

County Juvenile PRO Report – January to March 2013

CROSS COUNTRY

Magnificent Win for Tobin at AVIVA Schools

The AVIVA All-Ireland Schools Cross Country Championships were held in the University of Ulster, Jordanstown on Saturday 9th March. Sean Tobin, High School Clonmel put in a terrific performance to win gold in the Senior Boys race in a time of 22.42. The High School Clonmel finished 2nd overall in the team competition with Michael Carey in 10th place, Evan Egan in 31st & Shane Moloney in 50th place. Killian Cullagh & Darren Dunne placed individual 8th & 9th in the Inter-Boys race, both qualifying for the Irish team who will run at the AVIVA SIAB Cross Country International in Wales on Saturday 23rd March. The Loreto, Clonmel were 3rd in the Senior Girls race.

National Junior Title for Tobin

Sean Tobin, Clonmel A.C. took the National title in the Junior Boys race at the Woodie's DIY AAI Junior Cross Country Championships in Charleville Estate, Tullamore on Sunday 24th February. Sean put in a fine performance to win gold 8 seconds clear of the silver medalist, Hugh Armstrong, Ballina A.C.

Juvenile Cross Country Relays

The Munster Juvenile Cross Country Relays took place in Limerick Racecourse on Sunday 13th January. The County had 6 teams competing on the day with silver medal wins for the Boys U/12 team (Eoin Purcell, Aaron Fogarty & Patrick Stakelum, Thurles Crokes A.C., Jack Hickey, Moyne A.C. & Michael O'Brien, Newport A.C.) & the Boys U/14 team (Michael Purcell & Fred Crowley, Thurles Crokes A.C., Jack Dolan, Moyglass A.C., P.J. Corcoran, Tipperary Town A.C. & Gerry Hayes, Dundrum A.C.). Our Tipperary Boys U/12 team of Aaron Fogarty, Eoin Purcell, Patrick Stakelum, Thurles Crokes A.C., Jack Hickey, Moyne A.C. & Michael O'Brien, Newport who finished 6th overall in a time of 7.00mins at the Woodie's DIY AAI Juvenile Inter-County Cross Country Relays in Tullamore on Sunday 24th February.

Munster Schools Cross Country Championships

These Championships took place in Carriganore, WIT on Thursday 7th February 2013. Winners on the day were :- Presentation, Thurles won bronze in the Minor Girls race with their team of Roisin Daly (6th), Anna Gavin (17th) & Muireann O'Connell (27th). In the Junior Girls race, Elaine Yelverton, St. Mary's Newport & Avril Deegan, Presentation Thurles were both in the top 10 in 8th & 10th place respectively. Ursuline Thurles were 6th overall with their team of Susie Osbourne (23rd), Emma Doyle (35th) & Dervla Lynch (41st). In the Intermediate Girls race, Eileen Wrafter, Ursuline Thurles was 2nd overall with Ciara Cummins, Ursuline Thurles in 4th place & Orlaith Moynihan, Loreto Clonmel in 7th place. Ursuline Thurles took gold with their team of Eileen Rafter (2nd), Ciara Cummins (4th) & Emer Loughman (15th). In the Intermediate Boys race, Killian Cullagh, Nenagh Vocational School was 4th overall with Darren Dunne, St. Joseph's Borrisoleigh in 5th place. In the Senior Girls race, Laura Tobin & Aoife Laste, Loreto Clonmel finished in 4th & 5th place overall with the Loreto Clonmel winning gold in the team competition with their team of Laura Tobin, Aoife Laste & Megan O'Brien (11th). Sean Tobin, High School Clonmel was the winner of the Senior Boys race with Michael Carey in 3rd place. High School Clonmel took gold in the team competition with their team of Sean Tobin, Michael Carey, Evan Egan (13th) & Shane Moloney (25th).

INDOORS

The Munster Junior & U/23 Indoor Championships was held in Nenagh Indoor Stadium on Sunday 6th January. Tipperary athletes fared well in all sections of the Championships winning 5 gold, 8 silver & 12 bronze medals in individual competitions with Nenagh Olympic A.C. winning gold in the Junior Men's 4 x 200m Relay.

