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BREEDING

New Breeding Policies Information Evenings HSI is running a series of Information Evenings for breeders on the new Breeding Policies for the Irish Draught Horse and Irish Sport Horse in March. **Wed 10th**: Mallow Racecourse, **Co. Cork**; **Fri 12th**: New Park Hotel, **Kilkenny**; **Mon 15th**: Hodson Bay Hotel, Athlone, **Co. Westmeath**. Time: 8pm sharp. Contact Lorraine McMahon on 045-854517 or email lmcmahon@horsesportireland.ie for details.

DRESSAGE

Silver Spurs Qualifiers run over 4 days: 30th March Clonshire; 31st March Mullingar EC; 1st April Laurel View EC; 2nd April Spruce Lodge. The best 10 riders from each category will go through to the semi-final at Marlton Stud on 13th August. Contact Martine Greenlee on 021-4888179 or 086-2902318 or see full schedule & entry forms on www.dressageireland.ie/silverspurs

EDUCATION

Equestrian Skillnet CLIPED (Computer Licence for Irish Participants in Equestrian Disciplines) FETAC Level 3. Starts March 10th, Kilkenny Education Centre. Cost €250. **Show Jumping Course Design** (The Basics) delivered by International Course Designer & HSI Tutor Tom Holden. March 23rd & 24th, Coolcorran Stud, Belgooley, Co. Cork. Cost €60. Contact Cathy Cooper on 045-854514 or at ccooper@horsesportireland.ie

EVENTING

Askeaton in Munster kicks off the 2010 Eventing Season on Sunday 14th March. Online entries close 9th March at noon. Details of all classes on www.eventingireland.com

South Leinster Combined Training Results now published. Camilla Speirs claimed 1st & 2nd in the Intermediate Class on 'Portersize Just A Jiff' & 'Kuriosity' respectively.

Louise Lyons Training Training Clinic at Ballon on Sat. 13th March. Full details at www.eventingireland.com

HSI GENERAL

Affiliates raise €350 for IHWT Alltech presented €350 to the IHWT following the positive response to the UCD / Alltech survey last month. For every completed questionnaire, a donation of €1 was promised to the IHWT. Sheena McCarthy, Alltech Marketing Co-ordinator, thanked HSI and the Affiliates for their support.

Special Olympics Ireland Games, Limerick 9th-13th June Emily Hurley has been selected as 'Athlete Face of the Games'. Emily competed in 1998 & 2002 where she won 3 gold medals. She is also involved in the Athlete Leadership Programme (ALP). To find out how to get involved visit www.specialolympics.ie

JUMPING

Jessica Kurten won Swedish World Cup Qualifier class at Gothenburg's 5* show 28th Feb. with Lady Georgina Forbes's mare 'Castle Forbes Libertina', while Dermott Lennon came 3rd with Woods Rosbotham's 'Hallmark Elite'. Kurten jumps to 3rd place in the Rolex World Cup Jumping rankings.

HSI Chippison Spring Tour Cian O'Connor & 1st & 2nd in Cavan at the HSI Chippison Grand Prix 28th Feb. John Flood wins the third leg of the HSI Chippison Spring Tour at Killossery Lodge 7th March.

PARA EQUESTRIAN DRESSAGE

Para Equestrian Dressage The Para Dressage Squad attended their first Training Camp on 27th & 28th Feb at Spruce Lodge, delivered by National Para Trainer Donie MacNamara in front of visiting UK BDO judge Carolyn Gardiner. On the same weekend Marlton Stud hosted a Para Class & Freestyle tests. Declan Cullen, Blue Grass Feeds, advised on an equine Nutritional programme. Next Training Camp: 19th-21st March, Limerick & North Munster Winter Finals at Clonshire.

POLOCROSSE

The Irish Polocrosse Association (IPA) and the Irish Team are preparing for the 2011 Polocrosse World Cup. See www.polocrosse2011.com for details. Coaches have been selected & playing squads are being assembled. The IPA will provide updates on the team's preparations.

RDS

Fáilte Ireland Dublin Horse Show 4th-8th August 2010. Tickets now on sale. To book, visit www.rdstickets.com or call 0818 719 300. Dublin Horse Show is now on Facebook.

RIDING CLUBS

AIRC has a new phone number and can be contacted directly on 045-854 555. The old 0818 number has been deactivated.

RIDING ESTABLISHMENTS

AIRE Centres approved by BHS to host Riding & Road Safety Exams Bel-Air Equestrian, Ashford, Co. Wicklow: 22nd March; Hitchmoughs, Monkstown, Co. Cork: 22nd March; Butterfly Farm, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford: 29th March; Claremorris E.C., Co. Mayo: 9th April; Maynooth E.C., Co. Kildare: 13th April, 11th May & 1st June. See www.aire.ie for details.

REINING/WESTERN RIDING

Reining & Western Information Evening Friday 16th April, 7.30pm-10.30pm at Coilóg E.C., Crosspatrick, Kilmeague, Naas, Co. Kildare. Don't miss this exciting information & demonstration event, with Liam Moggan as MC, showcasing Reining & Western Riding. Highlights include a combined Western v English Style demonstration by US-based Tom Foran, NRHA World Reining Champion, and International Dressage Rider, Anne Marie Dunphy. Plus a special Barrel Racing demo. Entry is FREE but booking is essential. Contact Zita Dowling, HSI Reining & Western Section, on zdowling@horsesportireland.ie or 045-854 530 before 9th April.

UNIVERSITIES

The Irish squad for 2010 has been selected to compete at SRNCs & WUEC in Korea in October. IURCA will run training clinics with Sue Shortt & Sorrell Tsaibu Klatzko (dressage) & Dermott Lennon (show jumping). See IURCA's new website for details www.irishstudentriders.com



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