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Irish Win Gold, Silver and Bronze at 2018 World Championships

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IRISH SPORT HORSE STUDBOOK SHOW JUMPING SERIES

The Series, for 5, 6 and 7 year old Irish Sport Horses, is in its fifteenth year in existence.

For 2019, there will be ${\bf \in 80,000}$ prize money on offer from the Irish Sport Horse Studbook.

Full criteria for this year's Series are now available on the HSI website. Riders and owners should ensure they familiarise themselves with the criteria. Particular attention should be paid to information on entries for these classes. Dates and venues for 2019 are also detailed below.

ISH STUDBOOK SHOW JUM	PING SERIES DATES 2019
The Meadows Equestrian Cent	tre 27th-28th April
Barnadown Equestrian Centre	10th-12th May
Cavan Equestrian Centre	17th-19th May
Mullingar International	1st-2nd June
Flavours of Fingal Show	29th-30th June
Galway County Show	30th June-1st July
Cork Summer Show	13th-14th July
Tattersalls	20th-21st July
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5 Year Old League Winner - Orestus Clover and Jessica Burke with HSI Director of Breeding and Programmes Alison Corbally. Photo: Immingetico.





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IRISH SPORT HORSE STUDBOOK EVENTING SERIES

Horse Sport Ireland and Eventing Ireland is delighted to announce the 2019 ISH Studbook Young Horse Eventing Series at the following venues:

Date	Venue	6YO	5YO	4YO
19th May	Rosanna	Yes	Yes	
8th June	Killossery Lodge 2	Yes	Yes	-
23rd June	Grove	Yes	Yes	Yes
14th July	Ballindenisk 2	Yes	Yes	Yes
3rd Aug	Vesey Lodge	Yes	Yes	Yes
18th Aug	Tattersalls	Yes	Yes	Yes



4 Year Old League Winner - Clonguish Berjo and Rebecca Dunlea. Photo: Louise O'Brief



5 Year Old League Winner - Derroon Diplomat and Sarah Ennis. Photo: Louise O'Brien



6 Year Old League Winner – Jewelent and Clare Abbott. Photo: Louise O'Brien Please see www.horsesportireland.ie for further details.





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s we look forward to the new breeding season, Irish Sport Horse Breeders can reflect on a very successful 2018 with the Irish Sport Horse Studbook winning Gold, Silver and Bronze medals at the World Breeding Federation for Sport Horses (WBFSH) Young Horse Show Jumping Championships in Lanaken. This is the first time ever that one studbook achieved this feat. At the World Equestrian Games for Eventing, three of the four silver medal winning team horses were Irish Sport Horses, which is a fantastic achievement.

The Irish Sport Horse breeding sector continues to be vibrant, however of particular concern is the significant number of Irish horses being registered without having their pedigree recorded. This is clearly a regressive step and one which will have long-term implications for all breeds, both from a breeding programme and economic value perspective. Horse Sport Ireland strongly urges all stakeholders to consider this situation carefully and the merits of all equines being registered with full pedigree in an approved equine studbook. Breeders should be aware of the sire and dam of their foal and the fact that opting for a white book devalues their foal and results in a substantial loss in information to the studbook and to the breeding sector in general.

Horse Sport Ireland continues to support specific breed improvement initiatives such as the Embryo Transfer Scheme for High Performance mares. This year a percentage of this money has been ring fenced for Traditional Irish Horse (TIH) bred mares to produce more high level TIH offspring.

In order to promote and preserve Ireland's rare Irish Draught bloodlines and the Traditional Irish Horse bred Irish Sport Horse stallions, Horse Sport Ireland has also implemented a scheme to freeze the semen from a selected number of these horses in 2019. This follows the completion of the report entitled Genetics of the Irish Draught Horse Stud Book of Origin, which profiled the Irish Draught breed and highlighted stallions and breeding lines of concern.

This latest edition of the HSI Breeder magazine is packed full of information to help you make your breeding decisions in 2019. While breeding always contains an element of chance, Irish breeders have proven repeatedly that they can compete with the best in the world. It is essential that all breeding programmes, both studbooks and individual, are based on solid breeding goals which are mindful of pedigree, performance and soundness of the product being produced. In this magazine, we have highlighted the significant decrease in the Thoroughbred influence in our foal crops in recent years. HSI has introduced specific schemes this year to encourage breeders to consider breeding more refining animals (greater TB%) over the next couple of years, particularly for the Eventing market.

In this regard, Horse Sport Ireland's online database, IHR Online, continues to be developed, with TB% now included in the animal details page and a Hypothetical mating tool which includes TB% in addition to pedigree. This year you can also renew your IHB membership online and register your foal very guickly and simply. By telling us online about your forthcoming foals, the foal kit will arrive at the same time as the foal is due, so when the vet is checking your mare for covering again you can have the marking and registration documentation done at the same time, thereby reducing the cost of another call out.

I look forward to meeting you at the events throughout the year, where I would welcome your feedback. For further information on any of our schemes or services, please do not hesitate to contact the breeding department at Horse Sport Ireland at info@horsesportireland.ie

Best wishes for the 2019 breeding season,

Alison Corbally



Ireland's Lanaken Musketeers





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Ireland's Lanaken Musketeers

5YO Gold Medallist Richard Howley (IRL) and Uppercourt Cappucino (ISH) by Pacino out of Uppercourt Posh, by OBOS Quality 004 (OLD)



rish Sport horses and riders completed a remarkable performance at the FEI/WBFSH World Young Horse Jumping Championships at Lanaken, taking all three medals in the five year-old section. Like vanquishing Musketeers they did us proud as they stood shoulder to shoulder after riding the three Irish Sport Horses; Uppercourt Cappucino, CFS Sir George and HHS Vancouver to Gold, Silver and Bronze ahead of 234 other entries from 30 of the world's show jumping breeding Studbooks.

This is an incredible result for the Irish Sport Horse Studbook, horses,

By MICHAEL SLAVIN

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owners, breeders and their riders. To fill all three places on the podium in a world championship final is phenomenal and has made history for Ireland because for the first time in 26 years of Young Horse Championships a Studbook has gold, silver and bronze in one category.

As their chef d'equipe Comdt. John Ledingham notes "It gave one immense satisfaction seeing riders, who had come through the Irish show jumping ranks from ponies to hardened professionals, winning on Irish horses for breeders and owners who bred or bought the best for competition."

GOLD FOR RICHARD HOWLEY AND UPPERCOURT CAPPUCINO

Gold medal winner *Uppercourt Cappucino* was bred by Limerick's Paul Byrne out of an OBOS Quality dam and by Clement McMahon's good jumping stallion *Pacino*. Paul, who sadly passed away in 2017, was a hugely enthusiastic

Sport Horse breeder. According to Ger O'Neill of Castlefield Stud, where Cappucino was produced, "Paul had watched the stallion Pacino as he was ridden by Clem as a seven to eight year old and on to a winning Aga Khan team. He just loved him." Sold to Jason Higgins, Cappucino came second in the four year old at Millstreet. His performance there was watched on video by Sligo's Richard Howley, who is co-owner with his partner Morgan Kent of HK Horses in Wetherby, England. This was enough for keen eyed Richard to buy him on the spot. His performance at Lanaken proved that to be a good decision.

Uppercourt Cappucino has now been sold on to the world's leading Show Jumping entrepreneur Jan Tops. Ger O'Neill notes that horses trained at Castlefield Stud have now won three gold and two silver medals at the World Young Horse Championships. Ger himself rode to gold for Ireland in both 2016 and 2017. "And all of them are now sold abroad," he notes.





SILVER FOR CSF SIR GEORGE

Tipperary's Darragh Ryan, who previously rode with Greg Broderick and is now with Cian O'Connor, had the first clear for Ireland in this 52 starter 2018 final with Molly Tracy's *CSF Sir George*. He then set the pace in the 24horse jump-off with a double clear in a fast 35.34.

Bred by Shane Connolly of Connolly Stud Farm in Galway, *CSF Sir George* is by the Hannovarian sire *Sir Shutterfly* who is a full brother to Meredith Michaels Beerbaum's great performing mare *Shutterfly*. Shane, who is currently breeding from 17 mares, bought *CSF Sir George's* dam *Norrira* from D.J. Sullivan of Limerick as a five year old.

By Cavalier Royale and out of a Diamond Lad dam she has been truly successful for him. Among her progeny are Royal Cruz that is jumping in the USA and Mr. Kroon, who also competed at Lanaken. In addition she is the dam of Sera View that went to Swedish show jumper Annika Gustafsson. Annika recently bought her 2018 foal Casco.

Norrira's 2013 son CSF Sir George was sold as a foal at the Cavan Elite. When he was three. He went to Goresbridge and his current owner Molly Tracy paid €42,000 for him there. Shane Connolly intently watched him star for Darragh Ryan at Lanaken and joyfully comments, "It is great to breed something that can compete at that level."

BRONZE FOR HHS VANCOUVER

Neither the Hughes family of

Cuffsgrange, County Kilkenny nor Kildare's Mikey Pender are strangers to medals at Lanaken. In 2016 Mikey rode the Marion Hughes bred Z Seven Caretina to silver in the five year old Championship there. In that same Finals he also won bronze with Z Seven Canya Dance that was bred by Marion's mother Anne. In the 2018 five year old Champion Mikey was on the podium again with another Hughes family product. Going late in the jump off he and HHS Vancouver took bronze once more with a time of 35.75 just .68 of a second behind team mate Richard Howley. Marion says of Mikey, "he is just a fantastic rider and it is just great to have him about the place."

HHS Vancouver has interesting connections with the legend that is the Hughes Family. He is out of a mare La Juanita that Marion bred by her uncle John's stallion Don Juan de la Bouverie. His grand dam was by John's other great ground breaking sire *Cavalier Royale* (HOLST). Marion put *La Juanita* to the other Holsteiner sire *Indoctro* to produce *Vancouver*. As always she would not refuse a good offer for him but she notes, "he has blood, is very careful and we would be happy enough to keep him and produce him to a higher level."

So, there we have it! A true Irish success story achieved by superbly talented Irish riders on home bred Irish Sport Horses from knowledgeable breeders who successfully produced the best for the demands of today's very competitive sport.

The Irish Sport Horse Studbook would like to sincerely thank our committed and loyal sponsors Horseware Ireland. We are deeply grateful for their generosity and continued support of our Irish Sport Horse teams both in Lanaken and Le Lion d'Angers over the last 20 years.





Ireland's Lanaken Musketeers



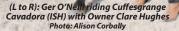
(L to R): Darragh Ryan, Richard Howley, Mikey Pender. Photo: Alison Corbally









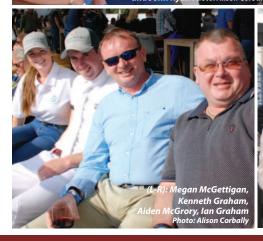








(L to R): Vincent Byrne and Nadia Rea. Photo: Alison Corbal







Horse Sport Ireland Coaching Programme - 2019 Developments

he Horse Sport Ireland (HSI) Coaching Programme is designed to provide candidates with a pathway to a career as a successful competition coach. HSI Coaching courses are delivered by professional equestrian tutors and use modern techniques to improve both horses' and riders' performance. Coaching courses are currently delivered across four levels and are accredited by Sport Ireland Coaching; the Irish governing body for coaching in all sports.

2019 will see a complete review of all levels within the programme as well as a complete overhaul of the Level 1 Coach qualification. Assessment at Level 1 is currently paper based, but at the end of this year HSI will introduce a formal, practical coaching assessment procedure at this level. This will raise the standard of coaching available to riders at all levels in Ireland and give coaches a solid foundation to move up the levels within the Coaching Programme.

The programme provides coaches with a framework of progressive exercises to develop horses to compete successfully from grassroots to international level in dressage, show jumping and eventing. The HSI Programme uses modern systematic training methods which allow horses to be produced in the classically correct manner, therefore maximising the resale value.

The HSI Coaching programme is a competition based coaching system and focuses solely on coaching. The programme offers a better understanding of modern competition requirements, coaching skills, technical knowledge and principles of good







communication so they are also suitable for young horse producers, competitors, riding school instructors and freelance competition coaches.

