

St Abban's honoured as Ireland's top club at National Awards

The 13th November 2010 will live long in the memory of St. Abban's A.C. Last Saturday night the club had the honour of representing Leinster at the National Athletics Awards Gala Banquet in the Crown Plaza, Dublin. Up against the might of Ballymena & Antrim, Athenry from Galway, Ferrybank from Waterford and the famous Clonliffe Harriers from Dublin, it was a stunned and proud St. Abban's table that heard M.C. on the night Greg Allen declare St. Abban's National Club of the Year.

A happy trio of Jimmy Whelan, Noeleen Condrón and Patrick Kelly made their way to the podium to be presented with a beautifully commissioned piece of Tipperary crystal from Ray Colman, Chief Executive Woodie's DIY and Liam Hennessy, President of the Athletics Association. Sitting at the table and savouring every moment were Mary Whelan, Margaret Kelly, Carmel Brophy, Jane Walsh, Gerard Kelly, Colin Byrne and Joe Brennan. It is a fantastic honour for the club, the area and the general public who all contribute to make us the club we are.

Celebration Party

Friday 26th November is celebration night. All are welcome to come along and enjoy themselves at a small celebration gathering in the clubhouse at 8.30pm Please come along and share in the happiness on winning "Club of the Year" award.



St. Abban's AC, Monavea, Co. Laois who won the Club of the Year award. Pictured are club members Noeleen Condrón alongside Pat Kelly, left, and Jimmy Whelan receiving the award from Ray Colman, Chief Executive Woodie's DIY and Liam Hennessy, right, President, Athletics Ireland.

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Group of club member who attended the awards in the Crowne Plaza, Dublin. Included in the photo also is Paul Dolan, Marketing Manager Woodies DIY and Ray Colman, Chief Executive Woodies DIY





St Abban's club members with "Athlete of the Year" Derval O'Rourke