

PRESS ADVISORY NOTICE 4th August 2016

See Ireland's future Olympians at the 2016 Community Games Festival over the next two weekends in Athlone with more than 7,000 children taking part!

Thousands of children along with their family, friends and volunteers will be descending on Athlone over the next 2 weekends as the 2016 Community Games Festival gets underway from the 12th to 14th August and from the 19th to 21st August.

In total over 7,000 talented children have got through to this year's finals from the four corners of Ireland and will be participating in more than 50 wide-ranging activities: from Table Tennis to Debating, Indoor Soccer to Duathlon, Athletics to Rugby.

Community participation and volunteerism are an essential part of Community Games and these two weekends are the culmination of months of preparation from 570 affiliated Areas. Community Games in association with the HSE would like to express their sincere thanks to all the volunteers from the length and breadth of Ireland for their time and invaluable efforts in making sure that the Festival is such a successful event year after year.

www.communitygames.ie

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NOTE TO EDITORS

If you would like to attend the Festivals on either weekend please email sinead@communitygames.ie so that you can be issued with a Press Pass

Photos from SportsFile will be sent on the Sunday of both weekends along with a Press Release.

Community Games in association with the HSE is an independent voluntary organisation operating in local communities throughout the entire island of Ireland. The HSE and the Community Games aim to promote healthy active lives and to have a positive impact on young people and their families in maintaining their health, in particular through being active and eating healthily.

The Community Games Festival will take place this year in Athlone Institute of Technology, the Marist College and the Regional Sports Centre, Athlone, Co. Westmeath, over 2 weekends in August:

National Festival Weekend 1: 12th to 14th August 2016

National Festival Weekend 2: 19th to 21st August 2016

For a List of Events and the weekends they are on, please see this link:

www.communitygames.ie/events

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