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Stallion inspection and classification explained

Irish Sport Horse Studbook

Classification of Stallions in the Main Section of the ISH Studbook

- **Approved:** Stallions that have met all veterinary and inspection/performance requirements. Approved stallions are eligible for Star Ratings, ranging from 1 to 5 stars, based on their own performance or their progeny's performance in FEI disciplines.
- **Preliminary Approved (PA):** Stallions aged between 4 and 10 years of age that have met the veterinary requirements and the Stage 1 and Stage 2 inspection requirements.
- **Not Approved 1 (NA1):** Stallions that have met the veterinary requirements but have not met, or have not yet met, the inspection (conformation, movement, athleticism) or performance requirements. NA1 stallions can be upgraded to Approved status if they meet specified performance criteria in open competition. Stallions that were previously classified as Section 1 (S1) are classified in this class.
- **Not Approved 2 (NA2):** Stallions that have not met the veterinary requirements. Stallions that were previously classified as Section 2 (S2) are classified in this class.
- **Entry:** Stallions that have not come



Greg Broderick (IRL) and Ballypatrick Mystique (ISH) — 7YO Bronze Medallists at Lanaken. Only progeny by Approved stallions in the ISH Studbook are eligible for ISH Studbook Classes and selection for Lanaken.

forward for a veterinary examination or inspection.

Stallion assessment process

- **Stage 1:** Stallions must be a minimum of 3 years of age to be presented for the Stage 1 inspection.

Stallions undergo a veterinary examination (including X-Rays) and an assessment of their conformation, movement and athleticism using linear scoring.

Movement is assessed both in hand and loose and athleticism is assessed by means of a loose jumping demonstration. Older stallions can opt to have their

athleticism assessed under saddle. Stallions that meet the inspection and veterinary requirements are invited to participate in the Stage 2 inspections.

- **Stage 2:** Stallions must be a minimum of 4 years of age to be presented for the Stage 2 inspection which is a ridden assessment. Stallions are required to jump a course of 6 to 8 fences ridden by their own rider and by a test rider appointed by HSI.

Each stallion undergoes a further veterinary examination and an assessment of their gaits and athleticism under saddle. Stallions that meet the veterinary and inspection requirements in the Stage 2 inspections are classified as 'Preliminary Approved (PA)' and proceed to Stage 3.

- **Stage 3:** 'Preliminary Approved (PA)' stallions aged between 4 and 10 years of age undergo Stage 3 of the inspection process which involves a review of the stallion's own performance and/or his progeny's performance.

This review takes place annually between the ages of 6 and 10 years and stallions that are deemed to have sufficient performance/progeny performance are upgraded to 'Approved'.

Stallions with insufficient performance/progeny performance by the age of 10 years can be re-classified as 'Not Approved 1 (NA1)'.

Irish Draught Horse Studbook

Classification of Stallions in the Irish Draught Horse Studbook

- **Class 1:** Stallions that meet the veterinary and inspection requirements. Class 1 stallions are eligible for additional merits (Gold, Silver and Bronze) based on their own performance and their progeny's performance in a number of disciplines.
Stallions that were previously classified as 'RID' are classified in this class.
- **Class 2:** Stallions that meet the veterinary requirements but have not met the inspection requirements. Stallions that were previously classified as Section 1 (S1) are classified in this class.

- **Class 3:** Stallions that do not meet the veterinary requirements. Stallions that were previously classified as Section 2 (S2) are classified in this class.

- **Class 4:** Stallions that have not come forward for a veterinary examination or inspection.

Note: Stallions previously classified as 'RID' are classified as Approved in the ISH Studbook.

Class 2 and Class 1 Irish Draught stallions that have not previously been classified as 'RID' are eligible for classification as Approved in the ISH Studbook, providing they meet specified performance criteria.

Stallion Assessment Process

- **Studbook Inspection:** Stallions must be a minimum of 3 years of age to be presented for the Irish Draught Horse Studbook inspections.

Stallions undergo a veterinary ex-

amination (including X-Rays) and an assessment of their conformation, type, movement and athleticism using linear scoring.

Movement is assessed both in hand and loose and athleticism is assessed by means of a loose jumping demonstration.

Older stallions can opt to have their athleticism assessed under saddle. Stallions meeting the veterinary and inspection requirements are classified as 'Class 1'.

- **Optional Athleticism Assessment for Bronze Merit:** Owners of 'Class 1' stallions aged 4 years and older can opt to have their stallion's athleticism assessed by jumping a course of fences at 1.00m level under saddle.

Stallions that achieve the minimum athleticism score are awarded a Bronze Merit for their own performance in the discipline of show jumping.

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HSI Stallion Inspections 2011: Cavan Equestrian Centre, Thursday 10th and Friday 11th March 2011. All spectators welcome. See www.horsesportireland.ie for details.

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It's coming up Clover for the Kennys after Gold at Lanaken

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WELCOME to the second issue of the HSI *Breeder Magazine*. The future of our sector depends on decisions made by breeders. Over the last 12 months, Horse Sport Ireland has been implementing the elements of our new breeding policy. One of the key initiatives is the introduction of **Mare Inspections** and these will be taking place again this spring. I would encourage breeders to bring their mares out for these inspections to get them independently assessed.

On the stallion front, all of the approved stallions in the Irish Sport Horse Studbook who merit them now have Star Ratings based on their and their progeny's performances in competition. This new rating system will provide objective information for breeders on stallions.

Our young event horses were successful at the **World Breeding Championships** for three-day Eventing horses, which is very encouraging as it demonstrates that we are still breeding the best Eventing horses in the world. The fact that the Goresbridge/Monart sale went so well is a further indication that Irish event horses are highly desired in the global marketplace.

On the Show Jumping front, Irish breeding has a long way to travel to get back to being a force on the world stage. However, the victory of **NLS Coole Al Clover** in the 6-year-old class at the World Breeding Championships is very encouraging, as was the third place for **Bal-lypatrick Mystique** in the 7-year-old category. These horses are a credit to their breeders, owners and riders and it augurs well for the future. It also demonstrates the value of the Irish Sport Horse Studbook Show Jumping Series and the contribution that it is making to the production of young Show Jumping horses in the country.

I would also draw your attention to the new explanatory document on the **Rural Development Programme (RDP)** which sets out how people in our sector can access funding for developing equestrian businesses.

I want to conclude by wishing breeders well for the upcoming breeding season. The decisions you make will determine the quality of the Irish foal herd in Ireland in 2012.

Joe Walsh
Chairman,
Horse Sport Ireland

Linear scoring will lead to



Dr Charlotte Moore with one of her broodmares.

Life without Irish Draughts would be unnatural for Dr Charlotte Moore, who, for the past 30 years, has shown, produced, judged and, more recently, overseen the inspection panel of this native breed across Ireland and beyond, writes **Siobhán English**

ONE of the most respected experts on the breed in the country, the depth of her knowledge has, in recent months, been used to the full once again with the introduction of the eagerly-awaited linear scoring assessment system for mares and stallions.

Prior to 2010, conformation was evaluated using a subjective score (between 1 and 10) for each trait. However, this left breeders confused, owing to a lack of detailed information.

Under the 2010 Breeding Policy for the Irish Draught, linear scoring was introduced, using some of the methods

adopted so successfully by the KWPN Studbook, and this transparency has been well received by breeders who can now make better decisions when it comes to choosing stallions.

“Yes, some breeders still find it confusing, and it will take time for them to get to grips with it, but I believe that in due course it will make a big difference,” Charlotte commented. “With this information and feedback they can better match their mare to a stallion when they know her strengths and weaknesses and use characteristics that are actually heritable.”

A native of Co. Antrim, Charlotte was

surrounded by horses from a very young age and, thanks to encouragement from her father, purchased her first Irish Draught mare while attending university.

“That was **Silver Dawn**, who proved to be our foundation mare. She was shown at Balmoral in 1979 and won in a class of 19. It was at a time when the class had just been revived at the show.”

In the years that followed Charlotte broadened her interest in the breed through buying and selling and winning such championships as the RDS twice (1986 and 1988) with **April Storm**, and also publishing two books, namely *Irish*

better breeding decisions

Draught Mares 1918-1992 and Irish Draught Stallions 1911-1993.

"Then somewhere along the way I found myself on a judges' list, then an inspectors' list, inspecting mares," having also, in the meantime, set up the successful Tullyroe Irish Draught Stud with her husband, Nigel. Charlotte now also works as senior beef and sheep technologist with the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, but she thoroughly enjoys her part-time role as chairperson of the inspection panel from year to year.

One of five on a panel for stallions, or three for mares, Charlotte admits that this past year there has been some discontent among breeders over the format, but she believes that having this number on a panel is important to give a fair and balanced result.

"Also, some people wanted the inspectors to be spread out on the day, but this would never work. They all need to work in unison."

Naturally, over the years, Charlotte has seen many changes to the breed firsthand, and in the attitude of breeders.

"I have seen great changes in breed-

ing patterns. In the past six years or so the majority of Irish Draught mares in the country were being bred to Irish Draught stallions.

"That was to satisfy the market as the demand was there and prices were high. Now we have lost the ability to produce the genuine half-bred Irish Draught horse, even though the population of mares has increased. It has become less fashionable to use Irish Draught stallions for cross-breeding."

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As a result, the type of Irish Draught stock being produced has changed significantly and some, she said, 'have been quite off the mark'.

This applied to colts, in particular, in recent times. However, in 2010 she did admit to having seen a rise in the standard of preparation and presentation of animals.

"It also seemed to me that there were a larger number of smaller mares presented. Given the increasing numbers of big (tall) mares presented in previous years, it was pleasing to see some smaller mares, provided they had sufficient bone, substance, strength and movement.

"The introduction of the loose movement element in the assessment provided an opportunity for a much better assessment of movement than when fillies were only shown in hand. It is important that the standard of stock produced is continually improved.

"Linear assessment in itself cannot achieve this, but it can be a very valuable tool which breeders can use to be more selective in their breeding programmes," she concluded.



Clem McMahon & NLS Coole
Al Clover (Team Ireland
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Preparing your barren mare for breeding

Stefania Bucca DVM,
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AS the breeding season is once more approaching, every effort should be made to identify conditions that may negatively affect the fertility of our breeding stock and apply correction where appropriate.

Success or failure in equine reproduction is attributable, to a great extent, to the management practices that are in place during the breeding process. Appropriate management practices may greatly enhance the reproductive potential of sub-fertile individuals, but the contrary is also true, and improper interference can render very fertile animals infertile.

Breeding decisions in horses are seldom based on the reproductive potential of the individual. Selection criteria for horse mating commonly include performance, pedigree, potential commercial value of offspring and conformation but hardly ever fertility, with a resulting decrease in breeding efficiency in mares and stallions compared with other domestic species.

Reduced pregnancy rates will result from mating sub-fertile mares, with associated increasing costs related to multiple breeding (chilled semen shipments, frozen semen doses and trips to the stallion farm for natural cover) and veterinary intervention.

In the following article, I will set out some basic lessons that I have learned during 30 years of natural and artificial breeding of mares.

Choice of stallion

A champion stallion is not gelded or culled for poor semen quality; rather, breeders and veterinarians go to great lengths to maximise reproductive performance using any and all means available.

In most breeds, there is no licensing or approval of stallions strictly from a fertility standpoint and this has led to a significant number of stallions in the breeding pool that might possess desirable performance traits but are sub-fertile for a variety of reasons, some of them genetically transmitted between generations.

Identifying sub-fertile stallions can prove very advantageous, particularly when considering breeding sub-fertile mares.

Furthermore, fertility declines with

age, with a higher percentage of dead or defective sperm in older stallions' ejaculates. In our experience, older/or problem mares should be bred preferably to younger, proven performance stallions of known fertility, as large numbers of dead sperm will negatively affect the uterine environment.

Good quality frozen semen is comparable to fresh semen in terms of fertility and offers innumerable advantages to breeders. These advantages include accessibility to international markets and bloodlines, availability throughout the breeding season and the ability to 'fine tune' the number of inseminated sperm by the applications of deep horn insemination techniques.

With deep horn insemination, semen is carried high up into the uterine horn, close to the site where fertilisation occurs, ensuring rapid and complete transport of sperm to target. Deep horn insemination proves very useful in limiting the amount of straws used per insemination but, more importantly, it will reduce the uterine challenge in those mares that appear unable to efficiently clear their reproductive tract after covering. Fifteen per cent of the broodmare population is affected by this problem worldwide and the most commonly reported sign is the persistence of fluid, accumulating in the uterus after mating.

Frozen semen should only be purchased from EU approved centres or carry the certifications required by EU authorities. For best performance and longevity, frozen semen needs to be appropriately stored, handled and transported.

The appropriate health certificates, released by the competent authorities, should travel with frozen and chilled semen at all times. It should be kept in mind that not all batches of frozen semen from a single stallion will carry the same fertility.

Mares' health and condition

Only healthy mares in good physical condition should enter a breeding programme, as mares affected by medical and/or painful conditions can demonstrate reduced fertility.

Under these circumstances, fertility problems may range from a lack of cyclicity, with no detectable heats during the breeding season, to follicles that will not rupture to release the egg (oocyte) for fertilisation.

Mares in poor condition, overly fat, or affected by hormonal imbalances, may



perform in a similar fashion. Metabolic Syndrome is a recently recognised condition of horses, affecting their ability to handle sugars, with a resulting pathologic accumulation of fat. Crested necks and 'fat pads' around the base of the tail are identifying traits for mares suffering from Metabolic Syndrome. This condition carries a high risk for reproductive abnormalities and laminitis.

All medical issues should be ad-

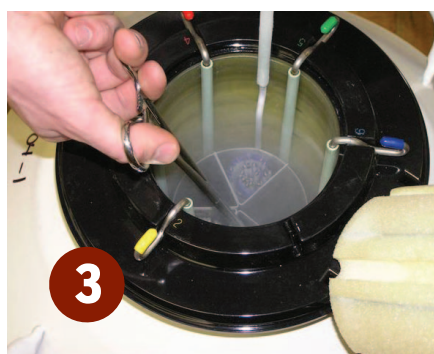


1 — Stallion at the teasing board getting ready for collection.



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2 — Thawing out frozen semen is generally carried out in a water bath at 37°C; the straws are then carefully dried out.



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3 — Proper management of frozen semen requires minimal exposure of straws to ambient temperatures.

4 — Mares suffering from Metabolic Syndrome usually present with a crested neck, laminitis and reproductive disorders.



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5 — A defective perineum usually shows excessive forward tilting of the vulva and predisposes to pneumovagina.



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6 & 7 — Thick mucus is produced in response to chronic inflammatory conditions and may be observed matting the coat below the vulva or the glove used for insemination.

8 — A vaginal discharge prior to AI indicates reproductive problems and should always be thoroughly investigated.

9 — Abnormalities of the mammary gland should always be looked into to ensure adequate milk production after delivery.



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dressed prior to the beginning of the season and mares should be maintained on an adequate plan of nutrition throughout winter. Mares can be kept on good grass through the winter months, when adequate shelter is available. In extreme weather conditions, supplemental feeding becomes a necessity, but there is increasing evidence that poor quality hay and haylage may negatively affect fertility.

Mares are seasonal breeders, reproductively active during spring and late summer, when conception rates are optimal.

Mares generally begin their annual reproductive activity when daylight begins to stretch in spring and gradually stop their cyclic activity in autumn as days shorten.

They are so sensitive to daylight that we can easily manipulate their sexual

behaviour by exposing them to artificial light in the middle of winter (usually 1 December) and have them ready for breeding by mid-February the following year.

By the same token, continuous exposure to daylight can be profoundly detrimental to equine breeding performance, as a period of short daylight is generally needed to 'reset' the reproductive system.

Fillies and mares exercising in floodlit arenas and living in barns where lights are hardly ever turned off at night may become refractory to daylight and stop cycling just as the breeding season starts.

Sport Horse mares should be allowed to spontaneously come in season, aiming at breeding them in late spring, or whenever climatic conditions and grass availability indicate a favourable time for breeding function, considering that offspring will be born roughly a month earlier than their last service date the following year.

The first heat of the season can be unpredictably long (up to 60 days) and is called the transitional period, as it represents the progression from winter sexual quiescence to spring reproductive activity.

During this transitional period, three to four follicle waves are produced, but fail to ovulate. The true beginning of the season corresponds with the detection of the first ovulation of the year and varies in time for each individual.

Breeding mares during the transitional period is a frustrating and costly exercise, impacting very negatively on fertility in problem mares. Multiple breedings are usually required, with additional stallion and veterinary-related costs and multiple uterine challenges for the problem mare.

Reproductive problems

Any mare that doesn't get pregnant and has been bred more than twice, or suddenly ends up losing the pregnancy, needs a complete reproductive investigation, preferably in late summer or early autumn, before her seasonal reproductive activity comes to a close.

Defective perineal conformation with marked forward tilting, vaginal discharge, excessive mucus production, persistent uterine infection and fluid accumulation, represent some of the problems commonly encountered in mares that fail to get pregnant or carry to term.

Mild problems will tend to spontaneously correct themselves as the mare stops cycling during the winter months, but more complicated reproductive issues should be dealt with well in advance of the following breeding season to allow for full recovery to take place.

Integrity and function of the mammary gland should also be assessed.

