

Chair's Welcome



On behalf of the Juvenile Committee, I would like to welcome everyone to the National Track & Field Championships for 2024 and thank our hosts Tullamore Harriers who put a tremendous amount of work into preparing this stadium and managing the day-to-day challenges of our competitions.

Congratulations to all of the athletes who have qualified to be here, you have put in the training and deserve your place here at the National Finals. You are here not only through your own efforts but also those of your parents, coaches and mentors; take a moment to offer your appreciation to them.

Thank you to our sponsors, 123.ie your support is welcomed. Thanks to all of the volunteers at Club, County, Regional and National level for their great work encouraging and promoting the development of the young athletes. Thanks also go to the officials working at the Championships, they give of their time freely to ensure the smooth running of the events and this is very much appreciated.

I would also like to offer my thanks to the members of the Juvenile Committee for their continued support and acknowledge the hard work that goes on behind the scenes to further the development of Juvenile athletics. We are aided in no small part by the Competition Department lead by Ger Stewart, ably assisted by David Daly, Valerie O'Brien and James Welsh.

In this year of the Olympics in Paris there has been a palpable feeling of excitement around athletics in Ireland and like me, I'm sure you are all looking forward to the spectacle of the 'Games' when they begin in August. That will be a time to sit back and enjoy, but today is your Championship so dig in give of your best.

I wish all a very enjoyable Championship here in the heart of the Midlands and look forward to the excitement of the competition. Win or lose, you have already attained a great deal and should be rightly proud of yourselves. Best of luck.

Amanda Hynes

Chair of Juvenile Committee