

## St Abban's Athletic Club News

6<sup>th</sup> November 2013

### Top Prize goes to Kilkenny

The 2nd of this year's Members Draw took place in Leech's, Wolfhill on Saturday night last where the top prize of €1,000 went to Nuala and John Byrne, Newpark, Kilkenny with Simon Beaugendre, Paris scooped the €500 courtesy of his gran-mother Gillie Walsh/Kemmis. The €100 winners included:- Paddy Phelan, Mayhora, Castlecomer. Liam Lawlor (junior) c/o Breda Mulcahy. Fiona & Ger Dunne, Killeshin. Aidan & Annmarie Holohan, Ardenteggle and Dinny Whelan, Ardenteggle.

Many thanks to everyone who supported the draw. The final draw takes place in Behan's, Tolerton on Sunday 24th November. There are still a few tickets available for anyone interested in joining up.

### Best Wishes Colm

Colm Burke is off to Cardiff for the home countries masters cross country championships next weekend. Best wishes are extended to Colm and the Irish team.

### 2014 Membership

Membership forms are currently available in the clubhouse for the 2014 season. The fees remain the same as they have for the past 4 years. Club membership for 2013 stands at 257 members. The club A.G.M. will take place on the 13th January – a date for your diary!

### Development Event

Ballyroan is the venue for the County Cross Country Development events on the 24th November commencing at 11.00am. Individual medalists in Stradbally and Emo along with gold medal team members that finished in the top 10 are ruled out. The events are for girls and boys U.10, 12, 14 & 16 while the Intermediate women and men championships will also take place. January the 5th is the date for the Laois Senior cross country with Portlaoise the venue – more details later.

### Schools League Final

The final leg of the 3 county (Kildare, Laois and Carlow) secondary schools cross country takes place in St. Laurence O'Toole on Tuesday the 19th November. With record numbers participating and some very close teams, all is to play for on the final stage. To make it more exciting the final stage is decided in a relay format and a hectic couple of hours will unfold no doubt. Best wishes to all the club members turning out for their school's.