Good Turnout at Munster Juvenile Uneven Age Championships

The Munster Juvenile Uneven Age Cross Country Championships took place in Beaufort, Co. Kerry on Sunday 8th November. Our thanks to Star of the Laune A.C. for the provision of the excellent facilities, to Kerry County Board & to all who assisted on the day. In the individual competitions, both Clare & Cork were strong with Clare just edging ahead with 5 titles from Cork on 4. Tipperary won two titles & Waterford 1. Cork totally dominated in the Inter-County competition taking home 10 out of 12 titles with Clare winning the remaining 2 in the Boys U/9 & U/13 races. Numbers were high in most races on the day with over 120 competitors in both the Girls & Boys U/11 races.

In the individual competitions there was gold for Clare athletes, **Aoife Lillis, Kilmihil A.C.** in the Girls U/9 race, **Ben O'Halloran, Ennis Track A.C.** in the Boys U/9 race, **Jack O'Neill, St. Cronan's A.C.** in the Boys U/11, **Niall Murphy, St. Cronan's A.C.** in the Boys U/13 & **Aisling Kelly, St. John's A.C. Clare** in the Girls U/17. Cork's four Munster Champions on the day were **Amy McCarthy, Bandon A.C.** in the Girls U/11 race, **Grainne Egan, North Cork A.C.** in the Girls U/15, **Darragh McElhinney, Bantry A.C.** in the Boys U/17 & **David Fox, Leevale A.C.** in the Boys U/19 race. Tipperary's two winners were **Aimee Hayde, Newport A.C.** in the Girls U/13 & **Ciara Cummins, Nenagh Olympic A.C.** in the Girls U/19 while Waterford's winner was **Jake Bagg, Ferrybank A.C.** in the Boys U/15 race.

Top 3 in the Girls U/9 race were Aoife Lillis Kilmihil A.C., Sarah Abullo, Waterford A.C. & Lucy Lynch Carraig-Na-Bhfear A.C. with St. Mary's A.C. Clare, Moycarkey Coolcroo A.C. & Bandon A.C. winning the top 3 team titles. In the Boys U/9 race, gold went to Ben O'Halloran, Ennis Track A.C., silver to Max Bailey, Skibbereen A.C. & bronze to Sean Fennell, St. Mary's A.C. Clare. Top 3 team prizes went to St. Cronan's A.C., Ennis Track A.C. & Kenmare A.C.

The Girls U/11 title went to Cork athlete, Amy McCarthy, Bandon A.C. with Avril Millerick, Youghal A.C. in 2nd place & Caoimhe Cahill, St. Cronan's A.C. in 3rd place. Team prizes were won by Youghal A.C., Ennis Track A.C. & St. Cronan's A.C. Jack O'Neill, St. Cronan's A.C. took gold in the Boys U/11 race with Joe Egan, Moycarkey Coolcroo A.C. in 2nd place & Conor Frawley, North Cork A.C. in 3rd place. Team credits went to West Muskerry A.C., St. Cronan's A.C. & Nenagh Olympic A.C.

Last year's winner of the U/13 title, Aimee Hayde, Newport A.C. retained her title again this year with Sarah Morrison, St. Nicholas A.C. in 2nd place, same as last year & Jane Buckley, Bandon A.C. in 3rd place. Ennis Track A.C. won gold in the team event with Youghal A.C. in 2nd place & Bandon A.C. in 3rd. In the Boys U/13 race there was gold for Niall Murphy, St. Cronan's A.C., silver for John O'Flynn, North Cork A.C. & bronze for Oisin O'Riordan, West Waterford A.C. with team honours for Ennis Track A.C., St. Cronan's A.C. & Thurles Crokes A.C.

In the Girls U/15 race there was gold for Grainne Egan, North Cork A.C., silver for Rhona Randles, Kenmare A.C. & bronze for Lucy Flanagan, Kilmurray/Ibrickane A.C. Kenmare A.C., West Waterford A.C. & West Muskerry A.C. were the top 3 winners in the team competition. In the Boys U/15 race, it was gold for Jake Bagge, Ferrybank A.C. with silver & bronze for Jack O'Shea, Midleton A.C. & Christopher O'Reilly, Togher A.C. with team honours going to Ferrybank A.C., Ennis Track A.C. & West Muskerry A.C.

Bronze medal winner last year, **Aisling Kelly, St. John's A.C. Clare** won the title in the Girls U/17 race with **Sarah Corbett, North Cork A.C.** in 2nd place & **Tamzin Muldowney, Midleton A.C.** in 3rd place.

Team winners were **West Waterford A.C.**, & Ferrybank A.C. Darragh McElhinney, Bantry A.C. took the Boys U/17 title with **Charlie O'Donovan**, Leevale A.C. in 2nd place & David McGlynn, Waterford A.C. in 3rd place. Team prizes went to Ennis Track A.C., Waterford A.C. & Leevale A.C.

In the Girls U/19 competition, there was a gold medal win for **Ciara Cummins, Nenagh Olympic A.C.** with **Orla Queally, Ferrybank A.C.** in 2nd & **Aoife Hamilton, West Waterford A.C.** in 3rd place. **Togher A.C.** won the Inter Club gold. Silver medal winner last year, **David Fox, Leevale A.C.** was the winner of the Boys U/19 Munster title with **Patrick Hayes, Emerald A.C.** in 2nd place & **Jack Curtin, Emerald A.C.** in 3rd place. Team honours went to **Leevale A.C.**

Congratulations & well done to all the athletes who took part.

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