Gold for Ryan at National Junior Championships

Deirbhile Ryan, Nenagh Olympic A.C. won gold & a National Title in the Junior Women's Triple Jump at the Woodie's DIY AAI Junior & U/23 Indoor Championships in AIT Arena on Sunday 10th February.

Ryan was Tipperary's only gold medal winner & she also placed 4th in the Shot Putt. Other Tipperary athletes who came to the fore on the day were Michael Carey, Clonmel A.C. who won Silver in the Junior Men's 1500m, Jack Corbett, Thurles Crokes A.C., 3rd in Junior Men's 1500m, Aaron Egan & Anthony Tobin, Clonmel A.C. 2nd & 3rd in Junior Men's 3km Walk, Aoife Mounsey, Borrisokane A.C. 3rd in Junior Women's Triple Jump & Aoife Bartley, Carrick-On-Suir A.C. 2nd in U/23 Women's Long Jump & Triple Jump.

The County U/13 to Junior Indoor Championships took place on Saturday 12th January in Nenagh Indoor Stadium. With 13 County Clubs represented, there was great excitement & energy in the stadium for the first real Indoor competition of 2013. Well done to Moyglass A.C. who took part in their first ever Indoor competition winning 5 medals in total (2 gold, 1 silver & 2 bronze). Spectators witnessed plenty of thrills, tight finishes & super competition on the day as the warm up for the Indoor Season got underway in earnest. Some magic moments came from Newport A.C.'s Maria Carey who won the Girls U/16 Long Jump with a jump of 5.12m, Moycarkey Coolcree A.C.'s Daniel Ryan who won the Boys U/15 Long Jump with a jump of 6.05m & the Shot Putt with a throw of 13.43m, Nenagh Olympic A.C.'s Joseph McEvoy who won the Boys U/13 High Jump on 1.43m & Templemore A.C.'s Simon Archer who won the Junior Men's High Jump on 1.85m. Some of the multiple medal winners on the day were:- Daniel Ryan, Moycarkey Coolcree A.C. (5 gold), David Ryan, Moycarkey Coolcree A.C. (4 gold & 1 bronze), Darren Prout, Carrick-on-Suir A.C. (3 gold), Miriam Daly, Carrick-On-Suir A.C. (3 gold), Lauren Moylan, Nenagh Olympic A.C. (3 gold), Jack Ryan, Moycarkey Coolcree A.C. (2 gold, 1 silver), Eimear Bartley, Carrick-On-Suir A.C. (2 gold), Jack Fallon, Moycarkey Coolcree A.C. (1 gold & 3 silver), Sean Glasheen, Tipperary Town A.C. (2 gold & 1 silver), Jack Dolan, Moyglass A.C. (1 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronze). The Ryan brothers, Daniel, David & Jack, Moycarkey Coolcree A.C. made it a unique treble when they all won gold in the 60m & the 60m Hurdles in their age groups. There was a clean sweep of medals for Nenagh Olympic A.C. in the Junior Men's Shot & Girls U/14 60m, Carrick-On-Suir A.C. in the Girls U/13 60m & Moycarkey Coolcree A.C. in the Boys U/14 Shot Putt. Top Clubs on the day were Carrick-On-Suir A.C. (20 gold, 16 silver, 13 bronze, 6 sets of relay medals (4 gold, 1 silver, 1 bronze)), Nenagh Olympic A.C. (16 gold, 18 silver 14 bronze, 8 sets of relay medals (4 gold, 2 silver, 2 bronze)), Moycarkey Coolcree A.C. (15 gold, 4 silver, 3 bronze, 1 set of relay medals (silver)) & Templemore A.C. (10 gold, 4 silver, 6 bronze, 2 sets of relay medals (2 silver)).