5* and 4* stallions

5* & 4* Stallions standing in Ireland

The following is a list of Approved/Supplementary Approved Stallions in the ISH Studbook that meet 5 or 4 Star performance criteria in the Olympic Disciplines

STALLION	BIRTH YEAR	SIRE	DAM	DAM SIRE	PERFORMANCE RATING	PROGENY PERFORMANCE RATING
ALDATUS Z (OLD)	1985	ALDATO(HOLST)	CAPRICE (WEST)	CALETTO I (HOLST)	5* Show Jumping	5* Show Jumping
ARS VIVENDI (HOLST)	1993	ACCORD II (HOLST)	DOLORIS (HOLST)	ALOUBE Z (HANN)		5* Show Jumping
BOHERDEAL CLOVER (ISH)	1991	CLOVER HILL (RID)	VIRGINIA WOLFA (ISH)	REGULAR GUY (TB)	5* Show Jumping	
CHIPPISON (ISH)	1993	CAVALIER ROYALE (HOLST)			5* Show Jumping	
COILLE MOR HILL (RID)	1987	CLOVER HILL (RID)	LAWRENCE TOWN LACY (RID)	ONE WING (TB)	5* Show Jumping	
COOLCORRAN COOL DIAMOND (ISH)	1989	GLIDAWN DIAMOND (RID)	BONMAHON BELLE (ISH)	BRONTI (ISH)	5* Show Jumping	4* Eventing
CRUISING (ISH)	1985	SEA CREST (RID)	MULLACREW (ISH)	NORDLYS (TB)	5* Show Jumping	5* Show Jumping 5* Eventing
HERITAGE FORTUNUS (HANN)	1993	FOXHUNTER (HANN)	MERABELL (HOLST)	METELLUS (HOLST)	5* Show Jumping	
HERMES DE REVE (SF)	1995	QUITO DE BAUSSY (SF)	DIRA COURCELLE (SF)	MUGUET DU MANOIR (SF)	5* Show Jumping	
IROKO (WEST)	1990	PILOT (WEST)	BIANCA (WEST)	BENGAL (WEST)	5* Show Jumping	4* Show Jumping
KROONGRAAF (KWPN)	1992	BURGAAAF (HOLST)	RIANNE (KWPN)	RAMIRO Z (HOLST)	5* Show Jumping	4* Show Jumping
LANCELOT (KWPN)	1993	VOLTAIRE (HANN)	DIADDEM (KWPN)	NIMMERDOR (KWPN)		5* Show Jumping
LAUGHTONS FLIGHT (ISH)	1983	KING OF DIAMONDS (RID)	HIGHLIGHT 2 (AID)	HIGHLAND LIGHT (TB)		5* Eventing
LUIDAM (KWPN)	1993	GUIDAM (KWPN)	ELJENHVE (KWPN)	AKTEUR (KWPN)	5* Show Jumping	4* Show Jumping
LUX Z (HANN)	1988	LORD CALENDON (HOLST)	APOCALYPTE Z (HOLST)	AHORN Z (HANN)	5* Show Jumping	5* Show Jumping 4* Dressage
MERMUS R (KWPN)	1994	BURGAAAF (HOLST)	DWERMIE (KWPN)	RAMIRO (HOLST)		5* Show Jumping
PETER PAN (OLD)	1991	PILOT (WEST)	GETHSAMANE (OLD)	DOMINO (HANN)	5* Show Jumping	4* Show Jumping
PUISSANCE (ISH)	1988	IMPERIUS (TB)	LADY MARLANE (ISH)	DIAMONDS ARE TRUMPS (RID)		5* Eventing
RUSSEL (HOLST)	1995	COROFINO (HOLST)	ADELE (HOLST)	LINCOLN (HOLST)	5* Show Jumping	
CARRICK DIAMOND LAD (ISH)	1993	FLAGMOUNT DIAMOND (RID)	GREAGHWILLAN PEARL (ISH)	SKY BOY (TB)		4* Eventing
CLOVER BRIGADE (ISH)	1990	CLOVER HILL (RID)	BRIGADE PRINCESS (TB)	LIGHT BRIGADE (TB)		4* Show Jumping 4* Eventing
COEVERS DIAMOND BOY (ISH)	1989	DIAMOND LAD (RID)	LOUGHNAVAR LADY (ISH)	COEVERS (TB)		4* Eventing
CONDIOS (HOLST)	1995	CORIANO (HOLST)	FERBENA (HOLST)	LANDGRAF I (HOLST)	4* Show Jumping	
CORONEA EAGLE (ISH)	1990	CORONEA ROYALE (TB)	CORONEA CRU (ISH)	BASSOMPIERRE (TB)		4* Eventing
FARNEY CLOVER (ISH)	1990	CLOVER HILL (RID)	FARNEY PRINCESS (TB)	PITPAN (TB)		4* Eventing
GHAAREB (TB)	1990	DANCING BRAVE (TB)	DAYAJEER (TB)	SHIRLEY HEIGHTS (TB)		4* Eventing
LIMMERICK (HOLST)	1990	LANCER II (HOLST)	ZIERBLUETE I (HOLST)	CALETTO I (HOLST)		4* Show Jumping 4* Eventing
OMAR (BWP)	1991	DARGO (BWP)	UCALINDA (KWPN)	AMAGUN (TRAK)	4* Show Jumping	4* Show Jumping
PARKMORE NIGHT (ISH)	1987	CARNIVAL NIGHT (TB)	PARKMORE JEWEL (RID)	ATLANTIC BOY (RID)		4* Eventing
PORSCH (BWP)	1992	LATANO (BWP)	QUI BELLA (BWP)	LUGANO VAN DE LA ROCHE (HANN)		4* Eventing
RANTIS DIAMOND (ISH)	1989	DIAMOND LAD (RID)	BRACKLOONE LADY (ISH)	DARANTUS (TB)		4* Eventing
RICARDO Z (ZANG)	1994	REBEL II Z (HANN)	KURIOSA (BWP)	FURIOSO II (SF)		4* Eventing
RINGFORT CRUISE (ISH)	1997	CRUISING (ISH)	RENKUM WOUJINA (KWPN)	NIMMERDOR (KWPN)	4* Show Jumping	
TAMPA (HOLS)	2000	CONTENDER (HOLST)	IDUN (HOLST)	COROFINO (HOLST)	4* Show Jumping	

Only the 4* and 5* elements of each stallion's Star Ratings are included in this table. Some stallions may have additional 1*, 2* or 3* ratings based on their own performance, or progeny performance. For more details see the 2011 Stallion Book which will be sent directly to all IHB shareholders who have renewed their 2011 annual membership.

Rating Type	Minimum Performances Required for each Rating Level	
	5*	4*
Stallion performance - Showjumping	2 double clear rounds at CSI/CSIO 5* level in FEI competitions (GP or Nations' Cup class or equivalent, fence height at least 1.50m)	2 double clear rounds at CSI/CSIO 3* or CSI/CSIO 4* level in FEI competitions (GP or Nations' Cup class or equivalent, fence height at least 1.50m)
Stallion progeny - Showjumping	2 progeny each with 2 double clear rounds at CSI/CSIO 4* level, or equivalent, in FEI competitions (GP or Nations' Cup class fence height at least 1.50m or higher)	2 progeny each with 2 double clear rounds at CSI/CSIO 3* level or higher in FEI competitions or 2 double clear rounds in FEI competitions at a fence height of at least 1.45m at CSI/CSIO level or top 4 placings in FEI speed classes at a fence height of at least 1.50m at CSI/CSIO level
Stallion performance - Eventing	2 MERs ¹ at CCI 4* level	2 MERs at CCI 3* level or higher
Stallion progeny - Eventing	2 progeny each with 2 MERs at CCI 3* level or higher	2 progeny each with 2 MERs ¹ at CCI/CNC 3* level or higher
Stallion performance - Dressage	2 placings at CDI/CDIO5* level (big tour or equivalent) with a score of 65% or higher	2 placings at CDI/CDIO4* level (big tour or equivalent) with a score of 65% or higher
Stallion progeny - Dressage	2 progeny each with 2 placings at CDI/CDIO4* level (big tour or equivalent) with a score of 65% or higher	2 progeny each with 2 placings at CDI/CDIO3* level (big tour or equivalent) with a score of 65% or higher

¹MERs are the Minimum Eligibility Requirements as set out by the FEI (2010). In summary, a MER is achieved by completing a competition within the minimum parameters of all round performance. This is the ISH Studbook star rating criteria for Approved/Supplementary Approved Stallions as of 1st January 2011 and is subject to change.

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Feeding for the future



RECENT research in broodmare nutrition has indicated that the provision of certain vital nutrients should be increased long before the nine-month mark.

As previously thought, mares should be nourished the same as any horse at maintenance for the first four months of gestation, but recommendations now suggest that every subsequent month represents a separate period, leading to eight distinct periods.

The research that brought about these changes takes into account not only maintenance of the mare's body weight and foetal growth, but also the nutritional expenditures involved in the creation and maintenance of less obvious gestational tissues such as the placenta and mammary glands.

To support development and maintenance of non-foetal tissues, it has been recommended that protein and energy requirements be raised 5% to 8% above maintenance during mid-gestation for an average (500kg) mare. Unlike protein and energy, the requirement for additional minerals takes place later in the gestation, at approximately seven months. This can be attributed to the fact that non-foetal tissues require mostly protein and energy and very few minerals for accretion and subsequent maintenance.

Correct mare nutrition is vital in this period of pregnancy to produce

healthy, well developed foals.

Stamm 30 is a premium protein, vitamin and mineral supplement balancer which can be fed to enhance an established feeding regime or on its own. Stamm 30 aids foal development in the last three months of gestation when the trace mineral storage of zinc, manganese, iron and copper takes place.

An increasingly popular method is based around a two-step feeding concept that includes the use of both a balancer and a fully fortified feed (mix or pellets). A balancer, such as Stamm 30, is a low-intake, concentrated source of essential protein, vitamins and minerals, which is designed for all classes of horse when additional calories are not required. Balancers can be fed alone to mature horses that are maintained on all-forage diets, or can be added to mixes when extra nutritional fortification is required.

Balancers can also be fed with unfortified grains, such as oats, to provide the correct balance of nutrients. Barren mares, and those out on grass that tend towards the heavier side, benefit from being fed a balancer, which when fed at the recommended daily intake, provides a base nutrient package during all phases of the breeding cycle.

When additional energy is needed, a fully fortified feed such as stud mix can be used. These feeds contain not only the protein, vitamins and minerals required for the animal, but also the energy. A fully fortified feed is usually fed at a higher intake than a balancer.

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World Young Horse Championships

ISH Studbook at Lanaken 2010

IN September of each year the Zangersheide Stud in the Belgian town of Lanaken hosts the FEI World Breeding Jumping Championships for Young Horses. Each horse that competes at Lanaken represents its Studbook of origin and only horses registered in a Studbook that is a member of the World Breeding Federation of Sport Horses (WBFSH) are eligible to compete at this prestigious event, which is the pinnacle of young horse show jumping on the international calendar.

These World Championships are run for three age categories: 5-year-old, 6-year-old and 7-year-old jumping horses and more than 200 horses in each age category are selected by their Studbook and country for the Championships each year.

The Championships take place over a four-day period, with the first and second qualifier classes for all three age categories taking place on the Thursday and Friday. From these two results horses gain qualification for the World Championship finals on the Sunday of the show. Horses that do not qualify for Sunday's finals are given the opportunity to jump in Saturday's consolation classes. In 2010, the Irish Sport Horse Studbook sent 15 Irish Sport Horses to compete at the World Championships in Lanaken. Under Chef d'Equipe Comdt. John Ledingham, these horses had been selected through the Irish Sport Horse Studbook Show jumping Series, Dublin Horse Show and other performances on the Irish national show jumping circuit in 2010.

In recent years the Irish Sport Horse Studbook's results at the World Championships for Young Horses have grown from strength to strength, but 2010 proved to be Ireland's best year in history at Lanaken.

From the 15 Irish Sport Horses sent to represent the ISH Studbook, nine horses (three 5-year-olds, three 6-year-olds and three 7-year-olds) qualified for Sunday's finals — quite an achievement in itself.



ABOVE: Eamonn Kenny (breeder of NLS Coole Al Clover) receiving his Super Premium for Breeders' prize at Lanaken 2010.

BELOW: HSI Breeders Awards 2010: Ballypatrick Mystique (ISH) 7 yo Bronze Medallist at Lanaken 2010. Austin Broderick (owner) and Jim Beecher (HSI Breeding Sub Board Chairman).



Sunday started off well for the Irish when James Hogg and **Interpreter** (ISH) finished in eighth place in the 5-Year-Old World Championship, coming from a starting field of 221 horses. The 6-Year-Old World Championship was the next class to take place in the main arena and hopes were high when Clem McMahon and **NLS Coole Al Clover** (ISH) jumped clear to make it through to the jump-off. Clem jumped clear in the jump-off in a very swift time of 36.28 seconds but with seven horses still to go it was anybody's competition. However, when every

subsequent combination failed to beat Clem's time, he and the Irish Sport Horse stallion, **NLS Coole Al Clover**, were crowned World Champions and received the coveted Gold Medal.

It didn't seem that the day could get any better but the 7-Year-Old World Championship rounded off a truly spectacular week at Lanaken for the Irish Sport Horse Studbook, when Greg Broderick and **Ballypatrick Mystique** (ISH) took the Bronze Medal in the 7-Year-Old World Championship.

Eamonn Kenny, the breeder of the 6-year-old gold medallist, **NLS Coole Al Clover**, was presented with an award at the 2010 HSI Breeders Awards for 'Outstanding Achievement at the FEI World Breeding Jumping Championships for Young Horses'. Eamonn was accompanied for the presentation by his wife, Margaret, and the rider of **NLS Coole Al Clover**, Clem McMahon. In recognition of this year's impressive performance by the Irish Sport Horse team, HSI also presented bonus prizes amounting to €15,000 to the breeders, owners and riders of medal-winning horses that represented the Irish Sport Horse Studbook at the World Championships in 2010.

BREEDING DETAILS

■ **Ballypatrick Mystique** (ISH) — 2003 mare by Heritage Fortunus (HANN) out of Lady Ligustra (ISH), by Cavalier Royale (HOLST). Bred by Ita Brennan, Gowran, Co. Kilkenny. Owner: Austin Broderick, Thurles, Co. Tipperary. Rider: Greg Broderick (IRL).

■ **Interpreter** (ISH) — 2005 gelding by Cruising (ISH) out of Dunahall Diamond (RID), by Diamond Rock (ID Class 1).

Bred by David O'Brennan, Tullamore, Co. Offaly. Owner: Edgar Hogg, Maguiresbridge, Co. Fermanagh. Rider: James Hogg (IRL).

■ **NLS Coole Al Clover** (ISH) — 2004 stallion by Aldatus Z (OLD) out of Laurl Lodge (AID), by Clover Hill (ID Class 1). Bred by Eamonn Kenny, Portlaoise, Co. Laois. Owner: Brian Kenny, Abbeyleix, Co. Laois. Rider: Clem McMahon (IRL).

ISH Show Jumping Series Sires

Place	Sire	YOB	Total League Points	5 Year Olds			6 Year Olds			7 Year Olds			League Points	Appearances in Grand Finals	Appearances in Grand Finals	Appearances in Qualifiers	No in Series	2003 Progeny	League Points	Appearances in Grand Finals	Appearances in Qualifiers	No in Series	2004 Progeny	League Points	Appearances in Grand Finals	Appearances in Qualifiers	No in Series	2005 Progeny	No in Series	Appearances in Qualifiers	Appearances in Finals	Appearances in Grand Finals	League Points																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			

PLEASE NOTE:

- Data is included for the six qualifying legs in the Series, as well as the Grand Final.
- League points are awarded in the Finals and Grand Finals. In the 5 yo classes, 2 points are awarded for a single clear round and 5 points for a double clear round. In the 6/7 yo classes, points are awarded from 1st to 10th place (10, 8, 6, 4, 3, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1).
- For the 2010 Series, there was €10,000 on offer at each of the qualifying legs and €15,500 on offer for the Grand Final.
- Full workings behind the above data are available on the HSI website, under Breeding.
- Every effort has been made in collating the data to ensure no inaccuracies have occurred.

It's coming up Clover for the Kennys after Gold at Lanaken

Siobhán English

LANAKEN is not normally the choice of honeymoon couples, but for Brian and Marian Kenny the Belgian town proved to be a fantastic venue in September of last year when their home-bred **NLS Coole Al Clover** romped home to win the six-year-old title for the Irish Sport Horse Studbook at the FEI World Breeding Jumping Championships for Young Horses under Clem McMahon (IRL).

"We decided to have our honeymoon there when we knew the horse was going to be jumping," Marian said, "but we had some night afterwards when he won!"

That was indeed a night to remember for the newlyweds and Brian's parents, Margaret and retired mechanic Eamonn, the registered breeder of Ireland's first winner of these championships since their inception 18 years ago. "There were Irish everywhere," Marian added, so it was hardly

surprising that they gathered in their droves afterwards to celebrate this very special win with the Laois-based family before the stallion departed for his new home.

"He never came back to Ireland afterwards," Brian of Newline Stud revealed. "He was sold on straight away."

Indeed, they had received many offers for the chesnut that had shown so much potential in his three years competing in Ireland, and so it was not surprising that the temptation to sell proved too strong after a most memorable summer.