For full details or to enquire about upcoming courses, please contact Catherine Flanagan at cflanagan@horsesportireland.ie or +353 45 852512.

UPCOMING COURSE DATES

Introduction to Coaching Go to https://www.horsesportireland.ie/coaching/ for details

Level 1 Apprentice Coach 9th & 10th April Mullingar EC (Days 1 & 2)

Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Andy Thomas, Event Physio

16th April, Spruce Lodge Training Facility, Co. Wicklow

HSI Cross Country / Eventing Coach 2nd April,Grange Farm, Co. Meath Further details and venues to be announced





Update on Warmblood Fragile Foal Syndrome in Europe

DISEASE AND INHERITANCE BACKGROUND

uring the last years there are more than ten foals reported with symptoms similar to those of Warmblood Fragile Foal Syndrome (WFFS). Probably, there are many more cases not reported due to inexperience in diagnosing the disorder, and yet others may be hidden among unsuccessful pregnancies. Although WFFS seems to be most common in Warmblood breeds, there are a few cases reported also in Thoroughbreds and other breeds.

The syndrome belongs to a group of diseases characterised by congenital fragility of connective tissues, with the most prominent symptoms seen as skin lesions, and joint hyperflexion. The disorder is the result of a mutation in the gene PLOD1 causing a defective structure of collagen fibres; important structures in connective tissues like skin, ligaments, membranes, and blood vessels. A mutation in the corresponding human gene results in the kyphoscoliotic Ehler-Danlos disease (kEDS) characterised by abnormal curvature of the vertebral column, joint laxity, muscle weakness and sometimes rupture of aorta and ocular globe.

The autosomal recessive WFFS mutation is believed to have occurred spontaneously in a founder individual

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more than 150 years ago, but few breeders knew about its existence until the spring of 2018 when an affected foal was born in North America. The quick dissemination on social media made the breeders aware of the existence of the disease and more cases were subsequently reported.

Without unbiased calculations it is impossible to know if the frequency of the mutation in Warmblood breeds has increased lately, or if there is solely an effect of breeders being more prone to reporting. An increase in carrier frequency could be a random effect by heavy use of descendants to a founder stallion or if there are unknown advantageous phenotypes associated with the WFFS mutation.

RECENT ADVANCES

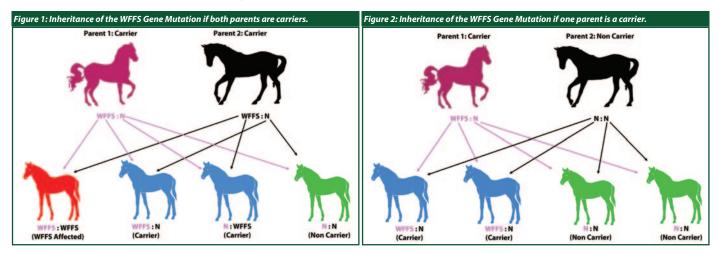
Although the disease has been recognised and known for a long time, a genetic test has only been available during the last 15 years, and carrier frequencies are currently surveyed in several Warmblood breeds. Originally, the carrier frequency among horses within German studbooks was calculated to be around 6-11%. In concordance with this, a more recent study of about 200 German Warmbloods showed a carrier frequency of about 10% (Tetens personal information).

In Swedish Warmbloods the carrier frequency was found to be 7.4% within 511 randomly sampled SWB horses born in 2017.

In February this year, the German company Laboklin calculated a carrier frequency of 15% among horses tested in their commercial laboratory, but this figure may be biased as the samples sent to the laboratory may at a relatively high rate, be from suspected carriers. Also, the Veterinary Genetics Laboratory at US Davis, calculated a carrier frequency of 2-20% among samples of horses belonging to North American Warmblood studbooks. The number of tested samples was quite low, may be biased and should only be seen as an indicators of the level of frequencies. There seems to be about the same frequency of carriers among dressage and show jumping pedigrees, which is in accordance with the belief that the mutation is old.

PRACTICAL ADVICE FOR BREEDERS

Prior to this years' breeding season many studbooks have implemented mandatory WFFS testing of breeding





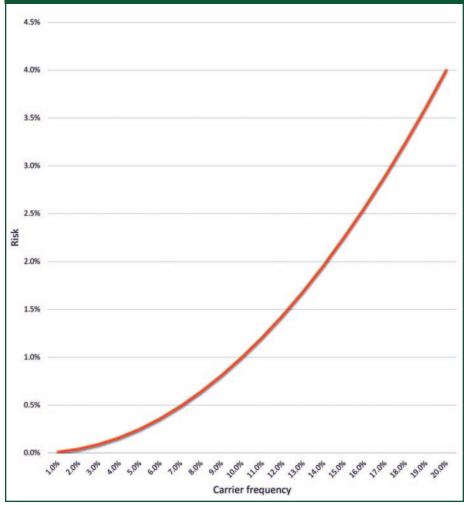
stallions and do publish their status on the respective studbook websites. Publication of such lists should be encouraged as they are very useful for mare owners to make an informed choice of stallions.

Keep in mind that testing your mare is crucial if you have any thoughts of using a WFFS carrier stallion, and there is one easy rule; "Never breed a carrier with a carrier". By instead breeding a carrier with a non-carrier, there is no risk of affected foals, but half of the offspring in such a cross will in theory be carriers. Therefore, to eliminate or reduce the frequency mutation from the population the breeders need to select non-carrier horses for further breeding. To eliminate the risk of having too few non-carriers to choose between for breeding, it is important to monitor so that the carrier frequency does not increase substantially in the breed.

In general, most Warmblood studbooks do not suffer from inbreeding or low genetic variability, why most breeders could be quite selective in not using WFFS carriers, without running the risk of reduction in genetic variability. At the same time there is a risk of losing favourable traits if there is too strong a selection on a single mutation such as PLOD1.

On the other hand, a mutation that seems to be favourable, may as well be associated with another adverse phenotype. Remember that no breed or population will ever be free from all potentially harmful mutations, and the WFFS mutation is just one of all nonfavourable mutations in the genome

THE RISK OF PICKING TWO CARRIERS IN A POPULATION



of a horse.

The risk of breeding a carrier with a carrier for the same mutation is just a matter of how common the mutations are in the breeding population. The difference becomes evident when the mutation is known and there is a genetic test available to guide the

breeders to an informed choice.

There is no right or wrong answer to the question if a breeder should use a carrier in breeding, or not. The breeder should ask him-/herself if the horse was good enough to use in breeding before the WFFS status was known or if there are other better choices of non-carrier

individuals. If there are two equally good stallions, where one of them is a WFFS carrier and the other one is not – then choose the non-carrier. If instead the perfect match, is a WFFS carrier stallion, and there are no other stallions that can match his attributes, then use him.

Thus the WFFS status should be one of all traits to value when choosing the best breeding combination as long as there is no breeding between two carriers.





More Blood? A consideration for your 2019 Breeding decisions

he Irish Sport Horse (ISH) has led the World Breeding Federation for Studbook rankings in eventing for 22 of the 25 years that the rankings have been in operation. The use of the thoroughbred horse crossed with our core breeds (Irish Draught, Connemara and Thoroughbred (TB)) has been fundamental to this success up to the mid 1980's. However, increasing use of continental crosses, has resulted in a decrease use of Thoroughbred blood in our foal crops in recent years, outlines Alison Corbally. In the late 1980's, 68% of all Irish mares visited Thoroughbred stallions. In 2018, Only 13.4% of mares visited a Thoroughbred stallion and only 6% of mares bred from in the Irish Sport Horse population were Thoroughbred.

For the breeder whose objective is to produce an International showjumper, the focus is clearly on performance dam lines. No longer is it rewarding to breed a mare that has no performance credentials in the first three generations of her dam line to a top performance Approved stallion and receive a consistent economic return



from her progeny. Mares that have jumped a minimum of 1.45m themselves, or families where the 1st, 2nd or 3rd dams have bred several performance competition horses, are the commercial mares for the International show jumping market. A number of Irish breeders are lucky enough to have some of the best performance bloodlines in the country, others have invested in recent years by buying in strong performance dam lines from abroad. Hopefully, being mindful of hereditary soundness traits, such as osteochondrosis when completing these purchases. These mares have been purchased to add the traits of scope and canter to our broodmare population.

However, even for the show jumping market we need to be mindful of

"blood". The top-level Grand Prix and Global Champions Tour horses are blood horses who are required to be quick, gallop and jump to win classes. These horses also need to recover quickly, they also have to cope with significant travel, including air miles during their International careers. The "Blood" for the International show jumper, however, nowadays rarely comes directly from a thoroughbred stallion or mare. The sharpness and "blood" are maintained in the pedigree, by the use of refining animals where the Thoroughbred in is the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th generation of the pedigrees. For example, Zinius (KWPN) the world's leading ranked show jumping horse in 2018, is 54.49% TB. He hasn't any direct TB in the pedigree until Abgar in the 5th generation and in the 6th generation, he has Furioso, three times and another 9 TB's also recorded in the 6th generation pedigree. Below is a table showing the TB% of the top 8 WBFSH sires in 2018. As you can see Cardento has the highest TB% at 57.42% and has proven to cross very well with Irish mares.

	TABLE 1. TB percentage of the WBFSH top Show jumping sires				
	Stallion	TB%	Which Generations the TB is in the Pedigree		
1	Chacco-Blue	49.61	4x1 (Godavari), 5x4 (Marlon, Rantzau, Parole Board, Gruschowka)		
2	Diamant De Semilly	51.76	4x1 (Amarpour), 5x5 (Independencia, Tantieme, Ultimate X2, Le Mioche)		
3	Casall	47.85	5x4 (Rantzau, Ladykiller, Sacramento Song, Korenbleem)		
4	Cornet Obolensky	43.75	5x1 (Rantzau)		
5	Kashmir Van't Schuttershof	49.41	5x1 (Furioso)		
6	Berlin (Caspar)	41.21	5x1 (Freeman)		
7	Toulon	40.63	5x3 (Uppercut X2, Koridon)		
8	Cardento	57.42	4x2 (Sacramento Song, Ladykiller) 5x7 (Cottage Son X2, Manometer, Sailing Light, Lone Beech, Sicambre, Easter Gala)		

By comparison the Top 8 WBFSH Eventing sires include two Thoroughbreds, Heraldik and Master Imp and the 81% thoroughbred stallion Jaguar Mail.

	TABLE 2. TB percentage of the WBFSH top Eventing sires					
	Stallion TB% Which Generations the TB is in the Pedigree					
1	Contendro I	42.19	4x3 (Rantzau, Ladykiller, Tin Rod)			
2	Jaguar Mail	80.86	2.1 (Hand In glove) 3x3 (Best Turn, Miss Betty, Laudanum)			
3	Courage	48.63	3x1 (Rantzau) 4x1 (4x7 (Cottage Son, Manometer, Foxlight, Rancune)			
4	Balou Du Rouet	33.91	4x1 Trotter (Vitti) 5x1 (Rantzau)			
5	Grafenstolz	39.26	4x1 (Patricius) 5x3 (Kaiseradler, Pura Plata, Arcticonius)			
6	Ramiro B	33.59	5x (Alcanar, Waidmannsdank)			
7	Heraldik XX	100%				
8	Master Imp X	100%				



An examination of the foal crops bred in Ireland 2012 to 2017, shows very concerning trend in the decrease in the percentage of Thoroughbred blood in our foal crops during that period. This is particularly true for the sport of Eventing. In 2018, the ISH foal crop's average Thoroughbred percentage was 36.04%.

From this analysis it can clearly be seen that we are producing very few (5%) foals with more than 75% Thoroughbred blood. At the HSI eventing breeding conference in December 2018, the top-level event riders and trainers emphasised their need for more TB blood.

Padraig McCarthy and Chris Bartle both stressed the need for horses with 75% plus thoroughbred blood for riders to be able to successfully produce them to a top 5 star event horse. These blood horses can withstand the training required and subsequently complete the rigours of the 5 star event much better than horses with less Thoroughbred blood.

So, is there once again a market opportunity for this type of horse? When Michael Jung was in Ireland last autumn, for the Going for Gold and Monart event horse sales, he too was looking for horses with considerable blood, and he claimed that they are very difficult to source in Europe.

