

Munster Juvenile Even Age XC Championships

All roads led to Clarecastle, Co. Clare for the opening competition of the Munster Cross Country season when Clare hosted the Munster Juvenile Even Age Cross Country Championships on Sunday 22nd October 2017. Numbers participating were large on the day with the breakdown as follows:- Girls U/10 (135), Boys U/10 (131), Girls U/12 (138), Boys U/12 (137), Girls U/14 (87), Boys U/14 (69), Girls U/16 (60), Boys U/16 (52), Girls U/18 (40), Boys U/18 (39). **Cork** was dominant in the Inter-County competition with 8 gold & 2 silver with **Waterford** the next best (2 gold, 4 silver & 4 bronze), **Clare** was 3rd with 10 medals (5 silver & 5 bronze) with **Tipperary** winning one bronze. **Cork** won 7 out of the 10 gold individual medals on offer on the day with **Kerry** winning gold in the Girls U/14, **Tipperary** in the Girls U/16 & **Clare** in the Boys U/18.

Top 3 in the Girls U/10 race were **Faye O'Riordan Carraig-Na-Bhfear A.C.**, **Maeve Purtill Dooneen A.C.** & **Eabha Ni Chonaola West Muskerry A.C.** **Bandon A.C.**, **Limerick A.C.** & **Ennis Track A.C.** were the top 3 Clubs with **Cork, Clare & Waterford** taking the honours in the Inter-County competition. In the Boys U/10 race, first home was **Fionan Smith Courcey A.C.** with **Charlie Tobin Newport A.C.** in 2nd place & **Fionn Phelan Ferrybank A.C.** in 3rd. **Derg A.C.** won the team event with **St. Mary's A.C.** **Clare** in 2nd place & **Kenmare A.C.** in 3rd. **Cork, Waterford & Clare** were the top 3 in the Inter-County competition.

The Girls U/12 title went to Cork athlete, **Ava Fitzgerald Carraig-Na-Bhfear A.C.** with silver again this year for **Amy McCarthy Bandon A.C.** & bronze for **Zoe Conway Belgooly A.C.**, a top 3 finish for the County of Cork. **Bandon A.C.**, **Carraig-Na-Bhfear A.C.** & **Marian A.C.** were the top 3 Clubs with gold for **Cork**, silver for **Clare** & bronze for **Waterford** in the Inter-County competition. **John Murphy Liscarroll A.C.** was the winner of the Boys U/12 race with silver for **Shane Buckley Dundrum A.C.** & bronze for **Dara Sheedy Bantry A.C.** **West Waterford A.C.** won gold with silver for **St. Cronan's A.C.** & bronze for **Waterford A.C.** **Cork, Waterford & Clare** were the top 3 in the Inter-County competition.

Shauna McCarthy, Farranfore Maine Valley A.C., **Emma Landers Youghal A.C.** & **Michelle Healy Marian A.C.** were the top 3 finishers in the Girls U/14 race with **Youghal A.C.** winning gold, silver for **Ennis Track A.C.** & bronze for **Carraig na BhFear A.C.** in the Inter-Club competition. **Cork, Clare & Waterford** were the winners in the Inter-County category. In the Boys U/14 race, there was gold for **Eoin Quirke Middleton A.C.** with silver for **Cian Spillane, Farranfore Maine Valley A.C.** & bronze for **Niall Murphy St. Cronans A.C.** **Nenagh Olympic A.C.**, **Ennis Track A.C.** & **Waterford A.C.** won gold, silver & bronze with **Cork, Clare & Waterford** the top 3 Counties.

Top 3 in the Girls U/16 race were **Aimee Hayde Newport A.C.**, **Una O'Brien Tramore A.C.** & **Lucy O'Keeffe Youghal A.C.** Club winners were **Ennis Track A.C.**, **West Waterford A.C.** & **Marian A.C.** with **Cork, Clare & Waterford** the top 3 Counties. In the Boys U/16 race, there was gold for **Tommy Connolly Leevale A.C.**, silver for **Mark Hanrahan, Ennis Track A.C.** & bronze for **Matteo Mary Waterford A.C.** **Ennis Track A.C.**, **Waterford A.C.** & **West Waterford A.C.** were the top 3 Clubs with **Waterford, Cork & Clare** winning County honours.

Laura Hayes, St. Catherines (Cork) A.C., **Alex O'Neill St. Cronans A.C.** & **Alyce O'Connor Kenmare A.C.** were the first 3 home in the Girls U/18 race. **St. Catherines (Cork) A.C.**, **Ferrybank A.C.** & **Kilmurray/Ibrickane A.C.** were the Club winners with **Cork, Waterford & Clare** winning the top 3

prizes in the Inter-County competition. In the Boys U/18 race, the winners were **Donal Devane Ennis Track A.C., Hugo Blair Waterford A.C. & Luke Brennan Waterford A.C.** Club winners were **Ennis Track A.C., Waterford A.C. & Ferrybank A.C.** with **Waterford, Cork & Clare** winning the Inter-County competition.

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