Purchased by Stephex Stables, he is now ridden by Jan Vandoorne and placed third in his stallion class at the 5* show in Mechelen, Belgium, during Christmas week. By **Clover Hill**, the dam of **NLS Coole Al Clover**, **Laural Lodge (AID)**, was just a six-year-old when she was purchased by Eamonn in 1987 from Michael Shanahan in Co. Tipperary. The mare had previously produced one live foal by **Slyguff Joker** and was in foal



to **Leabeg (ISH)**. Sadly, that foal died, and it was 1991 before Eamonn got a return for his money when she produced a colt by **Ballinvella (TB)**.

Woodend Teb (ISH), as he was later named, jumped up to Grade A level with Damian Doyle before continuing a successful career with his owner Denise Prendergast, whose sister, Nuala, jumps a half-brother, the eight-year-old **Woodend Tiger (WNTR)**.

In the years that followed, **Laural Lodge** produced several other foals, including **Woodend Garfield** and **Woodend Ard Hill**, dam of **Woodend Harleyhill**, now jumping with Edward Doyle.

As she was approaching the end of her breeding career in 2003, **Laural Lodge** was sent to Kennedys' Oldenburg sire **Aldatus Z**. **NLS Coole Al Clover** was to be her eighteenth and final foal before she retired. She is now 30. "We broke him ourselves," Brian stated, "and then left him off for a while before sending him to Sean Kavanagh to be produced."

It wasn't long before the colt impressed and, in the summer of 2008, he finished second in the RDS four-year-old championship, won by Captain Shane Carey (IRL) riding **Mullentine Parscourt One (ISH)**.

The following season he was sent to McMahon and returned to the RDS, and from there contested Cavan and the Na-



MAIN PICTURE: Clem McMahon and NLS Coole Al Clover in action.

ABOVE: Brian and Eamonn Kenny at Newline Stud, Co. Laois



tional Horse Championships before being left off for the winter. "Clem did a lot of work with him that year," Brian commented, adding that as a six-year-old, **NLS Coole Al Clover** again qualified on every outing.

Having won a leg of the Irish Sport Horse Studbook Showjumping Series at Mullingar, and placed second in Galway, the stallion went on to the Grand Final in Tattersalls, where he finished sixth overall and third in the league, where he was the highest placed six-year-old.

These performances had already earned him a ticket to Lanaken before he returned to the RDS for the third time, where, sadly, a kidney infection ruled him out of the prizes.

An enforced break proved to be just the tonic, though, and McMahon had the youngster firing on all cylinders for the Belgian outing, where clean jumping in the qualifiers guaranteed them a place in the 50-horse final and two more clears ensured the gold. "It was a nerve-wracking few rounds," Brian recalled.

As for future champions, Brian is currently busy dividing his time between his day job as a truck driver and producing youngsters for the jumping circuit.

"I kept all of last year's foals as there was no point going to the sales," he said, some of which will no doubt be ones to watch in years to come.



By Clover Hill, the dam of NLS Coole Al Clover, Laural Lodge (AID), was just a six-year-old when she was purchased in 1987 from Michael Shanahan in Co. Tipperary

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Mare inspections 2010

Horse Sport Ireland (HSI) held its first round of the new format Irish Sport Horse and Irish Draught Horse Mare Inspections throughout the country last year. Over 650 mares were inspected in August, September and October of 2010.

2010 Irish Sport Horse Studbook Inspections for Mares

The 2010 Irish Sport Horse Studbook Mare Inspections were the first mare inspections to be held by the Studbook without the incentive of a grant being on offer to mare owners, and it was very encouraging that so many mares were presented for inspection.

A total of 323 mares went through the entire inspection process, including several Thoroughbred and foreign-bred mares. Of the 323 mares that were inspected, 227 (70%) met all of the requirements and were awarded 'SELECT' status within the Irish Sport Horse Studbook.

Under the new Irish Sport Horse Breeding Policy, 'SELECT' is the highest classification for mares within the Studbook and only 'SELECT' mares are eligible to receive Star Ratings based on their own, their damline or their progeny's performance in FEI disciplines (mainly show jumping, eventing and dressage).

// Application forms for the 2011 mare inspections taking place in April and May are available from the HSI website www.horsesportireland.ie/ breeding or from the HSI offices



Following the inspections, 121 'SELECT' mares were awarded star ratings, ranging from 1 to 5 stars. HSI will periodically review performances at international and Irish national levels in order to update the merits awarded to 'SELECT' mares. Additional merits may also be awarded to mares based on performance information supplied by owners. It is envisaged that these accolades will add value to the mares and their offspring.

2010 Irish Draught Horse Studbook Inspections for Mares

A total of 306 Irish Draught mares were presented for inspection and 149 (49%) of these mares met all of the requirements and were awarded 'CLASS 1' status.

This is the highest classification for mares within the Irish Draught Horse Studbook and only 'CLASS 1' mares are eligible to receive additional merits (Bronze, Silver and Gold) for their own performance or their progeny's performance in a range of disciplines, including showing.

In addition to the 306 Irish Draught mares presented for inspection, a total of 10 mares that had passed an Irish Draught mare inspection prior to 2010 (RID and AID mares) were presented for

linear scoring. There were also 14 Irish Sport Horse mares presented for inspection for the 'GRADE UP REGISTER' (formerly called the AID class) of the Irish Draught Horse Studbook, seven of which were awarded this status.

Inspection process

Mares that are presented for inspection undergo a clinical veterinary examination on the day of inspection before being assessed by a panel of three HSI inspectors.

Mares are required to stand for an assessment of their conformation before they are walked in hand by their handler in walk and trot. The movement of the mare is then assessed loose in the arena.

Conformation and movement are assessed using linear scoring and overall scores for 'Conformation' and 'Movement' are attributed to each mare. Irish Draught mares are also awarded an overall score for 'Type'. In order to qualify for 'SELECT' or 'CLASS 1' status, mares must meet the veterinary requirements and achieve the minimum scores required in 'Conformation' and 'Movement' (and 'Type' in the case of Irish Draught inspections).

Following the inspection, owners are sent a completed linear profile which details their own mare's strengths and weaknesses.

In addition, mare owners receive a summary of the overall scores attributed



to their mare by the inspection panel and details of any additional merits awarded to their mare.

Optional athleticism assessment

Mare owners can opt to have their mare's athleticism assessed by means of a loose jumping demonstration. 'SELECT' mares that achieve a minimum score of 80 or above (out of 100) for their overall 'Athleticism' are awarded a 1 Star merit, while 'CLASS 1' Irish Draught mares that achieve a minimum score of 70 or above (out of 100) for overall 'Athleticism' are awarded a Bronze merit.

Class 1 Irish Draught mares can also achieve a Bronze merit if they achieve an average score of 80 for their overall 'Conformation' and 'Movement'.

2011 mare inspections

Mare inspections for the Irish Sport Horse and Irish Draught Horse Stud-books will take place in April and May this year.

Further inspections may be held in August and September. Application forms for the inspections taking place in April and May are available from the HSI website www.horsesportireland.com/breeding or from the HSI offices.

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HORSE SPORT IRELAND ISH & ID MARE INSPECTION DATES - SPRING 2011

Horse Sport Ireland (HSI) is pleased to announce the following dates and venues which have been *provisionally selected* for the HSI Irish Sport Horse and Irish Draught Mare Inspections in spring 2011.

DAY	DATE	VENUE
Wednesday	6th April 2011	West Cork Equine Centre, Bandon, Co. Cork
Thursday	7th April 2011	Clonshire Equestrian Centre, Adare, Co. Limerick
Monday	11th April 2011	Clare Equestrian Centre, Ennis, Co. Clare
Tuesday	12th April 2011	Galway Equestrian Centre, Athenry, Co. Galway
Thursday	14th April 2011	Creagh Equestrian Centre, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
Monday	18th April 2011	Coilog Equestrian Centre, Kilmeague, Co. Kildare
Thursday	21st April 2011	Goresbridge Horse Sales Centre, Co. Kilkenny
Wednesday	27th April 2011	Greenacres Equestrian Centre, Convoys, Co. Donegal
Thursday	28th April 2011	Tubberbride Equestrian Centre, Collooney, Co. Sligo
Monday	2nd May 2011	Danescroft Equestrian Centre, Lisburn, Co. Antrim
Wednesday	4th May 2011	Cavan Equestrian Centre, Co. Cavan

Please state your preferred inspection venue and date on the application form. Every effort will be made to accommodate entries at their desired venue, however this cannot be guaranteed. Inspection fee is €35. **Venues & dates are provisional, dependent on sufficient entries and may be subject to change.**

For further information and an application form please contact Antonette Doran on 045 854508 or email adoran@horsesportireland.ie. **Closing date for entries is Tuesday 8th March 2011.**



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Mare inspections 2010 results

Table 1 Irish Draught Mares that Achieved CLASS 1 Status at the 2010 Irish Draught Horse Studbook Mare Inspections

Name	YOB	Sire	Bronze Merit	Breeder	Owner
CLOONEEN HONEY BEE	2006	CRANNAGH HERO	Yes	R & O REDMOND	PADRAIG KELLY
GLEN MOR PRIDE	2007	COILLE MOR HILL	Yes	MICHAEL CUMMINS	MICHAEL CUMMINS
GOLDEN OLIVE	2007	ROCKRIMMON SILVER DIAMOND	Yes	MICK O'NEILL	JOE CUSACK
GOLDLOCKS CHARM	2006	PRIDE OF MEATH	Yes	MATTHEW MOONEY	MICHAEL MCHUGH
REBELS MISS LADEDA	2007	OH CAROL'S REBEL	Yes	MARTIN SHAUGHNESSY	MARTIN SHAUGHNESSY
SRATHIN	2007	GRANDPAS DIAMOND	Yes	PAULINE FLYNN	MARINA DOLAN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4739794)	2007	THE BARD	Yes	YVONNE COE	OLIVER FOX
UNNAMED (IHR: 4748781)	2007	WELCOME FLAGMOUNT	Yes	ANN FALLON	STEVE MOYLAN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4827658)	2007	GRANDPAS DIAMOND	Yes	JAMES KEVILLE	LORRAINE CONNELL
WELCOME RIVIE	2003	SIR RIVIE	Yes	TOM FITZMAURICE	IMELDA MORAN
AMBER LEAH	2007	ROCKRIMMON SILVER DIAMOND	—	DONAL BUCKLEY	MARTIN MICHAEL NEWELL
BALLINDERREEN NORA	2007	AGHERLOW	—	SEAMUS HANRATTY	JOHN FITZGERALD
BALLYCLOGHER GIRL	2008	OH CAROL'S REBEL	—	FERGAL BOYLE	JOHN BOYLE
BAWN ROSE	2008	CAPPA COCHISE	—	JAMES QUINN	ADRIAN BURKE
BAWN SNUG	2008	WOODLAND BOY	—	LOUGHLIN DELANEY	LOUGHLIN DELANEY
BETTYVILLA ROSE	2007	GURRAUN ZIDANE	—	PATRICK DILLON	ALPHONSUS DOYLE
BIGGERAS REBEL GIRL	2007	HUNTINGFIELD REBEL	—	PETER REILLY	PETER REILLY
BLACKMOOR BLUEBELL	2008	SIR STORMY BREEZE	—	MARY NEVILLE	RAY HOLOHAN
BOGGAUN GREY LADY	2008	CRANNAGH HERO	—	PADRAIG FITZPATRICK	PADRAIG FITZPATRICK
BRIDESTOWN LADY	2007	STAR KINGDOM	—	ANNE BUCKLEY	WILLIAM LOMBARD
BRIDIE DIAMOND	2008	BELLAMONT	—	THOMAS LYNCH	THOMAS LYNCH
BRUSNA STAR	2007	STAR KINGDOM	—	SEAN MELEADY	FRANK CUNNINGHAM
CAHERAGH BEAUTY	2007	COOLCRONAN WOOD	—	MICHAEL COUGHLAN	MICHAEL COUGHLAN
CAHERAGH LILY	2006	COOLCRONAN WOOD	—	MICHAEL COUGHLAN	MICHAEL COUGHLAN
CASTLEGAR CHRISTINA	2008	CRANNAGH HERO	—	ANNE BOOHAN	TOM BURKE
CASTLEGAR GROVE	2008	MOUNTAIN DIAMOND	—	TOM BURKE	TOM BURKE
CASTLE-MAY-ANNE	2008	CASTANA	—	MARTIN RUANE	WALTER KILGALLON
CLOONACAUNEEN LISA	2007	SHENANDOAH PRINCE HOLLY	—	OWEN GRIFFIN	OWEN GRIFFIN
CLOONACAUNEEN PRINCESS	2007	SHENANDOAH PRINCE HOLLY	—	OWEN GRIFFIN	OWEN GRIFFIN
CLOONACAUNEEN RITA	2008	ARD GRANDPA	—	OWEN GRIFFIN	SAMUEL J SMYTH
CLOONEEN PRINCESS	2007	GURRAUN ZIDANE	—	R & O REDMOND	PAT NUGENT
COASTAL DIAMOND	2008	GENTLE DIAMOND	—	PATRICK J COOKE	MICHAEL KELLEHER
COOL MISTY	2007	ELM HILL	—	MATT NOONAN	HUMPHREY MOYNIHAN
COOL TONI	2007	COOLCRONAN WOOD	—	KIERAN MCALLEN	HUMPHREY MOYNIHAN
CORALSTOWN MIST	2008	CARRICKROCK CLOSE SHAVE	—	FRANCIS MCCORMACK	GERARD KELLEHER
CORHACK LASS	2004	DIAMOND MINE	—	EIMEAR DONOHUE	EIMEAR DONOHUE
CRANFORD LIMESTONE	2007	WESTMEATH LAD	—	DAVID HUNTER	DAVID HUNTER
DERRADDA MIST	2008	GURRAUN ZIDANE	—	MICHAEL KELLY	DAVID DOYLE
DRUMPEAK FIA	2007	PRIDE OF MEATH	—	DELIA CAROLAN	MICHAEL GRADY
DUNARD KARVINA	2007	ARD GRANDPA	—	MR COLM CUFFE	FINTAN P FLANNELLY
DUNGAR KATIE	2007	WOODLAND BOY	—	JOHN CORBETT	JOHN CORBETT
DUNGAR PETALS	2008	WOODLAND BOY	—	JOHN CORBETT	JOHN CORBETT
DUNKERRIN CLOVER	2007	DUNKERRIN GREY MIST	—	LIAM REILLY	MICHAEL FLEMING
ELBORO AMBER	2006	ROMA DIAMOND SKIP	—	ELBOROUGH FARM	RUFINA SHIEL-MULLEN
FIREFIGHTER	1994	SILVER GLIDER	—	JANICE & WESLEY HAMILTON	GARY MCNAIL
FRENCHFORT LADY MARY	2008	CASTANA	—	PATRICK FINN	DAVID CLARKE
GEORGETOWN PRINCESS	2008	OH CAROL'S REBEL	—	BRENDAN GARDINER	DAVID CLARKE
GLASTRY ROSIE	2007	RNE SHORE	—	IVAN MCFERRAN	IVAN MCFERRAN
GLENSMILL SILVER MOONACRE	2008	GENTLE DIAMOND	—	GILLIAN BLACK	GILLIAN BLACK
GOLDEN EYE GIRL	2007	GURRAUN GOLDEN EYE	—	MICHAEL KIRWAN	PAT DURKAN
GORTFADDA HEIGH HO	2008	HEIGH HO DUBH	—	KAY BLACKWELL	PADRAIG BOHAN
GREY MARCH LADY	2007	HEIGH HO SILVER	—	MARGARET HERNON	MARGARET HERNON
GROWHOWDY REALTIN AN MHI	2006	PRIDE OF MEATH	—	MARTIN O'NEILL	MARTIN O'NEILL
HOLLYHILL DAPPLE BEAUTY	2008	AGHERLOW	—	JAMES GERARD SWEENEY	TOM FADDEN
HOPES FAITH	2008	FINNS CLOVER INN	—	DR VICTORIA MCKINNEY	DR VICTORIA MCKINNEY
INISFREE CRANNAGH GRACE	2008	CRANNAGH HERO	—	EDDIE MURPHY	EDDIE MURPHY
INISFREE GREY GRACE	2007	CRANNAGH HERO	—	EDDIE MURPHY	EDDIE MURPHY
INISFREE WHITE HERO	2008	CRANNAGH HERO	—	EDDIE MURPHY	KATHLEEN GIELTY-CUNNEY
JOHNS BLUE SPAINS RHYTHM	2007	PENMERRYLS RHYTHM AND BLUES	—	PAT FITZGERALD	EUGENE MCEVOY
KEENAGHAN LADY	2007	HUNTINGFIELD REBEL	—	DONOGH J. GALLAGHER	DONOGH J. GALLAGHER
KILBEGPIER PRADA	2008	GENTLE DIAMOND	—	TOM J MURPHY	FRANK BUTLER
KILFOYLAN SURPRISE	2008	GORTLEA RULER	—	TIM SRAHAN	TIM SRAHAN
KILLUPAUN HILL	2007	SHENANDOAH PRINCE HOLLY	—	JAMES GRIFFIN	JAMES GRIFFIN
LARKHILL LADETTE	2007	WELCOME FLAGMOUNT	—	MR BRIAN MCAULEY	MR BRIAN MCAULEY
LELAS GIRL	2008	CREAM OF DIAMONDS	—	TONY RYAN	TONY RYAN
LENMORE PRINCESS	2008	HUNTINGFIELD REBEL	—	RICHARD DUFFY	JOHN KEANE
LISATARA ANGELA	2007	GORTLEA RULER	—	OLIVER HIGGINS	OLIVER HIGGINS
LISATARA CAOTHRINA	2007	ROCKRIMMON SILVER DIAMOND	—	OLIVER HIGGINS	OLIVER HIGGINS
LISDUFF BLACKBERRY	2008	STAR KINGDOM	—	JOSEPH MOLONEY	JOSEPH MOLONEY
LISKILLEN PRINCESS	2007	DONOVAN (GB)	—	MARTIN COLLINS	JOHN HENNELLY
LISSYEGAN DANCING LADY	2008	HUNTINGFIELD REBEL	—	MARGARET GRIFFIN	DAVID O'BRENNAN
LUGHNASA TALLULAH	2007	COOLCRONAN WOOD	—	LYNN DEAKIN	JOHN LANNIN
MACKNEY KINGDOM	2007	STAR KINGDOM	—	PADRAIG CLARKE	PADRAIG CLARKE
MACKNEY PENNY	2007	MACKNEY CLOVER	—	PADRAIG CLARKE	PADRAIG CLARKE
MAHERADRUMMOND RIVIE	2007	CROSSTOWN DANCER	—	COLM DOHERTY	COLM DOHERTY
MAHERAMORE BEAUTY	2004	AGHERLOW	—	MR & MRS J DUNNE	MICHAEL DOYLE
MAYDEAN SWEET CHARITY	2004	BLUE CHAMPION	—	MRS MM DEAN & MRS AJ HUTTON	MARGARET M DEAN
MEADOWLAND HEATHER	2006	THE BARD	—	MICHAEL BENNETT	JENNIFER HAVERTY
MILL VILLA	2008	HUNTINGFIELD REBEL	—	PETER REILLY	LIAM WALSH
MONICAS LADY	2008	CREGGAN EMPEROR	—	JOHN JAMES REGAN	MICHAEL MCHUGH
MOUNTEENLASS	2007	PENMERRYLS RHYTHM AND BLUES	—	PATRICK CRONIN	PATRICK MURPHY
MY CLONARD BOUNCER	2006	GRANGE BOUNCER	—	JOHN DELANEY	JOHN DELANEY
MY DOLLY DIAMOND	2008	DRUMRI	—	MICK KEARNEY	MICK KEARNEY
NIAMHS ZIDANE	2007	GURRAUN ZIDANE	—	PAULINE MOYLES-ROBINSON	TOM MCTAGUE
OAKWOOD LADY	2007	SHENANDOAH PRINCE HOLLY	—	MICHAEL MULLINS	MICHAEL MULLINS
OPRAHS DIAMOND	2006	GLIDAWN DIAMOND	—	ROBERT W DUNN	JAYNE POWELL
PREBAN BOUNCER	2007	GRANGE BOUNCER	—	MICHAEL BYRNE	JULIA CROSBIE
PRIESTOWN HEATHER	2008	LUKE SKYWALKER	—	ROBERT GILMORE	ROBERT GILMORE
PRINCESS REBELERA	2008	REBELARA	—	M COLHOUN & G. TUNNEY	JOHN COLHOUN
RATHLIN PRINCESS	2007	DRUMHOWAN GOLD	—	SAMUEL THOMPSON	PAUL BLACK
ROCKDALE QUIET LADY	2008	ITS THE QUIET MAN	—	JAMES RUSSELL	JOSEPHINE RUSSELL
ROCKING ROLL GOLD	2006	DRUMHOWAN GOLD	—	ERNEST KIDNEY	GLADYS MCARDLE
ROSEANNA GLIDER	2007	SILVER GLIDER	—	JOHN MCSHANE	PATRICK GERARD LYNOTT
ROSSES PEARL	2008	MOUNTAIN PEARL	—	GEORGE & VIVIEN DRAPER	GEORGE & VIVIEN DRAPER
SHEELAGHS LADY	2008	MOUNTAIN DIAMOND	—	EAMONN CHEEVERS	MICHAEL MCHUGH
SHES QUIET ALRIGHT	2007	ITS THE QUIET MAN	—	TANYA TYE	SEAMUS DUNNE
SIUN REBEL	2007	DUNKERRIN GREY MIST	—	WILLIAM BECKETT	WILLIAM BECKETT
SPRINGVALE GINGER QUEEN	2008	CLONAKILTY HERO	—	SEAN BARKER	NOEL SHERIDAN
STANLEYBROOK	2008	LADY'S TRALEE RAJ	—	MR. N WINFIELD	MELISSA CURRID MCDOWEL
AFTERNOON DELIGHT					
SUMMERWOOD MOLLY	2006	WELCOME DIAMOND	—	GRACE MCENTAGGART	GRACE MCENTAGGART
TREANAMADREE DANA	2008	GURRAUN ZIDANE	—	KEVIN LAWLOR	TINA MURPHY
TULLYS SASHA	2008	CREEVAGH GREY REBEL	—	CHARLOTTE & NIGEL MOORE	CHARLOTTE & NIGEL MOORE
UNNAMED (IHR: 2990215)	2007	STAR KINGDOM	—	OWEN CASEY	GEORGE WEBSTER
Name	YOB	Sire	Bronze Merit	Breeder	Owner

