



BREEDING

Stallions approved by HSI in 2009 Eight stallions were approved by HSI in 2009 following inspection: Keamore Diamond Clover (RID), Lansdown (RID), Gold Dancer (RID), Prescotts Diamond (RID), Cappa Casanova (RID), Samgemjee (ISH), Oldtown KC (ISH) and Russel (Holst).

DRESSAGE

Autumn/Winter Schedule can be viewed online at www.dressageireland.ie/shows/dates.htm

EDUCATION

Horse Sport Ireland Coaching Courses 2010		
	Date	Venue
Intro Level	26 th Jan. (Tues)	Ballyellen EC, Gorey, Co. Wexford
Intro Level	2 nd Feb. (Tues)	Kennedy EC, Adare, Co. Limerick
Intro Level	2 nd March (Tues)	Castle Leslie EC, Glaslough, Co. Monaghan
Intro Level	16 th March (Tues)	Tubberbride, Collooney, Co. Sligo
Level 1	9 th & 10 th Feb. (days 3 & 4)	Cavan EC, Co. Cavan
Level 1	16 th & 17 th Feb. (days 3 & 4)	Coilong EC, Kilmeague, Naas, Co. Kildare
Level 1	9 th & 10 th March	Spruce Lodge, Redcross, Co. Wicklow
Level 1	23 rd & 24 th March	Maryville Stables, Carrigaline, Co. Cork
Level 1	6 th & 7 th April	Kernan EC, Crossmaglen, Co. Armagh
Level 1	27 th & 28 th April	Upper Mace EC, Claremorris, Co. Mayo
Level 2	29 th & 30 th March	Kill EC, Kill, Co. Kildare
Level 2	31 st March	Tattersalls, Ratoath, Co. Meath

For more details or to receive an application form, contact Avril O'Byrne on 045-854521 or at aobyrne@horsesportireland.ie

Vet Course for Horse Owners Wicklow Town: 7.30pm-9.30pm 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th Jan.; Tattersalls: 7.30pm-9.30pm 10th, 17th, 24th Feb. & 3rd Mar. For more details, contact Sue O'Doherty on 087-2459572.

DRIVING

Carriage Driving 2010 Calendars on sale. All proceeds go towards Irish Junior Drivers Fund. Cost €12 each + P&P. Contact Ger Hennessy on 087-2431413.

EVENTING

Mike Etherington-Smith Stewards & Course Builders Course 20th Feb. at Tattersalls. Contact Alison at alison@eventingireland.com

Grassroots Eventing Skills with Becky Cullen HSI Level 2 Coach Indoor training sessions for X Country riding. 27th Dec. at Broadmeadows EC. Contact Becky on +44 797 6071222.

2010 Eventing Calendar now online. Classes confirmed in New Year. **Eventing Ireland office** closed from 12pm 23rd Dec., re-opens 4th Jan.

GENERAL

HSI Rule Book National Rules adopted by HSI Board on 17th Dec. Available to download under HSI Rule Book on the HSI website. Rules will come into effect on 1st January 2010.

JUMPING

O'Connor excels at Olympia, London, 15th-21st Dec Cian O'Connor recorded a personal best on 'Rancorrado' when he was narrowly beaten into 2nd place in the Rolex World Cup Qualifier. He was one of just 6 from a field of 34 to finish without a single fault. In the Puissance, Cian and 'Calistra MS' were one of 5 combinations to tie in 1st place after unsuccessful attempts to clear the wall at 2m15. Cian came 3rd on 'Irish Independent Echo Beach' in the Accenture Stakes and 2nd on 'Splendor' in the Accumulator.

Ireland now has 5 riders in the top 50 of the Rolex World Jumping Rankings: Jessica Kurten 16th, Denis Lynch 18th, Cian O'Connor 34th, Billy Twomey 38th, Cameron Hanley 50th.

Cameron Hanley – 2009 Show Jumper of the Year Award at Show Jumpers' Club Awards Ball at Killashee Hotel, 12th Dec.

CSI5* Paris 11th-13th Dec. Gucci Masters: Cian O'Connor 4th on 'Splendor', Denis Lynch 5th on 'Upsilon d'Occquier'. Accumulator: Denis Lynch 4th on 'Boemerang'. Figaro Classic: Denis Lynch 3rd on 'All Inclusive NRW'. Gucci Grand Prix: Denis Lynch 2nd on 'All Inclusive NRW', Cian O'Connor 11th on 'Rancorrado'. Speed Class: Cian O'Connor 6th on 'Splendor'.

CSI4* Porto 10th-13th Dec. International Jumping Competition: Jessica Kurten 3rd on 'Castle Forbes Cosma' & 5th on 'Castle Forbes Libertina'. Grand Prix: Dermott Lennon 3rd on 'Hallmark Elite'.

PONIES

Show jumping at Hengelo, NL 4th-6th Dec. Outdoor Gelderland prize: George Murphy 1st on 'Miss Bockmann'. Nationale Veuleneveling Prinsjesdag: Emily Turkington 4th on 'Sambo Lino'. 2-Phase: Emily Turkington 1st on 'He's No Joker', Bertram Allen 3rd on 'Ballyogue Gold'. Jump off: Michael Duffy 4th on 'Sillogue Darkie'. Grand Prix: Bertram Allen 2nd on 'Acapella Z', Emily Turkington 3rd on 'Sambo Lino'. Small Tour Class: George Murphy 1st on 'The Freckle'.

HSI / SJI Pony & Children on Horses Info & Demonstration Day Tues. 29th Dec. at Cavan EC. Contact Katy Saunders on +44 7733 913357 / +44 7764 534562.

RIDING ESTABLISHMENTS

Occupational First Aid Course: 4th, 11th, 18th Feb. at Flannery's Hotel, Dublin Rd, Galway. Cost: €180. Contact Martin on 087-2611574 or at fristaidtraining@eircom.net

UNIVERSITIES

Student Riders' Nations' Cup World Finals 2009 31st Dec.-2nd Jan. 54 student riders from 16 nations will compete at Ravensdale Lodge EC, Dundalk. For more details contact srncireland@gmail.com

FACT FILE

Did you know that classical dressage evolved from cavalry movements & training for the battlefield? Horses were trained in the levade, capriole, courbette & ballotade, enabling their riders to escape if surrounded, or to fight more easily.