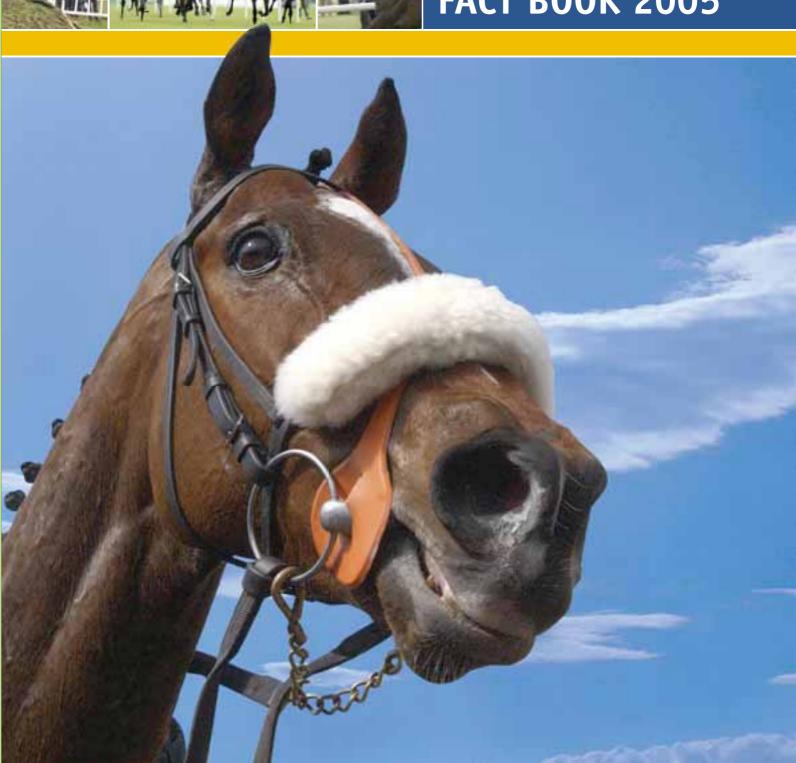




HORSE RACING IRELAND

**FACT BOOK 2005** 





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n behalf of Horse Racing Ireland, I am delighted to present the second edition of the Irish Racing Fact Book. This annual compilation consists of key statistics for the racing industry in Ireland including analysis of betting turnover and breeding output.

Irish racing enjoyed a very successful 2005, with unprecedented success for Irish trained horses, record attendances and a 28.7% growth in bloodstock sales.

Irish trained horses won nine races at Cheltenham and eight at Aintree, while flat successes included three of the five English Classics, the Eclipse and Nassau Stakes, the King George VI and Queen

Elizabeth Diamond Stakes, the Arlington Million and both of France's principal races for two year olds.

Attendances at Irish Racecourses reached an all-time record of 1.43 million. The Festival meetings at Punchestown, the Curragh, Galway, Listowel and Leopardstown were the star performers, with a buoyant second half of the year contributing most of the growth of almost 44,000 racegoers on the 2004 figures.

The increase in the value of horse sales at public auction from €113 million to almost €146 million was very encouraging and an indicator of the strong demand for bloodstock.

Furthermore, record Tote betting, increased sponsorship and sustained growth in the number of horses in training are all

competed in 2,241 races with prize money valued at almost €51.2 million. The owners' contribution to prize money decreased to 26.2%, while HRI increased its contribution to 58.4%, with the remaining contributions sourced from race sponsorship (10.9%), the European Breeders Fund (3.8%), and Northern Ireland Funding (0.7%). Off-Course betting turnover totalled €2.29 billion, while on-course betting was almost €237 million. The Tote achieved a record turnover of almost €49.3 million.

Following on from the first edition last year, we have made enhancements including additional reporting on attendance, fixture, entry and runner statistics. However, we seek to expand the statistical information contained here in future years and would welcome any suggestions you may have.

indicators of the vibrancy of the sport and its continued appeal for the Irish public. In summary, racing in 2005 took place at 26 racecourses (including two in Northern Ireland), which staged a Brian Kavanagh, total of 313 fixtures. 31,410 runners Chief Executive of Horse Racing Ireland SOME OF THE HEADLINE FIGURES FOR THE YEARS IN COMPARISON BETWEEN 2001 AND 2005 ARE: • Number of fixtures up 17% from 268 to 313 Number of races up 16% from 1,935 to 2,241 Number of runners up 18% from 26,606 to 31,410 • Total prize money up 21% from €42.2 million to €51.2 million • Attendances up 3% from 1,386,517 to 1,430,122 • On-Course betting up 10% from €215 million to €237 million • Tote Betting up 37% from €36.1 million to €49.3 million • Off-Course betting (on all events) up 69% from €1.35 billion to €2.29 billion Number of foals born up 24% from 9,452 to 11,748 • Number of stallions at stud up 16% from 349 to 405 • Number of horses in training up 18% from 8,800 to 10,416 • Commercial sponsorship, including EBF, up 6.5% from €7,062,045 to €7,520,470.



# **JANUARY**

he Charles-Byrnes trained Cloudy Bays justified 1/1 favouritism in the Wilf Dooly Chase at Tramore on New Years Day to set up a double for jockey Andrew J. McNamara which was completed by Tobeornotobe (3/1 fav) in the beginners chase. Ruby Walsh was seen at his brilliant best when getting Homer Wells (5/2) home by a head in a thrilling finish to the Slaney Novice Hurdle at Naas the following day while Barry Geraghty enjoyed an easier time of it aboard Thomas O'Leary's Scarthy Lad who comfortably defeated Boneyarrow in the Phil Sweeney Memorial Chase at Thurles four days later.

At Leopardstown on January 9th, there was a popular victory for the Michael O'Brien trained Essex in the Pierse Hurdle as the 5/1 favourite

a length while on the same card trainer Arthur Moore continued his wonderful record in the Pierse Leopardstown Chase when Marcus Du Berlais (13/2) proved a clearcut winner in the hands of Barry Cash.

At Punchestown the following Saturday, the Eric McNamara trained Strangely Brown (8/1) proved too strong for the favourite Sky's The Limit by a length and a half and at Fairyhouse a day later, the Dessie Hughes trained Central House followed up his fine win at Leopardstown the previous month with a decisive victory in the Normans Grove Chase (Grade 2). There was a very exciting finish to the Thyestes Chase at Gowran Park in mid-January when Martin Brassil's Numbersixvalverde

just edged out Kymandjen

Niall Madden, with his most important victory to date and on the same card, Emotional Moment proved much too strong for his three rivals with an easy all the way win in the Galmoy Hurdle under Barry Geraghty, the highlight of an excellent treble for the rider on the day. At Naas, Pat Hughes's Point Barrow relished every yard of the three mile trip when accounting for Lincam to win the Woodlands Park 100 Club Novice Chase while Philip Fenton's Sher Beau was left clear by the fall of Tumbling Dice at the second last flight to win the Cedar Building Hurdle.

There was a tremendously exciting finish to the AIG Europe Champion Hurdle at Leopardstown in late January when Macs Joy just held off Brave Inca by a short head with Hardy Eustace a further

> Jessica Harrington, Macs Joy was following up his course and distance win in the Bewleys Hotels December Hurdle three weeks earlier and showed plenty of courage in what became an epic battle from the final flight. It proved to be a red letter day for Jessica Harrington as she completed a tremendous Grade One double by saddling Ulaan Bataar to

win the Baileys Arkle Perpetual Challenge Cup under Timmy Murphy earlier in the afternoon.



JANUARY	ATTENDANCE	FIXTURES	ТОТЕ	BOOKMAKERS	SP SHOP	NO OF RUNNERS
2005	60,164	17	2,118,070	9,885,861	612,234	1,481
2004	60,612	16	2,041,923	10,701,985	740,007	1,448
VARIANCE	-448	1	76,147	-816,124	-127,773	33
% VAR	-0.73%	6.25%	3.70%	-7.60%	-17.20%	2.28%



t Naas in early February the 'Mouse' Morris - trained War Of Attrition returned from a four month break from racecourse action to win the Opera

**FEBRUARY** 

Hat Novice Chase without coming off the bridle and the concluding bumper

saw the Willie Mullins trained Missed That stake his Cheltenham claim with a good victory in a hot contest. Twenty four hours later and trainer Willie Mullins was in the news again as Rule Supreme (11/2) gave him a sixth Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup at Leopardstown in the last seven years as he proved much too strong for the odds on favourite, Beef Or Salmon, from the final fence. The Deloitte Novice Hurdle (Grade One) saw Tom Foley's Royal Paradise (4/5 favourite) beat The Railway Man under Mick Fitzgerald while trainer Jessica Harrington enjoyed a memorable onetwo in the third Grade One event on an excellent card when Carrigeen Victor and Robbie Power defeated stable companion Well Presented by a length, the pair having the race to themselves from the final fence.

At Gowran Park the following week the Dessie Hughes trained Hardy Eustace warmed up for Cheltenham with a bloodless twenty five length win in the Red Mills Trial Hurdle and Rathgar Beau took his fourth Grade 2 event of the National Hunt season with a comfortable victory in the Red Mills Trial Chase. Over at Newbury on the same day, Michael O'Briens's Essex followed up his win in

the Pierse Hurdle with an impressive victory in the Totesport Trophy under Barry Geraghty with Al Eile in third place and it was no surprise to hear that this much improved five year old was now a likely runner in the Smurfit Champion Hurdle as the Irish trained horses tightened their grip on the betting market for this race. Indeed, with Essex quoted at a general 9/1, there were now seven Irish challengers at the forefront of the betting for the coveted crown, a situation which had never happened before.

In the McCabe Builders Ltd Boyne Hurdle at Navan 24 hours later, Tom Taaffe's Emotional Moment was left with a simple task after James Bowe's Solerina fell for the first time in her career at the sixth flight and later that day Noel Meade's Watson Lake won the Flyingbolt Novice Chase in fine style from main market rival, Ulaan Bataar. At Fairyhouse the following week, Hedgehunter limbered up for the English Grand National with a good win over Pizarro in the Bobbyjo Steeplechase while Majlis took the Winning Fair Juvenile Hurdle for trainer Michael O'Brien and

at Naas the day after Well Presented gained compensation for a near miss at Leopardstown on his previous outing with a decisive victory in the Anglo Irish Bank Nas Na Riogh Novice Chase.

With the Flat Season just a month away, jockey Jamie Spencer announced that he was quitting his job as number one rider to trainer Aidan O'Brien and after a hectic couple of weeks in which the rumour mill was working overtime as to who would replace him, it was eventually revealed that six time British Champion Jockey, Kieren Fallon, would step into his shoes.

FEBRUARY	ATTENDANCE	FIXTURES	ТОТЕ	BOOKMAKERS	SP SHOP	NO OF RUNNERS
2005	43,484	13	1,491,286	8,037,919	809,013	1,478
2004	64,185	16	1,552,684	12,932,637	783,641	1,675
VARIANCE	-20,701	-3	-61,398	-4,894,718	25,373	-197
% VAR	-32.25%	-18.25%	-3.95%	-37.84%	-3.23%	-11.76%



# MARCH

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'he month of March was dominated by the Cheltenham Festival and for the first time it was extended to a fourth day. Irish trained horses had a magnificent time winning no less than nine races including the 'Big Three' which comprised The Champion Hurdle, The Queen Mother Champion Chase and The Gold Cup. The opening afternoon saw a strong eight-pronged Irish challenge on the Smurfit Champion Hurdle and in a never to be forgotten race, Hardy Eustace showed his class and courage once again with a battling neck victory over compatriots Harchibald and Brave Inca in a spine tingling finish. Harchibald looked sure to score when cruising up between horses at the final flight but when asked for his effort by Paul Carberry, he found very little off the bridle and had to settle for the runner up spot. With Accordion Etoile finishing fourth just ahead of Macs Joy, it was a clean sweep for the Irish in the Champion Hurdle and later that afternoon, Enda Bolger's Spot The difference took the Sporting Index Cross Country Chase under a brilliant ride from John Thomas McNamara while in the last race Miss Nina Carberry became the first lady rider to defeat the professionals at this famous meeting (since Gee Armytage won the 1987 Mildmay Of Flete on Gee A) when she rode the Paul Nolan trained Dabiroun (20/1)

to a clearcut success

in the Fred Winter

Juvenile Handicap

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Hurdle for four year olds. Day two of the Cheltenham Festival featured the Queen Mother Champion Chase and in another wonderful contest, the Jessica Harrington trained Moscow Flyer cemented his place as one of the all time great steeplechasers with a tremendous two length win over Martin Pipe's Well Chief. The heavily backed 6/4 favourite received a marvellous reception in the winners' enclosure and there was further cause for Irish celebration when the Willie Mullins-trained Missed That won the concluding Weatherbys Champion Bumper in the hands of Ruby Walsh to credit the trainer with his fifth victory in this fiercely competitive race. On the Thursday, Rule Supreme was strongly fancied to win the Ladbrokes World Hurdle but had to settle for third place behind Howard Johnson's Inglis Drever while there was more Irish success when Ian Duncan's Another Rum recorded a 40/1 shock win in the National Hunt Chase over four miles and a furlong before the Dessie Hughes trained Oulart took the concluding Pertemps Final Handicap Hurdle at odds of 10/1. The final day of the Festival belonged to the Tom Taaffe trained Kicking King who ran out a very impressive winner of the Totesport Gold Cup just two weeks after connections had ruled him out of the

race after scoping badly. However, the horse recovered quickly and was certainly in rude health on the big day as he raced clear of Take The Stand up the famous hill to send the Irish punters into raptures. To round off an unforgettable festival for the Irish, the 'Mouse' Morris-trained Fota Island landed the Grand Annual Handicap Steeplechase in good style but a big gamble on Michael O'Brien's Beechcourt went astray in the concluding County Hurdle.

The Adrian McGuinness-trained Victram got the 2005 Irish Flat Racing Season off to a good start when taking the Ladbrokes.com Irish Lincolnshire at the Curragh in late March while the following week, the richest ever Powers Gold Label Irish Grand National at Fairyhouse on Easter Monday was won by the Martin Brassil trained Numbersixvalverde under a great ride from Ruby Walsh as they defeated the Ted Walsh trained Jack High by three quarters of a length in an exciting finish. A day later, Christy Roche's high class mare Like-A-Butterfly came late and fast to touch off Forget The Past in the Powers Gold Cup while on the same day, Eamon Sheehy's Justified bounced back from a disappointing run at Cheltenham to win the Mennolly Homes Novice Hurdle and there was a great one-two for Arthur Moore in the Menolly Homes Handicap Hurdle as outsider Bon Temps Ruler (20/1), under Philip Carberry, got the better of Mansony (7/2

favourite) and Nina Carberry by three quarters of a length.

