

# St Abban's AC

2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2016

## Ciano Romps to Victory

The Leinster cross country championships for the even ages and Novice were held on an excellent course in Forrest Park golf course Tyrellspass on Saturday to avoid clashing with the Dublin City Marathon. The club had a reasonable turnout and some excellent performances. Jessica Murray, Timmy Byrne and the Delaney triplets opened the programme in the U.10 supporting events hosted by Mullingar Harriers. Audrey Byrne 76<sup>th</sup>, Katie Brennan 100<sup>th</sup>, Holly Byrne 123<sup>rd</sup> and Katie Baldwin 125<sup>th</sup> made the G.U.12 team. The B.U.12 were all up for it and turned in a brilliant performance to finish 3<sup>rd</sup> and qualify for the Nationals. The county champion Jack Fenlon led them home in style finishing 8<sup>th</sup>, with Eoin Cawley 22<sup>nd</sup>, Lee Murray 24<sup>th</sup>, Adam Buggy 41<sup>st</sup>, Jack Milton 92<sup>nd</sup> and Ryan Harrington 105<sup>th</sup> doing the business. Other juvenile performances included Seoighe English 29<sup>th</sup>, Amy Brennan 74<sup>th</sup>, Emma Dermody 99<sup>th</sup>, T.J. Burke 29<sup>th</sup>, Caragh Maher 43<sup>rd</sup>, Meabh Maher 24<sup>th</sup>. In the B.U.18 Cillian Mulhall 35<sup>th</sup> and Declan Roberts 36<sup>th</sup> provided good support to Cian Kelly who turned in a top class performance to take the title in style.

Our novice ladies were 10<sup>th</sup> team with Colette English 28<sup>th</sup>, Sinead Kelly 58<sup>th</sup>, Sharon Buggy 90<sup>th</sup> and Deirdre Brennan 97<sup>th</sup> scoring. In the men's event John Fenlon had a fine run turning back the clock in time to finish a fine 4<sup>th</sup> leading the club to 7<sup>th</sup> place and the county to bronze medals. He got good backing, and scoring on the Laois team also were: Sean Geoghan 42<sup>nd</sup> (his first outing in this company), Colin Coyne 46<sup>th</sup>, and James Tyrrell 56<sup>th</sup>. James Nolan 101<sup>st</sup>, Liam Byrne 105<sup>th</sup>, Geoffrey Kennedy 108<sup>th</sup>, Francis Fleming (Junior) 141<sup>st</sup>, Anthony McDonald 142<sup>nd</sup> and Francis Fleming (Senior) 145<sup>th</sup> completing our squad.

Dublin City Marathon Tops In a record field of in excess of 17,000 we had 12 club representatives take the challenge. These included Paraic Kavanagh, Carmel Hughes, Carol Brennan 4-27.41, Mark Wogan 4-22.02, Adrian Brennan 4-15.30, Louise Graham 4-01.37, Lynda Fay 3-53.42, Paul McDonald 3-51.39, Caitriona McDonald 3-49.53, Matthew Warren 3-35.47, Thomas Brennan 3-19.23 and Peter Owens 3-02.50 Congratulations and well done to all concerned.

## Members Draw off to a good start

The first draw took place in the clubhouse on Friday evening after training. Prize winners included €1,000 JJ Conway Farnans, €500 Peggy Molloy Tolerton and €100 to each of the following Phil Murphy Fenagh, PJ & Paul Roche Moneenroe, Matt & Mary Hyland Athy, Pat 'TIP' O'Neill Tolerton and Bernie Nolan Clogrennane. Thanks to all those who supported and tickets are still available for the next draw on the 20<sup>th</sup> November in Behan's.

## Best Wishes

Colm Burke is wished the very best from all in the club when he competes in the Home Countries Masters International cross country in Scotland next Saturday.