Table 1 Irish Draught Mares that Achieved CLASS 1 Status at the 2010 Irish Draught Horse Studbook Mare Inspections

Name	YOB	Sire	Bronze Merit	Breeder	Owner
UNNAMED (IHR: 4216613)	2004	SPRINGPARK JACK THE LAD	—	MRS MARY KENNY	PATRICK J KENNY
UNNAMED (IHR: 4438791)	2007	HUNTINGFIELD REBEL	—	ANN LANGAN	ANN LANGAN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4445066)	2008	KING HENRY	—	DAVID MCNAMARA	PETER MCHUGH
UNNAMED (IHR: 4506760)	2007	ROMA CAEN HILL FLIGHT	—	JOE O'TOOLE	JOE O'TOOLE
UNNAMED (IHR: 4506788)	2006	WELCOME FLAGMOUNT	—	IAN HANAMY	MRS BILLIE SPAIN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4521666)	2006	SIR STORMY BREEZE	—	ANNETTE BRENNAN	ANNETTE BRENNAN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4533452)	2007	STAR KINGDOM	—	JOHN SHANNON	JOHN SHANNON
UNNAMED (IHR: 4551751)	2008	WOODLAND BOY	—	LINDA WHITE	LINDA WHITE
UNNAMED (IHR: 4556974)	2006	WELCOME FLAGMOUNT	—	FRANCIS & BERNIE CREAVEN	FRANCIS & BERNIE CREAVEN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4589484)	2006	DRUMHOWAN GOLD	—	PAT GORMAN	PAT GORMAN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4600352)	2007	CLASSIC VISION	—	GARY CORRIGAN	GARY CORRIGAN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4620927)	2006	FAST SILVER	—	T J GIBBONS	T J GIBBONS
UNNAMED (IHR: 4657563)	2008	HUNTINGFIELD HEATHCLIFF	—	LARRY CAREY	LARRY CAREY
UNNAMED (IHR: 4676576)	2007	GROSVENOR LAD	—	JOHN ROBINSON	FRANK BUTLER
UNNAMED (IHR: 4682530)	2007	CROSSTOWN DANCER	—	PATRICK DELANEY	PATRICK DELANEY
UNNAMED (IHR: 4692815)	2007	WELCOME DIAMOND	—	DERMOT MCCARTHY	DERMOT MCCARTHY
UNNAMED (IHR: 4698561)	2007	HOLYCROSS	—	MYLES WALSH	MYLES WALSH
UNNAMED (IHR: 4702095)	2007	GORTLEA RULER	—	MRS MARY KENNY	PATRICK J KENNY
UNNAMED (IHR: 4714633)	2007	STAR KINGDOM	—	MICHAEL GREENE	JERRY FOGARTY
UNNAMED (IHR: 4717058)	2007	STAR KINGDOM	—	PETER KEELAGHER	PETER KEELAGHER
UNNAMED (IHR: 4720964)	2007	ROCKRIMMON SILVER DIAMOND	—	PATRICIA HENNESSY	PATRICIA HENNESSY
UNNAMED (IHR: 4724631)	2007	ALL THE DIAMONDS	—	JOHN O'TOOLE	JOHN O'TOOLE
UNNAMED (IHR: 4807337)	2007	ROCKRIMMON SILVER DIAMOND	—	ROBERT WESLEY DUNNE	ROBERT W DUNN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4807854)	2008	CORK ARTHUR	—	JOSEPH ROHAN	JOSEPH ROHAN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4829465)	2008	SAMMY'S PRIDE	—	MICK KIERNAN	JIM & TOM ORMOND
UNNAMED (IHR: 4861664)	2008	HOLYCROSS	—	TIMOTHY WILSON	ANNA MARIE MCHUGH
UNNAMED (IHR: 4890857)	2008	ALLEN ROCK	—	P J SHEERIN	P J SHEERIN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4921423)	2008	CLONAKILTY HERO	—	RAYMOND SLOYAN	DENIS SLOYAN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4946350)	2008	WELCOME DIAMOND	—	JOHN DILLON	JOHN DILLON
UNNAMED (IHR: 4956654)	2008	GROSVENOR LAD	—	DAVID O'TOOLE	DAVID O'TOOLE
UNNAMED (IHR: 4960834)	2008	STAR KINGDOM	—	MICHAEL RYAN	MICHAEL RYAN
UNNAMED (IHR: 5023368)	2008	DUNKERRIN GREY MIST	—	TONY WALSH	TONY WALSH
UNNAMED (IHR: 5027767)	2008	CAPPA COCHISE	—	CATHAL LYONS	JAMES QUINN
UNNAMED (IHR: 5029244)	2008	STAR KINGDOM	—	MICHAEL HOPKINS	TOM MOONEY
UNNAMED (IHR: 5031138)	2008	MACKNEY CLOVER	—	TERESA FOX	TERESA FOX
UNNAMED (IHR: 5031402)	2008	MOUNTAIN DIAMOND	—	ANN FALLON	JOANNE MAGUIRE
UNNAMED (IHR: 5055992)	2008	CLONLEIGH DANCER	—	COLM REYNOLDS	JAMES STEELE
UNNAMED (IHR: 5074656)	2008	WELCOME DIAMOND	—	PATRICK HENNESSY	MICHAEL COSGRAVE
UNNAMED (IHR: 5075428)	2008	HUNTINGFIELD REBEL	—	MARTIN RUANE	MARTIN RUANE
UNNAMED (IHR: 5075782)	2008	CLONLEIGH DANCER	—	BERNIE BOYLE	BERNIE BOYLE
UNNAMED (IHR: 5076334)	2008	OH CAROL'S REBEL	—	BERNIE BOYLE	BERNIE BOYLE
UNNAMED (IHR: 5084893)	2008	CAPPA COCHISE	—	CHRISTY GREALISH	JAMES QUINN
UNNAMED (IHR: 5097011)	2008	CORK ARTHUR	—	JOSEPH DUFFY	JOSEPH DUFFY
WENDY CROSS	2008	HOLYCROSS	—	PETER O'DONOVAN	PETER O'DONOVAN
WOODLAND RUBY	2007	WOODLAND BOY	—	JIM BOURKE	JAMES WALDRON
WOODLANE LASS	2007	CROSSTOWN DANCER	—	MARK O'HANLON	MARK O'HANLON

Table 2 Mares that Achieved GRADE UP REGISTER Status at the 2010 Irish Draught Horse Studbook Mare Inspections

Name	YOB	Sire	Breeder	Owner
AUGHNABROC ANNIE	2007	AGHERLOW	GERARD MCGRATH	GERARD MCGRATH
DRUMPY LASS	2008	YOUNG CARRABAWN	UNA GALLAGHER	TOM GALLAGHER
MOYLOUGH DAPPLE	2005	MERRY MATE	ANTHONY M HEANEY	PATRICK HOARE
SILKEN MYTH	2005	SIR RIVIE	MRS HELEN TROUGHTON	MRS HELEN TROUGHTON
UNNAMED (IHR: 4370048)	2005	WELCOME DIAMOND	DONAL MCCARTHY	JUNE MCGRATH
UNNAMED (IHR: 4577632)	2006	MOURNE MOUNTAIN STAR	TOMMY WILKIN	TOMMY WILKIN
UNNAMED (IHR: 4702943)	2007	DRUMHOWAN GOLD	DAVID GALLAGHER	DAVID GALLAGHER

Table 3 RID and AID mares inspected prior to 2010 that Achieved a BRONZE Merit in Athleticism at the 2010 Irish Draught Horse Studbook Mare Inspections

Name	YOB	Sire	Breeder	Owner
BADGERSHILL BIRCH WOOD (AID)	2007	COOLCRONAN WOOD	GERARD NEVILLE	GERARD NEVILLE
DIAMOND CLOVER BETTY (AID)	2001	FLAGMOUNT KING	NEIL HENRY	DAVID HENRY
FOLEYS DIAMOND (RID)	2004	GLIDAWN DIAMOND	DONAL FREYNE	GERALD BEATTIE

Table 4 Mares that Achieved SELECT Status at the 2010 Irish Sport Horse Studbook Mare Inspections

Name	YOB	Sire	Star Rating	Breeder	Owner
CHINA TOWN (ISH)	1988	DIAMONDS ARE TRUMPS	5*	BREEDER NOT RECORDED	MARION HUGHES
HHS RIVERDANCE (ISH)	1992	CAVALIER ROYALE	5*	BREEDER NOT RECORDED	MARION HUGHES
ISIS DE MESCAM (ISH)	1996	QUOUGLOF ROUGE	5*	MONSIEUR PATRICK RABOT	ETTER SPORTS
JOLANDA IX (KWPN)	1991	VOLTAIRE	5*	AJ DE BRUIJN	ETTER SPORTS
LORINA II (SWWB)	1993	LOMBARD	5*	DR AGNES LEDER	ETTER SPORTS
ABC LANDLIEBE (OLD)	1994	LANDFEIESE	4*	DR JORN WEBBACH	ANDREW HUGHES
CORAL REEF (SBS)	2000	CUMANO	4*	M BAYE GERARD-HOBRIGHTS MARINA	ANDREW HUGHES
DREAMING OF U (ISH)	1993	CAVALIER ROYALE	4*	EYLEEN NUGENT	MARION HUGHES
HHS CASHMERE (ISH)	1999	CAVALIER ROYALE	4*	THOMAS A HUGHES	MARION HUGHES
OH JESSIE (ISH)	1991	LAUGHTON'S FLIGHT	4*	MRS BRIDGET NOLAN	MIGUEL BRAVO
UNIQUE VAN DE DONKHOEVE (BWP)	1997	HEARTBREAKER	4*	GUSTAAF QUINTELIER	ETTER SPORTS
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 2490302)	1996	KINGS SERVANT	4*	CARA MCLOUGHLIN	AUSTIN O'CONNOR
ARDNEHUE DIAMOND CRUISER (ISH)	2003	CRUISING	3*	KATHLEEN BRADY O'NEILL	PATRICK KEHOE
ARIZONA (BEWB)	2000	DARCO	3*	GEORGES GUNST	GABRIEL DUFFY
AUTUMN DAZZLE (ISH)	1995	CAVALIER ROYALE	3*	ANTHONY COLLINS	AUSTIN O'CONNOR
BALLYSCANLON QUALITY (ISH)	2001	O.B.O.S. QUALITY 004	3*	MICHAEL BRENNAN	JOHN BRENNAN
BALLYVALODE CRUISING (ISH)	2001	CLOVER BRIGADE	3*	KEITH DONOVAN	NIALL CAREY
CANISFAR (ISH)	1996	SALLUCEVA	3*	MICHAEL DUIGNAN	MICHAEL DUIGNAN
CARTON FREE (ISH)	2002	CRUISING	3*	RAYMOND DONOHUE	RAYMOND DONOHUE
CAVALIER CHARISMA (ISH)	1991	CAVALIER ROYALE	3*	BREEDER NOT RECORDED	MARION HUGHES
CHARLOTTES FLIGHT (ISH)	2000	LAUGHTON'S FLIGHT	3*	MICHAEL DUIGNAN	PATRICK CARTY
CHINA CAVALIER (ISH)	1997	CAVALIER ROYALE	3*	THOMAS A HUGHES	MARION HUGHES
CIRCE DE SAFRAIS (SF)	1990	NOT RECORDED	3*	BREEDER NOT RECORDED	BRENDAN DOYLE
CONELLA (HOL)	2004	CONELLO	3*	ULFERT SCHARRELL	AUSTIN O'CONNOR
COOLDIAMOND RUBY (ISH)	2002	COOLCORRON COOL DIAMOND	3*	PAUL MURTAGH	PAUL MURTAGH
CRICKET Z (ZANG)	2000	CARETANO Z	3*	DJ MELLEMA	ETTER SPORTS
CRUISANN (ISH)	2004	CRUISING	3*	HARTWELL STUD	MARY I MCCANN
DONNA DE VITA (WESTF)	1996	DINARD L	3*	JOSEF LANGENSTROER	ETTER SPORTS
FILLE DE LA MOTTE (SF)	1993	PALADIN DES IFS	3*	MADAME MARIE-ROSE PRIME	ETTER SPORTS
FLO FOREVER (ISH)	1996	CLOVER HILL	3*	JOHN PITT	MARION HUGHES
GAIL WHITE (ISH)	2001	WHITE CLOVER	3*	PATRICK FINN	PATRICK FINN
GIFTEDS ECHO (ISH)	2003	CLOVER ECHO	3*	BRENDAN MCSORLEY	BRENDAN MCSORLEY
HHS CHANTILLY LACE (ISH)	2005	CAVALIER ROYALE	3*	ANNE HUGHES	MARION HUGHES