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MARCH	ATTENDANCE	FIXTURES	ТОТЕ	BOOKMAKERS	SP SHOP	NO OF RUNNERS
2005	79,245	18	2,605,982	9,663,767	722,625	2207
2004	37,657	14	1,115,713	6,173,043	436,633	1758
VARIANCE	41,588	4	1,490,269	3,490,724	285,992	449

56.54%

133.00%



**APRIL** 

# 05

t the beginning of the month, the first Group race of the season, the Gladness Stakes, went to the Kevin Prendergast trained Mustameet and seven days later John Oxx's Alayan won the 2000 Guineas Trial at Leopardstown in good style. In early April the Grand National meeting at Aintree was once again a wonderful meeting for Irish trained raiders as they won a total of eight races over the three days. Undoubtedly, the highlight was the impressive victory of Hedgehunter in the John Smith's Grand National for trainer Willie Mullins as Ruby Walsh's mount powered away from his rivals from the second last fence. However, the result was not good news for the bookmakers as the 7/1 favourite landed a massive National gamble as he became the fourth Irish trained winner of the world's most famous jumps race in the last seven runnings. At a memorable meeting, the 'Mouse' Morris trained Fota Island followed up his Cheltenham victory in the Red Rum Handicap Steeplechase on the opening Thursday afternoon while Moscow Flyer's easy win in the Melling Chase

on the Friday was
one of four Irish
trained winners
on the day with
Like-A-Butterfly,
Asian Maze and Cregg House
all adding to the Irish
haul. On Grand National
day, there was further
Irish success when
Noel Meade's Definate

Spectacle took the opening John Smith's Extra Smooth Handicap Hurdle and John Queally's Al Eile was the one to profit most from the fall of Brave Inca at the third last flight in a cracking finish to the Aintree Hurdle over two and a half miles. To round off a wonderful couple of weeks for Irish trained horses racing in England, the Ted Walsh trained Jack High gained handsome compensation for his narrow defeat in the Irish National when he took the Betfred Gold Cup at Sandown in late April under a brilliant ride from Garett Cotter. This great success was a nice appetizer for the Punchestown Festival the following week which once again proved to be a wonderful meeting of top class National Hunt racing which left us with many memories. However, on the opening afternoon Moscow Flyer, who was chasing his 20th victory over fences from 20 completed starts, was surprisingly beaten in the Kerrygold Champion Chase as old rival, Rathgar Beau, finally gained a deserved Grade

One success in what proved to be a thrilling contest. A bad mistake at the second last fence by Moscow Flyer proved to be a crucial error and although he battled

back strongly on the short run in, the line came just in time for Rathgar Beau as he gained a memorable win by a whisker. On the same afternoon there was another

thrilling finish to the Evening Herald

Champion Novice Hurdle as Noel Meade's Wild Passion just held off Kill Devil Hill by a short head while Michael O'Brien's Forget The Past was a convincing winner of the Ellier Developments Novice Chase. Following his tremendous victory in the Cheltenham Gold Cup all eyes were on Tom Taaffe's Kicking King in the Punchestown Guinness Gold Cup and he certainly did not disappoint as he cruised to a hugely impressive three length success over Rule Supreme. Thursday's card featured three Grade One races and with both Emotional Moment and Solerina running well below par, the Ferdy Murphy-trained Carlys Quest ran out a wide margin winner of the Ballymore Properties Champion Stayers' Hurdle while there was more success for the overseas raiders when United proved an easy winner of the Colm McEvoy 4-Y-0 Champion Hurdle for Lucy Wadham. In the Swordlestown Cup over two miles, the Noel Meade trained Watson Lake looked set for victory when going clear of his rivals after the third last fence but a strong run from the 'Mouse' Morris trained War Of Attrition saw this one get up close home for a fine success in the colours of Ryanair supremo, Michael O'Leary. The Newmarket Guineas meeting in late April belonged to Aidan O'Brien and Kieren Fallon as they combined to land a magnificent Classic double. On the Saturday, Footstepsinthesand took the 2000 Guineas while 24 hours later Virginia Waters showed her rivals a clean pair of heels in the 1000 Guineas to complete a terrific weekend for the stable.

APRIL	ATTENDANCE	FIXTURES	ТОТЕ	BOOKMAKERS	SP SHOP	NO OF RUNNERS
2005	125,557	22	5,477,390	16,380,285	1,083,976	2389
2004	153,825	22	6,192,134	19,047,450	1,153,905	2662
VARIANCE	-28,268	0	-742,847	-2,667,165	-69,929	-273
% VAR	-18.37%	0.00%	12.00%	-14.00%	-6.06%	-10.26%



valuable Murphys

t the Curragh in early May, David Wachman's Indesatchel continued to show excellent form as he easily won the Tetrarch Stakes and the Presidential colours were carried to success by Dermot Weld's Cairdeas in the Mooresbridge Stakes over ten furlongs. Trainer David Wachman continued his bright start to the Flat Season when Fracas landed a thrilling renewal of the Derrinstown Stud Derby Trial at Leopardstown in early May as he edged out Alayan by a short head and there was an impressive debut from Aidan O'Brien's Scorpion in the ten furlong maiden on the same day. At Chester later that week, O'Brien's Gypsy King overcame his inexperience and the sharp track with a battling victory in the Dee Stakes staking his Derby claims in the process and the week ended with a narrow defeat for Indesatchel in the French 2000 Guineas as Frankie Dettori and Shamardal proved just too strong. At Killarney, the

Irish Stout Handicap Hurdle was won by the Tony Mullins-trained Calorando and Charlie Swan's Strong Project took the O'Connor, Sutton & Cronin Consulting Engineers Chase on the same day. On the flat the Guineas weekend at the Curragh proved to be a great success and in the Boylesports Irish 2000 Guineas, Saeed Bin Suroor's Dubawi was too good for Oratorio with the remainder of the field well beaten off and Harry Rogers landed his first Group race as a trainer when Moon Unit sprang a 20/1 shock in the Weatherbys Ireland Greenlands Stakes. While Aidan O'Brien was out of luck in the big race, Airwave kept the valuable Ridgewood Pearl Stakes (Group 2) at home under a great ride from

Kieren Fallon as Patrick

Prendergast took the Marble Hill Stakes with the very speedy Waterways (7/1). History was made the following day when Frances Crowley became the first Irish female trainer to win a Classic as Saoire emerged best in a thrilling finish to the Boylesports Irish 1000 Guineas under a great ride from 13 times Irish Champion Jockey, Michael Kinane. On the same day, Dermot Weld's Grey Swallow defeated a top quality field including Bago, Azamour and Ace to win the Tattersalls Gold Cup over ten furlongs to keep this prestigious Group One event in Ireland for the fourth consecutive year while later on in the day there was a really thrilling finish to

the Airlie Stud Gallinule Stakes

when English raider Im
Spartacus just held
off the flying late
challenge of Aidan
O'Brien's Scorpion
by a short head
with fellow English raider, Mister
Genepi, the same
distance away in
third place.

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MAY	ATTENDANCE	FIXTURES	ТОТЕ	BOOKMAKERS	SP SHOP	NO OF RUNNERS
2005	102,114	32	3,045,038	14,084,046	755,535	3506
2004	115,910	33	3,321,863	16,563,168	866,006	3415
VARIANCE	-13,796	-1	-276,825	-2,479,122	-110,471	91
% VAR	-11.90%	-3.03%	-8.00%	-15.00%	-12.76%	2.66%



# JUNE

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strong Irish challenge for both the English Oaks and Derby at Epsom in early June ultimately ended in failure as the Michael Jarvis trained Eswarah took the fillies Classic and Michael Bell's Motivator stormed home under Johnny Murtagh in the 226th running of the Derby. However, there was a notable Irish success in the Coronation Cup as Yeats made all the running under a well judged ride from Kieren Fallon to credit Aidan O'Brien with another big race victory. In mid-June, the Royal Ascot Meeting was held at York as Ascot was under re-development and there were four Irish trained winners during the week. On the opening afternoon, the Tony Martin trained Leg Spinner landed a nice gamble for connections when narrowly winning the Ascot Stakes Handicap to credit jockey Fran Berry with his first Royal Ascot winner. The following day saw the John Oxx trained Azamour record his second consecutive victory at this prestigious meeting when Michael Kinane's mount proved a length and a half too strong for Ace to lead home an Irish one-two in the Prince Of Wales Stakes and later that day 0xx and Kinane combined again to land the Sandringham Handicap with Beautyandthebeast. On the third day, O'Brien and Fallon teamed up for victory in the Hampton Court Stakes over ten furlongs with Indigo Cat but earlier in the week the same stable's Rumplestiltskin was a costly failure for punters.

In mid-June the Eric McNamara trained Strangely Brown gained a notable Grade One success when winning the Prix Alain Du Breil Hurdle at Auteuil in France but hopes of a big Irish double were dashed when Willie Mullins' Rule Supreme was beaten at odds on in the French Champion Hurdle as he tried to repeat his victory of twelve months earlier.

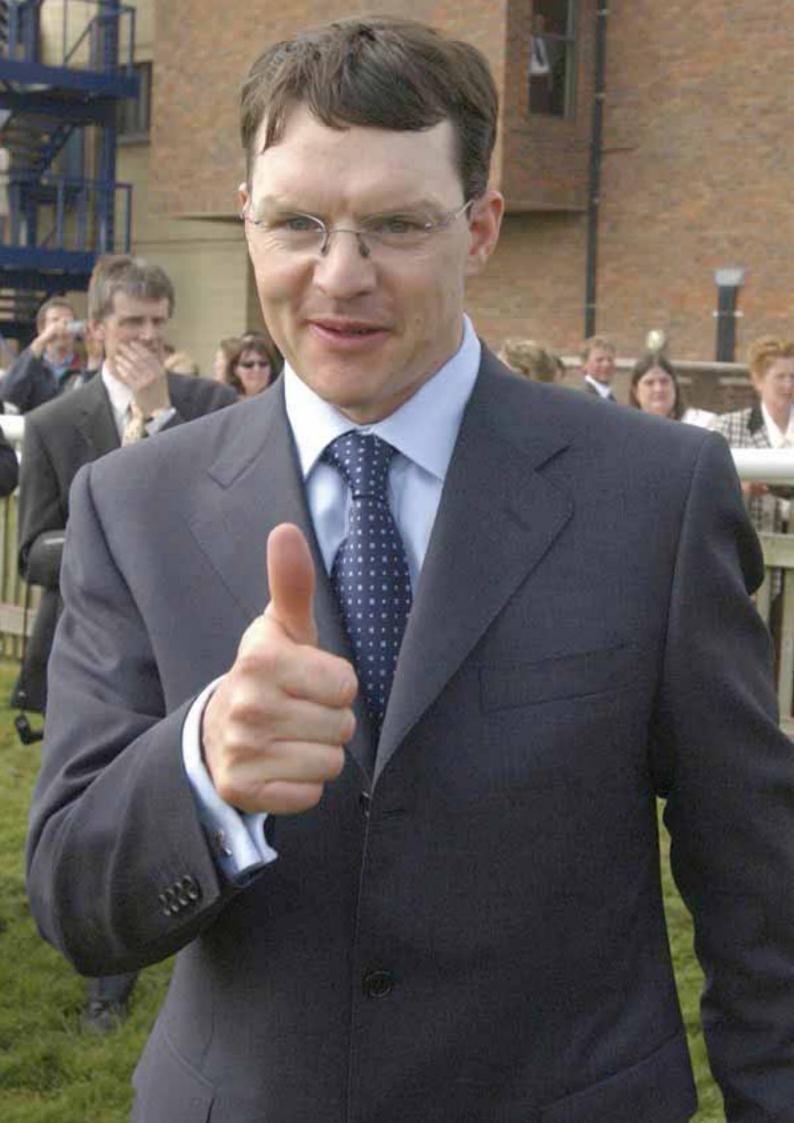
A record crowd of over 44,000 attended the three day Irish Derby Festival Meeting at the Curragh in late June and in the Budweiser Irish Derby itself, jockey Kieren Fallon claimed his first victory in the race as the 4/5 favourite Hurricane Run, trained by Andre Fabre but purchased by Coolmore Stud prior to the race, defeated Scorpion in an exciting renewal that was slightly marred by the fact that Gypsy King broke a leg early in the race and had to be put down. The other Group One event on that weekend was the



odds on favouritism in the Anheuser-Busch Adventure Parks Railway Stakes.
Local trainer Michael Halford enjoyed a fine success when Miss Sally took the John Roarty Memorial Scurry Handicap under Rory Cleary and the King Of Beer Stakes went for export as Mark Wallace's Benbaun was too speedy for last year's winner Osterhase under Kieren Fallon. Caradak showed considerable improvement on his seasonal debut a couple of weeks before when proving too good for his rivals in the Budweiser Celebration Stakes under Fran Berry who went on to complete a fine



JUNE	ATTENDANCE	FIXTURES	ТОТЕ	BOOKMAKERS	SP SHOP	NO OF RUNNERS
2005	142,081	33	3,854,297	14,725,412	930,214	3589
2004	133,793	32	3,615,549	14,120,385	600,590	2769
VARIANCE	8,288	1	238,748	605,027	329,624	820
% VAR	6.19%	3.10%	6.60%	4.28%	54.88%	29.61%



he first two weeks of July were truly memorable for the Aidan O'Brien stable as they recorded a number of big race victories. Firstly, Oratorio overturned English Derby winner Motivator to win the Eclipse Stakes at Sandown before juveniles Ivan Denisovich and Horatio Nelson took the July Stakes and the Superlative Stakes respectively at Newmarket's July Meeting and then their representative, Mullins Bay, justified favouritism in the John Smith's Cup Handicap at York. To round off an incredible couple of weeks for the yard, Scorpion made all the running to land the Grand Prix de Paris (Group One) at Longchamp on July 14th.

There was more French success at the Curragh in mid-July when Alain de Royer-Dupre saddled Shawanda to run out a very impressive winner of the Darley Irish Oaks under Christophe Soumillon as she thoroughly justified the Aga Khan's decision to

supplement her

into the race for

€40,000. The

famous green

colours with

the red epaulettes were once again to the fore at Newbury the following week when Azamour proved just what a top class performer he was by winning the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes in great style thus becoming one of a select band of horses to win Group One events at a mile, at ten furlongs and at twelve furlongs.