Horse Sport Ireland has introduced some new initiatives in 2019 to encourage the breeder to use an Approved TB stallion and or breed from an inspected TB mare.

- Grant of €300 for 200 DAFM inspected mares will be provided on registration of the foal with a DAFM approved studbook in 2020. Breeders who breed performance mares which meet the performance criteria or mares that have produced performance progeny and register those foals in 2020 with more than 70% TB blood in any DAFM studbook, will receive €300, up to a limit of 200 performance mares.
- 2. The HSI Foal Championship for 2019 will also reward Eventing direction foals with more than 60% Thoroughbred percentage. These initiatives have been enthusiastically supported by the Registered Stallion Owners Association who also recognise the need for more TB blood in the population. The aim is

to encourage the use of Approved TB

stallions and inspected TB mares by

providing a financial incentive to those breeders who do so. This is not an easy task for either breeders or the studbook alike to source suitable TB animals, such is the strength in demand for them in racing markets. Further, given that few Thoroughbred mares or stallions compete in sport it is not easy to determine which may provide jumping ability in their progeny. Or at a very least, select those that will not take the jump away from the pedigree. Therefore, consideration should also be given to high Thoroughbred percentage Sport Horse mares and stallions (such as Hand In Glove and Cardento and younger horse with similarly high TB%). By crossing two high percentage TB individuals we can also increase the TB% within the population. It is noteworthy that those TB stallions that have been presented for the HSI inspection process have been loose jumped and linear profiled which is published in the Stallion Book and videos on the HSI website,

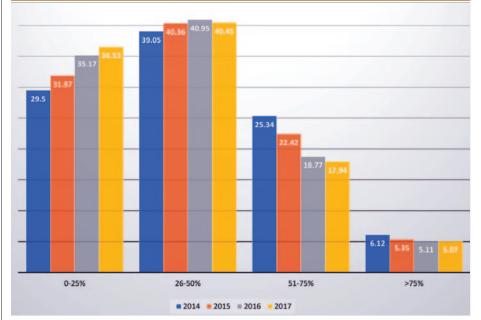
provides useful information.

As a useful tool for breeders HSI have included the TB% on the horse details page and the pedigree pages of the **IHR Online** database and HSI have also included a hypothetical mating tool where you can test cross your mare with a number of your short-listed stallions to determine the potential foals Thoroughbred percentage.

By creating an account with IHR online you will have access to a suite of valuable tools to commence your breeding selections research. In addition, this year you can also renew your IHB membership online and register your foal very guickly and simply. By telling us online about your forthcoming foals, the foal kit will arrive at the same time as the foal is due, so when the vet is checking your mare for covering again you can have the marking and registration documentation done at the same time, thereby reducing the cost of another call out. Please let us know if you would like to see additional information on the IHR database (info@horsesportireland.ie) and best of luck with your breeding decisions for 2019.



FIG. 1 The percent Thoroughbred blood in the foal crops registered in the Irish Horse Register in the years 2014-2017. Foals are grouped from 0-25% TB blood, 26-50%, 51-75% and greater than 75% TB Blood.





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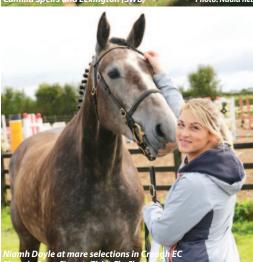


















HORSE SPORT IRELAND Loose Jumping Championships See an Increase in Entries for 2018

orse Sport Ireland held 3 loose jumping competitions for 3 & 4 year old horse and pony fillies in the winter of 2018. These championships aimed to identify and showcase young fillies that would be suitable for use as top-class broodmares of the future. For the first time, a pony championship was included in these competitions.

Each animal's conformation, movement and athleticism was assessed by an expert panel of judges, which included international show jumpers such as Captain Geoff Curran and Francis Connors. To determine the overall winner, scores were given based on the animal's performance in each section. The championships were well supported by Irish breeders with over 120 animals competing over the three days.

Uniquely at these events breeders/producers also had the option to have their fillies partake in ISH & ISP Mare Selections. This allowed breeders to have their mares upgraded to "Select" status in the studbook, should the mare meet the minimum requirements for conformation and movement. These mares could also partake in the optional athleticism component of selection, from which they can achieve 1* status. The majority of breeders participating in the Loose Jumping Championships also chose to have their filly partake in the Mare Selections on the same day. Loose jumping judge, breeder and international show jumper Vincent Byrne said: "I am very impressed with this loose jumping initiative by Horse Sport Ireland. Having previously judged this competition last year I am happy to see the increase in both numbers and quality of 3 year olds especially. I think it is important for all breeders and producers to follow these classes to help them to see what our competition is like for the future and if our produce is meeting market requirements for both show jumping and eventing."

Breeder of the 4 year old Champion at Cavan Equestrian Centre Joseph Gallagher said: "I entered my mare *Kittens* (ISH) in this championship for the last two years. As a 3 year old she came 3rd and this year as a 4 year old

was champion in her section. I believe that these championships provide a great opportunity to showcase my young horses and also gives breeders a chance to compare their young stock against their peers. It helps me to determine if I will sell or keep on my young horses. I have had three offers for Kittens (ISH) since the championship, but I plan to hold onto her for the next year or two. I was also delighted to have the opportunity to have her linear profiled and inspected at the competition as I believe she has the potential to be a top-class competition horse and broodmare of the future. It's great to see that HSI is supporting these young horse initiatives".

See winning results from the three venues below:



WEXFORD EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

3 YEAR OLD PONIES									
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner			
1st	MVS Carvelle (ISH)	Carmena Z (ZANG)	Bo (KWPN)	Casco (HOLST)	Seamus Heverin	Henry Foley			
2nd	BBS Colour Scheme (ISP)	Woodbine Breesy Bandit (CP)	Miss Emily (ISH)	Colourfield (TB)	Jonathan Murphy	Jonathan Murphy			
3rd	Unnamed (TB)	Le Fou (TB)	Little Hand (TB)	Carroll House (TB)	Frank Marshall	Thomas Byrne			
4 YEAR OLD PONIES									
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner			
1st	Carraun Heidi (CP)	Martan Phaidin Mhoir (CP)	Carraun Creek (CP)	Corcullen Silver Belle (CP)	Niamh Howley	Joanne & Phil			
2nd	Robins Fairy Tale (ISH)	Robin De La Maison (IRE) (TB)	Far Away Tale (UNK)	Not Recorded	Susan Corish	Susan Corish			
			3 YEAR OLD HORSES						
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner			
1st	MRF Tiffin (ISH)	Metropole (KWPN) (NA2)	Brockagh Classic Lady (ISH)	Classic Vision (IDC1)	Mike Comerford	Susan Fitzpatrick			
2nd	Folly Stuff (SF)	Cornet Obolensky (BWP)	Hot Stuff (BWP)	Darco (BWP)	Eric Lamaze	Catriona Redmond			
3rd	BGS Judge Judy (ISH)	Dignified Van't Zorgvliet (BEWB)	BSG Grey Mist (TB)	Great Palm (TB)	Patrick Byrne	Patrick Byrne			
			4 YEAR OLD HORSES						
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner			
1st	Emelee (ISH)	Emerald Van't Ruytershof (BWP)	Lux Forever (ISH)	Lux Z (HANN)	John J Hassett	Catriona Redmond			
2nd	ABC Cavalier Carly (ISH)	Cavalier Royale (HOLST)	Ardnehue Diamond Cruiser (ISH)	Cruising (ISH)	Patrick Kehoe	Patrick Kehoe			
2nd	Dowdstown Quality (ISH)	0.B.O.S. Quality 004 (OLD)	Narina (KWPN)	Indoctro (HOLST)	James Hoare	William Gleeson			



CAVAN EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

3 YEAR OLD PONIES

Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Glenmore Eileen Og (CP)	Westside Mariah (CP)	Eileen's Favourite (CP)	Cuchulainn (CP)	Jeann MacClancy	Philip Morgan
			3 YEAR OLD PONIES			
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Tullibards Jumping Rosy (ISH)	Burning Daylight (CP)	Master Keys (ISH)	Crosskeys Rebel (CP)	Eamonn Hynes	Hans J Kuehnle
2nd	Annefield's Bunny (CP)	Burning Daylight (CP)	Annefield's April (CP)	Glasskopf Golden Siskin (CP)	Joseph Walsh	Hans J Kuehnle
3rd	Starstruck B (ISH)	Cap Nord D Hyrencourt (sBs)	Queen Mindy(ISH)	Not Recorded	Etter Sporthorses	Etter Sporthorses
		:	3 YEAR OLD HORSES			
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	MVS Granflor (ISH)	Floris TN (KWNP)	Granada (NRPS)	Grannox (WESTF)	Seamus Heverin	Gabriel Slattery
2nd	LGS Dynamite (ISH)	Beach Ball (ISH)	Yew Safari (ISH)	HHS Br Charlton (ISH)	Elaine Whiteside	Yvonne Whiteside
3rd	KA Belle Stability (AES)	Carembar De Muze (BWP)	Balonka K (KWNP)	Taloubet Z (KWNP)	Frank Van Eijkelenburg	Premier Sport Horses
			4 YEAR OLD HORSES			

Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Kittens (ISH)	Cobra (HOLST)	Pure Irish Malt (ISH)	Maltstriker (KWNP)	Rachel Hughes	Joseph Gallagher
2nd	Valencia B (ISH)	Stetter (KWNP)	Marissa B (ISH)	Radolin (KWNP)	Etter Sporthorses	Claudia Gisler
2nd	Trendy Caruso Cruise (ISH)	Bahrain Cruise (ISH)	Chantels S (DR)	Caruso (HOLST)	Charles Hanley	Charles Hanley



3 Year Old Horse Winner Cavan: MVS Granflor (ISH)

3 Year Old Horse Winner Warrington: Muze Abby Moyne (ISH)

WARRINGTON EQUESTRIAN CENTRE 3 YEAR OLD PONIES

			3 TEAR OLD PUNIES			
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Borris OB (ISH)	O.B.O.S Quality 004 (OLD)	Borris Breezy (ISH)	Kings Master (ISH)	Breda Skelton	Judy Quirke
2nd	Whitethorn Foxglove (CP)	Killaloe Buchaill Mor (CP)	Sienna Rose (CP)	Monaghanstown Fred (CP)	Keith Murray	Richard Power
3rd	Kinamara Mystic Lady (CP)	Park Ronan (CP)	Mystical Lady (CP)	Glenayre Mystical Bobby (CP)	Michael J Burke	Richard Power
			4 YEAR OLD PONIES			
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Donaghmore Fun (CP)	Funamble II (CP)	Villa Lark (CP)	Glencarrig Prince (CP)	Pat Lynch	Pat Lynch
2nd	Leica's Girl (CP)	Blackwoodland Basil (CP)	Leica (CP)	Coosheen Thyme (CP)	Joachim Gruter	Pat Lynch
			3 YEAR OLD HORSES			
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Muze Abby Moyne (ISH)	Bamako de Muze (BWP)	Abby V Overis Z (ZANG)	Arko III (OLD)	PJ Ryan & GBBS Int Ltd	PJ Ryan & GBBS Int Ltd
2nd	l Wonder (ISH)	For Pleasure (HANN)	Sambia (KWPN)	Alba (KWPN)	Alan Robertson	Robert Hatton
3rd	Kersina (KWPN)	Baltic VDL (KWPN)	Dersina (KWPN)	Indoctro (HOLST)	JF Abbring	Ennisnag Stud
			4 YEAR OLD HORSES			
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	DHF Lift Off (ISH)	Harlequin Du Carel (SF)	Missy K (ISH)	Mr Clover (ISH)	Stephen Keane	Jessica Stallard
2nd	MHS Czarina (ISH)	Quidam Junior I (KWPN)	Gowran Lady (ISH)	Cavalier Royale (HOLST)	Ita Brennan	GBBS Int Ltd & Sandra Void
2nd	Serenade B (ISH)	Tullibards Bennys Legacy (OLD)	Layla B (ISH)	Radolin (KWPN)	Etter Sportpferde AG	Etter Sportpferde AG



HORSE SPORT IRELAND Young Handlers Final at the National Ploughing Championships



Lorcan Glynn and Katie Dineen, Senior and Junior Young Handler winners of the €10,000 Young Handler Championship Final at the National Ploughing Championships which was sponsored by Horse Sport Ireland. (L-R) Declan McArdle (Judge), Katie Dineen (Junior winner), Tiernan Gill (Judge), Lorcan Glynn (Senior Winner) and Andrew Hughes (Judge).

he Final of the Young Handler Championship took place in September 2018 at the National Ploughing Championships in Co. Offaly. This was the first time that an equestrian showing competition had taken place at the show and it provided a great stage on which the young handlers could showcase their horses and ponies.