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HHS CHARMED (ISH)	2001	ALDATO	3*	ANNE HUGHES	MARION HUGHES
HHS FAFA (ISH)	2003	HERITAGE FORTUNUS	3*	MARION HUGHES	MARION HUGHES
HHS FLO ECHO (ISH)	2004	CLOVER ECHO	3*	THOMAS A HUGHES	MARION HUGHES
HHS PINKY (ISH)	2004	O.B.O.S. QUALITY 004	3*	THOMAS A HUGHES	MARION HUGHES
HONEY DU MESNIL (SF)	1995	QREDO DE PAULSTRA	3*	DANIEL AUMONT	ETTER SPORTS
KETCH (ISH)	2005	CRUISING	3*	DAVID J MCCANN	DAVID J MCCANN
KILLOSSERY KARINA (ISH)	1995	SPRING DIAMOND	3*	KILLOSSERY LODGE STUD	LAURA GLYNN
KILLOSSERY KRISETTE (ISH)	1994	CRUISING	3*	KILLOSSERY LODGE STUD	LAURA GLYNN
KILLOSSERY RINGWOOD (ISH)	1999	TOUCHDOWN	3*	SHANE CONNOLLY	MRS JEAN BALBIRNIE
KILLOSSERY WRENS NEST (ISH)	1995	MASTER IMP	3*	NOEL SKELTON	FRANK GLYNN
LACKYLE LIMITED EDITION (ISH)	2002	MALTSTRIKER	3*	JOHN FAHY	JOHN FAHY
LADY COUGAR (ISH)	2001	COUGAR	3*	MICHAEL DUIGNAN	MICHAEL DUIGNAN
LADY FAYE (ISH)	2004	COUGAR	3*	CLAIRE GILNA	CLAIRE GILNA
LADY KILKENNY CAVALIER (ISH)	1997	CAVALIER ROYALE	3*	MARY HUGHES	ANDREW HUGHES
LILY OF THE WEST (GB) (SHB)	1998	JUMBO	3*	MRS KL JARVEY	AUSTIN O'CONNOR
LUCY IN THE SKY B (ISH)	2006	O-PILOTH	3*	ETTER SPORTS HORSES (IRL) LTD	ETTER SPORTS
MISS BALOUBET (ISH)	2000	BALOUBET DU ROUET	3*	TOM & LINDA MAGEE	MR & MRS EAMONN MCARDLE
MY GOLD MERGER (WNTR)	1997	TOUGH MERGER	3*	SEE VOL 24 NO 2071350	PADRAIG LYONS
OPTIMA (HOLST)	1998	CARTHAGO	3*	MANFRED JOHANNSEN ZG ANKE	KEDRAH HOUSE STUD
PELLA Z (ZANG)	1995	POLYDOX	3*	G.H.M. BUURMAN	ETTER SPORTS
QUANITA (HOLST)	2005	QUINTERO	3*	LUEDER MEYER	MARION HUGHES
RECUERDAME (ISH)	1998	HARLEQUIN DU CAREL	3*	DON HADDEN	KIERAN RYAN
RICARDOS CARLING QUEEN (ISH)	2004	RICARDO Z	3*	DR PAT GERAGHTY	KEDRAH HOUSE STUD
SAFIERIA (KWPN)	1999	CONCORDE	3*	E POELMAN	ETTER SPORTS
SALLYADO (ISH)	1997	SALLUCEVA	3*	MICHAEL DUIGNAN	MICHAEL DUIGNAN
SUGAR BROWN BABE (ISH)	2002	PORSCH	3*	MIRIAM CUNNING	MIRIAM CUNNING
SUMAS FANNY BRICE (ISH)	2004	VDL ARKANSAS	3*	SUMA STUD	MISS MARILY POWER
SUMAS MAYBE (ISH)	2001	VDL ARKANSAS	3*	MISS S LANIGAN-O'KEEFFE	MICHAEL MURPHY
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 2936022)	2006	MASTER IMP	3*	SIMON MCCARTHY	DAVID O'BRENNAN
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 4670758)	2007	SIRE DE VALETTE	3*	ETTER SPORTS HORSES (IRL) LTD	ETTER SPORTS
VISAGE VAN'T PARADIS (BEW)	1998	LANDETTO	3*	JOHAN ROOMS	ANDREW HUGHES
WHAT A FEELING B (ISH)	1998	WANDANGO	3*	ETTER SPORTS HORSES (IRL) LTD	ETTER SPORTS
A TOUCH OF ROYALE (ISH)	1995	CAVALIER ROYALE	2*	JANET KENNY	MIGUEL BRAVO
AUGHMORE ABBEYS ANGEL (ISH)	2007	CONDIOS	2*	STEPHANIE HEFFERNAN	STEPHANIE HEFFERNAN
CHIKARI (ISH)	2001	KINGS MASTER	2*	BRIDGET MCGING	BRIDGET MCGING
ERIN'S CAVALIER (ISH)	1998	CAVALIER ROYALE	2*	BREEDER NOT RECORDED	DEREK JENNINGS
ESKERHILLS LEXIS (ISH)	2003	PUISSANCE	2*	TERESA WALSH	FIONA MOLLOY
JAMIE B (ISH)	2007	O-PILOTH	2*	ETTER SPORTS HORSES (IRL) LTD	ETTER SPORTS
KEC SONIC SYSTEM (ISH)	2001	ALDATUS Z	2*	WILLIAM KENNEDY	ANDREW O'CONNELL
KILMOON (ISH)	1999	CAVALIER ROYALE	2*	LIAM CAWLEY	TONY DONNELLAN
LADY CLOVER IMP (ISH)	2002	MASTER IMP	2*	DANIEL BARRETT	MICHAEL COURTNEY
MACUSHLA ROLLER (ISH)	2003	HIGH ROLLER	2*	CAROL NAIRN	CLIODHNA CARROLL
RATHDRUM QUEEN (ISH)	2000	GARRISON ROYAL	2*	CHARLES PATTERSON	THOMAS GRIFFIN
REQUIEM HALL (ISH)	2005	HARLEQUIN DU CAREL	2*	DON HADDEN	KIERAN RYAN
RUBY ROLLER (ISH)	2003	HIGH ROLLER	2*	JOHN FARRELL	CLIODHNA CARROLL
TULLIBARDS SHOWCASE (ISH)	1993	PUISSANCE	2*	ELIZABETH KELLY	TINARANA STUD
ADIS VAN DE GROENEDIJK	2000	DARCO	1*	CLAES GERARD	ETTER SPORTS
AHANURE PRIDE (ISH)	1994	PRIDE OF GLENOGRA	1*	J J O'BRIEN	MARTIN KEHOE
ALAMBER (ISH)	2003	ALDATUS Z	1*	JAMES J RYAN	PADRAIG MCCARTHY
BAISSE D'AMOUR (BEWB)	2001	QUINTUS	1*	OOSTERHOVEN 25	ETTER SPORTS
BALLYLUSKEY FRESH START (ISH)	2002	PUISSANCE	1*	JIMMY CLANCY	JIMMY CLANCY
BALLYMOLLOY EPONA (ISH)	2003	GHAREEB	1*	J J BOWE	GILL LANGFORD
BALLYMOT CLOVER (ISH)	1993	CLOVER HILL	1*	NEIL HENRY	DAVID HENRY
BALLYVADD LUX (ISH)	2006	LUX Z	1*	ANDREW KIRWAN	ANDREW KIRWAN
CATINA (BEWB)	2002	QUASIMODO VD MOLENDREEF	1*	DE SMET KRISTEL VAN WOLVELAER	ANDREW HUGHES
CEILI CEOL (ISH)	1999	CASHMAN	1*	HAROLD MCGAHERN	HAROLD MCGAHERN
CLARE CONCLAVE (ISH)	2005	TOUCHDOWN	1*	SHANE J SLATTERY	SHANE J SLATTERY
CLONIGULANE LASS (ISH)	1995	TEMPLE CLOVER	1*	THOMAS HAYES	ERICA GLYNN
COEVERS DIAMOND GIRL (ISH)	2000	COEVERS DIAMOND BOY	1*	PATRICK BROGAN	JOHN VAUGHAN
COLDSTREAMS MANNEQUIN (ISH)	2005	HARLEQUIN DU CAREL	1*	DENISE PRENDERGAST	DENISE PRENDERGAST
COOSAN LASS (ISH)	2006	CRUISING	1*	CATHERINE MCCARTHY	GERARD JENNINGS
DIAMOND FLECK (ISH)	2003	COOLCORRON COOL DIAMOND	1*	BRIDGET MCGING	BRIDGET MCGING
FENYAS ELEGANCE (ISH)	2004	RICARDO Z	1*	PATRICK J HEGARTY	PATRICK J HEGARTY
FRANK'S DIAMOND CAVALIER (ISH)	1999	FLAGMOUNT DIAMOND	1*	FRANCIS TUBMAN	FRANCIS TUBMAN
GLENOMRA COLLEEN (ISH)	2002	COEVERS DIAMOND BOY	1*	JOHN VAUGHAN	JOHN VAUGHAN
KARINA (KWPN)	1992	ZEOLIET	1*	G D. KRUGER-HUT	ETTER SPORTS
KILDERRY CRUISE (ISH)	2002	CRUISING	1*	JAMES MANGAN	JAMES MANGAN
KILLARY VIEW (ISH)	2000	WHITE CLOVER	1*	NOLLAIG BURKE	JOHN COSTELLO
KILLOSSERY KRIUSEY (ISH)	2005	CRUISING	1*	KILLOSSERY LODGE STUD	LAURA GLYNN
LACHAIN CRUISE DANCER (ISH)	2002	CRUISING	1*	TOM LENIHAN	TOM LENIHAN
LADY HALFNOTHIN (ISH)	2004	STAR KINGDOM	1*	LINUS P FAHY	LINUS P FAHY
LAHARN RUBY (TB)	2005	LUSO	1*	SEE VOL 46 GSB	DAVID HICKEY
LONGSTONE MILADY (ISH)	1995	MISTER LORD	1*	NOEL KELLY	ANNE MAJELLA JONES
LOVE HEART (ISH)	2005	HEARTBREAKER	1*	PAUL DILLON	LARRY MULDOON
NALINA (KWPN)	1995	ARMSTRONG	1*	L SOER	BARBARA SNOEKEN-HOFFM
OHOLLY (KWPN)	1996	ALLIGATOR FONTAINE	1*	JW GREVE	JUSTIN BURKE
OUGHTERARD CLOVER (ISH)	2002	NORDIC REGION	1*	GERARD WHELAN	MR TED MCKENNA
OUGHTERARD SKY CRUISE (ISH)	2005	CRUISING	1*	WILLIE SANTRY	GERARD LYNCH
PINICALE (ISH)	1995	DUCA DI BUSTED	1*	MR PATRICK J KEARNS	CONOR SHERIDAN
QUERIDA H (OLD)	1999	QUATTRO B	1*	H GR.MACKE	ETTER SPORTS
REALTEEN (ISH)	2006	CRUISING	1*	MICHAEL DUIGNAN	MICHAEL DUIGNAN
SILLE FOMIA (KWPN)	1999	VOLTAIRE	1*	H. HOP	SIOBHAN & JULIE O'NEILL
SUGAR CUBE (ISH)	1997	RENKUM ENGLISHMAN	1*	LUCY ALLEN	MIRIAM CUNNING
THE DANCER (ISH)	1995	SAILS AWAY	1*	TREVOR COYLE	ANDREW BROWN
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 4662826)	2007	LUX Z	1*	MARIANNE RICE	CIARA MARRON
VANILLE DU WONDERLAND (BEWB)	1998	DARCO	1*	CATHERI VANDEN ABELLE GUSTAAF	GABRIEL DUFFY
WALTERSTOWN LUX (ISH)	2005	LUX Z	1*	DAPHNE DE STACPOOLE-LYNCH	BRIAN FINAN
WILBROOK BLACK DIAMOND (ISH)	1999	COLIN DIAMOND	1*	PATRICK HURLEY	PATRICK HURLEY
ALDATUS DIAMOND (ISH)	2003	ALDATUS Z	—	WILLIAM O'SULLIVAN	NOEL KILROY
ALLANA (ISH)	1996	CRUISING	—	MARLTON STUD	J & S O'NEILL
BALLYBUNION CRUISE (ISH)	2004	CRUISING	—	JOHN BREEN	JOHN BREEN
BELLEGGROVE PRIMA DONNA (ISH)	2005	LUX Z	—	ANNE BLANCHE	ANNE BLANCHE
CALIFORNIA B (ISH)	2007	O-PILOTH	—	ETTER SPORTS HORSES (IRL) LTD	ETTER SPORTS
CARRIGBAWN LINDY (ISH)	2007	WELCOME DIAMOND	—	JIM KINGSTON	DEIRDRE CONNOLLY
CASSANDRA V/D RILOO (BEWB)	2002	KASHMIR VAN SCHUTTERSOF	—	EUGEN VAN LOON	CLIODHNA CARROLL
CHERRYVILLE FARNEY HILL (ISH)	2003	FLAGMOUNT KING	—	JOHN LEACY	JOHN LEACY
CHILLREA (ISH)	2003	CHILLOUT	—	KATHLEEN FALLON	AUSTIN HANLON
CLONMACNOISE WNTR (ISH)	2005	BLACK AND AMBER FLIGHT	—	MARY D'ARCY	MRS SALLY BEGG
COLDSTREAM LADY (ISH)	1998	BALLINVILLA	—	ARTHUR POWELL	DENISE PRENDERGAST
COOLEYCASEY FLIGHT (ISH)	2001	ERRIGAL FLIGHT	—	FLANNAN RYAN	FLANNAN RYAN
COOLYS CRUISELAND (ISH)	2005	CORLAND	—	PAUL DILLON	PHYLLIS DARCY
CORRAGHOGH LIONESS (ISH)	2006	CRUISING	—	PATRICK SMITH	PATRICK SMITH

Table 4 Mares that Achieved SELECT Status at the 2010 Irish Sport Horse Studbook Mare Inspections