The seven day Galway Festival was once again a record breaking meeting and Dermot Weld's Ansar was the star as he defied top weight in the Galway Plate to triumph in the race for the second consecutive year. Given a fine ride by Denis O'Regan, Ansar recorded his seventh course victory in great style and became only the second horse in the last three decades to win this famous race twice. In an incident packed

Guinness Galway Hurdle which attracted a record attendance total of over 52,000 racegoers, Noel Meade's More Rainbows caused a 33/1 shock as he beat Tiger Cry by a length with the strongly fancied pair, Cloone River and Definate Spectacle, both failing to get round. This was Noel's first victory in this prestigious race since Pinch Hitter won it for a second consecutive year in 1983. Edward O'Grady's Kentucky Charm followed up his win in the G.P.T. Amateur Handicap on the opening night in the Dawn Milk Handicap Hurdle on the Saturday while Always returned to something like his best form as he took the Tony O'Malley Memorial Handicap Steeplechase on the Friday evening. On the flat, Robbie Osborne and Robbie Burke combined to win the McDonogh Handicap

> big Irish trained winner at the Goodwood Meeting when Alexander Goldrun comfortably justified favouritism in the Nassau Stakes under Kevin Manning.

on the Tuesday and there was another

JULY	ATTENDANCE	FIXTURES	TOTE	BOOKMAKERS	SP SHOP	NO OF RUNNERS
2005	321,367	36	10,949,157	31,022,350	1,584,329	3401
2004	290,735	35	10,268,068	26,588,241	1,391,841	3209
VARIANCE	30,632	1	681,189	4,434,109	192,488	192
% VAR	10.50%	2.80%	6.63%	16.68%	13.82%	5.98%



idan O'Brien's juveniles continued to impress and George Washington looked a high class colt when destroying a useful field to win the Independent Waterford Wedgwood Phoenix Stakes at the Curragh by eight lengths with bookmakers quick to promote him to the head of the antepost market for the 2006 English 2000 Guineas after this display. On the same day, Rumpelstiltskin made up for her York defeat with a convincing win in the Debutante Stakes while there was a well-deserved first Group success for John Mulhern's Osterhase in the Phoenix Sprint Stakes as he just held on for a short head victory over Balmont. On the same card, the Jim Bolger-trained Tropical Lady followed up her victory in the Meld Stakes at Leopardstown with a battling victory over Cairdeas in the Royal Whip Stakes. Tramore's four day meeting in mid-August attracted a record attendance over the week and trainer Arthur Moore saddled Polly Anthus to win the Richard Power Handicap Hurdle on the

**AUGUST** 

Friday and Dermot Weld's Lowlander landed the Killone Estates Handicap Chase on the Sunday. At Leopardstown on the same day, the John Oxx-trained Caradak just held off the late challenge of Mustameet to take the Desmond Stakes for Michael Kinane while the Con Collins-trained Chelsea Rose returned to something like her best form when coming from well off the pace to defeat Shalapour and Vinnie Roe in the Ballyroan Stakes over twelve furlongs. Unlucky to be disqualified after winning the race twelve months earlier, Powerscourt gained sweet revenge by proving a decisive winner of the Arlington Million on August 14th while six days later the Tattersalls Sale Stakes at the Curragh was exported for the tenth successive year when Wake Up Maggie took the honours for trainer Chris Wall. However, the day was tainted somewhat when jockeys Fran Berry and Michael Kinane both suffered falls in one of the races and while Kinane was back in action six weeks later after breaking his right wrist, Fran Berry was ruled out for the rest of the season after

suffering more serious injuries to his sternum and neck. As Fran was leading the Jockeys' Championship at the time, it was a particularly unfortunate incident for him but thankfully he should be fine to resume raceriding in 2006.

The five day Tralee Festival featured the Denny Gold Medal Handicap Chase on the Thursday and victory in the big race went to the Willie Mullins-trained Euro Leader who proved much too strong for Galway Plate runner up, Ursumman, in the hands of Ruby Walsh. On the Wednesday, there was a first listed success for trainer Tom Hogan as Common World won the Carlsberg Ruby Stakes under Seamus Heffernan while on the same day the Peter Casey-trained Blessyourpinksox took the Guiness Gold Cup Handicap under crack apprentice Chris Hayes. The month ended with an exciting finish to the listed Ballycullen Stakes at Fairyhouse as Declan McDonogh managed to get the Kevin Prendergast-trained Right Key (11/2) home by a short head from English raider Foreign Affairs (3/1).





**SEPTEMBER** 

n early September the Moyglare Stud Stakes at the Curragh went to Rumplestiltskin, trained by Aidan O'Brien and ridden by Kieren Fallon but this long odds on favourite was made to struggle by Ugo Fire before emerging best by a neck. On the same card the Con Collins-trained Chelsea Rose followed up her earlier victory in the Ballyroan Stakes at Leopardstown with a decisive win in the Dance Design Stakes while Kestrel Cross won the Irish Cambridgeshire Handicap for Kevin Prendergast and Declan McDonogh. On a top class card the Jim Bolger-trained Abigail Pett won the Go And Go Round Tower Stakes in a very exciting finish and later in the day, Benbaun won his second big sprint of the year at the Curragh when proving too strong for The Tatling in the Flying Five Stakes under Jamie Spencer.

The following week all roads led to Leopardstown for a high class renewal of the Baileys Irish Champion Stakes and in a virtual re-run of the Eclipse Stakes at Sandown, Aidan O'Brien's Oratorio defeated Motivator by half a length with Alexander Goldrun a head away in third after a thrilling contest. It proved to be a red letter day for the Ballydoyle stable as they recorded four winners while Mark Johnston's popular filly, Attraction, returned to her best form to win the Coolmore Fusaichi Pegasus Matron Stakes from fellow English raider Chic. At the Curragh in mid-September Vinnie Roe's attempt to win a fifth consecutive Irish St Leger ended in failure as he finished a close up third to Collier Hill, trained by Alan Swinbank, but connections were still keen to let him take his chance in the Melbourne Cup in Australia in November. With retained jockey Michael Kinane out of action, Christophe Soumillon rode the John Oxx-trained Noelani to a narrow success over Benbaun in the Ballygallon Stud Renaissance Stakes over six furlongs and 24 hours later, George Washington cemented his place at the head of the betting market for next year's English 2000 Guineas with a two length win in the Laing O'Rourke National Stakes. Sir Michael Stoute's Red Bloom took the Irish National Stud Blandford Stakes and to round off another memorable afternoon for jockey Kieren Fallon he completed a four-timer on Art Museum in the Blenheim Stakes.

Despite the fact that he had to shoulder twelve stone, Euro Leader proved himself as a potential top class chaser with a

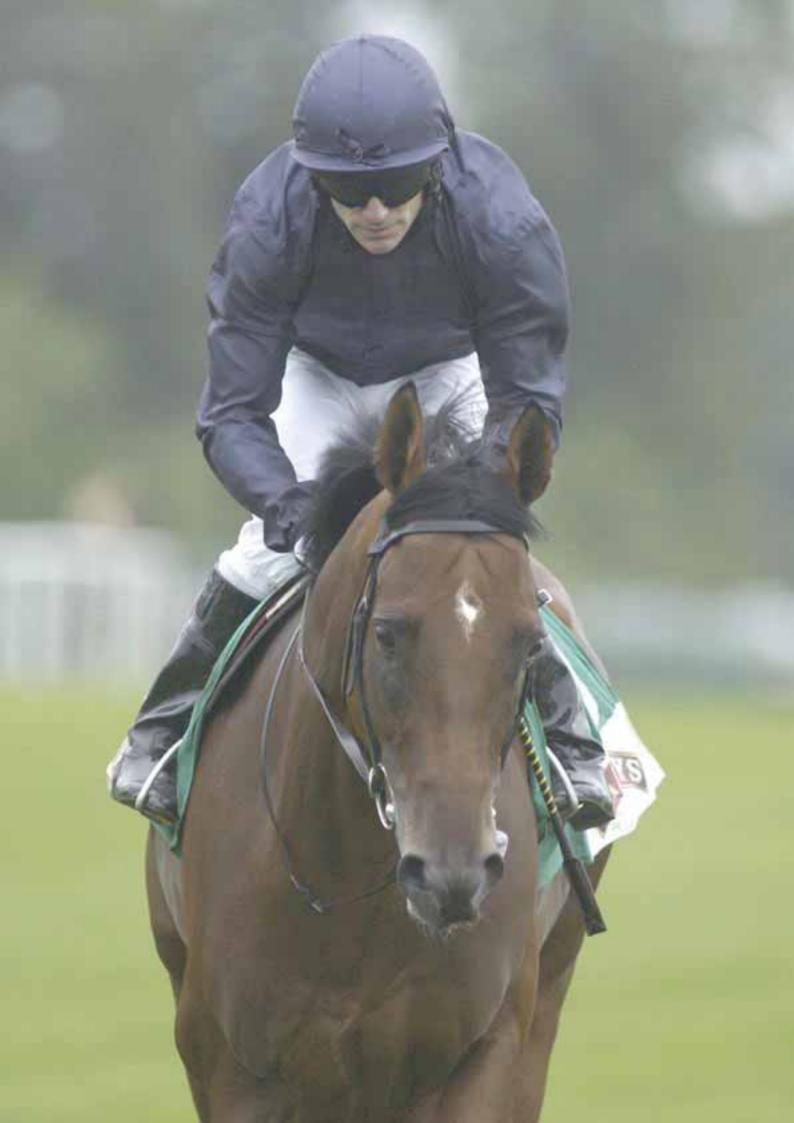
great display to win the Guinness

Kerry National at Listowel in late September. The seven day Festival was very successful with big attendances on each day and the Kerry National was one of the most exciting in years as the top weight held off Monterey Bay by a neck giving Ruby Walsh a second consecutive triumph in this traditional highlight having partnered Banasan to score in 2004.

Trainer Michael Hourigan enjoyed a big race success on the Thursday when his Kilbeggan Lad defeated Dbest and Blue Corrig in a good finish to the Guinness Handicap Hurdle but a quick follow up bid two days later in the Edmond Whelan Memorial Handicap Hurdle was thwarted by Tom Cooper's Owennacurra Bobby while Willie Mullins' Davenport Democrat was successful on two occasions during the week and stamped himself as a useful two mile chaser to follow in doing so.



SEPTEMBER	ATTENDANCE	FIXTURES	ТОТЕ	BOOKMAKERS	SP SHOP	NO OF RUNNERS
2005	165,744	22	4,344,572	16,714,292	1,000,089	2621
2004	157,093	22	4,507,626	16,658,698	1,038,020	2665
VARIANCE	8,651	0	-163,055	55,594	-37,931	-44
% VAR	5.51%	0.00%	-3.62%	0.33%	-3.65%	-1.65%



## **OCTOBER**

'ipperary's 'Super Sunday' fixture on the first weekend in October attracted a large crowd and there was plenty of drama in the featured John James McManus Memorial Hurdle over two miles. James Bowe's Solerina looked to have the race in safe keeping when taking a heavy fall at the final flight leaving Noel Meade's Harchibald clear to take the spoils while later in the day there were good winning performances from Michael Hourigan's Church Island in the Kevin McManus Bookmaker Grimes Novice Chase and Paul Nolan's French Accordion in the Joe Mac Novice Hurdle. Over in France that same weekend, the Aidan O'Brien-Kieren Fallon alliance cemented a wonderful first season together when the dynamic duo completed a tremendous Group One double at Longchamp as Rumplestiltskin took the Prix Marcel Boussac and Horatio Nelson won the Prix

Jean Luc Lagardere. Fallon then completed a magnificent personal treble as he brought Hurricane Run from well off the pace to land the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, a sixth win for trainer Andre Fabre in the race and a first for his jockey. The final Group race of the year at the Curragh saw Septimus win an eighth Juddmonte Beresford Stakes for the O'Brien stable in mid-October but six days later at Newmarket Horatio Nelson suffered an unlucky defeat in the Darley Dewhurst Stakes going down by a neck to Marcus Tregoning's Sir Percy while Oratorio did not enjoy a clear run in finishing fourth to David Junior (25/1) in the Dubai Champion Stakes. Tipperary trainer Tom Hogan enjoyed an excellent season and his Common World gave him a first ever Group success when easily

event in Germany.

Fast ground at

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Chase but there was a surprise result here as Always (9/1) provided trainer Noel Meade, jockey Paul Carberry and owner Des Sharkey with a fine success and the same trio were again in the winners' enclosure at Limerick the following day when Star Clipper recorded a shock 16/1 victory in the Anglo Irish Bank Munster National with Euro Leader well beaten when falling at the last. On the same card, Watson Lake made a successful seasonal bow by defeating the promising Accordion Etoile in good style to provide Meade and Carberry with a fine double. At Punchestown in mid-October, Cheltenham Gold Cup hero, Kicking King, lined up for the Daily Star Steeplechase over two miles and six furlongs and despite starting a strong 30/100 favourite to defeat his four rivals, the 'Mouse' Morris-trained War Of Attrition proved three lengths too strong for him. However, connections of Tom Taaffe's stable star were satisfied with the performance and stated that he just needed the outing after a six month break from racecourse action. At Belmont Park in late October, the Breeders Cup Meeting saw the John Oxxtrained Azamour start favourite for the Breeders Cup Turf over twelve furlongs but after a far from trouble free run, he finished third to Shirocco, ridden by Christophe Soumillon. In the same race, Aidan O'Brien's Ace ran well to finish second but his other four runners on the evening failed to make much impact as Saint Liam won the Breeders

Cup Classic.

