocean at Kinsale Harbour. The Randal Og club was founded in 1953 as a football club only. In 1996 a hurling team was affiliated for the first time and since then there has been no break in the club's dual commitment. The club now field Junior B and Under 21 teams in hurling and football. The club are involved in underage games, up to and including minor, as part of the Sam Maguires club. 2021 was a dream year for Randals as the club won two County Junior B football titles (including their first ever County B Championship title) as well as the Carbery Junior B crown. Their reward is a deserved place in Saturday's Munster Club Junior B Football Championship final against Granagh/Ballingarry from West Limerick and a spot in the Cork County Junior A football ranks for the first time in over 40 years in 2022. The average age of the Randal Og players is 23 to 24 between football and hurling, they played an energy-sapping 28 games in 29 weeks across eight different competitions, and they finished the 2021 season with three trophies and promotion to Junior A Football in 2022.

Randals is one of the smallest clubs in the Carbery division. They didn't have a huge pick of players and likewise don't have a huge pick of voluntary people either but who ever can get involved will get involved. It's all the way from the people involved in the administrative side to all the people involved with the teams, its everyone who helps out in their own way. The Randals are only a crossroads really, they have a school, church, local creamery. The GAA club is hugely important to areas, when the teams are doing well, more and more people came to the matches. The Randal Og GAA club officials are hopeful there will be even more supporters at the games this season and the footballers hope to be crowned Munster Junior B Champions on Saturday and strut their stuff at Junior A and the hurlers redouble their efforts to win promotion from Junior B.

Path to Munster Club Junior B Football Championship Final
Cork County Junior B Football Championship
Round 1: Randal Og 3-15, Belgooly 3-15.
Semi-Final: Randal Og 0-11, Douglas 0-5.
County Final: Randal Og 1-11, Dripsey 0-13.
Munster Club Junior B Football Championship
Quarter-final: Randal Og Cork 2-17, Parteen, Clare 1-1.
Semi-final: Randal Og Cork 4-12, Moyvane Kerry 4-12, AET Randal Og won 7-6 on penalties.
Randal Og: Ciaran Murray, Eoin Murray, Seamus Crowley 1-0, Stephen Crowley, Padraig Duggan, Shane Patterson, Cian O'Neill, Conor O'Neill 0-1, Peter Collins 1-2 (2 frees), Kevin Dullea 0-1, Padraig O'Sullivan 0-1, Seadhna Crowley 0-2, Barry O'Driscoll 1-3, (3 frees), Donncha Collins 1-11, Séan Daly 0-1. Subs used Padraig Galvan, Barry O'Sullivan, Pauric White, Stephen Crowley. Other panel members Tomás White, Séan Kingston, Cathal Duggan, Donal Daly, Daviud Collins, Cal Nyhan, Daniel O'Sullivan, Martin Murphy.
Management team: Daithi o hEachainn (traenelai), Aodhan O'Suilleabhain, Gearóid O'Coilean, Seosamh O Cruadhlasich, Garhabhair Proinsias O Domhnaill, Maeve Ní Dhomhnaill, Físteripeoir Maire Uí hAnnagain, Carbery Chartered Physiotherapy.

Granagh/Ballingarry

Granagh/Ballingarry GAA club is situated in West Limerick under the shadow of Knockfierna. The club cater for all ages from under 6 to adult in both hurling and football. Formed in 1945, reformed in 1990 after the merger between Granagh and Ballingarry GAA clubs previously the clubs had been playing together at under age level. Hurling is the more popular game in the parish, winning West and County championship titles in all grades from senior down