The aim of this championship was to assist in the development of the skills of young handlers to prepare and present horses for show and sale. This championship was open to any young handler under the age of 25 that exhibited a horse or pony registered in a DAFM/EU studbook. Young Handlers were divided into one of two age categories – *Junior*: 14 – 18 years and *Senior*: 19 – 25 years. As part of the competition they were asked to show their animal in hand, create a short sales video for their animal and also to research a well-known stallion.

The handlers competing at the final qualified during the summer months at one of the 5 qualifiers which took place across each of the 5 IHB regions. Andrew Hughes (Judge) said: "It is a fantastic initiative by HSI and hopefully everyone learned something from it. The horsemanship on the day was of a very high standard. I think there is room for improvement on the video section, perhaps education days would help to raise the standards in this area."

Tiernan Gill (Judge) said: "The series was a fantastic way in which to see horses at the National Ploughing Championships. It provides great exposure for the young handlers. I would love to see more equine involvement at the National Ploughing Championships in the future."

JUNIOR DIVISION:

In a strongly contested Junior Division it was Katie Dineen that took the Championship title. The Reserve Championship went to David Brown.

Junior Champion – Katie Dineen

Katie qualified at Adamstown show. The 16-year-old from Co Cork exhibited *Kilmacbea Floss,* a 5-year-old part-bred Welsh mare by the welsh stallion *Barrera Duke* of Windsor. Katie's successes with this pony include winning the HSI Young Stock All-Ireland Championship in 2106 and the ISA Irish Show Association Championship Pony in 2017.

Junior Reserve Champion – David Browne

David qualified at Roscommon Show. The 18-year-old from Co Kildare exhibited *KBS Quality Gem* (ISH), an 8year-old gelding by *OBOS Quality 004* (OLD). David has mostly competed this mare in showjumping to date.

The full results were as follows:

Placing	Name	Horse
1st	Katie Dineen	Kilmaceaba Floss (WPB)
2nd	David Browne	KBS Quality Gem (ISH)
3rd	Catherine Gorton	Castle Dartagnan (CP)
4th	Abby Stafford	Cianna Z (ZANG)
5th	Eimear Furlong	Thistletown Olympia (ISH)
6th	Ciara Mullen	King Boy (CP)



Katie Dineen (Junior Champion) said: "This series have changed my direction in life. I started showing in Dunmanway this year for the first time. I came 4th and went on to Adamstown to become 3rd and yesterday of course won the final. I want to go on and do an equine related course when I finish school. This series has done a lot to improve my confidence. The skills I have learnt and the tips from HSI judges along the way have made me a better handler and I now have better knowledge of the equine industry. Through word of mouth or social media my friends have seen that the equine industry is a great one to work in. Personal thanks to all the staff in HSI for a wonderful series that me and my family got so much out of."

SENIOR DIVISION:

In the Senior Division it was Lorcan Glynn that took home the top honours with *Crannaghmore Pearl* (ISH), followed by Aidan Williamson in reserve with *Greenhall Miss R* (ISH).

Senior Champion – Lorcan Glynn

Lorcan qualified at Roscommon Show. The 20-year-old from Co Roscommon exhibited *Crannaghmore Pearl* (ISH), a 3-year-old filly by Near Dock (TB). One of Lorcan's biggest successes with this filly was placing 3rd in the All-Ireland 3-year-old filly held in Bantry Co Cork.

Senior Reserve Champion – Aidan Williamson

Aidan qualified at Clarecastle Show. The 22-year-old from Co Cork exhibited *Greenhall Miss R* (ISH), a 4-year-old mare by *Mermus R* (KWPN). One of Aidan's biggest successes with this mare to date was winning the 4-year-old Lightweight Mare Class in the Dublin Horse Show earlier this year.

The full results were as follows:

Lorcan Glynn (Senior Champion) said: *"I am delighted to be crowned the winner* of this prestigious competition, I enjoyed the whole experience from qualifying in Roscommon Agricultural show, to producing the video, researching the stallion and the big day out at the National Ploughing Championship. I found it very interesting having to research the given stallion. Getting to show my filly in the final brought great excitement to my annual trip to the ploughing. It is a brilliant competition to involve and promote the up and coming young handlers and all who share the interest in equine. I would strongly encourage all equine lovers to get involved in competitions like this, it is a brilliant learning curve, where you will meet and make new friends".

Alison Corbally (Director of Breeding and Programmes) said: "The feedback from this new initiative has been fantastic, we had hoped it would have an impact, over time, in reversing the trend of the aging age profile of Irish Breeders and producers. We didn't expect feedback that a number of the participants have reported, that as a result of this initiative and the skills they have acquired, they are now considering pursuing sport horse breeding and production as a career path. Many of the participants at the qualifiers have already signed up to participate in the Irish Sport Horse/Teagasc Young Breeders Programme with the possibility of competing internationally.

As with any new initiative, we will review it in detail this autumn and will make amendments and improvements for 2019. I would like to congratulate all the winners and participants alike, and to thank the dedicated parents who facilitated their teenager's participation this year."

Placing	Name	Horse
1st	Lorcan Glynn	Crannaghmore Pearl (ISH)
2nd	Aidan Williamson	Greenhall Miss R (ISH)
3rd	Róisín McGrath	Mahanagh Heather (CP)
4th	Denis O'Driscoll	Gairdin Mor Cailin (ISH)
5th	Amy Finn	Goldfield Fantasy (ISH) [TIH]
6th	Brian O'Neill	Killnagross Isobelle (ISH)

NEWS FROM THE Irish Horse Board: Changes to IHB Shareholder renewals

Following the announcement at the Irish Horse Board Cooperative Society Ltd (IHB) AGM in December 2018, the IHB Shareholder renewals process will move to an online platform from 2019 onwards. This development is designed to deliver administrative efficiencies within the system for all stakeholders.

There will also be a change to the pricing structure of IHB annual shareholder renewals. From 2019, IHB Shareholder renewal fees will be set at \in 35 per annum – an increase of \in 10 from the original \in 25 per annum in situ since 1994. However, in an effort to encourage IHB Shareholders to adopt and use the new IHB online renewal system, a reduced rate of \in 25 will still apply for all such online renewals completed prior to 31st May 2019.

IHB Shareholders opting to pay their annual renewal fees after the cut-off date of 31st May 2019 will now pay renewal fees of €30 per annum online. This means that only those IHB Shareholders who do not use the new online system (instead remaining with the older paperbased system) will now be charged €35 per annum irrespective of the date of payment of the IHB renewal.

IHB shareholders/members will continue to enjoy discounted Irish Horse Register (IHR) transaction fees (typically some €37 discount per transaction); have access to the IHR Online; will be eligible to receive free Horse Sport Ireland publications (Stallion Book, Foal Book, Breeders' Magazines); may avail of 40% discount on Irish Horse Gateway membership fees; and retain voting rights for the annual IHB elections and at the IHB AGM.

Finally, any individual wishing to become an IHB shareholder may now also do so online.

For more information on the Irish Horse Board and the IHB Shareholder application/renewal process, please visit **www.ihb.ie**.



Champions from the HSI Sponsored Classes at the Dublin Horse Show 2018



6 Year Old National Champion - Temple Alice (ISH)

CHAMPIONS IN THE 3YO LOOSE, 4YO, 5YO & 6YO NATIONAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS SPONSORED BY HORSE SPORT IRELAND AT THE RDS DUBLIN HORSE SHOW 2018

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Horse	YOB	Sex	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner	Rider
River Field Cornet Chin (ISH)	2015	F	Cornet Obolensky (BWP)	Aldatus Chin (ISH)	Aldatus Z (OLD)	James Farrell	Trade Horse Limited	n/a
SVS Valiant (ISH)	2015	S	Je T'aime Flamenco (BWP)	Venco (KWPN)	Oklund (KWPN)	Brian Hutchinson	Brian Hutchinson	n/a
JDP Dougland (ISH)	2014	G	Ard VDL Douglas (KWPN)	Dourwies (KWPN)	Corland (HOLST)	Joe Prendergast	Joe Prendergast	Shane Goggins
MHS New York (ISH)	2013	G	Quidam Junior I (KWPN)	Cavalier Kells Lady (ISH)	Cavalier Royale (HOLST)	Tom Brennan	Marion Hughes	Michael Pender
Temple Alice (ISH)	2012	G	Foxglen Cruise Control (AES)	Innishannon Shamrock (ISH)	Rantis Diamond (ISH)	Patrick Gurren	Eddie Moloney	Eddie Moloney









HSI Foal Championship Final 2019







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Show Jumping Colt Pony Winner: Cashes Beauty (CP

he Sport Horse and Sport Pony Foal Championship aimed to identify, evaluate and reward breeders who have bred a foal that has the potential to be

competitive at the highest level in the

disciplines of Show Jumping or Eventing. Foals were judged under the criteria of functional conformation, walk, trot, canter and overall athleticism and balance. Horses were also given points for pedigree.

Show Jumping Filly Pony Winner: Donaghmore Silver Lady (CP

This year saw five well-contested regional qualifiers take place where 8 foals were selected at each qualifier for the final. For both horses and ponies the categories were – show jumping type colt, show jumping type filly,

SHOW JUMPING COLT

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Placing	Foal	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Django Junior (ISH)	Quidam Junior I (KWPN)	Contend Heraldik (HOLST)	Contender (HOLST)	Kedrah House Stud	John Buttimer
2nd	Moon Shiner (ISH)	Celtic Hero B Z (ZANG)	Conolin (ISH)	Radolin (KWPN)	John Nash	John Nash
		S	HOW JUMPING FILLY	,		
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Carina (ISH)	For Pleasure (HANN)	Rincarina (ISH) [TIH]	Cruising (ISH)	Lisa Cawley	Lisa Cawley
2nd	Clarkes Jet Stream (ISH)	Quidam Junior I (KWPN)	Clarkes Quiet Optimistic (ISH)	Lux Z (HANN)	John Clarke	John Clarke
		SHC	W JUMPING PONY CO	OLT		
Placing	Foal	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Cashes Beauty (CP)	Currachmore Castle (CP)	Active Beauty (CP)	Robe Earl (CP)	Martin O'Sullivan	Martin O'Sullivan
2nd	Machno Apachee (ISP)	Machno Carwyn (WPC)	Angel Delight (WNTR)	Muharib (TB)	Sandra Barnwell	Sandra Barnwell
		SHO	W JUMPING PONY FI	LLY		
Placing	Foal	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Donaghmore Silver Lady (CP)	I Love You Melody (CP)	Doovins Silver Smoke (CP)	Grey Rock Trish (CP)	Pat Lynch	Pat Lynch
2nd	Annaghbay Annie (CP)	Silver Shadow (CP)	Benbulben Star (CP)	Earl of Newbridge (CP)	Michael Flanagan	Michael Flanagan



Eventing Colt Winner: Newmarket Leonardo (ISH)



Eventing Filly Winner: Lisbrogan Grace (ISH) eventing type colt and eventing type filly. The qualifying venues were Newcastle West Show, Creagh Equestrian Centre, Wexford Equestrian, Tubberbride Stables and Coilog Equestrian Centre.

The final took place on Friday the 19th of October at the 4 day Grand Prix Show at Cavan Equestrian Centre, where a pot of €13,000 was on offer for the eight Champions, Champion Show jumping colt and filly and Champion Eventing colt and filly. There was also a special prize for the overall best

traditionally-bred foal, which was won by Annabelles Dream (ISH)[TIH], this Eventing Filly by Loughahoe Guy (ISH)[TIH] and out of Vanity Fare (ISH)[TIH] was bred and owned by Michael Dooner.

Norman Allen and Tiernan Gill judged the Show Jumping foals while Nicky Roncoroni and Maurice Coleman judged the Eventing foals.

