



## Annual General Meeting 2022

### Treasurer's Report

#### Income and Expenditure

Orienteering Ireland (OI) reported a surplus of €9,903 for the Financial Year 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021. While we recorded a surplus in 2021, it is much lower than that recorded in 2020, but this is a reflection of the increased levels of activity during 2021, in particular in the second half of the year.

The table below lists the income, expenditure, and surpluses for Orienteering Ireland, formerly the Irish Orienteering Association, for the years 2010 to 2021 inclusive.

	Income (€)	Expenditure (€)	Surplus (€)
<b>2021</b>	166,430	151,527	9,903
<b>2020</b>	216,383	105,322	111,061
<b>2019</b>	145,470	119,106	26,364
<b>2018</b>	103,708	116,484	(12,776)
<b>2017</b>	111,651	102,129	9,432
<b>2016</b>	91,315	94,354	(3,039)
<b>2015</b>	99,801	96,631	3,814
<b>2014</b>	62,610	64,236	(1,626)
<b>2013</b>	73,003	76,303	(3,300)
<b>2012</b>	66,637	77,703	(11,066)
<b>2011</b>	60,183	59,691	492
<b>2010</b>	84,773	85,285	(512)

**Table 1: Income, Expenditure and Surpluses 2010-2021**

### ***Income***

OI recorded a total income of €161,430 in 2021. The main source of income was grant funding from Sport Ireland that provided a total of €119,000 equivalent to 74% of total income. Grant funding received from Sport Ireland was subdivided into three areas:

- Core grant €65,000 (received in two parts, February and November);
- Dormant Account Funding (DAF) €50,000 (received in two parts, November 2020 and November 2021);
- European Week of Sport Grant €4,000 (September).

Sport Ireland has allocated OI a total of €142,500 in grant funding for 2022, broken down as below:

- €75,000 Core grant;
- €20,000 COVID Investment grant;
- €47,500 DAF grant.

The Core and DAF grants are paid in two instalments, both of which have been received by OI. The first part of the DAF and COVID investment grants were actually received in December 2021, and are shown in the Financial Statements as deferred income. The second instalments of all grants will be paid in Q3 2022.

Other sources of income included affiliation fees and event registration. Event registration generated €820 compared to €2,070 in 2020. Event registration fees for events that had to be cancelled in 2020 were offset against events registered for 2021, which is reflected in the decrease. In 2021 the OI Committee made a decision to reduce affiliation fees for clubs in light of the enforced curtailment of activity and this is reflected in the income from affiliation fees: €360 compared to €3,260 in 2020.

Income of €4,630 given as “Eventbrite” is the sum of the TIO bequest of €4,300, received in January 2021 and contributions from attendees at Safeguarding courses, which were made to OI via Eventbrite.

Income associated with Orienteering Education, the Junior and High Performance Squads, and the DAF/RTG-O programmes is discussed below.

### ***Expenditure***

#### **Representative Orienteering**

The return to competitive international orienteering is reflected in the increase in the costs of the Junior and High Performance Squads. A total of €27,195 was spent on representative orienteering, which included the costs of competition (WOC, JWOC, EYOC), squad gear, training and selection races. This amount is net of income received, such as contributions from the Northern Ireland Orienteering Association towards the cost of athletes from Northern Ireland competing internationally. The amount of this contribution was €1,246 in 2021 and is shown under Income. My thanks to the Northern Irish Orienteering Association for their assistance and patience in this regard.

#### **Dormant Account Funding, RTG-O and Orienteering Education**

The RTG-O programme commenced in 2017. Its focus was on bringing orienteering to schools, primarily Delivering Equality of Opportunity in Schools (DEIS) schools, where students had little experience of orienteering. It is funded by the DAF and disbursed to OI in the form of a grant from Sport Ireland. The DAF grant also supports some of the Orienteering Education programmes. It is used to buy equipment and provide further training for tutors. Income and expenditure in these areas is set out below.

<i>Income</i>	€
DAF Grant	50,000
RTG-O	635
Orienteering Education	32,217
Total	82,852
<i>Expenditure</i>	
RTG-O	35,444
Orienteering Education	12,533
Total	47,977
<b>Surplus</b>	<b>34,875</b>

Orienteering Education courses organised by OI continue to act as an income stream for the organisation, as has been the case in recent years.

### **Re-Start Sport, MapRunF & Online Event Entry System**

Organised orienteering resumed in June of this year but prior to that, many of us availed of courses on MapRunF, which were developed by the orienteering community. In addition, there are multiple MapRunF courses available for locations countrywide. The development of these courses was supported by the Restart sport grant received in November 2020, and OI will continue to support MapRunF into the future. Restart sport funding also supported the purchase of equipment. The total expenditure in this area was €19,142.

The online event entry system, used by orienteers to pre-enter for events, was used where there was a return to competitive orienteering. The system uses Stripe and there is a fee associated with its use. At present OI is meeting the costs of that fee, in order to provide as much support as possible to clubs. Those fees, and other bank charges, totalled €1,154 in 2021. This is an increase on 2020 but this was expected due to the increased levels of activity.

### **Development & Women in Sport**

In September 2021 OI recruited two Orienteering Co-ordinators, Déirdre Ní Challanáin and Mark Stephens, on a contract basis. There was an increase in demand for assistance with

orienteering coaching, particularly from schools and Local Sports Partnerships, and additional resources were needed to meet that demand. Costs associated with these two roles are allocated amongst a number of expense headings, but most particularly Development, Women in Sport and RTG-O.

### **Admin & Information Technology Costs**

Costs associated with the general administration of the organisation are self-explanatory: they include affiliation fees, insurance, general expenses and contractor costs.

In 2020 we commenced upgrading the website and this work has continued in 2021, and included an update associated with the organisation's name change. We also had other software costs including subscriptions for our accounting package, GSuite and other products. These are reflected in IT/Software and Communication Costs.

No Major Event Subvention was paid in 2021.

### **Balance Sheet**

The Association's cash position at the end of the Financial Year remains strong. The amount of assets less liabilities in 2021 was €185,264 as compared to €175,361 in 2020. This reflects the surpluses recorded in the past three years. Current liabilities, as shown in the balance sheet, include pre-payment of some 2022 grant funding (€64,300) as well as payments that were outstanding on 31<sup>st</sup> January but made in early 2022. These have all been met. Likewise, debtors reflects monies due to OI pertaining to work undertaken in 2021 but for which was not received until early 2022. These have since been received.

## **Name Change**

At the 2021 AGM the organisation's name was changed from "Irish Orienteering Association" to "Orienteering Ireland", following a vote from the membership. In the second half of 2022 I made the necessary administrative changes to reflect that. This included changing the name on the bank account and updating our registration with the Revenue Commissioners. I wish to express my thanks to the other committee members who assisted with me with that, and showed considerable patience in completing and signing off on various forms.

## **Acknowledgements**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my colleagues on the Committee for their assistance in providing the information necessary to prepare the Association's Financial Records. Thanks to all of the orienteering community for your enthusiasm for participation in the sport following two disruptive years. Hopefully 2022 will see a continuation of the levels of activity enjoyed in the latter half of 2021 and the sport of orienteering will continue to grow.

Finally, a heartfelt thank you to Áine Joyce, General Administrator, for her hard work throughout the year, and her patience in answering my queries.



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Sarah Ní Ruairc

26<sup>th</sup> April 2022