to U-12. Since 1989 the club has enjoyed great success in football, winning five County Junior B football championship titles, one county Junior B League title, six West Junior B championship titles, two West Junior A championship titles, two West Junior A league titles and two West Junior B League titles along with numerous West and County titles from U-21 right down to U-12. 2021 was a very successful year for Granagh/Ballingarry in both codes, winning seven pieces of silverware. The 2020 County U-16 13-a-side football title, the Junior B footballers achieving a West and County Championship double and their counterparts in hurling winning the delayed 2020 West Championship title. The fine display given by the intermediate hurlers reaching the County Championship semi-final for the first time since 20-18, where they went under to eventual winners Effin by two points, reaching the West Senior Hurling/League/Championship final where they went under to Adare by four points at Newcastle West, winning the Jim Twin Lynch Memorial and Hennessey Cups. The U-21 hurlers with only a panel of 17 players fought a great campaign to reach the County B Final where they defeated neighbours Dromin/Athlaca 0-18 to 0-7 to capture the club's first County 15-1-a-side County U-21 hurling championship title to finally bring the curtain down on a long and successful 2021 season on Sunday 12th December at Staker Wallace GAA grounds in Kilbreedy. Path to Munster Club Junior B Football Championship Final
West Limerick Junior B Football Championship 2021
Round 1: Granagh/Ballingarry 1-12, Knockaderry 1-11.
Semi-final: Granagh/Ballingarry 4-13, Athea 1-8.
West Final: Granagh/Ballingarry 1-11, Knockaderry 1-6.
County Junior B Football Championship 2021
Quarter-final: Granagh/Ballingarry 0-10, Fedamore 0-6.
Semi-final: Granagh/Ballingarry 3-13, Cloughaun 0-2.
County final: Granagh/Ballingarry 0-10, Knockaderry 0-2.
Munster Club Junior B Football Championship
Semi-final: Granagh/Ballingarry Limerick 1-8, The Nire, Waterford 1-4.
Granagh/Ballingarry: David Clancy, Thomas O'Donovan, Niall Cahill, captain, Kieran Condron, Luke Flynn, Darragh Casey, Brendan Lynch, Jack Cagney 0-2, Edward Sheehy, Eoin Herlihy, Séan O'Connor 0-1 Aaron Smith 0-2 frees, Jack O'Donoghue, Denis O'Connor 1-1, Cathal O'Keeffe 0-2. Subs used David Condron, Josh Mulcair Quill. Other panel members Damien Donovan, Keith O'Kelly, Eoin Lynch, Gearóid Lynch, Jack Hartnett, Séan Murphy, Brian Mulqueen, Niall Fitzgerald, William O'Regan, MJ Purtill, Michael Russell, Denis Sheehy, Gearóid O'Leary, injured player.

Manager Shane O'Grady. Coach Mark O'Sullivan. Selector Andrew Holmes, First Aid Theresa Noonan. Granagh/Ballingarry Junior Football Roll of Honour Limerick County Junior B Football Championship: Ballingarry 1989, Granagh/Ballingarry 1996, 2002, 2010, 2021. Limerick County Junior B Football Championship: 2010. West Limerick Junior A Football Championship: 1990, 2006. West Limerick Junior B Football Championship: Ballingarry 1989, Granagh/Ballingarry 1996, 2010, 2016, 2018, 2021. West Limerick Junior A Football League: 2003, 2011. West Limerick Junior B Football League: 1996, 2010. 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 nGael Kerry, 2011 Brosna Kerry, 2012 Scartaglen Kerry, 2013 Asdee Kerry, 2014 Valentia/Young Islanders Kerry, 2015 Sneem/Derrynane Kerry, 2016 Lislope Kerry, 2017 Ballybrown Kerry, 2018 Kilgarvan Kerry, 2019 not completed due to Covid 19, Pandemic 2020 no competition due to Covid 19 pandemic.

Note:
Entrance fee for supporters for this Saturday's Munster Club Junior B Football Championship final Granagh/Ballingarry limerick v Randal Og Cork in Knockaderry at 2.30p.m. is €10 which includes a match programme and tea/light refreshments in the local hall post match, where the man of the match award sponsored by Knockaderry/Clouncagh/Community Council will be presented.

Support

Hopefully all Gaels in both Granagh and Ballingarry and beyond will travel to give support to our Junior B footballers and their management team of Shane O'Grady, Mark O'Sullivan, Andrew Holmes and first aid official Theresa Noonan in Knockaderry o this Saturday 26th March for the 2.30pm throw in to cheer them on in tier bid to become only the second Limerick club since Ballybrown in 2017 to be crowned Munster Club Junior B Football champions.

Flags

We urge people all over Granagh/Ballingarry parish and beyond to put their flags out in support of the Granagh/Ballingarry Junior B footballer for this Sunday's Munster Club Championship final v Cork champions Randal Og in Knockaderry at 2.30pm.

Granagh/Ballingarry off to a winning start
West Junior Football League Championship
Round 1
Granagh/Ballingarry....4-19
Mountcollins.....0-8

2021 West Limerick and County Junior B Football champions (and Munster finalists v Randal Og Cork this Saturday 26th March in Knockaderry at 2.30p.m.) Granagh/Ballingarry made a winning start to their West Junior Football League Championship campaign with a comfortable victory over a gallant Mountcollins second string under lights in Mountcollins on Wednesday night 16th March. A good crowd turned out to watch this opening league tie despite the cold conditions, which was played on an excellent patch with Michael Browne of Dromcollogher/Broadford in charge. Granagh/Ballingarry were sharper, more direct, showed better touches up front, were too strong for their opponents despite forced to line out minus a number of first team players. The visitors led 0-8 to 0-2 at the interval. The Granagh/Ballingarry goals came from the boot of Damien O'Donovan and a hat-trick by former County minor Keith O'Kelly who finished with a personal tally of 3-5. Credit to Mountcollins boys who refused to give up and continuously took the fight to their much stronger and fitter opponents. At the final whistle the 2021 Junior B champions and Munster finalists Granagh/Ballingarry were comfortable 4-19 to 0-8 winners of the two West Junior Football League/Championship points on offer. They can look forward with confidence to the Munster Club Junior B Football Championship final against Randal Og this Saturday 26th March in Knockaderry at 2.30p.m.

