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BREEDING

Ireland Wins Top Breeding Title at World Championships Le Lion d'Angers, France 24th Oct.

In a major boost for sport horse breeding in Ireland, the Irish Sport Horse Studbook has topped the list of Studbooks at the World Breeding Championships for Young Event Horses. The Irish Studbook powered home with 5 Irish-bred horses finishing in the top 8 in the crucial 7 year-old category. An Irish-bred horse also finished 2nd in the 6 year-old category. See www.horsesportireland.ie/breeding for more details.



Ireland Wins first ever World Breeding Championships, with Clem McMahon claiming victory at Lanaken, Belgium 26th Sept. in the 6 year-old final on the Irish-bred chestnut stallion 'NLS Coole Al Clover'. Ireland also came 3rd in the 7 year-old final, and 8th in the 5 year-old final. 'NLS Coole Al Clover' is by 'Aldatus Z' (OLD) out of 'Laural Lodge' (AID), by 'Clover Hill' (RID). Breeder of 'NLS Coole Al Clover', Eamonn Kenny from Attanagh, Co. Laois, was at Lanaken to witness the success.

DRESSAGE



Anna Merveldt took two top 3 places at La Mandria's 3* dressage show in Italy 17th Oct. Riding her gelding 'Coryolano', Merveldt finished in 2nd place on a score of 67% in the Grand Prix Special Class.

DRIVING

HSI Driving Awards Dinner Dance 2010 will take place on Sat 20th Nov. at 7.30pm in the Abbyleix Manor Hotel, Co. Laois. Tickets are available from any Carriage Driving Committee Member. Check out www.carriagedrivingireland.com for details.

British Junior Championships, Escrick Park, Yorkshire 25th-26th Sept. Team Ireland finished 2nd overall and comprised Eimear O'Slatarra



(U12), Lauren Robinson (U15), Kieran O'Callaghan, David Sheahan, Amy Manogue & Martin Spillane (19-25). Results: Eimear O'Slatarra (U12) 3rd, Martin Spillane (19-25) 3rd. Kieran O'Callaghan scored the best overall marathon of the day.

EDUCATION

National Coaching Conference 'Coaching the Modern Sport Horse and Rider' Tues. 23rd Nov. at PGA Palmerstown House Stud, Johnstown, Naas and Kill International Equestrian Centre. Tickets €40 adults & €25 students & O.A.P.s. For bookings contact Heather Coyle on 087-2269382 or at h.coyle1@yahoo.co.uk or HSI on 045-854514/521. Places are limited so pre-booking is essential.

Coaching Course Dates: Level 1 - 29th & 30th Nov. (days 1 & 2) Castle Leslie E.C., Co. Monaghan. Level 2 - March/April 2011 (days 1, 2 & 3) Co. Kildare. Contact Cathy Cooper on 045-854514 or ccooper@horsesportireland.ie for details.

Equestrian Skillnet Autumn Courses: Sport Horse Sales & Marketing: 3 courses held at Autumn Sales; CLIPED (Equine Specific Computer Course): Kildare, Kilkenny & Cork.



Occupational First Aid (Equine Specific): Mullingar EC 30th Nov, 6th & 13th Dec.

Leinster Region: Equine Anatomy & Physiology, Equine Nutrition, Equine Business Administration, Producing & Training the Young Horse. For bookings & enquiries, contact Enda Hogan on 045-854521 or ehogan@horsesportireland.ie

EVENTING

Red Mills SuperLeague Champion Nicola Ennis riding last year's winner 'The Underdog' won the Red Mills SuperLeague at Kilmanahan.

Tredstep Junior Rider Series Orlagh Keenan riding 'Moss Star' won the Tredstep Junior Rider Series winning a training bursary with William Micklem.

Conclusion of Forans Young Rider Series & TRI Intro & Pre-Novice Series Gurteen saw the finals of the Forans Young Rider Series & the TRI Intro & Pre-Novice Series. Results can be found on www.eventingireland.com

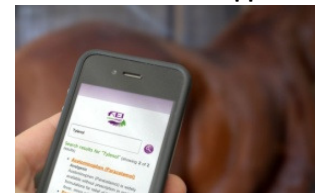
FEI NEWS

Victory for Princess Haya in FEI Presidency Election 5th Nov.

HRH Princess Haya Al Hussein (JOR) was re-elected as President of the FEI at the Federation's General Assembly in Taipei in a landslide victory in the first round of voting. Princess Haya, who was seeking a second and final four-year term as President, won with 90 votes out of a total 124 valid ballots.



FEI unveils iPhone app for Equine Prohibited Substances



List, Lausanne, 2nd Nov.

The mobile phone application gives those involved in horse sport much faster and easier access to crucial info on prohibited substances. The

app will initially be available for iPhone users and can be downloaded free of charge from the iTunes Store.