Norman Allen said: "The two winners in the show jumping section were exceptional. The filly in particular has an excellent pedigree. Her dam

Rincarina was a prolific winner at 1.60m and her sire For Pleasure is producing top-class foals. I see no reason why this filly wouldn't go to the highest levels of competition with the scope, movement and attitude she showed. The colt foal had big loose movement with plenty of scope. He could also be a top level competition horse in the future. I believe that this Championship is a great initiative from HSI and gives spectators the opportunity to see some of the best foals in the country".

Full Results and pedigrees are listed.

Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Newmarket Leonardo (ISH)	Newmarket Venture (HANN)	Newmarket Dato Two (ISH)	Aldato (KWPN)	Billy Daly	Billy Daly
2nd	Greenhall Heatwave (ISH)	Dignified Van't Zorgvliet (BWP)	Greenhall Catwalk (ISH)	Mermus R (KWPN)	Derry Rothwell	Derry Rothwell
			EVENTING FILLY			
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Lisbrogan Grace (ISH)	Tyson (KWPN)	Trewins (SHB)	Hand In Glove (TB)	Thomas Conlon	Thomas Conlon
2nd	Munthers Babe (ISH)	Munther (TB)	Brookfield Miss Lux (ISH)	Lux Z (HANN)	Kieran O'Gorman	Kieran O'Gorman
		I	EVENTING PONY COLI	•		
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Silken Karma (ISH)	Masurenfuerst (TRAK)	Honeyhill Lady (CP)	Robe Earl (CP)	Helen Troughton	Helen Troughton
2nd	Wyndham Dun To-A-T (ISP)	Gwennic De Goariva (CP)	Wyndham Petite Fleur (IPS)	Kilvington Scoudrel (BRP)	Peter Byrne	Peter Byrne
		E	VENTING PONY FILL	(
Placing	Name	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Breeder	Owner
1st	Hollywood Queen Bee (ISP)	Newtown Moll's Pride (CP)	Woodend Rose (CP)	Ard Harlequin (CP)	Deborah McCann	Deborah McCann
2nd	Tyrellspass Sun Flower (ISP)	Chinook Limelight (WPC)	Megland Mooncharm (CHAPS)	Acado	Catherine Boylan	Catherine Boylan

EVENTING COLT





Eventing Pony Colt Winner: Silken Karma (ISH)

Eventing Pony Filly Winner: Hollywood Queen Bee (ISP)



ISH Young Breeders National Competition and Breeders Forum

The 2019 ISH Young Breeders National Competition took place on January 26th at Ravensdale Equestrian Centre in Dundalk, Co Louth jointly organised by Teagasc and Horse Sport Ireland. The event was generously supported by Connollys Red Mills, and Horseware Ireland.

A dedicated and focused group of 14-25 year olds demonstrated their skills as horse handlers, their knowledge in assessment of conformation and athleticism traits of horses; while also completing a theory test on equine health and welfare; nutrition; stable management and the sport.



(L-R) Conor Wixted, Senior National Champion Young Breeder for 2019 and Wendy Conlon Teagasc Equine Advisor.

Highly respected and experienced industry professionals Jack Doyle (Coach and ex international showjumper), Andrew Hughes (Ennisnag Stud), Philip Scott (Barnfield Equestrian) and Richard Sheane (Cooley Farm) not only assessed the skills of the handlers, but set the standards for their younger counterparts to match in the assessment of the horses. The day doubled up as a forum for breeders to learn from and interact with the judges on the traits and requirements for the sports of show jumping and eventing in relation to breeding stock and horses for market. A superb selection of sport horses were professionally presented by Thomas Quigley from Co Carlow providing excellent subjects for discussion.

S	ENIOR (20-25 YEAR	S) COMPETITION WINNER
1st	Conor Wixted	Co Clare
2nd	Melissa Glynn	Co Roscommon
3rd	Amy Finn	Co Kilkenny
	JUNIOR (16-19 YEAR	S) COMPETITION WINNER
1st	Dan Geaney	Co Kerry
2nd	Michelle Dunne	Co Dublin
3rd	Danielle Boland	Co Tipperary
	YOUTH (14-15 YEARS	5) COMPETITION WINNER
1st	Anya Teuton	Newtownards, Co Down
2nd	Shane Donohue	Ballina, Co Mayo
3rd	Tiana Kyle	Navan, Co Meath

The competition itself acts as the first step in the qualification process for team participants to represent the Irish Sport Horse Studbook at the World Breeding Federation for Sport Horses (WBFSH) Young Breeders World Championship 2019 to be held in Stadl Paura Austria from the 19th to 22nd July 2019.

The winners will be joined by seniors Kevin Finn, Kathryn Jones, Nicole Groyer, Sarah Brashaw, Conor Mahon and juniors Ellie Duggan, Edward Hennessy, Laura Dennehy, Katie Dinneen and Tara Timlin to battle it out over a further four selection days in March and April to identify four 16-19 year olds and four 20-25 year olds who will travel to Austria in July 2019 to represent the ISH Studbook at the International Young Breeders World Championships.

The next training date for ISH Young Breeders open to all 14-25 year olds takes place at McKee Barracks on June 11th, 2019, with Lt. Col. Tom Freyne and staff of the Army Equitation School.

More information on 'ISH young breeders' on Facebook; www.teagasc.ie; www.horsesportireland.ie





Pony Sponsorship 2019

Horse Sport Ireland is delighted to announce that €21,000 in sponsorship funding will be available specifically for ponies in 2019. This funding aims to promote the Studbook registration and production of sport ponies in Ireland.

Register your pony for only €30 inclusive of DNA, limited time only!

Ponies are also eligible to compete in the **Young Handler Championships** with a total prize fund of **€25,000.**

IRISH SPORT PONY STUDBOOK



The Irish Sport Pony Studbook was launched in 2016 and is currently offering an amnesty for first time registrations. You can avail of this offer for €30 inclusive of DNA for a limited time only.

If you do not know the sire and/or dam of your pony you will need to contact Weatherbys directly and additional costs may occur.

To receive a DNA kit contact our registrations department on **045 854 500** or **info@horsesportireland.ie** and please give details of the sire and dam of the pony you wish to register. They will arrange for a DNA kit to be sent to you.



HSI PONY SPONSORSHIPS 2019

Pony Foal Championships	€10,000
Pony Filly Loose Jumping Championships	€ 6,000
Pony Showjumping	€ 5,000
Total	€21,000

Registering your pony in the ISP Studbook ensures that your pony will be eligible for:

- Registration in the main section of the Irish Sport Pony Studbook
- Green Irish Sport Pony Studbook Passport
- Eligible to compete in pony studbook funded competitions
- Inclusion on the Irish Pony Register online database IHR Online
- Irish Sport Pony breeder prizes



Riders call for more Thoroughbred Blood In top-level Eventers

At HSI International Breeding Conference And Breeders Awards

The HSI International **Breeding Conference** took place in the Keadeen Hotel. Co Kildare on Thursday, 13th December, 2018. The 300 participants heard from a line-up of national and international speakers who each provided food for thought regarding breeding the top Sport Horses of the future.



THE SPEAKERS INCLUDED:

- **Christopher Bartle**, a previous winner of Badminton Horse Trials, former National Coach to the German Olympic 3 Day Event Team and currently the British Eventing Team's High-Performance Coach.
- **Padraig McCarthy,** an Irish Olympic Three-Day Event rider and most famously, team and individual Silver Medallist at the World Equestrian Games (WEG) this year.
- Jens Meyer, founder of 'Hengststation Jens Meyer' and breeder and producer of top level Show jumping and eventing horses.
- **Dr Alan Fahey,** Associate Dean of International Programmes and Associate Professor of Animal Breeding in the School of Agriculture and Food Science at UCD.
- **Tiernan Gill**, Managing Director of the Gill Group, and producer of top level horses.
- Bert Van den Oetelaar, a very successful sport horse agent from the Netherlands.
- William Micklem, a world-renowned coach and author and breeder of sport horses.

One message that came out loud and clear was the need for thoroughbred blood in event horses competing at the top end of the sport. In Ireland we have the advantage of having some of the best Thoroughbreds in the world, bred and standing in Ireland. The trend of breeders worldwide however, is to place less interest on the use of Thoroughbreds and use crossbred horses instead. However, if this process continues indefinitely without sufficient injection of TB, it will result in an overall loss of Thoroughbred influence in the overall sport horse population.

The message from the top-level event riders presenting and in the audience was that they are finding it



more and more difficult worldwide, to find horses with sufficient Thoroughbred blood, to be produced and stay sound enough to be competitive at 3 and 4* level eventing. It is getting more difficult to source these horses. This is a clear message for breeders – more Thoroughbred percentage please.

The importance of more Thoroughbred blood was discussed by all the speakers during their talks. WEG team silver medallist and silver individual winner, Padraig McCarthy, got the ball rolling saying he believes a high percentage of Thoroughbred blood *"must be up there to ensure top level performers."*

McCarthy told the Conference: "In my own breeding, we are going back to blood. Last year we went to Slyguff Stud's Pointilliste (TB) and Nazar (TB). We saw Pointilliste at the Croker Cup at the Dublin Horse Show and thought he looked like an athletic horse. He looks like a horse that gives jump or at least does not take it away, but of course it depends on your mare."

McCarthy discussed how he recently met top German eventer Michael Jung after his recent horse-buying trip to Monart and Goresbridge 'Go For Gold Sale'. "Michael told me he came to Ireland to find a horse that can win at four and five-star level and to do that, he needs Thoroughbred in the first two generations and he cannot find that in Germany."

Christopher Bartle emphasised that breeders should think ahead: "We have to learn from the past but at the same time very much think about the future as we make our plans for the years ahead. We are not so very far away from LA (2028), this is not a long time in the life of a horse."

Bartle talked about how the sport has changed and how every discipline has transitioned from amateur to professional over the years. He also discussed how investment and competition within the sport has changed. He noted how events such as WEG, the Olympic Games, Global **Champions Tour and Badminton Horse** Trials have grown in recent years. He believes that this specialisation has influenced the direction of breeding over the years and has led to changes in the type of horses required for each discipline. The way the sport is conducted has also changed hugely



(L-R) Edward Doyle (HSI Board Member) presenting Michael Hughes of the Irish Shows Assoication with the Outstanding Contribution to Breeding Award.

with new tests and competition formats. Importantly he questioned whether breeders affect the direction of the sport or vice versa.

The annual Horse Sport Ireland Breeders Awards also took place during the conference. The awards were presented to 25 breeders whose horses and ponies achieved outstanding results throughout the year. The award winners included the breeders of the Irish Sport Horse medal winning horses at the WFBSH Young Horse Championships at Lanaken and Le Lion d'Angers 2018. Outstanding achievement awards were presented to **Michael Hughes** of the Irish Shows Association and to **James Flynn** the producer of Agha Khan winner *Heather Honey* (ISH). *contd...*



HSI International Breeding Conference And Breeders Awards contd....



(L-R): HSI Board Member Edward Doyle presenting awards to Jeanette Glynn, PJ Lehane, Anna O'Byrne (on behalf of Paul O'Byrne) and Eamon Sheehan.