Name	YOB	Sire	Star Rating	Breeder	Owner
CORRAGHOG TIGER (ISH)	2006	CRUISING	—	PATRICK SMITH	PATRICK SMITH
COVERS REBEL (ISH)	2007	HUNTINGFIELD REBEL	—	PAT NUGENT	PAT NUGENT
CURRABAWN TOUCH (ISH)	2004	TOUCHDOWN	—	PATRICK J HESLIN	JOHN WALSH
DELAMAIN CRUISE (ISH)	2004	BAHRAIN CRUISE	—	PAULA BURKE CAMPBELL	PAULA BURKE CAMPBELL
DIAMOND ORCHID (ISH)	1999	COILLE MOR DIAMOND	—	WILLIAM WALSH	LAURAN MACLEAN
DISCOVERY C (ISH)	1996	PORSCH	—	TREVOR COYLE	JENNIFER CROWLEY
EASY ROLLER (ISH)	2003	HIGH ROLLER	—	MARTIN DONNELLY	MARTIN DONNELLY
EQUILOCK BARBARELLA (ISH)	2003	COURAGE II	—	CHARLIE MCELHINNEY	DEILAH CUDDIHY
EVEN KEEL (ISH)	2006	RAMIRO B	—	MARY I MCCANN	DAVID J MCCANN
FALLADA (TRAK)	2001	SIXTUS	—	ERNST POWLOWSKI	HELEN TROUGHTON
FORTHOF SHINAWILL (ISH)	2006	GURRAUN ZIDANE	—	PAUL MCGLOONE	MARIE DEASY
GEAR UP CRYSTAL (ISH)	2007	SIRE DE VALETTE	—	ETTER SPORTS HORSES (IRL) LTD	ETTER SPORTS
GIMPY IMPY (ISH)	2005	MASTER IMP	—	THOMAS DELAHUNTY	JOHN HANNON
GINGERINA (OLD)	2000	GINGERINO	—	ERWIN RISCH	ETTER SPORTS
GLENARD JASMINE (ISH)	2004	COURAGE II	—	JOHN J HOWLIN	JOHN J HOWLIN
GLENOMRA ANABELL (ISH)	2008	CRANNAGH HERO	—	JOHN VAUGHAN	JOHN VAUGHAN
GLENOMRA CLOVER (ISH)	2003	COEVERS DIAMOND BOY	—	PATRICK FLYNN	JOHN VAUGHAN
HALONA DE LA VIE (BWP)	2007	TAMPA	—	HARAS DE LA VIE	MARY HUGHES
HAZELS DIAMOND (ISH)	2000	MALTSTRIKER	—	EDMOND MCMAHON	ANNE MARIE BUTLER
HELLO HONEY (ISH)	2005	RANTIS DIAMOND	—	E J CROZIER	NEILUS HENNESSY
HER HIGHNESS (ISH)	2002	NOT RECORDED	—	BREEDER NOT RECORDED	JOHN BRENNAN
HER HIGHNESS WILLOW (HANN)	2006	HIS HIGHNESS	—	TIEDEMANN WILHELM DIETRICH	MRS JO BREHENY
HHS DIAMOND EXCHANGE (ISH)	2001	RAMIRO B	—	MARY HUGHES	CLARE HUGHES
HIBERNIA QUALITY (ISH)	2007	O.B.O.S. QUALITY 004	—	GABRIEL DUFFY	DAVID GRAY
HIMALAYA VD BISSCHOP (BWP)	2007	LORD Z	—	TOM DE CRAENE	ANDREW HUGHES
INSE PEARL (ISH)	2006	NEWMARKET JEWEL	—	JACK BRISLANE	JACK BRISLANE
JANIS B (ISH)	2002	RADOLIN	—	ETTER SPORTS HORSES (IRL) LTD	ETTER SPORTS
KEC SNOOPING AROUND (ISH)	2004	ALDATUS Z	—	CORMAC KENNEDY	ANDREW O'CONNELL
KILKEA BEAUTIFUL DREAMER (ISH)	2004	ARD OHIO	—	MARION I GREENE	MARION I GREENE
KILMOUNTAIN OREO (ISH)	2008	GOLDEN MASTER	—	EAMON KENNY	MARIE HENNESSY
KILPATRICK GOLDEN CHOICE (ISH)	2007	PORSCH	—	JOAN J DOLAN	FRANCIS DUNN
KIMBLEWICK AURORA (ISH)	2000	CAVALIER ROYALE	—	MRS YORKE	MRS YORKE
KITTYS CLOVER TOUCH (ISH)	2003	TOUCHDOWN	—	FRANKIE MCNERNEY	JOHN P COUGHLAN
KON TIKI CRUISE (ISH)	1999	CRUISING	—	NOEL ROTHWELL	SAMUEL J SMYTH
KUMASI (ISH)	2002	MASTER IMP	—	DERMOT O'SULLIVAN	AOIFE DONNELLY
KYLE MIST (ISH)	2006	TRY-TIME	—	TIMOTHY RYAN	TIMOTHY RYAN
LAHARN FLIGHT (ISH)	2006	ERRIGAL FLIGHT	—	JOCELYN CATHALIN.	FRANK HICKEY
LAVILL STAR (ISH)	2007	YOUNG FARHAAN	—		LARRY HEALY
LESTER LASS (ISH)	2005	LESTER LAD	—	ANNA SLATTERY	MICHAEL SLATTERY
LIGHTNING BELLE (ISH)	2006	TEMPLE CLOVER	—	SHARON MULCAHY	NEILUS HENNESSY
LILIANA (ISH)	1999	RICARDO Z	—	RONAN TYNAN	UNA O'DONNELL
LISLAN FLIGHT (ISH)	2002	MALTSTRIKER	—	MICHAEL KELLY	CLODAGH KENNEDY
LISLEE KYLIE (ISH)	2005	MARKET SQUARE	—	MARGARET NAGLE	MARGARET NAGLE
LISMON CREAM CAP (ISH)	2007	CAPTAIN CLOVER	—	PATRICK G DOLAN	LISMON SPORTS
LISSELTON ROYALE (ISH)	2005	CAVALIER ROYALE	—	ANN MARIE JAMIESON	JAMES C KISSANE
LISSEYCASEY QUEEN (ISH)	1998	CAVALIER ROYALE	—	MR P J DONNELLY	JOHN HANNON
LITTLEFIELD LUX (ISH)	2004	LUX Z	—	TIM O'CONNOR	BRENDAN MAHER
LOUGHVIEW LA LA (ISH)	2007	LIMMERICK	—	JUDITH SOSSICK	JUDITH SOSSICK
MAUREENS LADY (ISH)	2004	PUISSANCE	—	MICHAEL DELANEY	JOHN HANNON
MIJOU (TRAK)	2002	LAFAYETTE	—	BREEDER NOT RECORDED	LUTZ OERTEL
MILFORD CRUISE (ISH)	2003	CRUISING	—	THOMAS CALLANAN	LARRY BREEN
MISS CONCI (ISH)	2006	GHAREEB	—	JOHN IRISH	WAFER BROTHERS
MISS DALLAS (ISH)	2004	ALDATUS Z	—	FRANCIS TUBMAN	FRANCIS TUBMAN
MISS PEARL DAY (ISH)	2001	CRUISING	—	PATRICK O'NEILL	GERARD JENNINGS
MOSCOW DANCER (ISH)	2001	COTTAGE FIRE	—	FRANK BURKE	MICHAEL BOYLE
NO ANGEL (ISH)	1997	EUPHEMISM	—	PATRICK J PHELAN	MICHAEL HAYDE
OAKLAND U2 (ISH)	2005	WARRENTOWN YOU 2	—	RONAN TYNAN	AUSTIN O'CONNOR
OCHIL BELLE (ISH)	2006	GHAREEB	—	MRS GERALDINE GAHAN	SARA DORAN
PIAGET (ISH)	2007	LUX Z	—	ELAINE MCGOVERN	ELAINE MCGOVERN & MARCUS O'DONNELL
POVERFIELD LUXVELLA (ISH)	2005	LUX Z	—	DANIEL KELLY	FRANK O'CONNOR
PRIDE OF HOLLYFORD (ISH)	1999	PRIDE OF TYNAGH	—	MARGARET COX-HOPKINS	JOSEPH RYAN
RAMIRMA (KWPN)	1998	DAMIRO	—	G. AALBERTS	ETTER SPORTS
RANTIS AMIHRA (ISH)	2001	TEMPLEBREADY FEAR BUI	—	MICHAEL O'CONNOR	AILSLING HURLEY
RENKUM TANGO (AES)	1999	RENKUM EIREANN	—	MR H A MINDERMAN	MRS J WARNOCK
SAILING LADY (ISH)	1998	RAME Z	—	MRS MARY CROWLEY	GERALD BEATTIE
SEA VIEW CRUISE (ISH)	2008	IROKO	—	JAMES AND JOHN MEADE	JAMES AND JOHN MEADE
SEA WEST WOMAN (ISH)	2007	SUMMER AT SARATOGA	—	JAMES AND JOHN MEADE	JAMES AND JOHN MEADE
SEAGULLS DANCE (TB)	2003	INDIAN DANEHILL	—	SEE VOL 45 GSB	DANIEL DUGNAN
SEE THE SPARROW (ISH)	2000	ASHFIELD BOBBY SPARROW	—	HARTWELL STUD	RITA LYONS
SILKEN CHARM (ISH) ON	2005	CORONEA EAGLE	—	MR & MRS PHILIP TROUGHTON	MR & MRS PHILIP TROUGHTON
SILKEN FROLIC (ISH)	2002	PRESENT ARMS	—	MRS HELEN TROUGHTON	HELEN TROUGHTON
SILKEN SOZZLE (ISH)	2001	FLEETWATER OPPOSITION	—	MR & MRS PHILIP TROUGHTON	MR & MRS PHILIP TROUGHTON
STARLET VISION (ISH)	2004	CLASSIC VISION	—	MONICA KELLY	CONOR SHERIDAN
STOP AND STARE (ISH)	2005	COURAGE II	—	NEILUS HENNESSY	NEILUS HENNESSY
THORNFIELD CAMILLE (ISH)	2003	CRUISING	—	OLIVER FLEMING	PADRAIC EGAN
TINKERBELLE (KWPN)	1997	PETER PAN 065	—	W KORFF ZWEERS	ETTER SPORTS
TULLIBARDS SOMAN QUESTIONS (HANN)	2006	GRANDEUR	—	NORBERT BECKER	HANS JURGEN KUHNLE
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 2895573)	2005	KING HENRY	—	CYRIL MULVEY	CYRIL MULVEY
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 2981888)	2007	SIR STORMY BREEZE	—	MICHAEL DONOGHUE	S. D. & M TIERNAN
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 3087233)	2008	OH CAROL'S REBEL	—	FRANK WINTERS	JACK MCGEE
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 4141906)	2003	HIGH ROLLER	—	MRS T M LEFROY	MRS T M LEFROY
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 4530050)	2006	JUMBO	—	K.L. JARVEY	AUSTIN O'CONNOR
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 4607713)	2006	GRANGE BOUNCER	—	JAMES FOLEY	JAMES FOLEY
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 4675001)	2007	KINGS MASTER	—	JOSEPH BROPHY	PATRICK O'CONNOR
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 4681720)	2007	TRY-TIME	—	NEAL KELLEHER	JAMES ROBERTS
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 4711121)	2007	LOUGHEHOE GUY	—	NEILUS FOLEY	NOEL KILROY
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 4839612)	2007	ARGENTINUS	—	SEAN NUGENT	SEAN NUGENT
UNNAMED (ISH) (IHR: 4848206)	2008	O.B.O.S. QUALITY 004	—	ANGUS WOODS	ANGUS WOODS
VAROLA (KWPN)	2002	REVENGE	—	P TIMMERMANS	CLIODHNA CARROLL
VOLTAIRES LADY (ISH)	2002	VOLTAIRE	—	MICHAEL LEDDY	ELLEN KIRWAN
WATERGLASS DAYTIME (ISH)	2006	PUISSANCE	—	MICHAEL PHELAN	MICHAEL PHELAN
WIPPE (BEWB)	1999	QUIDAM DE REVEL	—	HOEVE MARGARETHA	J & S O'NEILL

Every effort has been made to ensure that no inaccuracies have occurred in collating this data. Please see the Breeding section of the HSI website www.horsesportireland/breeding for a full list of mares that were inspected at the 2010 Irish Draught Horse Studbook and Irish Sport Horse Studbook mare inspections.

Awards

Breeders' Awards 2010

ON Monday 13th December, Horse Sport Ireland held its annual Breeders' Awards to recognise the accomplishments of breeders of Irish Sport Horses and Irish Draught Horses. The awards were presented by the chairman of HSI's breeding sub-board, Jim Beecher, with 18 awards in total being presented. Reward recipients for the 2010 Breeders' Awards were as follows:

Irish Sport Horse breeder awards

Breeder of the Top International Event Horse:

■ **Mandiba** (ISH) — 1999 bay gelding by Master Imp (TB) out of High Dolly (ISH), by Chair Lift (TB). Bred by **William & Sarah Micklem**, Co. Wicklow.

Breeders of the Highest Placed Irish Sport Horse in WBFSH Show Jumping Rankings 2008, 2009 & 2010:

■ **Flexible** (ISH) — 1996 chestnut stallion by Cruising (ISH) out of Flex (ISH), by Safari (TB). Bred by **Catherine Doyle**, Co. Kildare.

Breeder of the Highest Placed Newcomer Irish Sport Horse in WBFSH Show Jumping Rankings 2010:

■ **Roller Coaster** (ISH) — 2001 bay gelding by High Roller (ISH) out of Coral Bay (ISH), by First Consul (TB). Bred by **Seamus Cawley**, Co. Sligo.

Breeder of the 5-Year-Old Irish Sport Horse Studbook Show Jumping League Winner:

■ **Interpreter** (ISH) — 2005 grey gelding by Cruising (ISH) out of Dunahall Diamond (RID), by Diamond Rock (ID Class 1). Bred by **David O'Brennan**, Co. Offaly.

Breeder of the 6/7-Year-Old Irish Sport Horse Studbook Show Jumping League Winner:

■ **Victoria Rose** (ISH) — 2003 brown mare by Limmerick (HOLST) out of Church View Sara (ISH), by Edmund Burke (TB). Bred by **Thomas J. Cox**, Co. Roscommon.

Outstanding Achievement at the FEI World Breeding Jumping Championships for Young Horses, Lanaken:

■ **NLS Coole Al Clover** (ISH) — 2004 chestnut stallion by Aldatus Z (OLD) out of Laural Lodge (AID), by Clover Hill (ID Class 1). Bred by **Eamonn Kenny**, Co. Laois.



Outstanding Achievement at the FEI World Breeding Eventing Championships for Young Horses, Le Lion d'Angers:

■ **Fernhill Highlight** (ISH) — 2003 bay gelding by High Roller (ISH) out of Forest Beauty (ISH), by Ginger Dick (ID Class 1). Bred by **Mary Walsh**, Co. Mayo.

Breeder of the Top Irish Sport Horse Showing Mare:

■ **Kildysart Royale** (ISH) — 2000 bay mare by Cavalier Royale (HOLST) out of My Bo Peep (NLH), by Cabby. Bred by **Tom & Linda Magee**, Co. Armagh.

International Eventing Rider supporting Irish Sport Horses:

■ **Oliver Townend** (GBR).

International Show Jumping Rider supporting Irish Sport Horses:

■ **Rich Fellers** (USA).

Breeder of the Top Irish Sport Horse Showing Foal:

■ **Unnamed** (ISH) — 2010 brown filly by

Colin Diamond (ISH) out of Kilcahill Naomi (ISH), by Clover Brigade (ISH). Bred by **Tom Newell**, Co. Galway.

Competition Horse that epitomises the Longevity & Durability of the Irish Sport Horse:

■ **Lenamore** (ISH) — 1992 grey gelding by Sea Crest (ID Class 1) out of Karinella (TB), by Valiyar (TB). Bred by **Helen Walsh**, Co. Kildare.

Outstanding Contribution to the Irish Sport Horse Industry:

■ **The Bowe Family**, Co. Wexford.

Irish Draught Horse awards

Breeder of the Top Irish Draught Showing Broodmare:

■ **Cogan's Dawn Star** (RID) — 2004 grey mare by Annaghdown Star (ID Class 1) out of Annie's View (RID), by Carrabawn View (ID Class 1). Bred by **Brian Cogan**, Co. Mayo.

Breeder of the Top 3-Year-Old Irish Draught Showing Mare:



■ **Elm View** (RID) — 2007 chestnut mare by Elm Hill (ID Class 1) out of Morning Glow (RID), by Sir Rivie (ID Class 1). Bred by **Raymond Sloyan**, Co. Mayo.

Breeder of the Top Irish Draught Performance Gelding:

■ **Ballyorney Fionn** (ID) — 1996 chestnut gelding by Clover Hill (ID Class 1) out of Ballyorney Diamond (AID), by King Of Diamonds (ID Class 1). Bred by **Ailbhe Kavanagh**, Co. Wicklow.

Breeder of the Top Irish Draught 2-Year-Old Showing Filly:

■ **Unnamed** (ID) — 2008 grey filly by Star Kingdom (ID Class 1) out of Derrynagarra Sorrel (RID), by Rakish Paddy (ID Class 1). Bred by **Gerard Reilly**, Co. Tipperary.

Outstanding Contribution to the Irish Draught Horse:

■ **Pat Gleeson**, Co. Limerick (awarded posthumously)



Outstanding Contribution to the Irish Draught Horse — Pat Gleeson (RIP)

1 — Margaret Gleeson (wife) and Michael Gleeson (brother), receiving the late Pat Gleeson's award from Jim Beecher.

Breeder of the Top International Event Horse — Mandiba (ISH)

2 — William Micklem and Jim Beecher.

Breeder of the 5 yo ISH Studbook Show Jumping League Winner — Interpreter (ISH)

3 — David O'Brennan and Jim Beecher.

Breeder of the Top Irish Draught Showing Broodmare — Cogan's Dawn Star (RID)

4 — Brian Cogan and Jim Beecher.

Competition Horse that epitomises the Longevity & Durability of the ISH — Lenamore (ISH)

5 — Helen Walsh and Jim Beecher.

Outstanding Contribution to the ISH Industry

6 — JJ Bowe and Jim Beecher.

Breeder of the 6/7 yo ISH Studbook Show Jumping League Winner — Victoria Rose (ISH)

7 — Harriett Cox and Jim Beecher.

Demand for Irish-bred Sport Horses still high at Goresbridge

HAVING spent all of his adult life, and probably much of his childhood, involved in the family business at Goresbridge Sales, there are few people better qualified to discuss commercial sport horse trends than Martin Donohoe. Through his daily contact with overseas buyers, Martin is well aware of their requirements.

What type of horse do the majority of your customers require?

It is simple, as far as I'm concerned. Our customers come from abroad to buy what they feel is a traditionally-bred Irish horse suitable for every discipline, ideally by thoroughbred stallions out of three-quarter bred mares.

In these days, is the 'Irishness' still vital to the equation?

Yes. During our most recent marketing mission at the World Equestrian Games in Kentucky, we spoke to so many people who want to buy an Irish horse. The real Irish horse, with its unique brain, temperament, trainability and 'fifth leg', has been a great ambassador and is a very valuable commodity.

Goresbridge enjoys a fantastic reputation as a source of event horses. Have these buyers changed their buying habits?

That reputation was built on the success of our graduates and it is that success that draws these event horse buyers. Up until this year, the Irish event horse has topped the world rankings and, **Cavalier Royale** aside, every one of our top horses is currently bred on traditional lines. This September, in particular, as the sales returns showed, there was an



Cian O'Connor and Larkhill Cruiser competing in Dubai.

REPORT: Sally Parkyn
PICTURE: Andrew Watkins

abundance of event buyers for the right horse but the current shortage now means that far too many are leaving empty-handed. Many serious event horse buyers are not prepared to take the substitute.

Goresbridge is also a successful source of show jumpers. How do these buyers view things?

