

Doubles galore at county indoor athletic championship

THE Galway Indoor Athletic Championships were held in Nenagh on Saturday last. Despite the fact that the event had to be organised at short notice, the programme was completed in a most efficient manner, thanks are due to all the clubs who participated and to a most professional team of track officials.

There were a number of very fine performances on the track and in the field events. Doubles were recorded by Fiona Curley (Pearse), u-13 60m and 800m, Fergal Lenihan (Ballinasloe), U-15 60m and 60m hurdles, Melissa Collins (Loughrea), u-17 60m hurdles and long jump, Declan Donnelly, (Portumna) u-15 long and high jump and Denise McAvinnia (Ballinasloe) u-15 shot and long jump.

Fergal Casey (Carraroe) made the long journey from Cornamona and won a very competitive u-17 1500m event from Brian Moore (GCH) and Philip Niland (Tuam). Complete results of championship is as follows:

Boys 60m: u-11, 1, Liam Casey, Carraroe, 2, Paul Hession, Athenry, 3, John McDonagh, Portumna, U-13, 1, Cormac Brady, Athenry, 2, Michael Casey, Carraroe, 3,

Tomas Kelly, Athenry, u-15, 1, Fergal Lenihan, Ballinasloe, 2, Jarlath Fahy, Athenry, 3, David Kelly, Athenry, U-17, 1, Kenneth Monahan, Ballinasloe, 2, Alan Finn, Athenry, 3, John Duffy, Castlegar.

60m Junior Men: 1, Ciaran Callaghy, Ballinasloe, 2, Dessie Ryan, Ballinasloe.

60m Senior Men: 1, Noel Loughnane, Loughrea.

60m Girls: U-11, 1, Joanne Page, Athenry, 2, Trudy Roche, Ballinasloe, 3, Christine Coleman, Tuam, U-13, 1, Fiona Curley, Pearse, 2, Martina McCarthy, Pearse, 3, Edel Coffey, Pearse, U-15, 1, Deirdre Duignan, Ballinasloe, 2, Caroline Cunnane, Ballinasloe, 3, Cathy Talbot, Pearse, U-17, 1, Claire Larkin, Ballinasloe, 2, Maolisa Hynes, Loughrea, 3, Trina Quinn, Ballinasloe.

60m Hurdles Girls: U-13, 1, Audrey McMahon, Loughrea, 2, Susan Duffy, Ballinasloe, 3, Noreen Coleman, Tuam, U-15, 1, Carmel Colferan, Tuam, 2, Tara O'Loughlin, Athenry, 3, Claire Morrissey, Athenry, U-17, 1, Melissa Collins, Loughrea, 2, Maolisa Hynes, Loughrea, 3, Paula McAvinnia, Ballinasloe.

60m Hurdles Boys: U-15, 1, Fergal Lenihan, Ballinasloe, 2, Tom Deignan, Ballinasloe, 3, David Kelly, Athenry, U-17, 1, Alan Finn, Athenry, 2,

Padraic Coughlin, Loughrea, 3, Niall Moore, Castlegar.

80m Girls: U-13, Fiona Curley, Pearse, 2, Martina Finnerty, Athenry, 3, Martina McCarthy, Pearse, U-15, 1, Emma Duggan, Pearse, 2, Margaret Page, Athenry, 3, Elna Rafferty, Ballinasloe, U-17, 1, Avril Allison, Loughrea, 2, Irene Duggan, Pearse.

800m Boys: U-13 1, David Burke, Castlegar, 2, Owen Hunt, Ballinasloe, 3, Tomas Kelly, Athenry, U-15, 1, Wayne McMahon, Loughrea, 2, Joseph Hynes, Athenry, 3, Stephen Kelly, Athenry, U-17, 1, Conor McNamara, Athenry, 2, Martin Maloney, Loughrea, 3, Niall Clarke, Ballinasloe.

1500m Girls: U-15, 1, Claire Morrissey, Athenry, 2, Elaine Dennehy, Tuam, 3, Anita Day, Athenry, U-17, 1, Olive Loughnane, Loughrea, 2, Clare Beatty, Loughrea, 3, Francis McNamara, Loughrea.

1500m Boys: U-13, 1, Garreth Murphy, Castlegar, 2, Noel Kelly, Carraroe, U-15, 1, Jarlath Fahy, Athenry, 2, Mark Clancy, Carraroe, 3, Hubert Conway, Castlegar, U-17, 1, Fergal Casey, Carraroe, 2, Brian Moore, GCH, 3, Philip Niland, Tuam.

Long Jump Girls: U-15, 1, Denise McAvinnia, Ballinasloe, 2, Helena Wilson, Tuam, 3, Nicola Nally, Athenry, U-17, 1, Melissa Collins, Loughrea, 2, Avril Allison, Loughrea, 3, Lorna McDonagh, Portumna.

Long Jump Boys: 1, Owen Hunt, Ballinasloe, 2, Cormac Brady, Athenry, 3, Michael Coughlin, Craughwell, U-15, 1, Declan Donnelly, Portumna, 2, Alan Craughwell, Ballinasloe, U-17, 1, Philip Niland, Tuam.

High Jump - Girls: U-17, 1, Lorna McDonagh, Portumna.

High Jump Boys: U-15, Declan Donnelly, Portumna, 2, Mark Clancy, Carraroe, U-17, 1, Padraic Coughlin, Loughrea.

Shot Girls: U-13, 1, Sharon Nevin, Ballinasloe, U-15, 1, Denise McAvinnia, Ballinasloe, 2, Brona Soden, Ballinasloe, U-17, 1, Louise Cheeseman, Portumna, 2, Sinead Dunne, Ballinasloe.

Shot - Boys: U-13, 1, Adrian Hoarty, Portumna, 2, Kieran Coughlin, Loughrea, 3, Fergal Crehan, Ballinasloe, U-17, 1, David Hoarty, Portumna.

3000m - Junior Men: 1, Paul McNamara, Athenry, 2, Owen Crosby, GCH.

3000m - Senior Men: 1, James Hession, Castlegar, 2, Des Feeney, Kilkerrin, 3, T. J. Beatty, Loughrea.

Relays - 4 x 300m: Girls, u-13, 1, Pearse, 2, Ballinasloe, 3, Portumna, U-15, 1, Ballinasloe, 2, Athenry, 3, Tuam, U-17, 1, Ballinasloe, 2, Loughrea.

Boys: U-13, 1, Athenry, 2, Portumna, 3, Ballinasloe, U-15, 1, Athenry, 2, Ballinasloe, U-17, 1, Ballinasloe, 2, Athenry.

CONNACHT TRIBUNE

Sports Star of the Week

JIMMY NOLAN



FIRST Division leaders Galway United, without a win for four games, secured a vital victory on Sunday when they defeated Longford Town by 1-0 at Terryland Park. And the man they can thank for that priceless victory — which puts United four points clear at the top of the table — was full-back Jimmy Nolan.

Nolan defending stoutly throughout and when Longford were reduced to ten men, the 26 year old became the extra man

and pushed forward at every available opportunity.

The game seemed to be heading for a scoreless draw but finally United's and Nolan's perseverance paid off when he blasted home the winner with less than three minutes left in the game.

His performance wins him this week's Tribune Sportstar Award ahead of colleague Derek Rodgers and Noel Mannion whose two tries for the Probables in the final Irish trial resulted in the Ballinasloe man being recalled to the Irish side for Saturday week's International against Scotland.