Granagh/Ballingarry: David Clancy, Kieran Condron, Thomas O'Donovan, Eoin Lynch, Brendan Lynch, Luke Flynn, Eoin Herlihy, Séan O'Connor, Darragh Casey, Keith O'Kelly, Cathal O'Keeffe, Aaron Smith, Paudie Murphy, Denis O'Connor, Damien O'Donovan. Sub used Bryan Mulqueen. Referee: Michael Browne, Dromcollogher/Broadford.

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Ardscoil Rís Claim Historic Croke Cup

All Ireland Post Primary Schools Senior Hurling Final

Ardscoil Rís, Limerick.....1-17
St. Kieran's College Kilkenny.....0-15

Ardscoil Rís Limerick having lost all three previous finals all against St. Kieran's in 2010, 2011 and 2016 finally came in from the cold when they finally got the better of the Kieran's boys bidding for their 24th title courtesy of a cracking David Kennedy goal four minutes from time at Croke Park on St. Patrick's Day to ensure that the Croke Cup would be back in Shannonside for the first time since CBS won it twice in three years, 1964 and 1966. Congratulations to Niall Moran of Ahane and all involved with Ardscoil on their historic win.

Ardscoil Rís: Seimie Gully (Clonlara), Evan O'Leary (Ahane), John Fitzgerald (Na Piarasigh), Colm Flynn (Sixmilebridge), Cian Scully (Dromin/Athlaca/Banogue), Michael Gavin (Ballybrown), Brian O'Keeffe (Murroe/Boher), Vince Harrington joint captain (Na Piarasigh), J.J. Carey (Na Piarasigh), Rian O'Byrne 0-1 (Crecora/Manister), Oisín O'Farrell (Askeaton), Shane O'Brien 0-3 joint captain (Kilmallock), Jack Golden 0-1 (Monaleen), Niall O'Farrell 0-8 (4 frees, 1 65), (Broadford), David Kennedy 1-3 (Sixmilebridge). Subs used Rian McNamara (Cratloe), Dylan Lynch (Na Piarasigh), Diarmuid Strith (Clarina), Seán McMahon. Referee: L. Gordon, Galway.

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Shield Win for Granagh/Ballingarry U13s

Ita Madigan U13 Hurling Shield Final
Granagh/Ballingarry.....4-7
St. Kieran's.....2-7

The Ita U13 Hurling tournament hosted by St. Kieran's GAA Club has become a great annual competition in West Limerick GAA circles, Knockaderry, Granagh/Ballingarry, Dromcollogher/Broadford and St. Kierans competed. The Round Robin started before Christmas with all games close and exciting. The much delayed Ita Madigan Cup and Shield finals took place on Sunday March 13th. In the Cup Final

Dromcollogher emerged victorious over Knockaderry. In the Shield Final Granagh/Ballingarry were six point 4-7 to 2-7 winners over the host club St. Kierans. Congratulations to the Granagh/Ballingarry management team and players and all involved in this great win which is a great boost for our Bord na nOg Club.



Membership Due

There are only eight days to go to the closing date of Thursday March 31st for membership of Granagh/Ballingarry GAA for 2022. Fees are €40 for adult players (€120 with club draw), €20 for students and non players €15 for Bord na nOg (€120 per family). Non players who pay their €100 club draw fee in full will automatically become members for 2022. Fees should be paid on or before 31st March to Club Registrar John Carroll or any club official. To train or play for the club you have to be insured. If you were not yet registered we ask you to do so. It is generally felt by club officers that any members or player should feel obliged to get their membership paid as soon as possible and we must reiterate that people who have not paid will not be covered by insurance or entitled to any privileges what so ever from our club.

Club Limerick Draw 2022

The first Limerick County GAA Draw for 2022 is on this Saturday 26th March. There will be monthly draws from March to December 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 star prize, 6th to 9th €500, 10th to 13th €250, 14th to 30th €100. There will again be exclusive month prizes to be won. Entry to the draw is just €10 per month or €100 for the ten draws with the option to join our own ten monthly draws and County club draw for €150. If you would like to renew your membership for 2022 please follow this [LINK](#) 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 086-1960301.**

Note all names to be included in this Saturday's draw must be in by today Wednesday 23rd March at 12 noon.