HSI GENERAL

HSI / AIRE Introduction to Horse Riding Schools' Pilot Programme

is currently underway and is designed to give school children (age 10+) the opportunity to experience horse riding for the first time in their local AIRE approved centre. 20 AIRE Riding Establishments signed up for the pilot programme which runs from 1st Sept. to 31st Dec. Feedback has been very positive from schools to date. For more info, contact Ilona Blunden, HSI on 045-854533 or at iblunden@horsesportireland.ie or Linda Young on 045-854518 or at info@aire.ie

New Breeding Registration Helpline: Lo Call 1890 929 989 open from 1.30pm to 3.30pm Mon-Fri.



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JUMPING

CSI5*-W Verona Italy 4th-7th Nov. Billy Twomey took 5th place in the Italian World Cup competition at Verona, riding Sue Davies' mare 'Tinka's Serenade', recording one of just seven double clear rounds in a 40-strong starting field.



CSI4* Grand Prix, Munich, Germany 7th Nov. Denis Lynch came 3rd in the Munich Grand Prix riding Thomas Straumann's Belgian-bred gelding 'Abbervail van het Dingshof'.



Lynch was one of 10 through to the second round, but could not catch Germany's former Olympic champion Marcus Ehning. In the Two Phase competition Lynch and 'Upsilon d'Ocquier', claimed 3rd place on two clear rounds.

Seminar free of charge to registered AIRC members only. Places are limited. Contact Elaine on 045-854555 or at info@airc.ie

TOURISM RELATED EQUESTRIAN ACTIVITIES

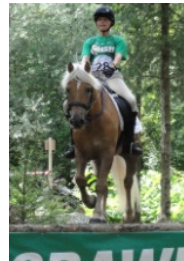
British Championships: 13th-15th Aug.

Team Ireland (Amy Rust, Dede Clune, Bambi Carroll, Karen Murphy & Gwen Bastian) came second in the Nations' Cup at the BHS TREC Championships of Great Britain.



European Championships: 3rd-5th Sept.

Ireland acquitted themselves well at the European Championships in Austria, with Amy Rust the highest placed Irish rider in 36th place. Results and photos at www.trec-em2010.at/cms/



Open Championships: 17th-19th Sept.

The Irish Open Championships were held in Glendalough Equestrian Centre, Annamoe, Co. Wicklow, and featured a BHS Qualifier for the Championships 2011.

PARA EQUESTRIAN DRESSAGE

WEG 2010 - James Dwyer 5th in Para Dressage World Championships 6th Oct.

Pennsylvania based Irish rider James Dwyer finished 5th in the Para Dressage World Championships in Kentucky. James and his Dutch-bred gelding 'Orlando' was one of 18 starters in the Grade IV championship.



PONIES

Bertram Allen Wins Swiss Pony Grand Prix & Tom Foley Takes European Individual Cup 10th Oct.

Ireland's pony riders once again dominated the action at Chevenez in Switzerland with a near-whitewash in the Pony Grand Prix and two more awards in the European Challenge Cup series. Bertram Allen (15), who was a member of Ireland's winning Nations' Cup team, scooped the Grand Prix 1st prize on the same pony, 'Acapella Z'. Tom Foley (14) won the Individual Big Tour European Challenge Cup, while Ireland's Kate McDonagh won the Small Tour European Cup. These awards completed a clean sweep in the new category, with Ireland also winning the Team Cup.



UNIVERSITIES

Ireland takes Team Gold and Individual Silver at World University Equestrian Championships, Korea, 2nd Nov.

The team consisted of Nicola Fitzgibbon (TCD), Ben Crawford (QUB), Sara Glynn (DIT) and reserve Suzie Cave (Open University). Trained by international eventer Sue Shortt and accompanied by Chef d'Equipe Natalie Quinlivan, the trio produced Ireland's first ever University Team Gold. The Individual Silver was won by Sara Glynn of Killossery Stud.



REINING/WESTERN RIDING

World Championship Reining WEG 2010

Ollie Galligan was the first competitor to represent Ireland at the discipline of reining at the World Equestrian Games (WEG) Kentucky. Though he finished outside of the medals, Ollie did Ireland proud.



FACT FILE

The World Equestrian Games (WEG) comprises the world championships for eight equestrian sports. The Games are held every four years, two years prior to the Olympic Games, and are governed by the Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI).



RIDING CLUBS

AIRC: Technical Delegate & Fence Steward Training, Sat. 20th Nov. Gurteen College, Co. Tipperary. This 1-day seminar will give participants an overview of each role allowing them to perform their duties more effectively. Suitable for members who wish to get involved in stewarding at Horse Trials competitions.



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