

## **Anti-Doping Officers Report at IOA AGM on April 30<sup>th</sup> 2017, Oughterard.**

This again was a quiet year. I am not aware of any doping test carried out on an IOA athlete during 2016 and furthermore there is no current plan to test at any event in 2017.

The point is that Orienteering is still rightly perceived as a very low risk sport in terms of performance-enhancing drugs use.

There are 2 Therapeutic Exceptions for members of our team.

The 2015 Irish Anti-Doping Rules (the Rules) are still available to download from the Irish Sports Council's website at <http://www.irishsportsCouncil.ie/Anti-Doping/2015-Anti-Doping-Rules>. This website page also has fact sheets for stakeholders and athletes that outline the main changes between the 2009 Rules and 2015 Rules.

We completed the Anti-Doping Compliance Checklist 2017 and returned it to the Irish Sports Council last October. Darren had no Wallet Cards to distribute during the year and is still awaiting them for this year! He could use about 40

"The Real Winner" online course is no longer available but e-learning is available at <http://elearning.sportireland.ie/login/index.php#cleangreensport #antidoping>. I would recommend it to all!

There are further changes and tighter controls looming for 2017 and onwards. The Athlete Biological Passport concept is coming down the tracks soon.

IOF link for information on Anti-Doping for all branches of Orienteering remains <http://orienteering.org/anti-doping/> - This will include **WADA Summary of modifications to the 2017 List**. As well as **WADA Therapeutic Use Exemptions Guidelines**.

Good luck orienteering for the coming year!

If there is anyone interested in this job, - please say so. I will be happy to hand over the reins! An attractive package of salary and benefits will be provided! If there are no volunteers, - sure I'll continue.

Bernard Creedon, ADO.