Nenagh Olympic A.C. hosted a very successful Open Indoor Competition for U9-U12 athletes on Saturday 19th January. The aim was to give younger children a run before the Munster Championships in early February & it certainly did that. The event was run similar to the County Indoors but athletes could run in both a sprint & a distance race on the day. Competition was very high with athletes from 23 Clubs all over Munster & beyond taking part. County Clubs well represented on the day were Nenagh Olympic A.C., Templemore A.C., Moycarkey Coolcree A.C., Moyglass A.C., Thurles Crokes A.C., Clonmel A.C. & Newport A.C. A special award for "Athlete of the Meet" was won by Holly Meredith, St. Mary's A.C., Limerick with the award for "Best Club of the Meet" going to Nenagh Olympic A.C.

Ryan & Prout Excel At Munster Championships

The Munster Juvenile U/14 to U/19 Indoor Championships took place in Nenagh Indoor Stadium on Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th February. Tipperary athletes took home a huge haul of 72 medals (26 gold, 20 silver & 26 bronze). Daniel Ryan, Moycarkey Coolcree A.C. was Tipperary's top athlete over the weekend winning gold medals in all 5 of his events, 60m, 60m Hurdles, Long Jump, High Jump & Shot Putt & he also set 3 new Championship Best Performances in the 60m (7.49sec), 60m Hurdles (8.85sec) & Long Jump (6.35m). Darren Prout, Carrick-On-Suir A.C. also had an excellent competition winning 4 gold medals in the Boys U/17 60m, 60m Hurdles, 200m & Long Jump. Phoebe Murphy, Clonmel A.C. showed her strength when she took double Munster titles in the Girls U/16 60m & 200m while Evan Lynch, Clonmel A.C. broke Jamie Costin's 1995 record of 6.06.00 when he clocked 5.58.98 secs in the Boys U/19 1500m Walk. Deirbhile Ryan, Nenagh Olympic A.C. won double Munster titles in the Girls U/17 High Jump & Shot Putt & bronze in the Long Jump. Dan Finnerty, Nenagh Olympic A.C. won double silver in the Boys U/19 60m Hurdles & Long Jump & double bronze in 200m & Shot Putt with his team-mate, Michael Quilligan winning double silver in the Boys U/17 200m & High Jump & bronze in the 60m Hurdles. Tom Hennessy, Nenagh Olympic A.C. won gold in the Boys U/19 800m & silver in the High Jump with Sean Glasheen, Tipperary Town A.C.

winning double silver in the Boys U/16 Shot Putt & Long Jump. Tipperary Clubs, Clonmel A.C. & Templemore A.C. dominated Munster in the Walks competitions winning between them, 6 Munster titles in the Boys U/15, U/17 & U/19 & Girls U/14, U/16 & U/18 & also taking silver in the Girls U/18 & Boys U/17 competitions.

Munster U/9 to U/12 Indoor Championships

The Munster U/9 to U/13 Indoor Championships was held on Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th February in Nenagh Indoor Stadium. Tipperary athletes won 22 medals in total (7 gold, 5 silver & 10 bronze). Miriam Daly, Carrick-On-Suir A.C. set a new Munster record in the Girls U/13 60m Hurdles when she ran 10.2 while Joseph McEvoy, Nenagh Olympic A.C. equalled the Munster record of 1.45m in the Boys U/13 High Jump.

The Munster Schools Indoor Games were held in Nenagh Indoor Stadium on Tuesday 5th March. Tipperary athletes fared well winning 23 individual medals (10 gold, 5 silver & 8 bronze) & 2 sets of Relay medals (St. Mary's Newport & Ursuline Thurles). Top County athletes were Daniel Ryan, CBS Thurles who won 3 gold in the Junior Boys 60m, 60mH & LJ, Sharlene Mawdsley, St. Mary's Newport who won 2 gold in the Junior Girls 60m & 60m Hurdles, Emma Hennessy, St. Mary's Newport, gold in High Jump & bronze in Junior Girls Long Jump, Michael Quilligan, CBS Nenagh, silver in Inter-Boys LJ & bronze in 60mH & Jack Fallon, CBS Thurles, silver in Minor Boys 1200m & bronze in LJ.

