**Selection Policy for the Irish team to:**

**JHI 2018**

**Junior Home International (JHI) 2018, Pitlochry, Scotland**

**Classes M/W 18, 16, 14** (max 4 runners per class)

To compete on the Irish team at the JHI, an athlete must be a current member of a NIOA or IOA club, and must either:

* Have been born, or have a parent who was born in Ireland or Northern Ireland
* Have established residence for at least one year, (this includes students who can prove a home base in Ireland/Northern Ireland).

**Competition results to be considered for JHI 2018 selections:**

**If anyone is UNSURE what class to run please do not hesitate to** [**contact me**](mailto:%20jeni@pims.ie)**!**

**Selection Events**

Sun 25 February Leinster Championships Vale of Clara/ Balllinastraw (classes tbc)

Saturday 10th March Time Trial – Phoenix Park, Dublin

Fri 30th March Sprint JK MOD Stafford, Beaconside, Stafford– M/W 18E, M/W 16A or M/W 14A

Sat 31st March Middle JK day 2 Brereton Spurs- M/W 18E, M/W 16A or M/W 14A

Sun 1st April Long JK day 3 Beaudesert- M/W 18E, M/W 16A or M/W 14A

Sat 5th May Middle Irish Championships, Barnesmore West – (M/W 18E, M/W 16 or M/W14)

Sun 6th May Long Irish Championships, Tawnawully, – (M/W 18E, M/W 16A or M/W14)

**Results of other major races may be considered on request. We will look to hold a late summer / early Autumn race also- TBC**

The selectors will also take into account the level of commitment of athletes as shown by

* responding promptly to emails
* giving valid reasons for not attending training camps/competitions
* joining an athletics club
* running non-orienteering races as training
* orienteering regularly and often
* running the Junior Squad Time Trial 10th March 2018

Juniors are also reminded that they should only wear their Irish Squad kit when representing Ireland at international competitions, club kit should be worn at all other times.

It is hoped to finalise the team in the first week of August.

December 2017