

MOYNE AC

Burma Challenge: The 2nd evening of the Burma Challenge took place on Wednesday evening last with 60 athletes competing in the handicap round. The handicapper got it spot on with Liam Kelly taking the lead in the final 50 meters and was first to cross the line with an impressive time of 17.02. The first lady to finish on the night was newcomer Katie Healy who was taking part in her first Burma Challenge and she crossed the finish line in a very impressive time of 26.16. It was the first round of the Team Challenge and with 12 teams of 5 taking part the competition is heating up with just a little over 5 minutes between the first and last team. Team Moyne are currently in the lead by just 3 seconds on 134.48 followed by Killoran on 134.51 with Kylemakill 3rd on 135.27, so it's all to play for so we can look forward to quite a battle over the next two weeks. Wednesday evening last also saw the start of the Family Challenge – with nine teams taking part the Hogan's have a slight lead over the Power's. This Wednesday May 16th is the Cycle Challenge commencing at 7.30pm and as usual will bring many changes to the leader board. The final challenge will take place on Friday May 25th.

County U13 – Junior T & F Championships: Day 2 of the County U13 – Junior T & F Championships will take place on Sunday next May 20th in Templemore commencing at 11.30am. We would ask all athletes to be at the venue no later than 10.45am please. Please check with your coaches to confirm your events – best of luck to you all.

Athletics Jamboree: To celebrate Thurles as a European Town of Sport in 2012, an Athletics Jamboree will be held in Thurles Crokes Complex on this Friday May 18th from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. This event is free and is open to children between the ages of 5 and 10 years old and you do not have to be a member of a Club. We hope to see a large attendance from our parish.

Mini Marathon: Our 3rd annual Mini Marathon kindly sponsored by The Lisheen Mine will take place on Monday, June 4th at 3pm from Moyne Sportsfield, this event is open to both male and female participants with money prizes for the first 3 Men and Women home. Each athlete who completes the 10k will also be presented with a specially commissioned medallion to mark their achievement. Entry forms are now available for download on our website – www.moyneathleticclub.com and can be forwarded accompanied by the entry fee of €12 to our Secretary Rosemary Cleere. This event takes a lot of organising and a lot of help is required on the day so we appeal to anyone who can spare a few hours on Monday June 4th to please give your name to any committee member – your help would be much appreciated.

Limerick Marathon: Congratulations to Dermot Campion who completed the full Marathon in Limerick recently in a time of 3.56 – well done Dermot and good luck with your training for the Dublin Marathon in October. We also say well done to Esther Hogan and Mary Quinlan (Ballycahill) who completed the half Marathon in Limerick both finishing with a very respectable time of 2.02 – well done girls.

Summer Camp: Our 2nd Annual 3 Day Athletics Summer Camp will take place on July 19th to 21st, national Long Jump Coach Jackie Freyne will be in attendance on one of the days to demonstrate and share her expertise on Long Jump. Full details of camp will follow shortly.

Meet & Train Sessions: Meet and train sessions have been changed to Monday evenings at 7pm for the duration of the Burma Challenge which takes place on Wednesday evenings. These speed training sessions are open to both Male and Female athletes – all are welcome.

Upcoming Fixtures: Sunday May 20th – County U13 – Junior T&F in Templemore. Saturday & Sunday 9th & 10th June – Munster Juvenile U9 – U11 team competition & U12 & U 13 T&F Championships in Cork IT. Saturday June 16th – County Juvenile “B” T & F Championships in Templemore. Saturday June 30th & Sunday July 1st – Munster U14 – U19 T & F Championships in Cork IT. Sunday July 22nd – Munster Juvenile “B” T & F Championships in Ennis.