At the Munster Juvenile Indoor Relays on Saturday 9th March, Tipperary came home with 13 sets of medals in total (8 gold, 2 silver & 3 bronze) with Nenagh Olympic A.C. showing their sheer class at this event winning 6 gold & Munster titles in the Boys U/9, U/10, U/12, U/18 & U/19 & Girls U/14, 1 silver in the Girls U/9 & 2 bronze in the Boys U/15 & Boys U/17. Their Boys U/10 4 x 100m relay team also set a new CBP of 1.02.13. Carrick-On-Suir A.C. also did well winning gold in the Girls U/18, silver in Girls U/17 & bronze in Girls U/13 while Templemore A.C. won gold & the Munster title in the Girls U/9 4 x 100m Relay setting a new CBP of 1.10.67.

There was a great turnout of Clubs & athletes for the County U/9 to U/12 Indoor Championships in Nenagh Indoor Stadium on Sunday 10th March. Results at www.tipperaryathletics.com.

INDOOR COMBINED EVENTS

National Titles for Ryan Brothers

The Woodie's DIY AAI Juvenile Combined Events Championships took place in the newly built & magnificent surroundings of AIT Arena, Athlone on Saturday 26th January. Tipperary had 3 medal winners on the day with brothers, David & Daniel Ryan, Moycarkey Coolcree A.C. taking gold & National titles in the Boys U/14 & U/15 competitions & their team-mate, Jack Fallon winning bronze in the Boys U/14 competition.

The Munster Juvenile Indoor Combined Event Championships were held in Nenagh Indoor Stadium on Saturday 9th February. There were gold medal wins for Joseph McEvoy, Nenagh Olympic A.C. in the Boys U/13 competition (he also set a new CBP of 1.47m in the High Jump on the day) & for National Champions, David & Daniel Ryan, Moycarkey Coolcree A.C. in the Boys U/14 & Boys U/15 competitions. Jack Fallon, Moycarkey Coolcree A.C. won Silver in the Boys U/14 competition & Martin Kehoe, Carrick-On-Suir A.C. won Bronze in the same competition making it a 1, 2 & 3 for Tipperary.

AWARDS

Munster Star Awards Banquet 2012

The following Juvenile/Junior athletes/Clubs all received Munster Star Awards for 2012 in the Rathkeale House Hotel, Limerick on Saturday 26th January:-

1. Deirbhile Ryan, Nenagh Olympic A.C. - Tipperary Juvenile Indoor
2. Michael Quilligan, Nenagh Olympic A.C. – Tipperary Juvenile Indoor

3. Amanda Nevin, Borrisokane A.C. – U/23 Women's Indoor
4. Nenagh Olympic A.C. – Best Overall Munster Juvenile Indoor Club

Annerville Honours for Breeda & Sean

Our County President, Mrs. Breeda Christie, Tipperary Town A.C. & Sean Tobin, Clonmel A.C. were both honoured with Annerville Sports Awards in Clonmel on Saturday 26th January.

National All Star Award

Deirbhile Ryan, Nenagh Olympic A.C. received a National All- Star Award from the AAI on Saturday 16th February in the Tullamore Court Hotel. Deirbhile has also been the recipient of a Munster Star Award at the end of January for Best Female T & F Athlete in Tipperary.

Aoife Vaughan Witts, Borrisokane A.C. has been selected for the 2013 'Pro Sport Europe' Throws Squad.

Carrick-on-Suir Top Hurdle Club In Munster Indoors

The recent Munster Juvenile Indoor Championships saw Carrick-on-Suir (ranked #7 nationally in 2012) come out on top ahead of Nenagh Olympic (ranked #2 nationally). Carrick-on-Suir had 8 medalists including 3 golds and were 9.5pts winners over Nenagh Olympic. Traditional hurdle strongholds Leevale and Ferrybank were 3rd and 4th while Belgooly justified their #14 National ranking by being 5th.

It was good to see clubs like Moycarkey and Ennis Track, recently not to the forefront in hurdles, show strongly and make the top 10.

Top 10 as follows:

- #1 Carrick-on-Suir
- #2 Nenagh Olympic
- #3 Leevale
- #4 Ferrybank
- #5 Belgooly
- =#6 Limerick
- =#6 Old Abbey
- #8 Moycarkey
- #9 St Brendans
- #10 Ennis Track

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