

# Logstrup cycling club to host All-Ireland underage championships

OVER 200 young cyclists will arrive in Tuam to compete in the All-Ireland Underage Championships on August 29. This is the first time this two day event is being held outside Dublin and Mosney.

Last year Logstrup Cycling Club, Tuam were the second best Underage Club in the Country, with Logstrup rider John Burke winning an individual silver medal.

Due to this and the progressive nature of Logstrup C.C. Tuam as a force in Underage cycling, the Federation of Irish Cyclists (F.I.C.) asked the Tuam club to host the Championships this year.

The competitions cater for the following age groups: u-12, 12, 13 and 14. It includes a Road Race, Short Spring, Cyclo Cross and a very interesting test in Bike Handling Skills, in the form of an Obstacle

Course which is run to time.

These are new innovations which have been used successfully in France for a number of years. Skills are now considered a very important aspect of Underage Cycling. Its aim is to improve the Bike Handling skills of the young rider and to assist the slow developer. It is always a most exciting and entertaining event for the spectators.

The Cyclo Cross is being introduced into the Championships this year for the first time. The riders race on a Grass Track, through an Obstacle course which require Skill and Strength.

It is considered a great achievement for Logstrup Cycling Club which is only in existence for a short number of years to be given the responsibility of hosting such a prestigious event in Irish Cycling.