Not as many people come to Ireland to buy show jumpers as they did 20 years ago but, even though we have slipped down the rankings, there are still plenty of traditionally-bred horses making their mark. It was great to read Cian O'Connor's comments on his recent purchase, **Larkhill Cruiser** (ISH), by **Cruising** (ISH), that was bought at Goresbridge as a foal. Cian stated: 'It's an added bonus that he is Irish-bred. There is still a great love for the Irish horse abroad and it will be great to be able to present him on the world stage and promote the Irish horse again'. Statistics show that the continentally-bred foals dominate the foal returns. Is it not hard for breeders to choose to breed otherwise?

It will be interesting to see how these fare as 3-year-olds. Obviously, there are exceptions, but I don't think the pinhookers will keep buying the continental foals because they won't get the same

GOESBRIDGE/ MONART SALE EVENT HORSE SALE

The lots that sold in excess of €25,000 at the sale were:

■ €33,000 — **SBT Prospector** (ISH) — 2006 grey gelding by Tasset (TB) out of Silverlady (ISH), by Prospect Pride (ID Class 1). Bred by Myles Nugent, Co. Wexford.

■ €32,500 — **Lowhill Carrick's Lady** (ISH) — 2005 bay mare by Carrick Diamond Lad (ISH) out of The Dotted Minim (ISH), by Cruising (ISH). Bred by Mark O'Gorman, Co. Wicklow.

■ €30,000 — **Prince Mayo** (ISH) — 2005 bay gelding by Bonnie Prince (TB) out of Crosshue Lass (ISH), by Colourfield (TB). Bred by Oliver Walsh, Co. Wexford.

■ €30,000 — **Glencento** (ISH) — 2005 bay mare by Innocent (KWPN) out of Glendine Brigade (ISH), by Clover Brigade (ISH). Bred by Aine Maher, Co. Carlow.

■ €29,000 — **Cooley Pay Cheque** (ISH) — 2006 bay gelding by Courage II (HOLST) out of Doon-A-Ree Lass (ISH), by Rachele Comet (TB). Bred by William McCarrison, Co. Down.

■ €27,500 — **PepperPot** (ISH) — 2004 grey mare by Ard Grandpa (ID Class 1) out of Anita's Love (TB) by Anita's Prince (TB). Bred by Gabriel Lardner, Co. Galway.



Martin Donohoe, Goresbridge.

returns three years on.

Many breeders cite the shortage of suitable thoroughbred sires as an issue. What is your opinion?

I would agree, but I wonder if we are looking in the right places for them. There are so many out there that have become redundant and could well be suitable for the sport horse sector.

Finally, what advice do you have for breeders?

Stick with it and keep producing Irish-breds — you will be rewarded! Testament to all we have discussed is that it is notable that the top two prices, €33,000 and €32,500, at our recent Goresbridge/Monart sale were by **Tasset** (TB) and **Carrick Diamond Lad** (ISH).

Benefits of discussion group membership

Ruth Fennell,
M.Agr.Sc., Teagasc Equine Adviser

DISCUSSION groups have been an integral part of the Teagasc advisory service since the 1980s. These groups meet at regular intervals throughout the year, mainly on members' farms. They discuss the various issues that affect their farming operations. The purpose of these groups is for farmers to share information and to learn from each other. By working together, they improve quality and efficiency in their product and the animals they produce.

The meetings allow members to discuss their current farming difficulties with like-minded individuals.

It is only in the last two years that the concept of discussion groups has passed over to the equine sector. There are currently two such groups run by Teagasc: one based in west Mayo and the other in Dungarvan, Co. Waterford. It is hoped that the number of these groups will increase as people see the benefits that may be gained.

The **West Mayo Group** was established in 2008 and is facilitated by Teagasc adviser John Noonan. It currently has 45 members. There is a large variety of experience among members, ranging from those who have just bought their first mare to those who own studs, have a large broodmare herd and have been involved in the horse industry for generations.

The type of farms is also diverse within the group, with various stock being bred and produced, including Connemaras, Draughts and Sport Horses. Some members are simply looking to improve their overall production skills for their stock. They believe that everybody has something to offer the group.

Over the past two years they have organised various meetings, ranging from farm visits to educational talks on nutrition, health, hoof care, fertility and reproduction. They have held courses on basic handling of young stock together with preparing animals for the show ring. The group organised a handlers'



Breeder discussion group members can learn something from each other and everyone will take away some piece of information from a meeting or farm visit.

class for members at their local show to demonstrate their newly acquired skills and have them appraised. They have also set up a website www.westmayoequine.com which they use to provide details on upcoming events and to advertise stock for sale.

The **Waterford Sport Horse Breeders' Group** was established in April 2009. A number of horse breeders and producers from the area had been to Germany on a Teagasc educational tour and, following their return, wanted to continue to share information and learn from each other's experiences. This resulted in the formation of the Waterford Sport Horse Breeders' Group.

There are 26 active members and it is hoped that this number will continue to grow. The group meets every six to eight weeks. Meetings usually take place on a member's farm.

A number of visits have also been made to outside centres, including the Army Equitation School, Highland View Lodge Stud, Jack Doyle's yard and Somerton Equine Hospital.

At the outset, the group elected a chairman, Tom Horgan, and a set of aims was drawn up. The first aim was to access the breeding stock owned by members. Their own mares were assessed based on loose movement, conformation, past performance and pedigree. A frank and honest assessment was made by two industry experts — this was their starting base.

Following on from this the group set about improving their skills in assessing a horse's conformation, loose movement and jump. Various industry experts assisted them in this, including the Army Equitation School, Peter Leonard, Jack Doyle and Tom O'Dwyer. Now members had the improved knowledge and skills to better assess not only their own stock,

but also potential stallions and their progeny.

The requirements of the current market were discussed with industry professionals on visits to other farms and members gained a better understanding of how they should market their animals. Industry experts have given talks on various topics, including animal health, nutrition, preparing foals for sale and equine dentistry.

As with the Mayo group, it is felt that members can learn something from each other and everyone will take away some piece of information from a meeting or farm visit.

Both of the above groups are working towards the same aim which is to produce horses that meet the market requirements, whatever sector of the market that may be. In order for these enterprises to be viable, they must also be profitable. The newly acquired skills and knowledge that the group members have received will increase the chances of reaching these goals.

Discussion groups are a work in progress and will develop and improve over time. Both of these groups have become involved in group purchasing, including both goods and services. This has resulted in a considerable financial saving for members. Teagasc believes that the formation of similar groups throughout the country would be of great benefit to breeders. It is our aim that over the next few years there will be an equine discussion group near you.

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World Young Horse Championships

ISH Studbook — Le Lion d'Angers 2010

THE FEI World Breeding Eventing Championships for Young Horses is held annually in October at Le Lion d'Angers in France. The FEI World Breeding Eventing Championships for Young Horses is run for two age categories, 6-year-old and 7-year-old horses, where two World Championship titles are on offer. In addition, results from both age categories are used to determine the leading Studbook at Le Lion d'Angers.

The dressage phase of the event is held on both Thursday and Friday, with 6-year-olds competing in the morning and 7-year-olds in the afternoon on both days. Saturday sees all horses competing over the cross-country phase, which is always quite spectacular. The final phase of the event, the show jumping phase, is held on Sunday where the World Championships, as well as the Leading Studbook, are decided.

Under Chef d'Equipe Janet Murray, in 2010 the Irish Sport Horse (ISH) Studbook and Horse Sport Ireland sent a team of 10 horses and riders to Le Lion d'Angers, comprised of three 6-year-olds and seven 7-year-olds. Horses were prepared for the competition through Horse Sport Ireland's Stepping Stones programme, with trainers Ian Fearon and Heike Holstein.

While Ireland sent a team of 10 horses and riders, Irish Sport Horses ridden by riders from other nations also counted in the Studbook competitions. The 6-Year-Old World Championship saw **Annie Clover** (ISH) and Nicola Wilson (GBR) taking the Silver Medal, with Joseph Murphy (IRL) and **Over The Vee** (ISH) best of the Irish in 11th position.

In the 7-Year-Old World Champion-



ship, **Fernhill Highlight** (ISH) and William Fox-Pitt (GBR) finished in fourth place, with Ireland's Daisy Duggan and **Portphilip Jones** (ISH) finishing in 25th place.

Out of the 39 starters in the 6-year-old group, three Irish Sport Horses finished in the top 15, while out of the 66 starters in the 7-year-old group, six Irish Sport Horses finished in the top 15, with an impressive five horses being placed in the top eight.

These strong performances from Irish Sport Horses meant that the Stud-



ABOVE: Irish Sport Horse Studbook receiving the Leading Studbook Award at Le Lion d'Angers 2010.

LEFT: William Fox-Pitt (GBR) and Fernhill Highlight (ISH).

book was crowned the Leading Studbook at the FEI World Breeding Eventing Championships for Young Horses, Le Lion d'Angers 2010.

Horse Sport Ireland's Director of Breeding & Programmes Alison Corbally, said: "This a great boost for Irish breeding and it is a great credit to the breeders who bred these horses. This shows that there is a new generation of young, Irish-bred event horses coming through and it reinforces the message that Ireland is the place to come if you want to buy a top eventing prospect."

BREEDINGDETAILS

Breeding of the Irish Sport Horses that finished in the top 10 at the 2010 FEI World Breeding Jumping Championships for Young Event Horses:

CCI1* — 6-Year-Old World Championship:

■ **1st Annie Clover** (ISH) — 2004 brown mare by Newmarket Venture (HANN) out of Kilderry Clover (ISH), by Clover Hill (ID Class 1). Bred by James Bradley, Ard Na Si, Gurtera, Boherbue, Mallow, Co. Cork. Owner: Mary Tweddle. Rider: Nicola Wilson (GBR).

CCI2* — 7-Year-Old World Championship:

■ **4th Fernhill Highlight** (ISH) — 2003 bay gelding by High Roller (ISH) out of Forest Beauty (ISH), by Ginger Dick (ID

Class 1). Bred by Mary Walsh, Glasgort, Clogher, Claremorris, Co. Mayo. Owner: Catherine Witt. Rider: William Fox-Pitt (GBR).

■ **5th Billy Shannon** (ISH) — 2003 bay mare by Kannan (KWPN) out of Shannon Line (ISH), by Golden Bash (TB). Bred by Donal Barnwell, Mereside Farm, Scratchings Lane, Balls Cross, Petworth, West Sussex. Owner: Barbara & Nicholas Walkinshaw. Rider: Pippa Funnell (GBR).

■ **6th Bay My Hero** (ISH) — 2003 bay gelding by Cult Hero (TB) out of Bing Power (ISH), by Tomgar Power Crest (ISH). Bred by Bryan Maguire, Tomgar, Ballycanew, Gorey, Co. Wexford. Owner:

Catherine Witt. Rider: William Fox-Pitt (GBR).

■ **7th Ballyfarris Flight** (ISH) — 2003 bay gelding by High Roller (ISH) out of Aughris Lady (ISH), by Errigal Flight (ISH). Bred by Fergus Caheny, Ballyfarris, Templeboy, Co. Sligo. Owner: Mrs Carol Seymour-Newton, Elizabeth Le Sueur, Mrs Elleke Carling, Mr Donald Birts & Rider. Rider: Louise Lockwood (GBR).

■ **8th Paulank Brockagh** (ISH) — 2003 bay mare by Touchdown (ISH) out of Calendar Girl (ISH), by Triggerero (TB). Owner/Bred by Paula Cullen, The Bearnas Gate, Callowhill, Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow. Rider: Samuel Griffiths (AUS).

British Eventing Top 50 sires of 5 & 6-YO event horses that competed in the UK in 2010

RANKING	STALLION	BIRTH YEAR	B.E. POINTS Total points (of registered Progeny)	No. of Contributing offspring with B.E. points	No. of 2004 progeny in the IHR	No. of 2005 progeny in the IHR	Total progeny in the IHR 2004/2005
1	MILL LAW (BSH)**	1992	121	7	—	—	—
2	GHAREEB (TB)	1990	79	8	143	121	264
3	LORD NOBLE (TB)	1988	64	1	17	15	32
4	LUPICOR (KWPN)*	1995	59	4	2	3	5
5	NEWMARKET VENTURE (HANN)	1998	55	2	11	—	11
6	LIMMERICK (HOLST)	1990	52	5	49	35	84
7	ARD VDL DOUGLAS (KWPN)*	1998	50	5	89	142	231
8	POLYDOX (WEST)**	1990	50	1	—	—	—
9	LARINO (KWPN)*	1993	46	1	1	0	1
10	MASTER IMP (TB)	1987	46	8	90	90	180
The following stallions appear in the Top 50 Sire rankings and are classified in the Irish Horse Register (IHR)							
12	KILTEALY SPRING (ISH)	1984	42	2	11	12	23
21	CULT HERO (TB)	1991	32	4	46	45	91
27	RICARDO Z (ZANG)	1994	27	3	84	51	135
28	COEVERS DIAMOND BOY (ISH)	1989	26	1	73	31	104
30	OLYMPIC LUX (KWPN)	1996	26	7	74	43	117
31	CAVALIER ROYALE (HOLST)	1978	25	3	14	16	30
34	CLOVER ECHO (ISH)	1989	24	2	52	59	111
36	EL RIO (TB)	1983	24	1	1	4	5
37	VDL ARKANSAS (KWPN)	1996	24	1	77	0	77
38	ACCONDY (TB)	1992	23	1	5	1	6
40	CAVALIER TWO FOR JOY (ISH)	1994	23	1	43	56	91
42	ALDATUS Z (OLD)	1985	22	3	128	71	199
44	O.B.O.S. QUALITY (OLD)	1992	22	2	33	15	48
45	WARRENTOWN YOU 2 (ISH)	1998	21	1	2	13	15
47	BALOUBET DE ROUET (SF) *	1989	20	1	2	0	2
50	TALOUBET VDL (KWPN)	2000	20	1	12	21	33

*Stallions standing abroad **Stallions not classified in IHR

These rankings have been compiled by British Eventing. For more information please visit www.britisheventing.com

British Eventing Top 50 sires of 7 & 8-YO event horses that competed in the UK in 2010

RANKING	STALLION	BIRTH YEAR	B.E. POINTS Total points (of registered Progeny)	No. of Contributing offspring with B.E. points	No. of 2002 progeny in the IHR	No. of 2003 progeny in the IHR	Total progeny in the IHR 2002/2003
1	JUMBO (BSH)*	1984	546	13	0	0	0
2	PRIMITIVE RISING (TB)**	1984	478	24	—	—	—
3	MASTER IMP (TB)	1987	442	18	115	93	208
4	GHAREEB (TB)	1990	427	11	52	52	104
5	CULT HERO (TB)	1991	426	19	43	61	104
6	LACROS (HOLST)**	1978	419	2	—	—	—
7	PUISSANCE (ISH)	1988	356	10	54	56	110
8	HIGH ROLLER (ISH)	1995	350	12	54	99	153
9	BEAUCHAMP KING (TB)**	1993	339	2	—	—	—
10	VECHTA (KWPN)	1991	295	3	3	0	3
The following stallions appear in the Top 50 Sire rankings and are classified in the Irish Horse Register (IHR)							
12	RICARDO Z (ZANG)	1994	268	14	113	127	240
13	CLERKENWELL (TB)	1993	260	2	0	2	2
14	LIMMERICK (HOLST)	1990	250	10	60	37	97
16	KANNAN (KWPN)*	1992	232	7	1	8	9
18	FLEETWATER OPPOSITION (HOLST)*	1977	230	10	1	0	1
19	OLYMPIC LUX (KWPN)	1996	225	12	67	75	142
20	LUCKY VALIER (ISH)	1994	212	7	28	18	46
22	DON JUAN DE LA BOUVERIE (sBs)	1987	206	9	121	90	211
23	ALDATUS Z (OLD)	1985	199	7	139	150	289
24	TOUCHDOWN (ISH)	1982	192	7	96	129	225
25	RICH REBEL (TB)	1983	186	11	47	36	83
26	CHACOA (HOLST)	1996	180	3	16	19	35
27	O.B.O.S. QUALITY (OLD)	1992	178	4	58	6	64
28	DIAMOND MINE (ID)	1992	166	1	23	10	33
29	HAND IN GLOVE (TB)*	1978	163	2	0	0	0
33	HARLEQUIN DU CAREL (SF)	1995	145	5	31	32	63
34	CRUISING (ISH)	1985	144	5	88	65	153
35	BEAU ROYALE (TB)	1988	139	2	21	26	47
39	PORTER RHODES (TB)	1986	132	5	36	34	70
48	ACTINIUM (TB)	1983	114	2	16	13	29
50	BOHERDEAL CLOVER (ISH)	1991	113	2	13	6	19

* Stallions classified in IHR standing abroad **Stallions in Top 10 not classified in IHR

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Progeny figures have been calculated from the Horse Sport Ireland database.

Guard against major

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EQUINE viruses are a major cause of disease and financial loss for Irish horse breeders. However, a combination of vaccination and good management will help to prevent disease and minimise financial loss, writes **Ann Cullinane**

Equine herpesviruses 1 and 4

• What do they cause?

Both Equine Herpesvirus 1 and 4 (EHV-1 and 4) cause abortion in mares. Sporadic and multiple abortions due to EHV-1 infection occur each stud season in Ireland. Occasionally, all the pregnant mares on a premises abort. The virus is also associated with a neurological disease, which can be fatal. Fortunately, unlike abortion, this condition is relatively uncommon in Ireland. EHV-4 is a less serious pathogen than EHV-1 but is associated with the odd case of abortion most seasons.