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OCTOBER	ATTENDANCE	FIXTURES	ТОТЕ	BOOKMAKERS	SP SHOP	NO OF RUNNERS
2005	70,064	23	2,293,031	9,234,421	816,723	2854
2004	63,716	22	2,165,266	8,972,255	794,059	2776
VARIANCE	6,348	1	127,765	262,166	22,664	78
% VAR	9.96%	4.55%	5.90%	2.92%	2.85%	2.81%



## **NOVEMBER**

he month got off to a bad start when triple Gold Cup winner, the Henrietta Knight-trained Best Mate, collapsed and died of a suspected heart attack on his first run of the season at Exeter leaving the racing world stunned. Tributes for this wonderful performer had poured in from the racing professionals who had never previously finished out of the first two in a fantastic career. At Melbourne in early November, the Dermot Weld-trained Vinnie Roe ran his last race to end a great career by finishing eighth to Makybe Diva in the Melbourne Cup as the winner created history in becoming the first horse to win this famous race for a third time while at home the eagerly awaited clash between Beef Or Salmon and War Of Attrition in the James Nicholson Wine Merchant Champion Chase at Down Royal did not take place as a bomb threat forced the executive to abandon the meeting after just two races. 24 hours later, the final Flat meeting of the 2005 season at

Leopardstown was dominated by jockey Johnny Murtagh as he rode a fine treble with his success on the Michael Halfordtrained Golden Cross in the Leopardstown November Handicap the highlight, while Pat Smullen was crowned Champion Jockey for the third time and Christopher Hayes was crowned Champion Apprentice after he recorded an excellent total of 38 winners. With the National Hunt season now in full swing, Noel Meade's Watson Lake justified odds on favouritism in the Poplar Square Chase at Naas while reigning Champion Chaser, Moscow Flyer, was surprisingly beaten by the Dessie Hughes-trained Central House in the Fortria Chase at Navan the following day. Solerina ensured that normal service was resumed with another all the way win in the Lismullen Hurdle and Edward O'Grady's O'Muircheartaigh proved an impressive winner of the For Auction Novice Hurdle on his first attempt over hurdles. There was other fine wins for Noel Meade's Nicanor and Arthur Moore's The Railway Man on an excellent card which attracted

a huge crowd. The Paddy Power
Meeting at Cheltenham that
weekend provided four Irish
trained winners with Enda
Bolger's Spot thedifference
once more showing his

liking for the cross
country course with
an emphatic victory
and Paul Nolan's
Accordion Etoile
got up in the
dying strides
to win the
Independent

Newspaper Novice Chase under a strong drive from John Cullen.

Punchestown staged a top quality twoday meeting in mid-November with Robert Tyner's Slim Pickings just touching off Kerryhead Windfarm in a close finish to the Irish Field Chase while there was plenty of drama in the Morgiana Hurdle the following day as Brave Inca defeated Essex by half a length. However, the real talking point of the race was the audacious attempt by jockey Paul Carberry to squeeze his mount, Harchibald, up the inside of Tony McCoy and Brave Inca shortly after turning into the straight, a move which resulted in Harchibald getting badly hampered while the Acting Stewards imposed a three day ban on Carberry. On the same card the Eamon Sheehy-trained Justified ran out a most impressive winner of the Craddockstown Novice Chase and Kill Devil Hill got the better of Mr Babbage in the beginners chase after a fine tussle from the final fence. At Cork on the same day, Michael Hourigan's A New Story continued his rate of improvement with an easy win in the Cork Grand National but his attempt to complete a quick big race double in the Troytown Chase at Navan seven days later was thwarted by the Stephen Mahon-trained Prince Of Tara who scored by a length in the hands of Barry Geraghty. On the same Navan card there was a thrilling finish to the Monksfield Novice Hurdle as Charles Byrnes' Powerstation touched off Travino by a short head with Noel Meade's Nicanor coming to grief at the second last flight when still travelling very strongly.

NOVEMBER	ATTENDANCE	FIXTURES	ТОТЕ	BOOKMAKERS	SP SHOP	NO OF RUNNERS
2005	46,836	19	1,241,007	7,353,140	765,243	2209
2004	46,610	17	1,278,646	7,595,823	673,127	2210
VARIANCE	226	2	-37,639	-242,683	92,116	-1
% VAR	0.48%	11.76%	-2.94%	-3.19%	13.68%	-0.05%



## **DECEMBER**

he Fairyhouse Winter Festival proved to be a resounding success in early December and on the opening afternoon Charlie Swan's What A Native was a very comfortable winner of the Porterstown Chase under David Casey while Colm Murphy's Feathard Lady maintained her unbeaten record in the Ladbrokes.ie Handicap Hurdle under a confident ride from Paul Carberry. 24 hours later, the James Bowe-trained Solerina brought the huge crowd to their feet with a magnificent last gasp success in the Ballymore Properties Hatton's Grace Hurdle as she got back up to defeat Golden Cross by a short head having been headed early on the run in after a blunder at the final flight. On a tremendous card the Grade One Pierse Group Drinmore Novice Chase was another thrilling race with victory going to the Paul Nolantrained Kill Devil Hill who defeated Father Matt by a neck while Noel Meade's Iktitaf proved a decisive five length winner of the Bet @ Bluesquare.com Royal Bond Novice Hurdle.

Despite having a hard race just six days before, Solerina proved a very easy winner of the Giltspur Scientific Tara Hurdle at Navan for the third

consecutive year and over at Cheltenham trainer Noel Meade and jockey Paul Carberry combined to land a fantastic big race double. While their representative, Sir Oj, was probably a bit fortunate to win the Robin Cook Memorial Gold Cup after a

incident packed race, Harchibald showed just what a class act he can be with a silky smooth victory in the Bula Hurdle despite being slightly hampered on the run to the final flight. At Punchestown the following day the 'Mouse' Morris-trained War Of Attrition started 4/5 favourite for the John Durkan Memorial Chase but ran disappointingly to finish a remote fifth as Michael Hourigan's Hi Cloy arrived late and fast to touch off the front running Jim by a head in another great finish and at Navan seven days later the first ever Grade One race held at the course resulted in a fine victory for the Margaret Mullinstrained Travino who made every yard of the running to defeat Nicanor by a neck in the Barry & Sandra Kelly Memorial Novice Hurdle over two and a half miles. Leopardstown's four day Christmas Festival meeting proved to be a resounding success with over 66,000 racegoers attending and the total amount wagered was over €10 million (€7.6m with bookmakers and €2.4m with the Tote). Willie Mullins enjoyed a big race double on St Stephen's Day with Clear Riposte winning the Durkan New Homes Juvenile Hurdle and Missed That taking the Durkan New Homes Novice Chase, while across the water Tom Taaffe's

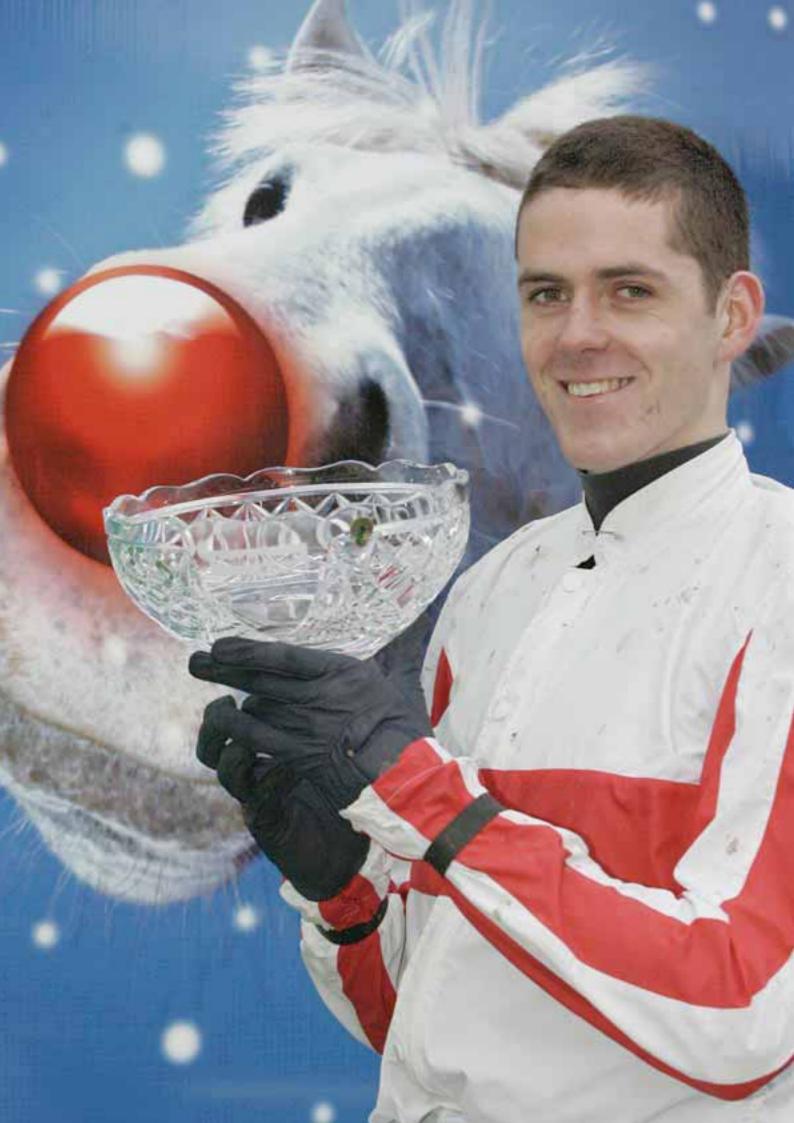
> Kicking King landed his second consecutive King George VI Chase, (held at Sandown this year), and Colm Murphy's Feathard Lady bounded to an impressive success

in the Christmas Hurdle on the same card.

Leopardstown's second-day feature race was the €190,000 Paddy Power Handicap Chase which went to the Philip Rothwelltrained Black Apalachi at 25/1 but it was the Paddy Power Dial-a-Bet Chase (Grade One) that provided a memorable and controversial finish. The Dessie Hughes-trained Central House looked set to repeat last year's success in the race when jockey Roger Loughran eased his mount one hundred yards from the finish and began celebrating to the crowd thinking that he had already crossed the winning line. Unfortunately, this mistake proved very costly as victory eventually went to Michael Hourigan's Hi Cloy who defeated Fota Island by three guarters of a length under Andrew McNamara. The following day saw the Hourigan stable provide another big race winner when Beef Or Salmon comfortably justified 9/10 favouritism in the Lexus Chase, his third victory in the race in the last four years. Thursday's feature, the bewleyshotels.com December Festival Hurdle, gave trainer Colm Murphy his second Grade One hurdle race in the space of four days when Brave Inca (9/4) defeated old rival Harchibald (9/10 fav) in the hands of Tony McCoy. The year ended with Hardy Eustace making a successful seasonal debut in a three runner event at Punchestown but a couple of days later trainer Tom Taaffe announced that Kicking King would miss the Cheltenham Gold Cup having strained

a tendon while Noel Meade revealed that Harchibald had to undergo an operation to remove a piece of birch from his tendon and his Smurfit Champion Hurdle bid lay on a knife edge at this stage.

DECEMBER	ATTENDANCE	FIXTURES	TOTE	BOOKMAKERS	SP SHOP	NO OF RUNNERS
2005	136,751	22	4,325,597	17,531,126	1,559,331	2400
2004	126,648	21	3,952,736	14,996,823	1,510,432	2298
VARIANCE	10,103	1	372,861	2,534,303	48,899	102
% VAR	7.98%	4.76%	9.43%	16.90%	3.24%	4.44%

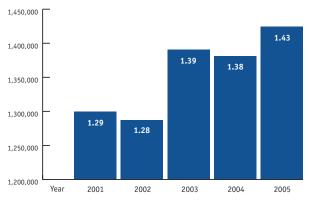


# **ATTENDANCE**

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#### **TOTAL ATTENDANCE 2001-2005**







#### **TOP SEVEN FESTIVALS BY ATTENDANCE 2004 – 2005**

Racecourse	No. of Days	2004	2005	Variance	% +/-
Galway	7	197,950	210,220	12,270	6%
Listowel	7	92,734	102,350	9,616	10%
Punchestown	4	73,361	77,482	4,121	6%
Leopardstown (Christmas)	4	63,219	65,836	2,617	4%
Curragh (Derby Meeting)	3	45,922	46,952	1,030	2%
Fairyhouse (Easter)	3	34,427	30,486	-3,941	-11%
Limerick (Christmas)	4	28,345	29,183	838	3%
Total	32	535,958	562,509	26,551	5%

# AVERAGE ATTENDANCE BY RACECOURSE 2004 - 2005

Racecourse	Number of Fixtures 2004	Number of Fixtures 2005	Total Attendance 2004	Total Attendance 2005	Average Attendance 2004	Average Attendance 2005	Variance	Attendance Variance % +/-
Galway	12	12	218,557	229,592	18,213	19,133	920	5%
Listowel	00	00	94,234	105,750	11,779	13,219	1440	12%
Leopardstown	22	22	181,839	182,123	8,265	8,278	13	%0
Curragh	19	20	138,974	141,733	7,314	7,087	-228	-3%
Punchestown	18	17	105,755	112,414	5,875	6,613	737	13%
Kilbeggan	∞	00	50,100	51,100	6,263	6,388	125	2%
Laytown	$\leftarrow$	1	4,400	5,700	4,400	5,700	1300	30%
Tralee	7	7	29,078	30,977	4,154	4,425	271	7%
Limerick	17	18	74,229	77,689	4,366	4,316	-50	-1%
Roscommon	6	6	33,665	33,868	3,741	3,763	23	1%
Bellewstown	3	5	11,602	18,300	3,867	3,660	-207	-5%
Tramore	11	11	36,246	39,300	3,295	3,573	278	8%
Fairyhouse	19	20	74,804	69,739	3,937	3,487	-450	-11%
Killarney	7	∞	25,548	26,904	3,650	3,363	-287	-8%
Cork	19	18	61,207	55,817	3,221	3,101	-120	-4%
Navan	16	16	48,205	45,915	3,013	2,870	-143	-5%
Sligo	9	7	16,876	19,315	2,813	2,759	-53	-2%
Ballinrobe	∞	7	16,349	18,853	2,044	2,693	650	32%
Gowran Park	14	16	40,625	37,130	2,902	2,321	-581	-20%
Tipperary	11	12	24,517	27,588	2,229	2,299	70	3%
Naas	14	15	33,524	33,494	2,395	2,233	-162	-7%
Wexford	6	10	21,300	22,300	2,367	2,230	-137	%9-
Clonmel	12	12	19,033	22,507	1,586	1,876	290	18%
Thurles	11	12	25,850	22,014	2,350	1,835	-516	-22%
Total	281	291	1,386,517	1,430,122	4,934	4,915	-20	%0

#### ATTENDANCE ANALYSIS BY MEETING TYPE 2004 - 2005\*

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59	273,829	4,641	61	273,177	4,478
.25	564,641	4,517	124	558,448	4,504
7	548,047	5,650	106	598,497	5,646
281	1,386,517	4,934	291	1,430,122	4,915
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<sup>\*</sup>Excl. N.I. Meetings

#### ATTENDANCE ANALYSIS BY DAY OF WEEK\*

2004			2005		
Number of Meetings	Attendance	Average Attendance	Number of Meetings	Attendance	Average Attendance
78	397,185	5,092	75	365,875	4,878
29	154,262	5,319	33	168,477	5,105
19	121,646	6,402	21	133,061	6,336
34	176,187	5,182	34	180,100	5,297
44	188,935	4,294	50	223,516	4,470
30	163,483	5,449	27	159,123	5,893
47	184,819	3,932	51	199,970	3,921
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<sup>\*</sup>Excl. N.I. Meetings

