## **Irish Schools Combined Events**

The Irish Life Health Irish Schools Combined Events Championships took place in AIT International Arena on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2017. A squad of 24 Munster athletes travelled to the venue for the competition as contestants from the four provinces battled it out for coveted Irish Schools titles & places on the Irish Junior & Intermediate International Schools Teams. Munster athletes won 8 medals in total (2 gold, 2 silver & 4 bronze) – Gold for Vickie Cusack, Davis College Mallow (Senior Girls) & Harry Nevin, Rochestown College (Minor Boys), silver medals for Ava Coyle, Kinsale Community School (Minor Girls) & Eoin Kenny, DLS Waterford (Senior Boys) & bronze for Katie Nolke, Ursuline Waterford (Minor Girls), Aisling Cassidy, Bandon Grammer (Inter Girls), Mark Carroll, Nenagh CBS (Minor Boys) & Brian Lynch, Colaiste an Spioraid Naoimh (Inter Boys).

4 Munster athletes also made the Irish Schools International teams – Orla Coffey, St. Angela's Cork (Junior Girls), Brian Lynch, Colaiste an Spioraid Naoimh & Darragh Miniter, Ennistymon CBS (Inter Boys) & Aisling Cassidy, Bandon Grammer (Inter Girls).

In the Minor Girls competition, **Ava Coyle, Kinsale Community School** was our top finisher in 2<sup>nd</sup> place with 2898 points, close behind Ava in 3rd place with 2823 points was **Katie Nolke, Ursuline Waterford** with **Emily de Bhal, Colaiste Choilm Ballincollig** in 5<sup>th</sup> place (2766 points) & **Laura Frawley, St. Mary's Charleville** in 6<sup>th</sup> place on 2750 points.



Harry Nevin, Rochestown College won gold in very convincing style in the Minor Boys competition with 3148 points with bronze for Mark Carroll, Nenagh CBS on 2470 points and Jack Cullen, Hamilton High School in 12<sup>th</sup> place on 1902 points.



In the Junior Girls competition, **Orla Coffey, St. Angela's College Cork** finished in 4th place with a score of **2886 points** with **Amy O'Donoghue, Colaiste na Toirbhirte Bandon** in 9<sup>th</sup> place on 2481points.

In the Junior Boys category, Munster athletes were 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> with Caillum Hedderman John the Baptist C.S, Hospital on 2395 points, Sam Dunning Coláiste an Chraoibhin Fermoy on 2076 points, Michael O'Connor SMI Newcastle West on 1909 points and Joseph Cunningham Nenagh CBS on 1843 points.

In the Intermediate Girls competition, our top finisher was **Aisling Cassidy, Bandon Grammer** who finished 3rd with **3185 points** while **Emily O'Mahony, St. Augustine's College Dungarvan** was 5<sup>th</sup> with 2993 points & **Kerry Barrett, Pobalscoil na Trionoide, Youghal** in 8<sup>th</sup> place on 2629 points.

In the Intermediate Boys competition, **Brian Lynch Coláiste an Spioraid Naoimh Bishopstown** was 3<sup>rd</sup> on 3342 points with 4<sup>th</sup> place for **Darragh Miniter Ennistymon CBS** on 3290 points, 6<sup>th</sup> place for **Wymin Sivakumar Coláiste an Spioraid Naoimh Bishopstown** on 3116 points and 9<sup>th</sup> place for **Cillian Griffin Mercy Mount Hawk Tralee** on 2929 points.



**Vickie Cusack, Davis College Mallow** took gold in the Senior Girls competition with 2814 points with fellow student, **Sarah O'Keeffe** placing 4<sup>th</sup> with 2343 points.



**Eoin Kenny, DLS Waterford** won silver in the Senior Boys competition scoring 2965 points with **James Murphy, Ard Scoil na Mara** in **7**<sup>th</sup> **place on 2328 points.**Congratulations & well done to all our athletes who represented their schools so well on the day.



We wish our 4 athletes the very best of luck in the Emirates Arena, Glasgow on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November & hope they are successful in their endeavours on the day.

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There were some top-class performances once more at the Irish Life Health All Ireland Schools Combined Events at the AIT International Arena today (October 28).

For the girls there were victories for Molly Curran (St Ciaran's Ballygawley), Jennifer Hanrahan (Our Lady's Terenure), Lara O'Byrne (St Joseph's Lucan) and Vickie Cusack (Davis College Mallow).

There were wins in the boys' competition for Harry Nevin (Rochestown College), Iarlaith Golding (St Colman's Claremorris), Troy McConville (Craigavon SHS) and Brendan Lynch (St Brigid's Loughrea).

For the full boys' results click <u>HERE</u> and for the girls' results click <u>HERE</u>

Molly Curran was top of the pile in the minor girls with a total score of 3,115 points. Her results were 9.70 seconds for the 60m hurdles, 10.32m in the shot put, 4.62m in the long jump, 1.51m in the high jump and 2:29.15 in the 800m.

There was an excellent junior girls' competition with Jennifer Hanrahan heading Niamh McCorry (Loreto College Cavan) and Jennifer Leahy (Loreto Kilkenny). Hanrahan tallied 3,089 points (9.88 in the hurdles, 8.62m in the shot put, 5.03m in the long jump, 1.56m in the high jump and 2:32.85 in the 800m) ahead of McCorry on 3,040 and Leahy on 3,023.

Lara O'Byrne was more than adept across the events in the intermediate girls with a total of 3,403 points – 9.23 60m hurdles, 10.96m shot put, 4.96m long jump, 1.57m high jump and 2:29.47 800m

Vickie Cusack (Davis College Mallow) continued her excellent schools' combined events career with 2,814 points – 10.69 60m hurdles, 9.30m shot put, 5.19m long jump, 1.52m high jump and 2:48.0 800m.

In the boys' events of 60m hurdles, shot put, long jump, 200m and 800m, Harry Nevin continued to trail a blaze winning the minor section with 3,148 points. The talented Cork schoolboy who has had interest from Manchester United recorded 8.77, 12.58m, 5.47m, 24.70 and 2:08.63 to take the gold.

larlaith Golding impressed once more to win the junior section with 3,214 points with 8.48 seconds, 10.19m, 6.20m, 23.20 seconds and 2:18.15.

In the intermediate Troy McConville tallied 3,389 points with 8.44 seconds, 11.18m, 6.11m, 23.50 seconds and 2:08.13.

Rounding out the day was Brendan Lynch winning the senior boys with 3,211 points with 8.79 seconds, 10.15m, 6.07m, 23.30 seconds and 2:10.95.