Most EHV associated abortions occur during the last third of pregnancy but foals may be carried to term and born alive but infected.

• How do horses become infected?

EHV-1 and 4 are spread by the respiratory and not the venereal route. Mares in mixed yards are most at risk as horses or ponies can be exposed to the virus at race meetings, shows, hunts or sales and serve as a source of infection for brood mares.

Equine herpesviruses have the ability to establish a latent infection. This is where they are harboured in a non-active state but can reactivate and multiply at any stage during the horse's lifetime. Stress factors, such as transport over long distances in late pregnancy or pain due to lameness or other causes, may induce a reactivation of latent virus and precipitate abortion. The mare that experiences the reactivation may not abort herself but may serve as a source of infection to other in-contact pregnant mares.

Foetuses aborted as a result of EHV infection are heavily contaminated with virus. Thus multiple abortions often follow the abortion of a foetus in a field where several pregnant mares are grazing.

• How is the disease prevented/controlled?

The regular use of an EHV-1 and 4 vaccine, such as Duvaxyn EHV1/4, during each gestation period is highly recommended. Mares should be vaccinated at five, seven and nine

KEYPOINTS

To reduce the risk of viral disease breeders should, as a minimum:

- **Vaccinate** pregnant mares against equine herpesvirus and equine rotavirus
- **Vaccinate** all stallions against equine viral arteritis
- **Insist** that mares are screened for equine viral arteritis and equine infectious anaemia prior to introduction to their premises
- **Establish** the equine viral arteritis status of semen and stallions prior to importation.

months of pregnancy. Unvaccinated mares that are more than five months pregnant should be vaccinated now and every alternate month until they foal.

All cases of abortion, still birth or foal death within 14 days of birth should be treated as suspect virus abortion. Veterinary advice should be sought and the foetus or dead foal submitted to the Irish Equine Centre for investigation. The correct procedure for the management of herpesvirus abortion is documented in a common Code of Practice, which is available from the Department of Agriculture, the Irish Thoroughbred Breeders Association or the Irish Equine Centre.

Rotavirus

• What does it cause?

Rotavirus is a major cause of diarrhoea in young foals. The diarrhoea, which varies from soft droppings to profuse watery scour, usually lasts two to 12 days and may result in severe dehydration. Foals less than four months of age are most susceptible. Older foals may not scour but show signs of abdominal pain.

• How do horses become infected?

Rotavirus is highly contagious and is transmitted by the faecal oral route. Young foals can become infected by eating droppings or licking contaminated surfaces.

Some studs have recurrent problems with rotavirus infection. This can be due to poor hygiene and bad management or to a dense stocking rate which facilitates a build-up of virus. Rotaviruses are highly resistant and can survive for up to nine months in a contaminated environment.

• How is the disease prevented/controlled?

The rotavirus vaccine strategy is primarily to ensure that adequate immu-

nity is passed from the mare to the foal in her colostrum and milk. Pregnant mares should be vaccinated at eight, nine and 10 months of pregnancy with Duvaxyn R. Vaccination of mares should be combined with good management to help prevent a build-up of virus in the environment. Mares and foals visiting a stud should be isolated from resident stock. Disposable gloves should be worn by anyone handling a foal and strict attention should be paid to cleaning and disinfection procedures in the foaling box/unit.

Rotavirus can be rapidly identified by examination of a faeces sample by the Irish Equine Centre. Foals suffering from rotavirus diarrhoea should be isolated immediately with their dams. Rotavirus diarrhoea is usually self-limiting and the majority of foals recover without treatment. However, severe cases require veterinary attention and it should be remembered that foals under two weeks of age can develop life-threatening dehydration within hours.

Equine arteritis virus

Outbreaks of Equine Viral Arteritis (EVA) have occurred all over the world, including the U.K., France and the U.S.A. The virus is considered exotic to Ireland but we experience the occasional incursion from countries where it is endemic. As there is no mandatory testing for EVA within the EU, we are constantly at risk of importing this virus. Last year an imported stallion in the West of Ireland was identified as a venereal shedder.

EVA is a Notifiable Disease in Ireland and the Department of Agriculture is responsible for the imposition of movement and breeding restrictions relating to infected horses.

• What does it cause?

The clinical signs associated with EVA are extremely variable and range from sub-clinical disease with reduced fertility to severe disease with abortion in pregnant mares and death of young foals. The most commonly observed clinical signs include fever, depression, a decrease in appetite, oedema (swelling) of the limbs, the mammary gland of mares, the scrotum of stallions and around the eye (periorbital), stiffness in gait, inflammation of conjunctiva ('pink eye') and nasal mucous membranes, skin rashes and ocular and nasal discharge. A mare may abort without showing any other clinical signs.

• How do horses become infected?

Viral transmission is primarily by venereal infection of mares by stallions during mating or when artificially inseminated with semen from a carrier stal-

equine viruses

lion. The carrier state is testosterone dependent and approximately 50% of the stallions that are exposed to the virus become long-term venereal shedders. Such stallions shed virus in the sperm-rich fraction of their semen and infect every mare they cover.

There is no evidence of the carrier state in mares but a mare may shed virus in all her bodily fluids for up to a month. At the end of this period she is no longer infectious and is safe to breed. However, for the few weeks that she is shedding virus she may infect other horses (mares, foals, geldings and stallions) by direct contact or by aerosol (infected droplets from the respiratory tract). Initial venereal infection is frequently followed by extensive virus spread by the respiratory route and a stud farm that introduces a carrier or uses infected semen can quickly end up with several long-term carrier stallions.

The importation of contaminated semen into Argentina last year resulted in over 30 stallions being exposed to the virus.

• How is the disease prevented/controlled?

The carrier status of stallions should be established prior to importation. Similarly, when importing semen for A.I., it must be established that the donor stallion was not shedding virus at the time of collection. Advice on these procedures is available from the Irish Equine Centre.

All stallions standing in Ireland, including teasers, should be vaccinated prior to the start of the breeding season. A killed vaccine, Artervac, is available to veterinary surgeons under special licence from the Department of Agriculture. The cost of this vaccine is minimal when compared with the economic effect if the use of a stallion is lost or severely curtailed due to EVA.

Stallion studs should insist that mares be blood tested for EVA within four weeks before mating.

Equine infectious anaemia

Equine Infectious Anaemia (EIA) is caused by a lentivirus that is quite closely related to the virus that causes AIDS in people. The high incidence of outbreaks of EIA in Romania and the recent cases in other EU countries indicates that there is a risk of virus

spreading from Eastern Europe. In 2006, an outbreak occurred in Ireland, the source of which appears to have been contaminated plasma that was imported from Italy. EIA is a notifiable disease and in 2006 more than 1,500 horses were subject to movement restrictions by the Department of Agriculture.

• What does it cause?

The clinical signs are extremely variable. In Ireland in 2006 some horses were acutely affected and died. In others, clinical signs were not observed. The acute form of the disease is charac-

terised by fever, depression, increased heart and respiratory rates, incoordination and rapid weight loss. Other non-specific signs such as nasal discharge may be observed during the initial episode of the disease.

Chronic cases are characterised by recurring cycles of anaemia, swellings, weight loss and loss of energy interspersed with periods of normality. Recurrences are often stress related. Some animals show no clinical signs or are so mildly affected that their condition goes unnoticed by their owner.



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Ambassadors on horseback

THE Army Equitation School is a unique and iconic institution. It was established in 1926 by Judge William Wylie and William T. Cosgrave. Since then, the Army Equitation School has been a showcase for the Irish horse, its breeding and training. Today, the Army Equitation School continues to play an extraordinarily successful role as a unique public relations agency for the nation, the Defence Forces and the Irish Sport Horse Industry. Its officers and retired officers participate fully and effectively in the equestrian industry's structural bodies, helping in a major way to develop the industry and the sport into the future. Its riders can truly be considered ambassadors on horseback.

The aim of the Army Equitation School is to promote Ireland and the Irish horse. This is achieved through competing internationally at the most prestigious events around the world. The school also supports Irish Nations Cup and eventing teams. Captain David O'Brien contributed to the show jumping team on a number of occasions in 2010 with both **Mo Chroi** (ISH) and **Kiltoom** (ISH), while Captain Geoff Curran and his mount, **The Jump Jet** (ISH), travelled to the World Equestrian Games as part of the eventing squad.



Capt. Geoff Curran and The Jump Jet.

The school supports the Irish horse industry and assists breeders by holding clinics, giving briefings and being open to visits to the Equitation School — the intention being to further educate breeders which, in turn, optimises the production of top-class Irish-bred horses.

The attributes that the Army Equitation School seek for the modern-day competition horse are as follows. For show jumping they require a horse that has scope, blood, carefulness, athleticism, temperament and a performance pedigree, preferably on both the dam and sire sides. These characteristics are

essential as modern courses are as big as in the past but have increased in difficulty due to tighter times allowed and are much more technical with lighter materials used.

For eventing the main things the Army Equitation School look for are soundness, temperament, movement, courage, as well as being scopey and athletic with a performance pedigree. The eventer must be able to relax in dressage, gallop around the cross country and remain sound and careful for the show jumping phase. In recent years the show jumping phase has started to play a more important role due to the removal of the steeplechase phase and the roads and tracks. Show jumping has now increased in height and technicality, so the event horse must now be capable of adapting to modern eventing.

As the current Officer Commanding of the school, Lieutenant Colonel Gerry O'Gorman, noted: "We have done it before and can do it again. A turnaround is taking place and a number of breeders are going the right way about it for the demands of today."

Ambassadors On Horseback, The Army Equitation School, by Michael Slavin and Louise Parkes, is available from the O'Brien Press.

Meet the top Army Equitation School horses

Horse/Rider	Age	Colour	Sex	Sire	Dam	Dam Sire	Breeder	Quick Fact
Mo Chroi (ISH) Capt. David O'Brien	1997	Grey	M	Cruising (ISH)	Into The Blue (ISH)	Mister Lord (TB)	Claire McDonnell, Co. Wicklow	Jumped in Nations Cups in 2010
Kiltoom (ISH) Capt. David O'Brien	1998	Bay	M	Cajetano (TB)	Ashley Green (ISH)	Aristocracy (TB)	E. Hamilton, Co. Down	Jumped in Nations Cups in 2010
Annestown (ISH) Capt. David O'Brien	2002	Bay	G	Royal Concorde (ISH)	Annestown Cavalier (ISH)	Cavalier Royale (HOLST)	Margaret Moore, Co. Waterford	Jumped internationally in 2010
Drumiller Lough (ISH) Capt. David O'Brien	2003	Bay	G	Heartbreaker (KWPN)	Pearl Diver (ISH)	Mountain Pearl (ID Class 1)	Paul Dillon, Co. Armagh	6 yo Silver Medallist at the FEI World Breeding Jumping Championships, Lanaken 2009
The Jump Jet (ISH) Capt. Geoff Curran	1998	Brown	G	Cavalier Royale (HOLST)	Sea Water (ISH)	Triggerero (TB)	Andrew Thornton, Dublin 16	Competed at World Equestrian Games 2010
The Sally Rod (ISH) Capt. Brian Curran Courname	1999	Bay	G	Cavalier Royale (HOLST)	Ballycoog Sudess (ISH)	Soudno (TB)	James McKenna, Co. Monaghan	Selected for European Championship 2009 — returning from injury 2011



Minister Pat Carey TD and HSI Chairman Joe Walsh.

Funding of €425m available under Rural Development Programme

HORSE Sport Ireland (HSI), in conjunction with the Department of Community, Equality and Gaeltacht Affairs, has published 'A Guide to Axes 3 and 4 of the Rural Development Programme: Grant Supports for Ancillary Services to the Sport Horse Sector'. The Rural Development Programme (RDP) has funding of €425m available to be allocated to qualifying projects across all of the programme measures up to the end of 2013.

The main aim of the programme is to improve the quality of life in rural areas and facilitate the diversification of the rural economy.

Grant funding available to eligible projects within the Sport Horse Sector includes projects in tourism, diversification into non-agricultural activities, business creation and infrastructural projects.

Speaking at the launch, Minister Pat Carey TD said that the RDP is in a position to provide support to certain activities of the Sport Horse industry, assisting it to maintain and strengthen its valuable contribution to rural economies.

The programme is delivered through 36 local action groups throughout the country and anyone interested in applying for funding under the programme should contact their local action group (LEADER) for assistance.

For further information on the guide and contact details of local action groups (LEADER), please contact Martin Moloney at Horse Sport Ireland on 045-854523 or email mmoloney@horsesportireland.ie

A copy of the guide is available for download at www.horsesportireland.ie

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Young Breeders programme

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YOUNG Breeders are young people between the ages of 14 and 25 years who are interested in assessing, exhibiting and breeding performance horses but who do not have to be breeders themselves or come from an equestrian background. The concept of Young Breeders was first introduced to Ireland in 2005 and has since been encouraged and developed by Horse Sport Ireland and Teagasc. The first National Young Breeders competition took place in Ireland in June 2006.

July 2009 was a very significant period in the development of Young Breeders in Ireland. Not only were the World Championships, with 17 competing studbooks, hosted in Kildalton College, Co. Kilkenny, but the Irish Sport Horse Young Breeders achieved overall third position against some very stiff competition.

Sights are now firmly fixed on the National Championships, which take place on 19 April 2011 at Kildalton College, and the 2011 WBFSH Young Breeders World Championships which will be held from 22 to 24 July in Chazey-sur-Ain, France. The Young Breeders Championships are based on five key areas:

- Theory (stable management, the sport, breeding, feeding, health and welfare)
- Assessment of conformation
- Assessment of loose movement and loose jumping
- Presentation of horses in hand using the triangle system
- Turnout of horses.

All of the above are important as a foundation for those with an interest in

developing their knowledge of the horse. These skills come into focus for varied uses, including purchasing a new horse or pony; making decisions about which mares and stallions to use for breeding; assessing offspring on the ground; presenting horses for inspection, sale or even as part of a show or competition.

With both the National and World Championships events as goals, training has begun in earnest. Both Teagasc and Horse Sport Ireland encourage young people to attend training days and become familiar with what's involved.

Alongside the core principles of the competition, training days also focus on developing general knowledge through audiences with riders and industry professionals, opportunities to assess foals and young horses as well as more experienced/produced horses, trips to the sales with a mentor, and other such interesting activities.

Teagasc and Horse Sport Ireland will host the National Competitions in April 2011 with a view to identifying eight individuals in the 16 to 19 and 20 to 25 year age categories. These will be trained more intensively prior to identifying the four in each category who will represent the Irish Sport Horse Studbook at the World Championships in France in July 2011. Also, for the first time in 2011, there is an opportunity for those aged 14 to 16 to compete for prizes at national level, though as yet there is no competition for this age category at international level.

Another development in 2010 was the formation of a Young Breeders Committee on 25 August. The chairperson is Iris Brazil from Westmeath and vice-chairperson is Conor Higgins from Mayo. Committee members include David and



Miriam Bourke from Wicklow, Regina Daniels from Galway and P.J. Hegarty from West Cork. This group has launched a Facebook page for young breeders, which is proving to be very useful. Check out ISH Young Breeders in Facebook. The committee is happy to communicate with anyone wanting to know more about the programme through ishyoungbreeders@yahoo.ie

The function of the committee is to give young people a voice within the programme and to come up with suggestions for activities around aspects that interest them most. Autumn 2010 saw an active start to the training programme for 2010/2011. A group of over 30 young breeders gathered at the inaugural elite event horse sale in Tattersalls in September with mentors Eric Smiley and John Watson. All involved were exposed to the views and insights of these excellent mentors. Another superb opportunity was provided in November at the farm of Gisela, Heike and Eric Holstein in Carbury, Co. Kildare. Here, they had the opportunity to assess conformation and movement of young horses and more experienced campaigners.

Eric explained the technicalities of related distances and their demands on the horse. Gisela rounded off a super day with a demonstration of lunging and a discussion on side reins versus chambrons.

Contacts

If you are interested in participating at any of the Young Breeder training days or require further information, please contact the organisers:

Upcoming Young Breeders training days in 2011

Date	Venue	Trainer
February 5th	Hilton View Stud, Scotshouse, Co. Monaghan	Clement McMahon
February 19th	Monart Equestrian, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford	Maurice Coleman
March 5th	Belmont Stud, Belmont, Co. Offaly	Philip Scott
March 19th	Graigie, Cuffesgrange, Co. Kilkenny	Jack Doyle
April 2nd	Lisbeg Farm, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway	Tiernan Gill
April 16th	Kildalton College, Co. Kilkenny	Teagasc Equine Team



LEFT: Senior Team (from left): Iris Brazil, Aine Geoghegan, Jean Meagher, Dr Jim Flanagan (WBFSH Board Member), Philip Scott (Irish Team Trainer) and Wendy Conlon (Irish Team Manager).

ABOVE: Conor Higgins completing the triangle.

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More information including training material is available at: <http://www.teagasc.ie/ruraldev/progs/equine/breeders/index.asp>

Young Breeders are also on the HSI website at www.horsesportireland.ie/breeding/young-breeders

To be kept informed of any schedule changes and updates, please contact any of the Teagasc advisers above to make sure your details are included in the Young Breeders database. You will then be included in text alerts and receive relevant emails. New members are always welcome and all levels of experience are catered for. Remember, 'Young Breeders' do not have to be breeders, but should have an interest in learning more about the evaluation and presentation of horses as these are core aspects of the programme.

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