

## **HUNTER RIDING CLASSES**

Commencing at 9am sharp

Entry Fee £14

### **CUPS AND SPECIAL PRIZES**

#### **Cather Cup**

Presented by Miss Clodagh Cather, Crawfordsburn

Champion Exhibit in Hunter Section

To be won three times – not necessarily in succession

#### **The Faulkner Cup**

Presented by the late Mr JA Faulkner, OBE, Doon Cultra

Champion Ulster Four Year Old

Best four year old Mare or Gelding likely to make a Hunter, bred in Ulster

#### **The Ledsome Lad Cup**

Presented by the McDonald Family

Winner of Race Horse to Riding Horse Open Ridden Class

#### **The Goodacre Trophy**

Presented in memory of the late Robert Goodacre Edgar

#### **Touch of Colour Cup**

Presented by Julia Murdoch McLaughlin

Winner of Coloured Horse Class

#### **Gawley Gaskin Cup**

Winner of Side Saddle

**Fairy Lily Cup**

Winner of Champion Riding Horse

**Audrey Smith Trophy**

Presented to COB champion

**RIDDEN HUNTER CHAMPIONSHIP**

For Classes RH1 – RH4

**COB CHAMPIONSHIP**

**RIDING HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP**

For Classes RH11 – RH13

All grooms must be presentable and best turned out groom on the day will receive a special prize. Lightweights, middleweights, heavyweights and small hunter passports may be inspected.

## CLASSES

**Ridden Hunter Championship (classes RH1 – RH5) sponsored by Soaks Bathrooms. Prize: Champion £80 Reserve £40**

- RH1: Hunter, mare or gelding, 4 years old only. Rider any age.
- RH2: Hunter, mare or gelding, 4 years old & over, capable of carrying up to 79.5kgs (12 st 7 lbs).
- RH3: Hunter, mare or gelding, 4 years old & over, capable of carrying over 79.5kgs (12st 7lbs) to 89kgs(14 stone) Rider any age.
- RH4: Hunter, mare or gelding, 4 years old & over, capable of carrying over 89kgs (14 stone) Rider any age.
- RH5: Small Hunter, 4 years old and over, mare or gelding, exceeding 148cms and not exceeding 158cms. Rider any age.
- RH6: Side Saddle, open to horses 148cm and over, Rider over 18 on 1st January 2017
- RH7: Side Saddle, Costume Concourd

**COB Championship (classes RH8 – RH10) sponsored by Caroline McBurney Equine Photographers**

***Commencing at 9.00 a.m. sharp***

- RH8: Lightweight Cob, mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 148cms but not exceeding 155cms, to carry up to 14st. Riders to have attained their 15th birthday by 1st January of the current year.
- RH9: Heavyweight Cob, mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 148cms but not exceeding 155cms, to carry 14st. and upwards. Riders to have attained their 15th birthday by 1st January of the current year.
- RH10: Maxi Cob, mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 155cms to Carry 14st. and upwards. Must be shown hogged. Riders to have attained their 15th birthday by 1st January of the current year.

**Riding Horse Championship (classes RH11-RH12)**

- RH11: Open Riding Horse, mare or gelding, 4 years old & over exceeding 148cms but not exceeding 158cms. Riders to have attained their 15<sup>th</sup> birthday before 1st January of the current year.
- RH12: Open Riding Horse, mare or gelding, 4 years old & over exceeding 158cms. Riders to have attained their 15th birthday before 1<sup>st</sup> January of the current year.
- RH13: **Entry Fee £12 for Members of Race Horse to Riding Horse Ireland Only**  
Class limited to 20 entries, entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis.

**Race Horse to Riding Horse Ireland - Retraining class**  
(within the confines of the Show Ring).

Open to thoroughbred horses which have raced either on the track or p2p  
horses must not have:

- \*won more than 3 classes in either retraining or novice competitions
- \*won an open class under Racehorse to Riding Horse Ireland rules
- \*won or placed in the first three at a championship show such as Royal Dublin Society, Balmoral, Hickstead or Wembley
- \*won a County Show ridden class as a Hunter Hack or Riding class

Passport and Racing details to be made available for inspection on the day of the show

Competitors must have attained their 15th birthday Proper show turnout essential

Please note horses to be shown in SNAFFLE Bits only and NO Spurs to be worn in this class

The judges do not ride the horse but score on control obedience manners and way of going

The format is walk trot as a group then will be asked to line up before being asked to perform an individual show consisting of walk trot canter (on the correct leg) and extension/gallop returning to halt which is maintained for 5 seconds

Neither racing injuries/blemishes nor conformation is taken into consideration

A score sheet is completed in respect of all competitors and will be available for viewing after the class has been judged

There will be a prize/rosette for bested turned-out horse and prize/rosette for the best placed veteran horse in class (over 15yrs)

Bad manners from either horse and/or rider may result in the competitor being asked to leave the ring. In the event of a tie the Judges' preference will decide the winner. The Judges' decision is final. Eligibility as per Racehorse to Riding Horse Ireland Rules.

**RH14: Entry Fee £12 for Members of Race Horse to Riding Horse Ireland**

Class limited to 20 entries, entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis.

**Open Ridden Class Sponsored by: Down Royal Racecourse**

The league will be run on a points system and a Trophy presented to the overall winner. Each competitor in this class will receive a pair of tickets to attend the Down Royal Racecourse, and on completing three competitions within the Down Royal League are eligible to take part in the Final of the competition, which is based on the points received on the judges ride (not the placing within each competition) Therefore the score sheets are retained by the association until the final leg has taken place.

Open to all Thoroughbred horses who have raced or point to point. Passport and Racing details must be available on the day of the Show. Riders to have attained their 15th birthday on the day of the Show. Proper show turnout is essential. Competitors will be asked to perform walk, trot and canter (on the correct leg), gallop, halt (which is to be maintained for 5 seconds) and a few steps of rein back. The Judge will also ride each horse. A score sheet will be completed in respect of all competitors and is available for viewing after the Show but will be retained by the Association until the conclusion of the league. Racing injuries, blemishes etc are not taken into consideration in these classes. Bad manners from either horse and/or rider may result in the competitor being asked to leave the ring. In the event of a tie the Judges' preference will decide the winner. The Judges decision is final. Eligibility as per Racehorse to Riding Horse Ireland Rules.

RH15: Coloured Horses - Mares or Geldings, 4 years old or over, exceeding 153cm. Rider any age.

RH16: Veteran Horse. Horses 16 years and over, exceeding 148cms. Riders to have attained their 15th birthday by 1st January of the current year.