NAME	HORSE	AWARD
Rhona Barnwall	Horseware Stellor Rebound (ISH)	Breeder of the Highest Placed ISH in the WBFSH Eventing Rankings and ISH Team Silver Medal Winners at the World Equestrian Games for 2018
Justin Burke	Luibanta BH (ISH)	Breeder of the Highest Placed ISH in the WBFSH Showjumping Rankings 2018
Paul O'Byrne	Uppercourt Cappucino (ISH)	Breeder of the Gold Medal Winner Lanaken 2018
Shane Connolly	CSF Sir George (ISH)	Breeder of the Silver Medal Winner Lanaken 2018
Marion Hughes	HHS Vancouver (ISH)	Breeder of the Bronze Medal Winner Lanaken 2018
Jeanette Glynn	Capels Hollow Drift (ISH)	Breeder of the Silver Medal Winner Le Lion d'Angers 2018
Donnacha Quinn	Emerald Jonny (ISH)	Breeder of the Silver Medal Winner Le Lion d'Angers 2018
Michael J Kavanagh	Cooley Moonshine (ISH)	Breeder of the Bronze Medal Winner Le Lion d'Angers 2018
Teresa Walsh	Horseware Ardagh Highlight (ISH)	ISH Team Silver Medal Winners at the World Equestrian Games for 2018
Margaret Kinsella	Rioghan Rua (ISH)	ISH Team Silver Medal Winners at the World Equestrian Games for 2018
PJ Lehane	PJs Delight (ISH)	Breeder of Top Irish Sport Horse Showing Mare 2018
Eddie Murphy	Holycross Grace (IDC1)	Breeder of Top Irish Draught Showing Mare 2018
Sean Barker	Gortfree Lakeside Lad (IDC1)	Breeder of Top Irish Draught Horse 2018
Eamon Sheehan	Cuffesgrange Cavalidam (ISH)	Irish Pony Breeder Award 2018
Patrick Murphy	Colour Me Fancy (ISH)	ISH Team Silver Medal Winners at the FEI Pony Eventing European Championships 2018
Sophie Nicholson	Cloughreagh Charlie (ISH) [TIH]	ISH Team Silver Medal Winners at the FEI Pony Eventing European Championships 2018
Deirdre Loughran	Wilderwood Storm (ISH)	ISH Team Silver Medal Winners at the FEI Pony Eventing European Championships 2018
Christopher O'Sullivan	Little Miss Fernhill (ISH) [TIH]	Breeder of the Individual Silver Medal Winner at the FEI Pony Eventing European Championships 2018
Noel Hickey (Daughter Carol)	Ballaghmor Class	International Breeders Award
Marilyn Power	Sumas Zorro	International Breeders Award
David Moran	Limestone Grey	International Breeders Award
Jimmy Flynn		Outstanding Contribution Award 2018
Michael Hughes		Outstanding Contribution Award 2018



Remembering Midland Breeder Harold McGahern

he late Harold McGahern was Granard farmer, Rural Science teacher, graduate of Gormanstown College, family man, school friend of Eddie Macken, respected RDS steward but in addition he was a dedicated and knowledgeable Irish horse breeder. Nor was he a quiet silent one. No! Harold had his say on committees and sometimes in acerbic letters to the equestrian press. But behind it all was his desire to see Ireland produce show jumpers and eventers that would make us proud. From the time that he had been chosen valedictorian for his 1972 class at Gormanstown College, Harold was always willing to stand and say his sensible piece. "I have never been afraid to voice my opinions ever since," he once told me.

FINDING A MARE

While still in College, Harold caught the horse breeding bug when minding a foaling mare for his family's neighbour Robin Stevenson. Then and there he determined to buy a mare of his own and to earn the purchase money he headed off on a Summer J1



Harold with Edward Butler and Rincoola Rua, Cavan 2014. Photo: Prime Photography



Harold McGahern. Photo: Susan Finnerty

Visa to the USA in 1971. The result was a good Durantus filly out of a *Blue Cliff* dam that eventually bred *Firkin* on which he won an Irish Eventing Championship at Punchestown.

BREEDING PERFORMERS

From that time on, despite a busy life as family man, farmer and teacher; he bred at least one foal a year. Always a man to think outside the box, he did not stay with just one stallion and was eventually convinced to use some continental bloodlines. Down the years he put mares to the likes of *Diamant de Semilly, Lancelot, Mister Blue,* along with Irish based *Touchdown, VDL Douglas* and *Cavalier Royale.*

Among his best known products was the lovely 1991 Traditional Irish mare *Rincoola Abu* by *Cruising* out of a *Clover Hill* dam. Captain Gerry Flynn rode her on the Army team and one of his proudest possessions was a picture of this mare festooned by her medals won in International competition. She was on winning Irish teams at places like Falsterbo and Athens. Another successful one from his stables was *Will Wimble* by James Kernan's *Touchdown* out of a *Roselier* (TB) dam. This gelding won an Irish championship for Alexander Butler and also took the international Grand Prix at Balmoral.

PROMOTING THE SPORT

In addition to his breeding efforts, Harold McGahern also poured a great deal of time into promoting equestrian sport. He was a founder of the Longford Pony Club. Along with the late Ronnie MacMahon he also initiated the visionary Future Event Horse League (FEHL). His mantra was "we should cater to our strengths as a breeding nation."

He lived by that himself and we are a bit the weaker by his untimely passing.



2018 FEI Pony Europear Championships

SHOW JUMPING INDIVIDUAL SILVER: Cuffesgrange Cavalidam (ISH)

(Rider: Max Wachman).

EVENTING TEAM SILVER:

Colour Me Fancy (ISH) (Rider: Isabelle Comerford) Cloughreagh Charlie (ISH) (TIH) (Rider: Holly Love) Fernhill Timbacktoo (Rider: Chloe Fagan) Wilderwood Storm (ISH) (Rider: Harry Swan).

EVENTING INDIVIDUAL SILVER: Little Miss Fernhill (ISH) (TIH) (Rider: Sophie Foyle).

SOLID SILVER

For decades, Irish-bred ponies have been the 'medal machines' of European show jumping and eventing championships, from the brilliant Ashfield Bobby Sparrow to the legendary Noble Springbok.

Having the Connemara, the perfect performance pony, as the cornerstone of Irish sport pony breeding, is a natural asset and native blood, plus performance and thoroughbred lines, shone throughout the pedigrees of the ponies that brought home a slew of silver medals from the 2018 championships.

Cuffesgrange Cavalidam

2005. Luidam (KWPN) -Cuffesgrange Millenium (ISH), by Cavalier Royale (HOLST). Breeder: Eamon Sheehan, Co Kilkenny.

The pint-sized Cuffesgrange Cavalidam is a great example to breeders of an alternative career for their goods. Plus, there was a unique double of a mare winning an individual medal at the European pony championships, followed by her offspring, Cuffesgrange Cavadora, finishing fourth at the WBFSH young horse championships, with Ger O'Neill,



Cuffesgrange Cavalidam (ISH)

at Lanaken!

That's exactly what Cavalidam did last year. More highlights included a FEI Jumping Ponies Grand Prix victory at Stuttgart and on the winning Nations Cup team at Opglabbeek. In 2017, she won the Mechelen Grand Prix for previous rider Seamus Hughes Kennedy, who started off her career.

Cuffesgrange Sport Horses is a Sheehan family effort, involving Eamon, Ronan and Eamon Jnr and amongst their four broodmares is Cavalidam's full-sister. The family have bred several four-star event horses, including Tim Bourke's Kentucky Horse Trials cross-country specialist Luckaun Quality and Fernhill Quality, plus the multiple European medallist pony, Cuffesgrange Little Ric.

EVENTING SILVERWARE

Colour Me Fancy 2005. Grand Touch (ISH) -Tena Princess (ISH). Breeder: Patrick Murphy, Co Sligo. Sadly, the late Patrick (Paddy) Murphy was another breeder, (like Myles Mahon, Noel Hickey and Paul O'Byrne, who bred other 2018 stars in Ringwood Sky Boy, Ballaghmor Class and Lanaken gold medallist Uppercourt Cappucino) not to witness this success.



Colour Me Fancy (ISH)

Paddy, a keen horseman with a passion for show jumping, bred both traditional and later warmblood-cross lines. In 2000, he bred the palomino pair: The Sidewinder and The Weasel Daughter, both by Golden Major and originally produced on the Connacht showjumping circuit by his daughter, Nora.

In 2003 Paddy bought the coloured mare Tena Princess locally in Enniscrone and covered her with the Touchdown



son, *Grand Touch*, the following year to produce *Colour Me Fancy*. Michael, Paddy's brother, later bought the skewbald filly and the Murphy family have followed *Colour Me Fancy's* progress, right up to her team silver medal.

Cloughreagh Charlie

2008. Westside Mirah (CP) – Rathkenny Honey Bee (ISH) by Tabragh (CP). Breeder: Sophie Nicholson, Co Meath.

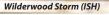
The part-bred Connemara Portersize *Just A Jiff* is a prime example of what this brilliant cross can do.

Cloughreagh Charlie is a veteran of two European Championships for the Love family, having previously competed individually with Timmy and on last year's silver medal team with Holly. Like many Irish cross-country machines with their famous 'fifth leg', that phase is 'Charlie's strongest and thrives on competition, a trait inherited from his dam *Rathkenny Honey Bee*.

A prolific winner in her Pony Club days and described as "clever, incredibly light and athletic" by Sophie, she selected the *Ballydonagh Casanova* son *Westside Mirah* to cover her with due to his easygoing attitude, superb jump and good bone. *Rathkenny Honey Bee* bred two foals by this *Ballydonagh Casanova* son; the first *Cloughreagh Sirah* now competes in England and '*Charlie*' is the second.

Wilderwood Storm 2004. Westside Mirah (CP) – Mercury (ISH). Breeder: Deirdre Loughran, Co Meath.







Cloughreagh Charlie (ISH) (TIH)

Wilderwood Storm is the second of Westside Mirah's progeny and another Meath-bred pony on last year's team. Deirdre felt his 135cms dam Mercury merited breeding from, due to her exceptional jump, speed and bravery and that most of Storm's ability comes from this "remarkably talented" mare.

Another to select the late *Westside Mirah* for his temperament and rideability, the resultant *Wilderwood Storm* was originally produced to international level by Deirdre's daughter Caoimhe Eivers, a keen eventing and tetrathlon competitor.

Determined not to sell 'Storm', Deirdre was lucky to "find Carol Swan and Harry, a unique team" to fulfil the pony's European potential. Another proud breeder saluted at the Horse Sport Ireland Breeders Awards last December, she has an exciting prospect in the pipeline in Wilderwood Silvaroo. Storm's full-sister Wilderwood Flight produced this two-year-old filly by the Master Imp son, Jackaroo.

Little Miss Fernhill 2007. Royal Sparrow (CP) – Buster Lass (ISH) (TIH), by Buster King (TB). Breeder: Christopher O'Sullivan, Co Cork.

Although the O'Sullivans had previously bred American event rider Molly Hooper Bull's four-star horse *Kiltartan, Little Miss Fernhill* is the only pony bred by the Cork family. She is the third of the 2018 team by a Connemara stallion and the decision to use a



Little Miss Fernhill (ISH) (TIH)

Connemara on *Buster Lass,* "a quite small and light-boned" mare from the *Busted* line, was a wise one.

Having spotted *Royal Sparrow* in the All Irelander at Millstreet, the O'Sullivans were impressed by his performance and conformation.

Little Miss Fernhill has had a string of talented riders, from being hunted as a four-year-old by Louise Coleman, then evented to Novice level and schooled by Angela and Patrick Dennehy. She was sold as an eight-year-old to Carol Gee and added to the impressive Irish medal tally at European level with Sophie Foyle.



Irish Sport Horses Triumph at the FEI WBFSH Young Event Horse Championships at Le Lion d'Angers

he Irish Sport Horse Studbook won the overall title for the second consecutive year at the FEI WBFSH World Breeding Eventing Championships for Young Horses at Le Lion d'Angers in France. In addition Irish Sport Horses also won three individual medals from a possible six.

Great Britain's Tom Jackson rode the Irish Sport Horse *Capels Hollow Drift* (ISH) to claim individual Silver in the 7 Year Old Section. *Capels Hollow Drift* (ISH) was bred in County Clare by Jeanette Glynn.