#### ATTENDANCE BY AFTERNOON & EVENING MEETINGS 2004 - 2005\*

	2004			2005		
Meeting	Number of Meetings	Attendance	Average Attendance	Number of Meetings	Attendance	Average Attendance
Afternoon	198	1,032,290	5,214	201	1,045,127	5,200
Evening	83	354,227	4,268	90	384,995	4,278
Total	281	1,386,517	4,934	291	1,430,122	4,915

<sup>\*</sup>Excl. N.I. Meetings

#### ATTENDANCE ANALYSIS BY NO. OF RACES ON RACECARD 2004 - 2005\*

	2004			2005		
No. of Races on Racecard	Number of Meetings	Attendance	Average Attendance	Number of Meetings	Attendance	Average Attendance
6	10	24,959	2,496	14	31,430	2,245
7	193	859,917	4,456	198	867,411	4,381
8	78	501,641	6,431	79	531,281	6,725
Total	281	1,386,517	4,934	291	1,430,122	4,915

<sup>\*</sup>Excl. N.I. Meetings

#### HIGHEST DAILY ATTENDANCE FIGURES BY RACECOURSE 2004 - 2005\*

Racecourse	Year	Attendance	Variance	%+/-
Galway	28 Jul 2005	52,598		
	29 Jul 2004	43,937	8661	19.7%
Curragh	26 Jun 2005	31,144		
	27 Jun 2004	30,381	763	2.5%
Listowel	21 Sep 2005	27,174		
	22 Sep 2004	25,972	1202	4.6%
Punchestown	29 Apr 2005	25,092		
	30 Apr 2004	21,139	3953	18.7%
Leopardstown	27 Dec 2005	20,445		
	28 Dec 2004	19,322	1123	5.8%
Fairyhouse	28 Mar 2005	16,600		
	12 Apr 2004	18,705	-2105	-11.3%
Limerick	26 Dec 2005	11,529		
	26 Dec 2004	10,414	1115	10.7%
Kilbeggan	15 Jul 2005	7,700		
	08 May 2004	8,000	-300	-3.8%
Tralee	25 Aug 2005	7,315		
	26 Aug 2004	7,112	203	2.9%
Tramore	14 Aug 2005	6,915		
	12 Aug 2004	6,689	226	3.4%
Gowran Park	20 Jan 2005	6,500		
	22 Jan 2004	8,150	-1650	-20.2%
Laytown	01 Sep 2005	5,700		
	09 Sep 2004	4,400	1300	29.5%
Tipperary	02 Oct 2005	5,661		
F F J	03 Oct 2004	4,051	1610	39.7%
Cork	27 Mar 2005	5,309		
	11 Apr 2004	4,891	418	8.5%
Bellewstown	01 Jul 2005	5,200		
	02 Jul 2004	4,602	598	13.0%
Roscommon	12 Jun 2005	5,186		
	13 Jun 2004	5,422	-236	-4.4%
Navan	27 Nov 2005	4,803		
	07 Nov 2004	4,681	122	2.6%
Killarney	14 Jul 2005	4,604		21070
····ca···oy	15 Jul 2004	4,400	204	4.6%
Clonmel	17 Nov 2005	3,914		1.070
	18 Nov 2004	3,150	764	24.3%
Thurles	27 Jan 2005	3,542	. • 1	2 1.5 70
	01 Feb 2004	4,682	-1140	-24.3%
Naas	20 Feb 2005	3,421	1170	LT.J /0
1443	21 Jul 2004	3,304	117	3.5%
Sligo	03 Aug 2005	3,345	11/	J.J /0
Jugo	04 Aug 2004	3,464	-119	-3.4%
Ballinrobe	30 May 2005		-113	-3.4 /0
שמנווווטשפ	19 Jul 2004	3,376	336	11 10/
Wexford	08 Jul 2005	3,040	220	11.1%
NEVIOLA	00 Jul 2003	3,200		

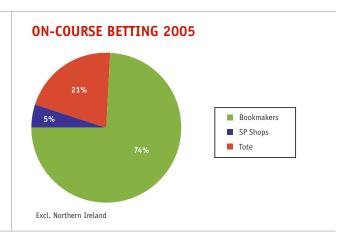
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## ON-COURSE BETTING





#### **TOTAL ON-COURSE BETTING\***

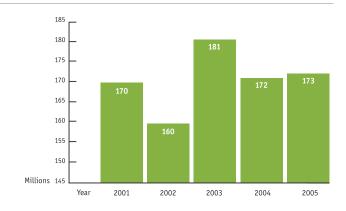
Bookmakers €	SP Shop €	Tote €	Total €	%
171,822,220	7,114,241	36,079,502	215,015,963	-
162,090,305	7,491,300	38,810,855	208,392,460	-3.1%
183,060,408	9,675,113	44,278,534	237,014,055	13.7%
174,638,824	10,878,010	47,445,393	232,962,227	-1.7%
176,061,801	11,334,897	49,282,072	236,879,504	1.7%
	171,822,220 162,090,305 183,060,408 174,638,824	171,822,220 7,114,241 162,090,305 7,491,300 183,060,408 9,675,113 174,638,824 10,878,010	171,822,220       7,114,241       36,079,502         162,090,305       7,491,300       38,810,855         183,060,408       9,675,113       44,278,534         174,638,824       10,878,010       47,445,393	171,822,220       7,114,241       36,079,502       215,015,963         162,090,305       7,491,300       38,810,855       208,392,460         183,060,408       9,675,113       44,278,534       237,014,055         174,638,824       10,878,010       47,445,393       232,962,227

#### **BOOKMAKERS ON-COURSE BETTING\***

Year	Home €	Away €	SP Shop €	Total €	%
2001	169,650,927	2,171,293	7,114,241	178,936,461	-
2002	159,767,509	2,322,796	7,491,300	169,581,605	-5.2%
2003	180,791,793	2,268,615	9,675,113	192,735,521	13.7%
2004	172,134,140	2,504,684	10,878,010	185,516,834	-3.7%
2005	173,407,536	2,654,265	11,535,631	187,597,432	1.1%
(*including Point to Point)					

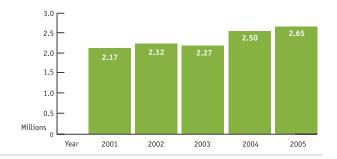
#### **BOOKMAKERS ON-COURSE 'HOME' BETTING**

Year	Home €	%
2001	169,650,927	-
2002	159,767,509	-5.8%
2003	180,791,793	13.2%
2004	172,134,140	-4.8%
2005	173,407,536	0.7%



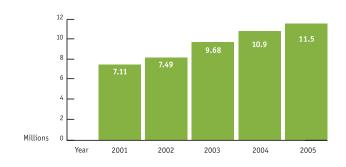
#### **BOOKMAKERS ON-COURSE 'AWAY' BETTING**

Away €	%
2,171,293	-
2,322,796	7.0%
2,268,615	-2.3%
2,504,684	10.4%
2,654,265	6.0%
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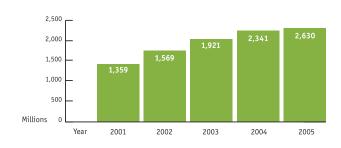
# BOOKMAKERS ON-COURSE 'SP SHOPPING' BETTING

Year	SP Shop	%		
2001	7,114,241	-		
2002	7,491,300	5.3%		
2003	9,675,113	29.2%		
2004	10,878,010	12.4%		
2005	11,535,631	6.0%		



## **▶** OFF-COURSE BETTING

Off-Course Betting	Millon €	% Increase		
2001	1,359	-		
2002	1,569	15.5%		
2003	1,921	22.4%		
2004	2,341	21.9%		
2005	2,630**	12.3%		
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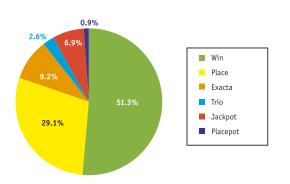
#### BREAKDOWN OF IRISH POOL BETTING €'000 2001 - 2005

Win	2001 %		2002 %		2003 %		2004 %		2005 %	
	17,432	48.30%	18,211	48.60%	20,917	50.40%	22,502	51.30%	23,611	52.21%
Place	10,352	28.70%	10,480	27.90%	11,776	28.40%	12,761	29.10%	12,878	28.5%
Exacta	3,243	9.00%	3,395	9.10%	3,882	9.40%	4,041	9.20%	4,115	9.10%
Trio	1,281	3.60%	1,102	2.90%	1,189	2.90%	1,134	2.60%	1,104	2.44%
Jackpot	3,391	9.40%	3,932	10.50%	3,335	8.00%	3,010	6.90%	3,144	7.0%
Placepot	374	1.00%	389	1.00%	354	0.90%	389	0.90%	375	0.83%
Total	36,073	100.00%	37,509	100.00%	41,453	100.00%	43,837	100.00%	45,227	100.00%

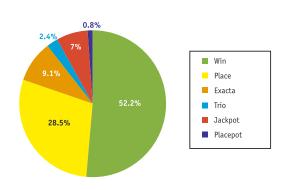
(\*Excl. co-mingling out)

## POOL BETTING

#### **BREAKDOWN OF POOL BETTING 2004**



#### **BREAKDOWN OF POOL BETTING 2005**



#### **AVERAGE ON-COURSE BETTING 2004 - 2005**

Racecourse	Fixtures		Total On-Course Betting		Avg On-Course Betting		Variance	%
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005		
Galway	12	12	30,217,988	32,445,990	2,518,166	2,703,833	185,667	7.4%
Punchestown	18	17	21,839,795	23,816,061	1,213,322	1,400,945	187,623	15.5%
Leopardstown	22	22	31,501,169	30,045,729	1,431,871	1,365,715	-66,156	-4.6%
Listowel	8	8	10,547,358	10,756,191	1,318,420	1,344,524	26,104	2.0%
Curragh	19	20	22,590,161	21,607,811	1,188,956	1,080,391	-108,565	-9.1%
Fairyhouse	19	20	15,944,928	15,937,568	839,207	796,878	-42,328	-5.0%
Roscommon	9	9	5,430,189	5,963,656	603,354	662,628	59,274	9.8%
Bellewstown	3	5	1,721,469	3,225,972	573,823	645,194	71,371	12.4%
Killarney	7	8	4,157,726	4,782,755	593,961	597,844	3,884	0.7%
Kilbeggan	8	8	5,205,964	4,687,222	650,746	585,903	-64,843	-10.0%
Navan	16	16	10,018,010	9,242,300	626,126	577,644	-48,482	-7.7%
Tralee	7	7	3,180,068	3,710,104	454,295	530,015	75,719	16.7%
Ballinrobe	8	7	3,434,423	3,684,512	429,303	526,359	97,056	22.6%
Naas	14	15	8,441,984	7,617,557	602,999	507,837	-95,162	-15.8%
Limerick	17	18	8,008,601	8,756,175	471,094	486,454	15,360	3.3%
Gowran Park	14	16	7,765,609	7,183,772	554,686	448,986	-105,701	-19.1%
Sligo	6	7	2,649,405	3,048,767	441,568	435,538	-6,029	-1.4%
Cork	19	18	8,507,545	7,672,933	447,766	426,274	-21,491	-4.8%
Tramore	11	11	4,744,431	4,599,321	431,312	418,120	-13,192	-3.1%
Laytown	1	1	322,650	398,661	322,650	398,661	76,011	23.6%
Thurles	11	12	4,765,871	4,781,601	433,261	398,467	-34,794	-8.0%
Clonmel	12	12	4,218,480	4,736,777	351,540	394,731	43,191	12.3%
Tipperary	11	12	4,485,415	4,641,527	407,765	386,794	-20,971	-5.1%
Wexford	9	10	3,049,594	3,029,021	338,844	302,902	-35,942	-10.6%
Total	281	291	222,748,833	226,371,983	792,700	777,264	-15,436	-1.9%

(\*Excl. Point-to-Point, co-mingling out and N.I. Fixtures)



**AVERAGE ON-COURSE TOTE BETTING 2004 – 2005 BY RACECOURSE** 

Racecourse	Fixtu	res	Total Tote E	Betting	Average 1	Tote Betting	Variance	%
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	Variance	%
Galway	12	12	8,841,931	8,929,852	736,828	744,154	7,327	1.0%
Punchestown	18	17	5,003,211	5,368,879	277,956	315,816	37,860	13.6%
Leopardstown	22	22	6,572,021	6,702,787	298,728	304,672	5,944	2.0%
Listowel	8	8	2,194,013	2,226,433	274,252	278,304	4,053	1.5%
Curragh	19	20	4,615,225	4,551,423	242,907	227,571	-15,335	-6.3%
Fairyhouse	19	20	2,763,119	2,826,488	145,427	141,324	-4,103	-2.8%
Bellewstown	3	5	388,720	599,671	129,573	119,934	-9,639	-7.4%
Ballinrobe	8	7	707,777	791,017	88,472	113,002	24,530	27.7%
Kilbeggan	8	8	936,985	830,237	117,123	103,780	-13,344	-11.4%
Limerick	17	18	1,574,590	1,765,128	92,623	98,063	5,440	5.9%
Roscommon	9	9	818,037	841,729	90,893	93,525	2,632	2.9%
Tralee	7	7	582,632	651,332	83,233	93,047	9,814	11.8%
Killarney	7	8	681,874	721,159	97,411	90,145	-7,266	-7.5%
Tramore	11	11	839,252	908,742	76,296	82,613	6,317	8.3%
Naas	14	15	1,184,424	1,197,071	84,602	79,805	-4,797	-5.7%
Navan	16	16	1,286,593	1,229,641	80,412	76,853	-3,560	-4.4%
Laytown	1	1	58,061	74,444	58,061	74,444	16,383	28.2%
Gowran Park	14	16	1,124,335	1,155,426	80,310	72,214	-8,096	-10.1%
Sligo	6	7	422,340	494,159	70,390	70,594	204	0.3%
Cork	19	18	1,354,724	1,231,167	71,301	68,398	-2,903	-4.1%
Clonmel	12	12	438,223	602,974	36,519	50,248	13,729	37.6%
Wexford	9	10	452,410	499,938	50,268	49,994	-274	-0.5%
Tipperary	11	12	522,831	580,104	47,530	48,342	812	1.7%
Thurles	11	12	474,171	446,958	43,106	37,247	-5,860	-13.6%
Total	281	291	43,837,49	9 45,226,759	156,005	155,418	-587	-0.4%

