



# HORSE SPORT IRELAND

## HSI NEWSLETTER ISSUE 1 - PILOT

### BREEDING

#### **Kelly Wins HSI Studbook Class at Mullingar 31<sup>st</sup> May**

The 3rd leg of the Irish Sport Horse Studbook Showjumping Series 2009 took place at Mullingar International CSI 2\*, with Lt. Michael Kelly taking victory in the 6/7 year-Old Final with the Minister for Defence's grey Touchdown mare 'Major Chance', a half-sister to 'River Foyle' which is campaigned internationally by fellow Army rider Capt. Shane Carey.

**FEHL Fixture List:** 4 & 5 year old Introductory Clinic: Scarteen, Knocklong, Co. Limerick 9<sup>th</sup> June.

### DRESSAGE

**National Championships 2009** at Cavan E.C. 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> September 2009. See [www.dressageireland.ie/shows/dates.htm](http://www.dressageireland.ie/shows/dates.htm)

### DRIVING

**Capstick overall 5<sup>th</sup> at Royal Windsor.** Barry Capstick achieved a qualifying place for Ireland at the Pairs World Driving Championships in Hungary when he finished overall 5<sup>th</sup> in the Land Rover International Driving Grand Prix at the Royal Windsor Show in England.

**Kilbarron 2 Day Horse Driving Trial Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June.** Entries by post only to Trudi Colton, Carton East, Tullamore, Co. Offaly before Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June. <http://www.carriagedrivingireland.com/>

### ENDURANCE

**National Championships 2009: 23<sup>rd</sup> May & 13<sup>th</sup> Sept.** For gold qualified horses and riders only. The best 3 results count towards the Championship. To qualify you must enter a race outside your branch.

See [www.ildra.co.uk](http://www.ildra.co.uk)

### EVENTING

**Irish Triumph At Tattersalls World Cup Qualifier** – Ireland claimed the HSBC Eventing World Cup Qualifier at Tattersalls, Co. Meath for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row with a spectacular finish by Cork-based Patricia Ryan and the Irish-bred 'Fernhill Clover Mist'.

**Annaharvey Farm Eventing Camp** - This is a residential introduction to eventing for pony riders and juniors. Training includes flat work, showjumping and cross country every day with practice competition at the end of the week. Trainers Jenna Killen (BHS AI) & Sam Deverell (FEI Level 1). For more details contact Jenna Killen on 05793 43544 or [info@annaharveyfarm.ie](mailto:info@annaharveyfarm.ie)

### JUMPING

#### **Ireland finishes 6<sup>th</sup> In Rome Meydan Nations' Cup on 29<sup>th</sup> May**

Ireland finished equal 6<sup>th</sup> of 10 teams competing in the Meydan Nations' Cup in Rome, Italy on a total of 20 faults, with the USA taking the trophy on an aggregate of 4 faults.

**HSI Team Manager Robert Splaine has announced the Irish squad to travel to St. Gallen in Switzerland** for the elite Meydan Nations' Cup series on Fri. 5<sup>th</sup> June. The squad, from whom a team of 4 will be selected are, Denis Lynch (Lantinus), Capt. David O'Brien (Mo Chroi), Cian O'Connor (Complete), Shane Sweetnam (Amaretto d'Arco or Rolette), Billy Twomey (Je t'Aime Flamenco or KEC Maximum Joe).

**Scottish Rider Takes Mullingar Grand Prix** – 23 year old show jumper Scott Brash from Peebles in Scotland had a comfortable win at the two-star international Grand Prix in Mullingar on June 1st.

### PARA EQUESTRIAN DRESSAGE

**3 wins for Dwyer in USA:** Ireland's James Dwyer racked up 3 wins at the Para Equestrian Dressage International at Wayne, USA, riding the 13 year-old Dutch warmblood gelding 'Orlando'.

#### **Para Equestrian Dressage Spring Championships at Weston**

**Lawns, Warks.** Gerry Savage & Blues Tip Top Two, an Irish-bred mare, won the Grade 1a Individual Open with 75.33%, the highest scoring test of the day. See <http://paraequestrian-ireland.com>

### PONIES

**Euro Championships – Pony & Children on Horses Squads selected.** See [www.horsesportireland.ie](http://www.horsesportireland.ie) for details.

**National Minimus Championships: 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> June** at Bramblestown, Gowran, Co. Kilkenny.

See [www.irishponyclub.ie/minimus\\_2009\\_information.html](http://www.irishponyclub.ie/minimus_2009_information.html)

**Western Area Irish Pony Society Show: Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May** at Dartfield Equestrian Centre, near Loughrea, Co. Galway.

See [www.irishponysociety.com/cms/publish/news](http://www.irishponysociety.com/cms/publish/news)

### RIDING CLUBS

**Riding Clubs Festival 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> June, at Stradbally Hall Estate, Stradbally, Co. Laois.** See [www.airc.ie](http://www.airc.ie)

**Championship qualifiers confirmed from Ballycanew Horse Trials.** See [www.airc.ie](http://www.airc.ie) for full details.

### RIDING ESTABLISHMENTS

**Introduction to Coaching Day for FAS Trainees / AIRE students:** Mullingar E.C. on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June. See [www aire.ie](http://www aire.ie) for more details.

### RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

**Group Training 2009 for Helpers & Instructors:** If any group would like training incorporated into their normal ride day please contact their Area Instructor or Area Representative. See [www.r dai.org](http://www.r dai.org)

### UNIVERSITIES

New President: Alan Walker

New Secretary: Natalie Quinlivan

New website: [www.irishstudentriders.com](http://www.irishstudentriders.com)

Email: [iurca@irishstudentriders.com](mailto:iurca@irishstudentriders.com)

### EDUCATION

**HSI Intro Level Coaching:** Castle Leslie E.C., Glaslough, Co. Monaghan on Monday June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Contact Avril O'Byrne on 045-854521 or at [aobyrne@horsesportireland.ie](mailto:aobyrne@horsesportireland.ie)