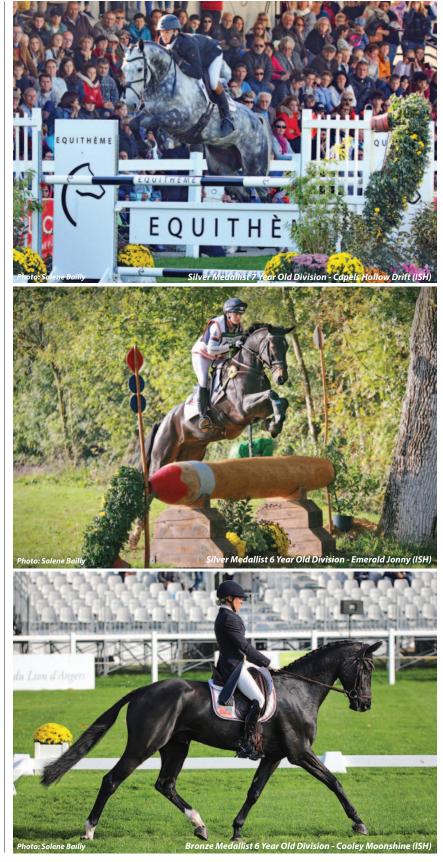
Irish Sport Horses also claimed both Silver and Bronze medals in the Six Year Old section. Silver went to *Emerald Jonny* (ISH) and Great Britain's *Piggy French. Emerald Jonny* (ISH) was bred by Donnacha Quinn in Co Mayo. The USA's Liz Halliday-Sharp and Irish Sport Horse *Cooley Moonshine* (ISH) won Bronze ensuring two of the three medal slots in this section were filled by Irish Sport Horses. *Cooley Moonshine* (ISH) was bred in Wexford by Michael J Kavanagh. The full breeding details of the medal winning horses are listed below:

Capels Hollow Drift (ISH) – by *Shannondale Sarco St Ghyvan* (BEWB) and out of *Lucky Crest* (ISH) [TIH], by *Lucky Gift* (TB). Bred by Jeanette Glynn, Co Clare. Owned by Sarah Webb.

Emerald Jonny (ISH) - by Waldo Van Dungen (KWPN) and out of Z Royalty Van De Heernis (KWPN), by Rubels (OLD). Bred by Donnacha Quinn, Co Mayo. Owned by Thomas March.

Cooley Moonshine (ISH) – by Cobra (HOLST) and out of *Kilpatrick Duchess* (ISH), by *Kings Master* (ISH) [TIH]. Bred by Michael J Kavanagh, Co Wexford. Owned by Deborah Hall.

The top placed Irish riders competing on Irish Sport Horses were Clare Abbot riding Jewelent (ISH) finishing in 8th place and Cathal Daniels riding OLS King Aragon (ISH) finishing in 10th place. Jewelent (ISH) is a 6 year old gelding by Valent (KWNP) and out of Bellaney Jewel (TB)(IRL) by Roselier (TB), that was bred in County Armagh by J. W. Rosbotham. OLS King Aragon (ISH) is a 7 year old gelding by Samgemjee [ISH] and out of Just Beauty Queen [ISH] by Seamanship (TB), that was bred in County Kildare by Kieran Connors.







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Irish Draughts in the UK



Bowland Lucky Slipper and Magnus Nicholson at The Horse of the Year Show

n 1990 we purchased a 3-year-old RID mare, *Nellies Version* by *Silver Sam* RID, who was in foal to *Shauna's Diamond* RID. In 2007 *Bowland Be Lucky*, a great granddaughter of *Nellies*, was put in foal to *Alice's Diamond Slipper* and produced a pale chestnut colt that would exceed all our expectations.



Bowland Lucky Slipper with owner Julie Cornthwaite winning the Blue Chip & IDHS (GB) £2000 Challenge Championship

Bowland Lucky Slipper, known to his friends as 'Louis', soon started to turn grey and from being a somewhat plain foal he soon changed and the ugly duckling turned into a swan. Once gelded he was shown lightly in-hand with considerable success notably winning and being made Champion at the Great Yorkshire Show and taking

the Supreme Championship at the Irish Draught Annual Breed Show.

Louis then started his career under saddle, and went from strength to strength. He is a natural show-off, who loves

people looking at him, and he has a presence and attitude that say 'look at me'. He won the Irish Draught Ridden Class at the Great Yorkshire and was made the Ridden Champion at the Annual Irish Draught Breed Show twice.

Louis was also competing successfully in British Dressage and it was at one of these competitions that he caught the eye of professional producer

By JULIE CORNTHWAITE

BOWLAND LUCKY SLIPPER (RID)

b. 2008 by Alice's Diamond Slipper (ID C1) ex Bowland Be Lucky (RID GB) dam sire Kensons Aragorn (ID C1)

> Magnus Nicholson. We then continued to produce *Louis* at home and Magnus took the ride on *Louis* in Heavyweight Hunter classes. As some people said – it was a match made in heaven putting two show-offs together!

> The partnership was a real success, and one of the many highlights was the pair of them taking the overall Hunter Championship at The Great Yorkshire Show. They also qualified, and were placed in the top five, at The Horse of the Year Show every year being placed second in the Heavyweight Hunters in 2016.

> However as breeders and stallion owners of Irish Draughts, winning the Blue Chip and IDHS (GB) £2000 Challenge Championship at our Annual Breed Show was literally a dream come true. We were so proud when one of the judges said: "he epitomises everything that is good about the breed, he oozes quality and gives a fantastic ride."

> Hopefully, following in *Louis's* footsteps will be *Bowland Jasper*, who is out of a full sister to *Louis* by *Silver Jasper* (ID C1). He has had a great start to his career winning last year as a 2-year-old at The Great Yorkshire Show, and taking the Moorbennhall Irish Draught Championship at our Annual Breed Show.



Bowland Jasper winner of the Moorbennhall Championship at the IDHS (GB) Annual Breed Show



Autumn Mare Selection Results 2018

IRISH DRAUGHT HORSE STUDBOOK 2018

		ved CLASS 1 BRONZE MER Studbook Mare Inspection			BRONZE MERIT for ATHLETICISM
Name	YOB	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Owner
Crosshue Regina (ID)	2015	Rebel (IDC1)	Ballylusk Trump (RID)	Golden Trump (IDC1)	Oliver Walsh
Sorrel Queen (ID)	2014	Prescotts Diamond (IDC1)	Derrynagara Sorrel (RID)	Rakish Paddy (IDC1)	Gerard Reilly
		ved CLASS 1 BRONZE MER Studbook Mare Inspection		CONFOR	BRONZE MERIT for MATION & MOVEMENT
Name	YOB	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Owner
Cailin Fiach (ID)	2011	Huntingfield Rebel (IDC1)	An Cailin Oir (RID)	Kensons King William (IDC1)	Michael O Sullivan
		ved CLASS 1 BRONZE MER Studbook Mare Inspection		THLETICISM, CONFOR	BRONZE MERIT for MATION & MOVEMENT
Name	YOB	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Owner
Mountbriscoe Skyelough (ID)	2015	Moylough Bouncer (IDC1)	Fairhill Sky (RID)	Uibh Fhaili'81 (IDC1)	Margaret Edgill
Irish Draught Mares that 2018 Irish Draught Horse		ved CLASS 1 status at the book Mare Inspections			CLASS 1
Name	YOB	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Owner
Ballygill Phoebe (ID)	2014	Carrickrock Close Shave (IDC1)	Aughrim Phoebe (RID)	Clover Hill (IDC1)	Martin Donnellan
Ballyvourney Scrap Woman (ID)	2016	Scrapman (IDC1)	Baltydaniel Beauty Queen (IDC1)	Fast Silver (IDC1)	Sean Scannell
Bramblebrough Aisling (ID)	2016	Dunbeggan Grey Mist (IDC1)	Wild Irish Molly (IDC4)	Coolcronan Wood (IDC1)	Joan Douglas
Callows Ceili (ID)	2015	Avanti Amorous Archie (RIDGB)	Kingstead Emma (RID)	Donovan (GB) (TB)	Clare Sheeran
Callows Georgiana (ID)	2013	Young George (IDC2)	Athlone Annie (RID)	Sir Rivie (IDC1)	Maeve O Meara
Camp Hill Aron (ID)	2015	Penmerryls Rhythm & Blues (IDC1)	Thena (IDC1)	Fast Silver (IDC1)	Gearoid Wycherly
Clandonagh Cailin Croiul (ID)	2009	Coolcronan Wood (IDC1)	Noras Pride (AID)	The Conqueror (IDC1)	Teresa Healy
Clogheen Suzie (ID)	2016	Gortfree Hero (IDC1)	Baltydaniel Silver Queen (RID)	Fast Silver (IDC1)	Daniel Molloy
Cloonacauneen Lionhawk Lady (ID)	2015	Harkaway Lionhawk (IDC1)	Cloonacauneen Lady (RID)	Grey Macha (IDC1)	Owen Griffin
Cloonacauneen Red Robin (ID)	2015	Tors Gentleman Farmer (IDC1)	Lissyegan Chancer (IDC1)	Cloonacauneen 4th Champ (IDC2)	Adrian Burke
Dappled Daisy (ID)	2009	Star Kingdom (IDC1)	Clockeane Beatue (RID)	King Henry (IDC1)	Ollie Lowry
FA Silver Rose (ID)	2009	Classic Vision (IDC1)	Silver Poppy (RID)	Silver Granite (IDC1)	Corinne Ward Hughes
Fidachta Hazel (ID)	2013	Prescotts Diamond (IDC1)	Woodclose Rosaria (RID)	Merry Mate (IDC1)	Martin O Neill
Gloves Fanta (ID)	2015	Castlegar Fin Grove (IDC1)	Killeen Fire (IDC1)	Island King (IDC1)	Stephen & Marion Costello
Kilcahill Champion (ID)	2013	Huntingfield Rebel (IDC1)	Kilcahill Angel (RID)	Welcome Flagmount (IDC1)	Patrick Coen
Lackaghbeg Mourne Crest (ID)	2013	Mourne Mountain Star (IDC1)	Lackaghbeg Crest (RID)	Sea Crest (IDC1)	Paddy Joyce
Loughlynn Pearl (ID)	2009	Mountain Pearl (IDC1)	Loughlynn Rose (AID)	Castana (IDC1)	Rebecaa Hoary
Lucky Lisrobin (ID)	2016	Lock Key (IDC2)	Lisrobin Lady (IDC1)	Fast Silver (IDC1)	John B O Connor
Macha Clover (ID)	2010	Offaly Clover (IDC1)	Macha Rua (RID)	Western Pride (IDC1)	Patricia Ryan
Maureens Superstar (ID)	2010	Hillviewfarm Superstar (IDC1)	Marueen Girl (RID)	Gold Link (IDC1)	Mark Delaney
Mogeely Irish Rarity (ID)	2015	Crannagh Hero (IDC1)	Lissyegan Black Beauty (RID)	Coille Mor Hill (IDC1)	John B O Connor
Moylough Melody (ID)	2015	Beechmore Silver Crest (IDC1)	Orlcon Star (IDC1)	Star Kingdom (IDC1)	Patrick Hoare
Moylough Willow (ID)	2015	Shenandoah Prince Holly (IDC1)	Dame Hill (IDC1)	Windgap Blue (IDC1)	Patrick Hoare
Ormond Sky (ID)	2008	Star Kingdom (IDC1)	Derrnagarra Sorrel (RID)	Rakish Paddy (IDC1)	John Butler
Pride of Healys Hill (ID)	2014	Coolcronan Wood (IDC1)	Cappnahana Dollt (ID)	Pride of Toames (IDC1)	John Joseph Farrell
Rathlong Rosie (ID)	2003	Donvan (GB) (IDC1)	Derry Cara (IDC1)	Adare (IDC1)	Judith Cowley
Rosie Goldseeker (ID)	2015	Skipping Grange (IDC2)	Miriam of Donard (RID)	Castana (IDC1)	Geraldine Berney
Silver Elm (ID)	2015	Fast Silver (IDC1)	Elms Choice (IDC1)	Elm Hill (IDC1)	Bridget Devaney
Twilight Sparkle (ID)	2015	Gleneven Rebel (IDC1)	Cahernmoon Star (RID)	Carrabawn View (IDC1)	Ollie Lowry
Unnamed (ID)	2015	Windgap Blue (IDC1)	Black Cat Kelly (IDC2)	Gurran Golden Eye (IDC1)	James Kelly
Unnamed (ID)	2015	Shenandoah Prince Holly (IDC1)	Cullaen Suzy (RID)	Crannagh Hero (IDC1)	Kieran Phelan

Irish Draught Mares that 2018 Irish Draught Hors		ved GRADE UP status at th book Mare Inspections	ne		GRADE UP
Name	YOB	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Owner
Ballygurrane Bell (ISH) [TIH]	2012	Pride of Meath (IDC1)	Madame April (ISH)	Merry Mate (IDC1)	Edeline Kent
Belville Poppy (ID)	2008	Rockrimmon Silver Diamond (IDC1)	Gold Fancy (ISH)	Kildalton Gold (IDC1)	Gerald Fallon

Every effort has been made to ensure that no inaccuracies have occurred in collating this data. If you would like your mare's passport updated to reflect her current classification, please send it in to the HSI Registrations Department. If your mare meets the criteria for 3 Star Level or above, please contact the HSI Breeding Department with the relevant performance information and your mare will be upgraded to SELECT, upon verification of her performance records.