(\*Excl. Point-to-Points, co-mingling out and N.I. Fixtures)



AVERAGE BOOKMAKER ON-COURSE BETTING 2004 - 2005 BY RACECOURSE

Racecourse	Fixtur	es	Total Bookmaker	On-Course Betting	Average Bookmaker	On-Course Betting	Variance	%
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005		
Galway	12	12	21,376,057	23,516,138	1,781,338	1,959,678	178,340	10.0%
Punchestown	18	17	16,836,584	18,447,182	935,366	1,085,128	149,762	16.0%
Listowel	8	8	8,353,345	8,529,758	1,044,168	1,066,220	22,052	2.1%
Leopardstown	22	22	24,929,148	23,342,942	1,133,143	1,061,043	-72,100	-6.4%
Curragh	19	20	17,974,936	17,056,388	946,049	852,819	-93,230	-9.9%
Fairyhouse	19	20	13,181,809	13,111,080	693,779	655,554	-38,225	-5.5%
Roscommon	9	9	4,612,152	5,121,927	512,461	569,103	56,642	11.1%
Bellewstown	3	5	1,332,749	2,626,301	444,250	525,260	81,010	18.2%
Killarney	7	8	3,475,852	4,061,596	496,550	507,700	11,150	2.2%
Navan	16	16	8,731,417	8,012,659	545,714	500,791	-44,923	-8.2%
Kilbeggan	8	8	4,268,979	3,856,985	533,622	482,123	-51,499	-9.7%
Tralee	7	7	2,597,436	3,058,772	371,062	436,967	65,905	17.8%
Naas	14	15	7,257,560	6,420,486	518,397	428,032	-90,365	-17.4%
Ballinrobe	8	7	2,726,646	2,893,495	340,831	413,356	72,525	21.3%
Limerick	17	18	6,434,011	6,991,047	378,471	388,392	9,921	2.6%
Gowran Park	14	16	6,641,274	6,028,346	474,377	376,772	-97,605	-20.6%
Sligo	6	7	2,227,065	2,554,608	371,178	364,944	-6,234	-1.7%
Thurles	11	12	4,291,700	4,334,643	390,155	361,220	-28,935	-7.4%
Cork	19	18	7,152,821	6,441,766	376,464	357,876	-18,588	-4.9%
Clonmel	12	12	3,780,257	4,133,803	315,021	344,484	29,463	9.4%
Tipperary	11	12	3,962,584	4,061,423	360,235	338,452	-21,783	-6.0%
Tramore	11	11	3,905,179	3,690,579	355,016	335,507	-19,509	-5.5%
Laytown	1	1	264,589	324,217	264,589	324,217	59,628	22.5%
Wexford	9	10	2,597,184	2,529,083	288,576	252,908	-35,668	-12.4%
Total	281	291	178,911,334	181,145,224	636,695	622,492	-14,203	-2.2%

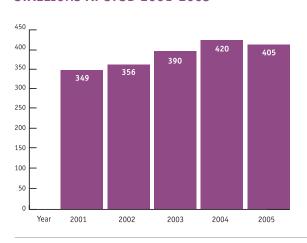
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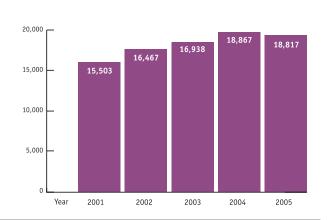
# **NUMBER OF STALLIONS, MARES & FOALS IN IRELAND**

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Stallions	349	356	390	420	405
Mares	15,503	16,467	16,938	18,867	18,817
Foals	9,452	10,214	10,574	10,992	11,748

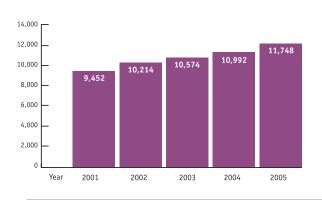
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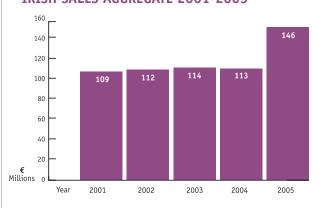
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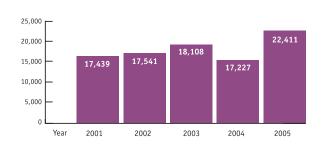
**FOALS BORN 2001-2005** 



**IRISH SALES AGGREGATE 2001-2005** 



# **IRISH SALES AVERAGE 2001-2005**



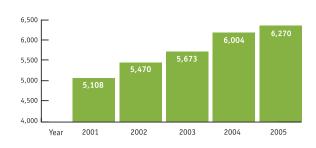
# **IRISH SALES SUMMARY**

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Catalogued	9,794	10,802	10,437	11,233	11,307
Offered	8,189	8,909	8,535	9,241	9,226
Sold	6,241	6,404	6,305	6,575	6,498
Aggregrate					
€′000	108,834	112,333	114,173	113,045	145,626
Average €	17,439	17,541	18,108	17,227	22,411

# HORSES IN TRAINING

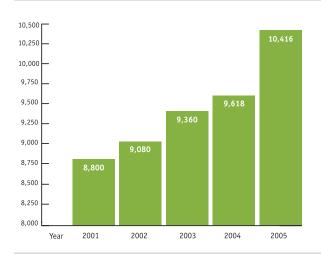
### **AVERAGE NO. OF HORSES IN TRAINING 2001 - 2005**

Age	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
2yo	447	516	495	519	511
3yo	552	590	731	674	701
4yo	635	710	711	939	886
5yo	1,003	1,038	1,122	1133	1,309
6yo+	2,471	2,616	2,614	2,739	2,864
Total	5,108	5,470	5,673	6,004	6,270



# TOTAL NUMBER OF HORSES RETURNED IN TRAINING 2001 - 2005

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	
Total	8,800	9,080	9,360	9,618	10,416	





# **AVERAGE NO. OF COLTS IN TRAINING 2001 - 2005**

Colts	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
2yo	179	202	181	198	186
3yo	133	122	156	138	142
4yo	43	43	30	65	43
5yo	19	27	19	22	27
6yo+	22	21	22	29	25
Total	396	415	408	452	423

# **AVERAGE NO. OF FILLIES IN TRAINING 2001 - 2005**

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
2yo	229	271	275	277	279
3yo	304	320	408	380	383
4yo	268	298	319	402	366
5yo	377	388	427	452	497
6yo+	709	748	757	792	819
Total	1,887	2,025	2,186	2,303	2344

# **AVERAGE NO. OF GELDINGS IN TRAINING 2001 - 2005**

Geldings	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
2Y0	39	43	39	44	46
3Y0	116	148	167	156	176
4Y0	324	369	362	472	478
5Y0	606	623	676	659	785
6Y0+	1740	1847	1835	1918	2018
TOTAL	2825	3030	3079	3249	3503

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# **OWNERSHIP**

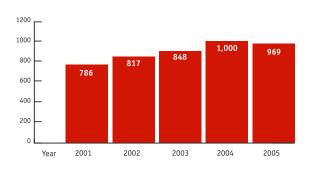


# **RACEHORSE OWNERSHIP 2001 - 2005**

Type of Ownership	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Total Owners	3965	4174	4360	4617	4980
Syndicates	794	905	1061	1173	1333
Clubs	43	36	47	43	46
Companies	29	22	25	29	30

(\*Owners are considered active if they have made at least one race entry in the calendar year)

# **NEW OWNERS REGISTERED 2001-2005**



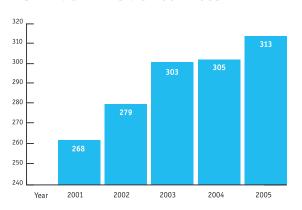


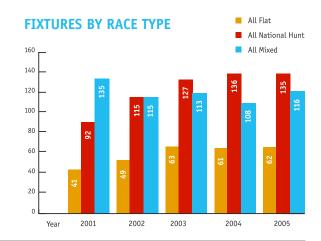


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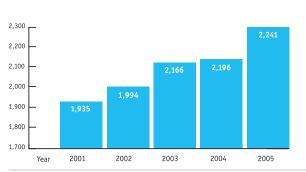
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# **NUMBER OF FIXTURES 2001-2005**

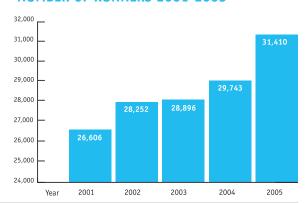




### **NUMBER OF RACES 2001-2005**



# **NUMBER OF RUNNERS 2001-2005**



The fixtures above are for the actual number of fixtures staged each year rather than those programmed.

# **NUMBER OF FIXTURES PER MONTH 2001 - 2005**

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
January	14	17	12	17	17
February	11	9	15	17	15
March	0*	21	19	17	21
April	20	21	21	23	22
May	36	26	32	36	35
June	34	25	35	34	36
July	33	31	35	36	36
August	34	35	39	33	36
September	25	31	27	26	26
<b>October</b>	25	24	26	23	23
November	19	15	19	20	22
December	17	24	23	23	24
Total	268	279	303	305	313

<sup>\*</sup> No racing took place in March 2001 as racing was temporally suspended due to an outbreak of Foot and Mouth disease



# NUMBER OF FIXTURES BY WEEKDAY 2001 - 2005

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Sunday	53	68	76	80	78
Monday	31	30	34	32	35
Tuesday	17	19	17	19	22
Wednesday	40	36	42	40	38
Thursday	38	43	41	45	51
Friday	34	28	33	35	33
Saturday	55	55	60	54	56
Total	268	279	303	305	313
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# **NUMBER OF DIVIDED RACES 2004 - 2005**

Race Type	2004	2005	
	No of Races	No of Races	
FLAT HANDICAP	22	21	
FLAT MAIDEN	8	4	
HURDLE WFA	1	0	
HANDICAP HURDLE	3	6	
MAIDEN HURDLE	9	13	
BUMPER	6	9	
HUNTERS STEEPLECHASE	1	1	
BEGINNERS STEEPLECHASE	0	1	
TOTAL	50	55	

# NUMBER OF RACES BY PRIZE MONEY BANDS

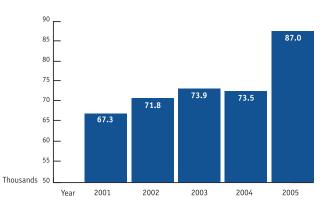
Prize Money Bracket €	2004	2005
	No. of Races	No. of Races
<25,000	1782	1827
25,000 -49,999	200	197
50,000 - 99,999	166	159
100,000 - 249,999	36	44
250,000 - 499,999	10	12
500,000 +	2	2
Total	2,196	2,241

# **ENTRIES AND RUNNERS**

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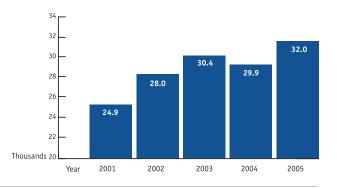
### **TOTAL ENTRIES 2001 - 2005**

Year	Fixtures	Number of Races	Entries	Avg. No. Entries per Race
2001	268	1,935	67,335	34.8
2002	279	1,994	71,792	36.0
2003	303	2,166	73,939	34.1
2004	305	2,196	73,508	33.5
2005	313	2,241	87,030	38.8



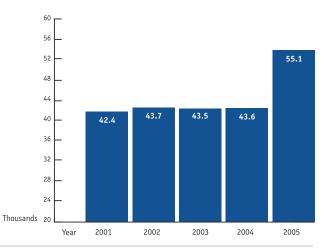
# **TOTAL FLAT ENTRIES 2001 - 2005**

Year	Number of Races	Entries	Avg. No. Entries per Race
2001	782	24,901	31.8
2002	789	28,075	35.6
2003	848	30,436	35.8
2004	844	29,893	35.4
2005	868	31,974	36.8

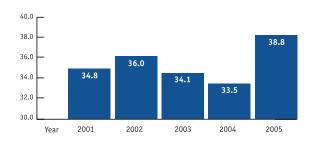


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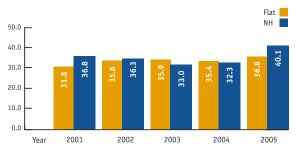
Year	Number of Races	Entries	Avg. No. Entries per Race
2001	1,153	42,434	36.8
2002	1,205	43,717	36.3
2003	1,317	43,503	33.0
2004	1,352	43,617	32.3
2005	1,373	55,056	40.1



# **AVERAGE NO. OF ENTRIES PER RACE 2001 - 2005**



# **AVERAGE NO. OF FLAT & NH ENTRIES 2001 - 2005**



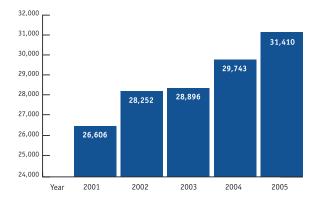
# **ENTRIES BY RACE TYPE 2005**

Race Type	Number of Races	Total Entries	Avg. No. Entries per Race
Flat WFA	175	5,630	32.2
Flat Handicap	426	17,485	41.0
Flat Maiden	267	8,859	33.2
Hurdle WFA	168	4,318	25.7
Handicap Hurdle	302	15,493	51.3
Maiden Hurdle	283	14,380	50.8
Steeplechase WFA	97	1,600	16.5
Hunters Steeplechase	27	754	27.9
Handicap Steeplechase	164	4,581	27.9
Beginners Steeplechase	109	4,218	38.7
Bumper	223	9,712	43.6
Total	2,241	87,030	38.8



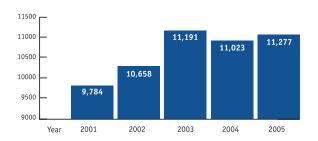
# **NUMBER OF RUNNERS 2001 - 2005**

Year	Number of Races	Total Runners	Avg. No. Entries per Race
2001	1,935	26,606	13.7
2002	1,994	28,252	14.2
2003	2,166	28,896	13.3
2004	2,196	29,743	13.5
2005	2,241	31,410	14.0



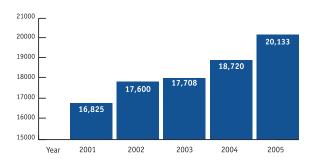
# **TOTAL FLAT RUNNERS 2001 - 2005**

	Races	Runners	Avg Runners
2001	782	9,784	12.5
2002	789	10,658	13.5
2003	848	11,191	13.2
2004	844	11,023	13.1
2005	868	11,277	13.0

