

## **CORRAN - NAGLES MOUNTAINS**

Race report and results by Douglas Barry

After an unexpected amendment which altered the character of the proposed Knocknascagh race, and made it unacceptable to the local organisers, the route was switched to an old Nagles one. [The Nagles route](#) used was the one which went to the transmission mast on the top of Corran - not to be confused with the nearby Corrin Hill which also has a mountain race on it.

Defending Munster champion John Lenihan headed the entry. Two weeks before, John had finished first on Claragh Mountain in Millstreet, Co. Cork - the first race of the championship. He was expecting an easy outing in this 6.4 Km race. He didn't get it. On form fellow Kerryman John Barrett pushed him all the way. When Lenihan reached the top he found road runner Barrett - doing his first mountain race - right behind him.

It took all the former world champion's renowned descending skills to put a respectable gap between himself and Barrett. The easyish terrain may have suited Barrett, but he still put in an impressive effort on the day. International boxer Michael Kelly drove all the way down from Dundalk after his great run last week at Round Mountain, and with a good descent closed rapidly on Barrett to finish a strong third. Farranfore's Catherine Kerrisk took an easy win in the women's race ahead of Eadie Donovan and Aine Murphy

1st John Lenihan	25.56
2nd John Barrett	26.45
3rd Michael Kelly	27.35