Autumn Mare Selection Results 2018 contd.

IRISH SPORT HORSE STUDBOOK 2018

Mares that achieved SEI 2018 Irish Sport Horse S					SELECT 3
Name	YOB	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Owner
Ballylurgan Dancing Queen (ISH) [TIH]	2011	Crosstown Dancer (IDC1)	Warrior Queen (ISH) [TIH]	Euphemism (TB)	Samuel J Smyth
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Mares that achieved SEI 2018 Irish Sport Horse S					SELECT
lame	YOB	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Owner
nnsfort Infinity (ISH)	2015	0.B.O.S. Quality 004 (OLD)	Silver Tassle (ISH)	Ceredigion (TB)	Patricia Lalor
Sallymolloy Starlette (ISH)	2013	0.B.O.S. Quality 004 (OLD)	Ballymolly Epona (ISH) [TIH]	Ghareeb (GB) (TB)	Gill Langford
ourneenig Lass (ISH) [TIH]	2012	Kasmayo (GB) (TB)	Bournahulla Lass (ISH) [TIH]	Holycross (IDC1)	Dan Murphy
Ila Rose Cruise Down (ISH)	2015	Berkley Cruise (ISH)	Touchdown Diamond (ISH)	Cavalier Krystle (ISH)	John Hyde
Wonder (HOLST)	2015	For Pleasure (HANN)	Sambia (KWPN)	Alba (KWPN)	Robert Hatton
ersina (KWPN)	2015	Baltic VDL (KWPN)	Dersina (KWPN)	Indoctro (HOLST)	Andrew Hughes
eylogues Red Clover (ISH)	2011	Mr Clover (ISH)	Keylogues Rose (ISH) [TIH]	Kildalton Gold (IDC1)	Katie Frazer
GS Dynamite (ISH)	2016	Beach Ball (ISH)	Yew Safari (ISH)	HHS BR Charlton (ISH)	Yvonne Whiteside
retty Vegas B (ISH)	2014	Radolin (KWPN)	Venus 115 (KWPN)	Voltaire (HANN)	Etter Sportpfferde AG
erenade B (ISH)	2014	Tullibards Bennys Legacy (OLD)	Layla B (ISH)	Radolin (KWPN)	Etter Sportpferde AG
alencia B (ISH)	2014	Stetter (KWPN)	Marissa B (ISH)	Radolin (KWPN)	Claudia Gisler
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lame	YOB		Dam	Damsire	Owner
Arctic Light B (ISH)	2015	Exxon Hedonist (SBS)	Gingerina (OLD)	Gingerino (OLD)	Etter Sportpfferde AG
eezies Contrast (ISH)	2010	Don Primus (HANN)	Skreenmor Dark Stranger (ISH) [TIH]	Big Sink Hope (USA) (TB)	Simone Hession
eezies Rose (ISH) [TIH]	2004	Moot Point (USA) (TB)	Princess of Woodlands (RID)	Pride of Toames (IDC1)	Simone Hession
enamore Bouncer (ISH)	2007	Grange Bouncer (IDC1)	Pollypark (ISH)	Unknown	James Carroll
GS Eazy Peazy (ISH)	2015	Ramiro B (BWP)	Emmas Courage (ISH)	Courage II (HOLST)	Patrick Byrne
asharee B (ISH)	2014	Stetter (KWPN)	Janis B (ISH)	Radolin (KWPN)	Etter Sportpferde AG
BI Ice Queen (ISH)	2015	Baltic VDL (KWPN)	Caprice (HOLST)	Cassini II (HOLST)	John Mc Donnell
era Cara B (ISH)	2015	O-Piloth (KWPN)	Cricket Z (ZANG)	Caretano Z (HOLST)	Etter Sportpferde AG
ruising Blue (ISH)	2015	Plot Blue (KWPN)	Winter Cruise (ISH)	Cruising (ISH) [TIH]	Dr Noel Cawley
etroit B (ISH)	2014	Stetter (KWPN)	Abigail 45 (GWB)	Acord II (KWPN)	Etter Sportpferde AG
viagrana BF (OS)	2013	Diarado's Boy (OLD)	Carpana (OS)	Cartogran (OLD)	Elaine O Neill
Dixie Donna B (ISH)	2015	Lanjuweel St Hubert (BEWB)	Donna De Vita (WESTF)	Dinard L (WESTF)	Etter Sportpferde AG
ISH Rosalita (ISH)	2015	ARS Vivendi (HOLST)	Olympics Corner (ISH)	Olympic Lux (KWPN)	Seamus Drea
clipse B (ISH)	2014	O-Piloth (KWPN)	Gerboise De Vermont (SF)	Narcos II (SF)	Etter Sportpfferde AG
melee (ISH)	2014	Emerald Van't Ruythershof (BWP)		Lux Z (HANN)	Catriona Redmond
imerald Izzy (ISH)	2008	Tinaranas Inspector (WESTF)	Expectation (ISH) [TIH]	Coevers Diamond Boy (ISH)	Aoife Chambers
imzo (ISH)	2014	Voss (KWPN)	Zama (KWPN)	Quattro B (SF)	John Mc Donnell
olly Stuff (SF)	2015	Cornet Obolensky (BWP)	Hot Stuff (BWP)	Darco (BWP)	Catriona Redmond
WS Southern Belle (ISH)	2015		Ballyguirke Belle (ISH)	0.B.O.S. Quality 004 (OLD)	Niamh Rothwell
alactika B (ISH)	2014	O-Piloth (KWPN)	Burberry B (ISH)	Wildlife B (SWWB)	Etter Sportpfferde AG
eorgia B (ISH)	2014	O-Piloth (KWPN)	Laguna Beach B (ISH)	Abalou Verte (KWPN)	Etter Sportpferde AG
loutane Tequila Royal (ISH)	2015	Tolan R (KWPN)	Fine Pearl (ISH)	Cavalier Royale (HOLST)	Coleman Comerford
oodwins Royalty (ISH)	2015	Royal Concorde (ISH)	Goodwins Bade (ISH)	Master Imp (TB)	Goodwins Gardens
raigue Princess Lady (ISH) [TIH]	2011	Penmerryls Rhythm & Blues (IDC1)		Rantis Diamond (ISH)	Marie Ahern
leadleys Catch (HOLST)	2015	Colman (HOLST)	Unlimited 16 (HOLST)	Herakdik (TB)	Patricia Lalor
ley Groovey B (ISH)	2015	Aganix Du Seigneur (SBS)	Unique Van De Donkhoeve (BWEB)	Heartbreaker (KWPN)	Etter Sportpferde AG
a Belle Stability (AES)	2015	CAREMBAR DE MUZE (BWP)	Balonka K (KWPN)	Taloubet Z (KWPN)	Premier Sport Horses
adolottie HST (KWPN)	2015	Diamant De Semilly (SF)	Flirt (KWPN)	Quality Time (HOLST)	Robert Hatton
annan Diamantee (ISH)	2015	Kannan (KWPN)	Foxy Cleopatra R (ISH)	VDL Arkansas (KWPN)	Tom McGurk
ilmanahan Ruby Diamond (ISH) [TIH]	2010	Colin Diamond (ISH) [TIH]	Ballydongah Ruby (ISH) [TIH]	Urlingford (TB)	Paschal Connolly
ittens (ISH)	2014	Cobra (HOLST)	Pure Irish Malt (ISH)	Maltstriker (KWPN)	Joseph Gallagher
ady of Oldcourt (ISH) [TIH]	2004	Caesar Imperator (FR) (TB)	Lady Artic (ISH) [TIH]	Mister Lord (USA) (TB)	Mary Jennings Hegarty
isrobin Molly (ISH)	2009	ARS Vivendi (HOLST)	Lisrobin Datus (ISH)	Aldatus Z (OLD)	John B O Connor
lanhattans Little Angel (ISH)	2010	Manhattan (KWPN)	Zama (KWPN)	Quattro B (SF)	Des Mc Donnell
DS One Too Many (ISH) [TIH]	2010	Loch Cruise (ISH)	Tongar Jasmine (ISH) [TIH]	Golden Trump (IDC1)	Peter & Stacey Dickenson
oonlight Escape B (ISH)	2014	Exxonn Hedonist (SBS)	Paskwein V.D. Kamphoeve (KWPN)	Askoll Peter Pan (OLD)	Etter Sportpferde AG
	2015	Metropole (KWPN)	Brockagh Classic Lady (ISH) [TIH]	Classic Vision (IDC1)	Susan Fitzpatrick
			Disenagi classic Lauy (ISH) [III]		Sasun inzpatrick
IRF Tiffin (ISH) dessa (BWP)	2014	I Am Moerhoeve's Star (BWP)	Fiona (WESTF)	Pamela (WESTF)	Zara Glennon Cully

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Keylogues Red Clover (ISH) by Mr Clover (ISH) out of Keylogues Rosie (ISH)

2013 Dream Boy M (KWPN)



Emzo (ISH) by Voss (KWPN) out of Zama (KWPN)

Cavalier Poyale (HOLST)

Cathorino Hanna

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Name	YOB	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Owner
Premier Dotty (ISH)	2014	Balou Du Rouet (OLD)	Premier Hope (ISH)	Hermes De Reve (BE) (SF)	Joanne Hennigan
Rosco Roseanna (ISH)	2014	Lancelot (KWPN)	S.I.E.C. Alienne (BSW)	Alvarez 17 (KWPN)	Amanda Jones
Saunderscourt Robin Foaly (ISH) [TIH]	2014	Robin De La Maison (TB)	Saunderscourt Presenting (ISH) [TIH]	Carrick Diamond Lad (ISH) [TIH]	Albert McDonald
Scally Print (TB)	2009	Blueprint (IRE) (TB)	Mockba (IRE) (TB)	Supreme Leader (TB)	Timothy Holland
Trendy Caruso Cruise (ISH)	2014	Bahrain Cruise (ISH) [TIH]	Chantel S (DR)	Caruso (HOLST)	Charles Hanley
Trendy Covers Swatch (ISH) [TIH]	2014	Watermill Swatch (TB)	Coevers Jackie (ISH)	Coevers Diamond Boy (ISH)	Charles Hanley
Tullogher Lady Liberty (ISH)	2015	Indoctro (HOLST)	Dalivia VDL (KWPN)	Indorado (HOLST)	Ciara Walsh McIntyre
Unnamed (ISH)	2015	Womanizer (KWPN)	Kylebrack Rebel (ISH) [TIH]	Rich Rebel (TB)	Hannah Wood
Unnamed (ISH)	2015	Orestus (KWPN)	Sansa (ISH)	Quality Safari (ISH)	Vincent Digby
		ENTARY SELECT status tudbook Mare Inspections			SUPPLEMENTARY SELECT
Name	YOB	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Owner
Ballinree Tornado (ISH)	2008	Acrobat (TB)	Unknown	Unknown	Michael Coughlan
Daenerys Targaryen (ISH)	2014	Robin De La Maison (TB)	Balistown Lady (UNK)	Not Recorded	Jimmie Quirke

HVL HUJAH FHILCESS (ISH)	2013		rigilialiu Lauy C (ISH)	Cavaller Royale (HOLST)	Catherine Hanna
		IENTARY ENTRY status studbook Mare Inspections			SUPPLEMENTARY ENTRY
Name	YOB	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Owner
Newtowngore Star (ISH)	2004	Doranstown Hallo (ISH)	Unknown	Unknown	Avena O'Keeffe

Highland Lady C (ISH)

IRISH SPORT PONY STUDBOOK 2018

Mares that achieved SE 2018 Irish Sport Pony S					SELECT
Name	YOB	Sire	Dam	Damsire	Owner
Bobby Joy (ISH)	2015	Parkmore Bobby (CP)	Spirited Dolly (ISH)	Spirit House (TB)	Patricia Molloy Skehan
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			at the Dam	Damsire	
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2018 Irish Sport Pony S Name	tudboo YOB	k Mare Inspections Sire	Dam		SELECT Owner

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