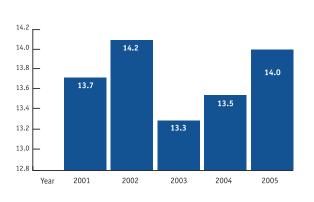


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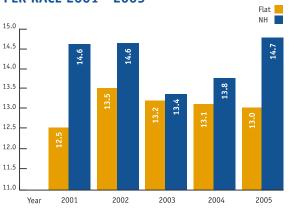
	Races	Runners	Avg Runners
2001	1,153	16,825	14.6
2002	1,205	17,600	14.6
2003	1,318	17,708	13.4
2004	1,352	18,720	13.8
2005	1,373	20,133	14.7



# AVERAGE NO. OF RUNNERS PER RACE 2001 - 2005



# AVERAGE NO. OF FLAT & NH RUNNERS PER RACE 2001 - 2005



# AVERAGE NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER RACE CATEGORY 2001 – 2005

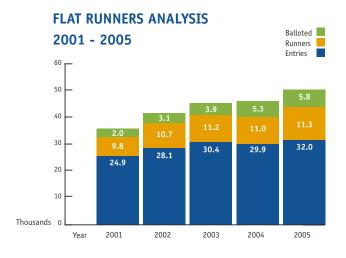
	Flat	Hurdle	Chase	Bumper
2001	31.8	41.7	25.3	40.3
2002	35.6	40.6	24.1	43.3
2003	35.9	35.0	25.6	40.5
2004	35.4	35.4	24.2	36.2
2005	36.8	45.4	28.1	43.6

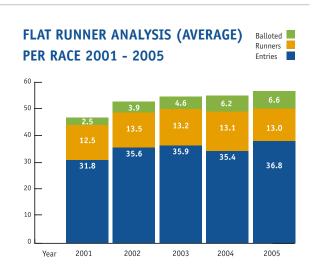
# AVERAGE NUMBER OF RUNNERS PER RACE CATEGORY 2001 - 2005

	Flat	Hurdle	Chase	Bumper
2001	12.5	15.7	11.5	16.1
2002	13.5	15.7	11.3	16.7
2003	13.2	14.1	11.3	15.4
2004	13.1	14.6	11.6	15.3
2005	13.0	15.5	12.3	16.2

### FLAT RUNNER ANALYSIS BY RACE TYPE 2001 - 2005

	Races	Entries	(Avg)	Runners	(Avg)	Ballotted	(Avg)
2001	782	24901	31.8	9784	12.5	1981	2.5
2002	789	28075	35.6	10658	13.5	3063	3.9
2003	848	30436	35.9	11191	13.2	3860	4.6
2004	844	29891	35.4	11023	13.1	5260	6.2
2005	868	31974	36.8	11277	13.0	5759	6.6

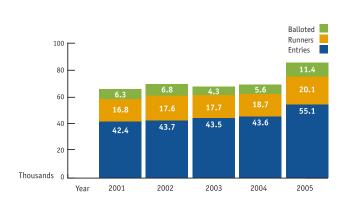




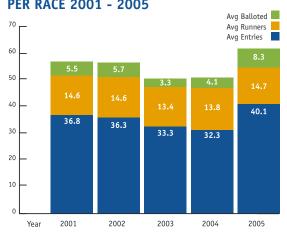
### NH RUNNER ANALYSIS BY RACE TYPE 2001 - 2005

(Avg)	Ballotted	(Avg)	Runners	(Avg)	Entries	Races	
5.5	6,331	14.6	16,822	36.8	42,434	1,153	2001
5.7	6,840	14.6	17,594	36.3	43,717	1,205	2002
3.3	4,323	13.4	17,705	33.0	43,503	1,318	2003
4.1	5,600	13.8	18,720	32.3	43,617	1,352	2004
8.3	11,428	14.7	20,133	40.1	55,056	1,373	2005
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# NH RUNNER ANALYSIS 2001 - 2005



# NH RUNNER ANALYSIS (AVERAGE) PER RACE 2001 - 2005



### **RUNNER ANALYSIS BY RACE TYPE 2001**

Flat	Type	Races	Entries	(Average)	Runners	(Average)	Ballotted	(Average)
	WFA	155	5047	32.6	1,420	9.2	9	0.1
	H'cap	363	12259	33.8	5,188	14.3	1617	4.5
	M'dn	264	7595	28.8	3,176	12.0	355	1.3
	Total	782	24901	31.8	9,784	12.5	1981	2.5
١H	Туре	Races	Entries	(Average)	Runners	(Average)	Ballotted	(Average)
	Hurdle	614	25618	41.7	9,651	15.7	4467	7.3
	Chase	327	8262	25.3	3,754	11.5	640	2.0
	Bumper	212	8554	40.3	3,417	16.1	1224	5.8

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# **RUNNER ANALYSIS BY RACE TYPE 2002**

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Total

Flat	Туре	Races	Entries	(Average)	Runners	(Average)	Ballotted	(Average)
	WFA	150	5104	34.0	1,396	9.3	36	0.2
	H'cap	385	14669	38.1	5,823	15.1	2,467	6.4
	M'dn	254	8302	32.7	3,439	13.5	560	2.2
	Total	789	28075	35.6	10,658	13.5	3,063	3.9
NH	Type	Races	Entries	(Average)	Runners	(Average)	Ballotted	(Average)

NH	Type	Races	Entries	(Average)	Runners	(Average)	Ballotted	(Average)
	Hurdle	657	26679	40.6	10,303	15.7	4,652	7.1
	Chase	349	8416	24.1	3,959	11.3	543	1.6
	Bumper	199	8622	43.3	3,332	16.7	1,645	8.3
	Total	1205	43717	36.3	17,594	14.6	6,840	5.7

# **RUNNER ANALYSIS BY RACE TYPE 2003**

Flat	Type	Races	Entries	(Average)	Runners	(Average)	Ballotted	(Average)
	WFA	167	5568	33.3	1,477	8.8	44	0.3
	H'cap	409	16073	39.3	6,100	14.9	3,293	8.1
	M'dn	272	8795	32.3	3,614	13.3	523	1.9
	Total	848	30436	35.9	11,191	13.2	3,860	4.6
IH	Туре	Races	Entries	(Average)	Runners	(Average)	Ballotted	(Average)
	Hurdle	700	24495	35.0	9,861	14.1	2,766	4.0
	Chase	404	10333	25.6	4,550	11.3	570	1.4
	Bumper	214	8675	40.5	3,294	15.4	987	4.6
	Total	1318	43503	33.0	17,705	13.4	4,323	3.3

# **RUNNER ANALYSIS BY RACE TYPE 2004**

Flat	Туре	Races	Entries	(Average)	Runners	(Average)	Ballotted	(Average)
	WFA	171	5625	32.9	1,570	9.2	134	0.8
	H'cap	412	16031	38.9	5,992	14.5	4,134	10.0
	M'dn	261	8235	31.6	3,461	13.3	992	3.8
	Total	844	29891	35.4	11,023	13.1	5,260	6.2
ΝН	Туре	Races	Entries	(Average)	Runners	(Average)	Ballotted	(Average)
	Hurdle	731	25892	35.4	10,708	14.6	4,173	5.7
	Chase	398	9643	24.2	4,611	11.6	534	1.3
	Bumper	223	8082	36.2	3,401	15.3	893	4.0
	Total	1352	43617	32.3	18,720	13.8	5,600	4.1

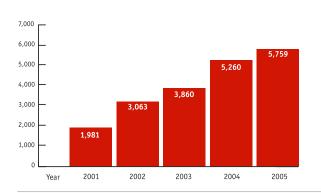
# **RUNNER ANALYSIS BY RACE TYPE 2005**

Flat	Туре	Races	Entries	(Average)	Runners	(Average)	Ballotted	(Average)
	WFA	175	5,630	32.2	1,617	9.2	118	0.7
	H'cap	426	17,485	41.0	6,113	14.3	4,399	10.3
	M'dn	267	8,859	33.2	3,547	13.3	1,242	4.7
	Total	868	31,974	36.8	11,277	13.0	5,759	6.6
NH	Туре	Races	Entries	(Average)	Runners	(Average)	Ballotted	(Average)
	Hurdle	753	34,191	45.4	11,640	15.5	8,513	11.3
	Chase	397	11,153	28.1	4,888	12.3	1,166	2.9
	Bumper	223	9,712	43.6	3,605	16.2	1,749	7.8

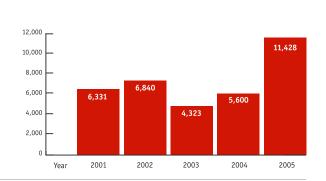
# **BALLOTING**



# **FLAT BALLOTING 2001-2005**



# **NH BALLOTING 2001-2005**



# **NUMBER OF BALLOTS PER RACE CATEGORY**

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Flat WFA	9	36	44	134	118
Flat H'cap	1617	2467	3293	4134	4399
Flat Mdn	355	560	523	992	1242
Hurdle WFA	76	797	177	159	327
H'cap Hurdle	1700	1706	1135	1628	4337
M'dn Hurdle	2691	2149	1454	2386	3849
Chase WFA	3	7	5	7	0
H'cap Chase	87	117	94	132	284
Beginners Chase	440	395	438	354	817
Hunters Chase	110	24	33	41	65
Bumper	1224	1645	987	893	1749
Total	8312	9903	8183	10860	17187

# **AVERAGE BALLOTS PER RACE**

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Flat WFA	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.8	0.7
Flat H'cap	4.5	6.4	8.1	10.0	10.3
Flat Mdn	1.3	2.2	1.9	3.8	4.7
Hurdle WFA	0.6	4.5	1.1	1.0	1.9
H'cap Hurdle	6.8	5.6	3.9	5.4	14.4
M'dn Hurdle	11.2	10.5	5.8	8.9	13.6
Chase WFA	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
H'cap Chase	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.8	1.7
Beginners Chase	5.1	4.3	3.8	3.2	7.6
Hunters Chase	7.3	1.0	1.1	1.7	2.4
Bumper	5.8	8.3	4.6	4.0	7.8
Total	4.3	5.0	3.8	4.9	7.7



# % OF ENTERED HORSES BALLOTED OUT BY RACE CATEGORY

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Flat WFA	0.2%	0.7%	0.8%	2.4%	2.1%
Flat H'cap	13.2%	16.8%	20.5%	25.8%	25.2%
Flat Mdn	4.7%	6.7%	5.9%	12.0%	14.0%
Hurdle WFA	2.5%	14.2%	4.3%	4.2%	7.6%
H'cap Hurdle	15.8%	15.3%	10.5%	14.6%	28.0%
M'dn Hurdle	22.7%	21.7%	15.2%	21.9%	26.8%
Chase WFA	0.2%	0.5%	0.3%	0.4%	0.0%
H'cap Chase	2.5%	3.3%	2.2%	3.2%	6.2%
Beginners Chase	14.3%	13.3%	11.8%	10.9%	19.4%
Hunters Chase	23.5%	4.2%	4.4%	6.5%	8.6%
Bumper	14.3%	19.1%	11.4%	11.0%	18.0%
Total	12.3%	13.8%	11.1%	14.8%	19.7%

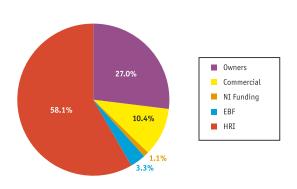




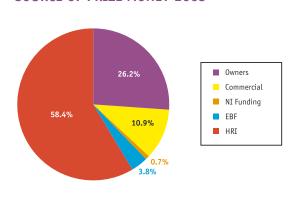
# PRIZE MONEY VALUES 2001-2005\*

	Flat	NH	Total	
Year	€′000	€′000	€′000	% Increase
2001	21,708	20,499	42,207	-
2002	23,519	22,031	45,550	7.9%
2003	25,177	24,474	49,651	9.0%
2004	25,541	25,919	51,460	3.6%
2005	25,369	25,813	51,182	-0.5%
(*Excl. Point-to-Points)				

# **SOURCE OF PRIZE MONEY 2004**



# **SOURCE OF PRIZE MONEY 2005**



# **SOURCES OF PRIZE MONEY**

# €′000

Year	0wners	Commercial	NI Funding	EBF	HRI	Total
2001	12,697	4,549	477	1,087	23,397	42,207
2002	14,258	4,622	557	1,270	24,843	45,550
2003	14,876	4,880	548	1,708	27,638	49,651
2004	13,919	5,350	565	1,712	29,914	51,460
2005	13,391	5,579	362	1,941	29,909	51,182



PRIZE MONEY CONTRIBUTIONS (€) BY RACECOURSE 2005

Venue	Meetings	Races	Owner €	Sponsor €	NI Funding €	EBF €	HRI €	Total Prize Money €
BALLINROBE	7	51	118,110	27,000	0	8,000	373,390	526,500
BELLEWSTOWN	5	39	85,644	42,000	0	8,000	305,856	441,500
CLONMEL	12	84	219,707	54,500	0	37,000	698,294	1,009,500
CORK	18	124	498,122	96,500	0	141,000	1,650,378	2,386,000
CURRAGH	20	150	4,144,135	1,434,920	0	272,500	4,511,945	10,363,500
DOWN ROYAL	12	79	222,207	0	211,682	41,000	522,611	997,500
DOWNPATRICK	10	69	134,105	0	150,411	25,000	371,485	681,000
FAIRYHOUSE	20	145	701,738	354,000	0	130,500	2,027,762	3,214,000
GALWAY	12	88	613,012	529,500	0	88,000	1,242,988	2,473,500
GOWRAN PARK	16	118	417,576	124,500	0	158,000	1,341,924	2,042,000
KILBEGGAN	8	56	152,217	66,250	0	10,500	462,533	691,500
KILLARNEY	8	61	180,509	92,000	0	36,000	525,992	834,500
LAYTOWN	1	6	9,930	3,000	0	0	46,570	59,500
LEOPARDSTOWN	22	159	1,985,872	948,750	0	249,500	4,078,029	7,262,150
LIMERICK	18	126	463,762	134,750	0	58,500	1,420,489	2,077,500
LISTOWEL	8	56	293,018	213,000	0	57,500	645,483	1,209,000
NAAS	15	104	425,834	156,000	0	154,000	1,401,167	2,137,000
NAVAN	16	114	454,991	104,500	0	114,000	1,546,010	2,219,500
PUNCHESTOWN	17	125	882,172	737,800	0	48,000	2,267,528	3,935,500
ROSCOMMON	9	65	186,344	33,500	0	58,000	538,657	816,500
SLIG0	7	50	123,335	38,500	0	16,000	352,166	530,000
THURLES	12	87	240,075	74,500	0	46,000	808,925	1,169,500
TIPPERARY	12	85	309,998	119,500	0	98,000	1,085,002	1,612,500
TRALEE	7	51	181,781	76,500	0	65,000	515,220	838,500
TRAMORE	11	78	166,185	60,500	0	17,000	606,815	850,500
WEXFORD	10	71	180,386	57,500	0	4,000	561,615	803,500
Total	313	2,241	13,390,759	5,579,470	362,093	1,941,000	29,908,829	51,182,150

