

Tipperary Juvenile Athletics

All Ireland Un-Even Age Juvenile Cross Country Championships

Tipperary will be represented at the All Ireland Un-Even Age Juvenile Cross Country Championships in Carriganore, Co. Waterford on Sunday next by the Girls U/11, Girls & Boys U/13 and Girls U/15 teams.

In addition to the above a number of our athletes have also qualified to compete as part of the Munster teams following their excellent performances at the Munster championships – Sophie Coughlan, Moycarkey-Coolcree, Abigail O'Regan, Carrick-on-Suir, Charlie Tobin, Newport, Daire O'Donnell, Moycarkey-Coolcree, Kate Ferncombe, Dundrum, Millie Kelly, Dundrum, Cian Hodgins, Nenagh Olympic, Shane Buckley, Dundrum, Ben Walsh, Nenagh Olympic, Aimee Hayde, Newport, Emma Murray, Coolquill, Siobhan Whelan, Clonmel and Bjorn Downes, Moreabbey Milers.

Some great running from our athletes at the Even Age Championships will give great hope of further success on Sunday though most of the athletes will be moving up an additional age group. Our most decorated juvenile cross country athlete, Aimee Hayde, will be hoping to add the U/15 title to her U/16 title while Ben Walsh and Shane Buckley though moving up a year should be amongst the leading athletes at U/13 level. Both Cian Hodgins and Tom Walsh, Nenagh Olympic are moving down a year to U/13 and again will be very much in contention for national honours.

The Boys U/13 team from Nenagh Olympic have also qualified following their third place at the Munster Championships and with the likes of Cian Hodgins, Ben and Tom Walsh and Michael Moylan in their squad don't bet against them getting amongst the prizes.

The following are the Tipperary teams declared:

Girls U/11 – Sophie Coughlan, Moycarkey-Coolcree, Abigail O'Regan, Carrick-on-Suir, Clodagh Shannon Rice, Carrick-on-Suir, Muireann Riordan, Moreabbey Milers, Rachel Buckley, Clonmel, Caoimhe Stakelum, Thurles Crokes, Alana Spillane, Moyne, Saoirse Doran, Moyne, Rachel O'Meara, Carrick-On-Suir, Ruby Kelly, Dundrum.

Boys U/13 – Cian Hodgins, Nenagh Olympic, Tom Walsh, Nenagh Olympic, Shane Buckley, Dundrum, Ben Walsh, Nenagh Olympic, Darragh Kennedy, Newport, Oisin Shelly, Moyglass, Joe Egan, Moycarkey-Coolcree, Aaron Moore, Moyne, James Doyle, Thurles Crokes, Jimmy Ryan, Moyglass

Girls U/13 – Leah Quane, Moreabbey Milers, Kate Ferncombe, Dundrum, Orla Ryan Dundrum, Chloe Carroll, Templemore, Saoirse Walsh, Newport, Helen Cleere, Moyne, Jane O'Donnell, Clonmel, Ruby Carroll, Clonmel, Amy Kelly, Coolquill

Girls U/15 – Aimee Hayde, Newport, Emma Murray, Coolquill, Ailbhe O'Neill, Nenagh Olympic, Emma Gleeson, Moyne, Gillian Hughes, Clonmel, Celine Durand, Clonmel, Aine Duggan, Moyne.

International Duty

Congratulations to Aimee Hayde, Newport on her selection on the Irish Girls U/17 team for the Celtic Cross Country to be held on 6th January in Antrim.