Limerick Record Fourth Win with Late Burke Point

National Football League

Division 3 Round 6

Limerick.....0-15
Laois.....0-14

Congratulations to manager Billy Lee and all involved with the Limerick senior footballers on their thrilling one point 0-15 to 0-14 victory over gallant Laois courtesy of an injury time point by Robbie Burke to record their fourth win in Division 3 of the National Football League at Portlaoise on Saturday. This result will see them second in the Division 3 League table on 8 points, one behind Louth. We wish the boys in green and white and their management team the best of luck in their final league game against fifty place Fermanagh on 6 points on this Sunday 27th March at 2pm in Páirc na nGael at 2pm where a victory will see them on course for promotion and a place in the Division 3 National Football League Final. Please support.

First League Win for Limerick

National Hurling League

Division 1 Group A Round 5

Limerick.....4-29
Offaly.....0-17

Congratulations to manager John Kiely our own Donal O'Grady coach/selector and all involved with back to back All Ireland Hurling champions Limerick on recording their first win in Division 1 of Group A in the National Hurling League with an impressive 24 points, 4-29 to 0-17 victory over gallant Offaly in the final series of the group stage games at Páirc na nGael on Sunday to avoid falling into a relegation play-off. This was the Limerick last run-out before they make the first defence of the Munster and All Ireland Hurling Championship titles on Easter Sunday 17th April when they travel to Páirc Uí Chaoimh to play neighbours Cork in a rematch of last year's All Ireland Final.

Check Lotto Results & Buy Ticket Here

West Junior A Hurling League/Championship 2022

Sunday 3rd April

Round 1 Feohanagh/Castlemahon v Granagh/Ballingarry in Quaid Park, Coolyroe at 12 noon.

Sunday 10th April

Round 2 Granagh/Ballingarry v Rathkeale in Ballingarry at 12 noon.

Sunday 1st May

Round 3 Kildimo/Pallaskenry v Granagh/Ballingarry in Kildimo at 12 noon.

Sunday 8th May

Round 4 Granagh/Ballingarry v Askeaton in Ballingarry at 12 noon.

Sunday 22nd May

Round 5 Granagh/Ballingarry v Newcastlewest in Newcastlewest at 12noon.

Note: Top two teams qualify for West Junior Hurling League/Championship Final. If teams finish level on points scoring difference will apply.

County U19B Hurling Championship

Group 1

Friday 13th May

Round 1 Granagh/Ballingarry v Dromin Athlaca in Ballingarry at 7.30pm.

Friday 1st July

Round 2 Tournafulla/Killeedy v Granagh/Ballingarry in Tournafulla or Raheenagh at 7.30pm.

Friday 15th July

Round 3 Granagh/Ballingarry v Askeaton in Ballingarry at 7.30pm.

Note Top two teams qualify for quarter finals. If teams finish level on point scoring difference will apply.

Golf Classic

Granagh/Ballingarry GAA is hosting their 2022 Golf Classic in Charleville Golf Club on Friday April 22nd. Prizes will be awarded for the first four teams on the day while they will also be a raffle with many prizes up for grabs.



Con and Annie Memorial Stake

The annual Con and Annie Memorial Stake, sponsored by JP and Noreen McManus, will be hosted at the Limerick Greyhound Stadium from Saturday 26th March to Friday 22nd April. Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club nominated dog Clona Blu will run from trap 4 in Round 1 Heat 12 on this Saturday night. Your support for this competition would be greatly appreciated.

Club Gear



Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club top, hoodies, track-suits, jackets, shorts and socks can now be ordered online at Laochra Sports.

€17,600 Jackpot on Saturday

There was no winner of the €17,500 jackpot in the Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club lottery on Saturday 19th March at Condron's Bar, Ballingarry. The numbers drawn were 1, 3, 6 and 25. The lucky dips of €20 each went to Noel Noonan promoter online, Liz McAuliffe promoter Dinna A, Enda McCarthy promoter Donagh McCarthy, Kayleigh Thomey promoter the Rock Bar, Granagh. The next draw for a jackpot of €17,600 will be held on Saturday 26th March in the Rock Bar, Granagh. Tickets are on sale **HERE**

Club Diary

Saturday 26th March

Munster Club Junior B Football Championship Final Granagh/Ballingarry (Limerick) v Randal Óg (Cork) in Knockaderry at 2.30pm.

National Hurling League Division 1 Semi Final Kilkenny v Cork in Páirc Uí Chaoimh at 7.15pm.