# PRIZE MONEY CONTRIBUTIONS (%) BY RACECOURSE 2005

Venue	Meetings	Races	<b>O</b> wner	Sponsor	NI Funding	EBF	HRI	<b>Total Prize Money</b> €
BALLINROBE	7	51	22.4%	5.1%	0.0%	1.5%	70.9%	526,500
BELLEWSTOWN	5	39	19.4%	9.5%	0.0%	1.8%	69.3%	441,500
CLONMEL	12	84	21.8%	5.4%	0.0%	3.7%	69.2%	1,009,500
CORK	18	124	20.9%	4.0%	0.0%	5.9%	69.2%	2,386,000
CURRAGH	20	150	40.0%	13.8%	0.0%	2.6%	43.5%	10,363,500
DOWN ROYAL	12	79	22.3%	0.0%	21.2%	4.1%	52.4%	997,500
DOWNPATRICK	10	69	19.7%	0.0%	22.1%	3.7%	54.5%	681,000
FAIRYHOUSE	20	145	21.8%	11.0%	0.0%	4.1%	63.1%	3,214,000
GALWAY	12	88	24.8%	21.4%	0.0%	3.6%	50.3%	2,473,500
GOWRAN PARK	16	118	20.4%	6.1%	0.0%	7.7%	65.7%	2,042,000
KILBEGGAN	8	56	22.0%	9.6%	0.0%	1.5%	66.9%	691,500
KILLARNEY	8	61	21.6%	11.0%	0.0%	4.3%	63.0%	834,500
LAYTOWN	1	6	16.7%	5.0%	0.0%	0.0%	78.3%	59,500
LEOPARDSTOWN	22	159	27.3%	13.1%	0.0%	3.4%	56.2%	7,262,150
LIMERICK	18	126	22.3%	6.5%	0.0%	2.8%	68.4%	2,077,500
LISTOWEL	8	56	24.2%	17.6%	0.0%	4.8%	53.4%	1,209,000
NAAS	15	104	19.9%	7.3%	0.0%	7.2%	65.6%	2,137,000
NAVAN	16	114	20.5%	4.7%	0.0%	5.1%	69.7%	2,219,500
PUNCHESTOWN	17	125	22.4%	18.7%	0.0%	1.2%	57.6%	3,935,500
ROSCOMMON	9	65	22.8%	4.1%	0.0%	7.1%	66.0%	816,500
SLIG0	7	50	23.3%	7.3%	0.0%	3.0%	66.4%	530,000
THURLES	12	87	20.5%	6.4%	0.0%	3.9%	69.2%	1,169,500
TIPPERARY	12	85	19.2%	7.4%	0.0%	6.1%	67.3%	1,612,500
TRALEE	7	51	21.7%	9.1%	0.0%	7.8%	61.4%	838,500
TRAMORE	11	78	19.5%	7.1%	0.0%	2.0%	71.3%	850,500
WEXFORD	10	71	22.4%	7.2%	0.0%	0.5%	69.9%	803,500
Total	313	2241	26.2%	10.9%	0.7%	3.8%	58.4%	51,182,150

# PRIZEMONEY WON BY FOREIGN TRAINED HORSES IN IRELAND 2001 - 2005

					PRIZE MON	EY (€)	
Year	Runs	Wins	Places	Win	Place	Total	%
2001	143	15	41	1,575,935	999,919	2,575,854	-3.4%
2002	188	26	54	2,339,320	912,725	3,252,045	26.3%
2003	206	36	76	2,292,250	1,620,798	3,913,048	20.3%
2004	213	32	71	2,657,900	1,504,560	4,162,460	6.4%
2005	222	29	71	2,603,050	1,309,809	3,933,859	-5.5%

# PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL PRIZEMONEY WON BY FOREIGN TRAINED HORSES

	Won	% of Total Irish Prizemoney
2001	2,575,854	6.1%
2002	3,252,045	7.1%
2003	3,913,048	7.9%
2004	4,162,460	8.1%
2005	3.933.859	7.7%

# PRIZE MONEY WON IN UK BY IRISH TRAINED HORSES

PRIZE	MONEY	(£)
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YEAR         RUNS         WINS         PLACES         WIN           2001         246         33         74         2,936,684		
	PLACE	TOTAL
570	845,593	3,782,277
<b>2002</b> 573 51 188 2,751,108	1,731,366	4,482,474
<b>2003</b> 568 49 186 2,442,800	1,643,507	4,086,307
<b>2004</b> 624 53 228 1,557,216	1,335,441	2,892,657
<b>2005</b> 977 109 314 4,650,371	1,666,184	6,316,555

# PRIZEMONEY WON ABROAD BY IRISH TRAINED HORSES (EXCLUDING UK)

# Prizemoney (€)

Year	Runs	Wins	Places	Win	Place	Total
2003	77	5	27	932,420	1,222,752	2,155,172
2004	85	8	35	1,710,552	1,719,267	3,429,819
2005	93	11	36	1,445,215	1,511,826	2,957,041



PERCENTAGE OF RACES SPONSORED 2005 BY RACECOURSE\*

Venue	Meetings	Races	Commercially	EBF	Combined	Total	Percentage	SPONSOR €	EBF €	HRI €	Sponsorship
			Sponsored	Sponsored	EBF/Commercial Sponsorship	Sponsored Races	Sponsored Races				Variance € 04 - 05
GALWAY	12	00	85	11	00	88	100.0%	529,500	88,000	1,242,988	37,900
LAYTOWN	$\vdash$	9	9	0	0	9	100.0%	3,000	1	46,570	0
BALLINROBE	7	51	47	2	0	49	96.1%	27,000	8,000	373,390	1,000
LISTOWEL	00	99	46	9	0	52	92.9%	213,000	57,500	645,483	2,000
KILLARNEY	∞	61	49	7	0	56	91.8%	92,000	36,000	525,992	18,000
BELLEWSTOWN	5	39	33	2	0	35	89.7%	42,000	8,000	305,856	24,500
CURRAGH	20	150	126	31	24	133	88.7%	1,434,920	272,500	4,511,945	-41,030
TRALEE	7	51	36	00	0	44	86.3%	76,500	65,000	515,220	15,000
LIMERICK	18	126	97	15	10	102	81.0%	134,750	58,500	1,420,489	4,500
TRAMORE	11	78	50	3		52	99.1%	60,500	17,000	606,815	-3,250
KILBEGGAN	∞	99	33	3	0	36	64.3%	66,250	10,500	462,533	2,500
LEOPARDSTOWN	22	159	76	26	$\vdash$	101	63.5%	948,750	249,500	4,078,029	93,000
ROSCOMMON	6	92	32	6	0	41	63.1%	33,500	58,000	538,657	-6,750
SLIGO	7	20	27	4	0	31	62.0%	38,500	16,000	352,166	13,500
WEXFORD	10	71	42	$\vdash$	0	43	%9.09	57,500	4,000	561,615	16,000
NAAS	15	104	44	20	00	56	53.8%	156,000	154,000	1,401,167	-49,900
<b>GOWRAN PARK</b>	16	118	45	21	4	62	52.5%	124,500	158,000	1,341,924	3,800
PUNCHESTOWN	17	125	61	5	2	64	51.2%	737,800	48,000	2,267,528	154,550
NAVAN	16	114	49	19	10	58	50.9%	104,500	114,000	1,546,010	-11,500
TIPPERARY	12	85	24	16	0	40	47.1%	119,500	98,000	1,085,002	-1,750
FAIRYHOUSE	20	145	51	16	$\leftarrow$	99	45.5%	354,000	130,500	2,027,762	1,805
CORK	18	124	41	20	5	56	45.2%	96,500	141,000	1,650,378	-39,750
CLONMEL	12	84	26	7	0	33	39.3%	54,500	37,000	698,294	2,500
THURLES	12	87	23	11	2	32	36.8%	74,500	46,000	808,925	4,200
DOWNPATRICK	10	69	N/A	7	0	7	10.1%	N/A	25,000	371,485	-1000
DOWN ROYAL	12	79	N/A	7	0	7	8.9%	N/A	41,000	522,611	-2000
Total	313	2241	1149	277	92	1350	60.2%	5,579,470	1,941,000	29,908,829	229,425

(\*Excl. Point-to-Points)

# PERCENTAGE OF SPONSORED RACES BY RACECOURSE 2004

Venue	Meetings	Races	Commercially Sponsored	EBF Sponsored	Combined EBF/Comm Sponsorship	Total Sponsored Races	Percentage Sponsored Races	Sponsor €	EBF €	HRI €
LAYTOWN	$\vdash$	9	9	0	0	9	100%	3,000	0	49,058
GALWAY	12	∞ ∞	84	6	9	87	%66	491,600	70,000	1,341,373
KILLARNEY	7	51	44	5	0	49	%96	74,000	16,000	475,676
LISTOWEL	00	09	46	7	0	53	88%	211,000	53,500	722,791
CURRAGH	19	143	115	30	23	122	85%	1,475,950	248,500	3,774,684
BELLEWSTOWN	3	23	18	$\leftarrow$	0	19	83%	17,500	2,000	195,282
BALLINROBE	00	59	45	3	0	48	81%	26,000	000'6	502,149
LIMERICK	17	120	06	12	9	96	%08	130,250	55,500	1,513,332
TRAMORE	11	78	55	23	1	57	73%	63,750	16,000	700,183
NAAS	14	97	54	22	11	65	%29	205,900	144,000	1,385,204
TRALEE	7	54	28	7	0	35	%59	61,500	49,000	572,361
ROSCOMMON	6	99	35	7	1	41	63%	40,250	40,000	591,553
SLIGO	9	43	22	5	0	27	63%	25,000	15,000	325,545
KILBEGGAN	00	99	32	3	0	35	63%	63,750	8,500	542,269
LEOPARDSTOWN	22	159	70	56	0	96	%09	855,750	230,500	3,974,179
TIPPERARY	11	82	31	18	0	49	%09	121,250	97,000	1,058,034
<b>GOWRAN PARK</b>	14	104	44	21	4	61	29%	120,700	145,000	1,268,267
NAVAN	16	115	55	20	6	99	57%	116,000	106,500	1,645,261
CORK	19	135	56	22	2	76	26%	136,250	152,000	1,917,928
WEXFORD	6	29	35	2	1	36	54%	41,500	4,000	578,735
FAIRYHOUSE	19	136	57	12	0	69	51%	352,195	77,000	1,933,981
PUNCHESTOWN	18	130	09	9	2	94	49%	583,250	49,000	2,196,643
CLONMEL	12	82	27	7	0	34	41%	52,000	25,000	761,479
THURLES	11	79	20	6	1	28	35%	78,700	33,000	748,468
DOWN ROYAL	14	94	n/a	11	0	11	12%	2,000	47,000	727,498
DOWNPATRICK	10	70	n/a	7	0	7	10%	1,000	19,000	411,914
Total	305	2196	1129	275	67	1337	61%	5,350,045	1,712,000	29,913,846

# RACE SPONSORSHIP 2004 - 2005 BY INDUSTRY SECTOR

Sector	2004 Value €	%	2005 Value €	%
Breweries/Publicans	1,103,700	20.6%	1,376,500	24.7%
Construction Industry	614,900	11.5%	742,000	13.3%
Stud Farms	663,500	12.4%	667,000	12.0%
Bookmakers				
Betting Exchanges	612,000	11.4%	618,500	11.1%
Individuals	207,000	3.9%	262,070	4.7%
Media	169,750	3.2%	247,250	4.4%
Motor/Petroleum				
Industries	213,250	4.0%	234,500	4.2%
Food/Dairy Industry	165,450	3.1%	220,500	4.0%
Professionals	385,750	7.2%	190,500	3.4%
Bloodstock Sales				
& Admin	324,095	6.0%	199,400	3.6%
Hotels	142,050	2.7%	172,500	3.1%
Computer Industry	90,700	1.7%	101,500	1.8%
Racecourses &				
their Supporters Clubs	93,000	1.7%	84,000	1.5%
Retail	140,500	2.6%	71,750	1.3%
Other	68,000	1.3%	69,500	1.2%
Financial Institutions	51,500	1.0%	56,500	1.0%
Insurance Companies	87,750	1.6%	51,500	0.9%
Transport/				
Travel Industry	44,000	0.8%	50,000	0.9%
<b>Communications Industry</b>	34,500	0.6%	32,500	0.6%
Animal Feed				
Companies	34,900	0.7%	31,500	0.6%
Manufacturing Industry	28,500	0.5%	31,500	0.6%
Utilities	14,500	0.3%	24,000	0.4%
Restaurants	21,000	0.4%	20,500	0.4%
Pharmaceuticals	15,500	0.3%	10,500	0.2%
Agricultural	19,250	0.4%	7,000	0.1%
Printers	5,000	0.1%	6,500	0.1%
Total	5,350,045		5,579,470	

# **LEADING HORSES**

# LEADING FLAT HORSES BY NUMBER OF WINS 2005

Horse	Runs	Wins	Places	Total Prize Money Won
Miss Sally	9	5	3	227,260
Goose Island	10	5	3	36,915
Sister Sox	10	4	3	45,890
Hard Rock City (USA)	6	4	2	116,820
Togher Castle	13	4	2	25,520
The Carbon Unit (USA)	8	4	1	76,080
Homegrown	10	4	1	57,550
George Washington	4	4	0	451,950
Rumplestiltskin	4	4	0	318,400
Abigail Pett (GB)	6	3	2	132,300

# LEADING NH HORSES BY NUMBER OF WINS 2004/2005 SEASON

Horse	Runs	Wins	Places	Total Prize Money Won
Asian Maze	13	6	5	173,660
Rathgar Beau	10	5	4	295,800
No Half Session	13	5	3	78,425
Chicago Vic	13	4	5	43,955
Blazing Liss	9	4	4	111,260
Always (GB)	9	4	3	84,200
Forget The Past (GB)	6	4	2	163,410
Barrack Buster (GB)	9	4	2	51,620
Cane Brake	7	4	1	87,560
Feathard Lady	4	4	0	33,600

# LEADING FLAT HORSES BY PRIZE MONEY WON IN IRELAND 2005\*

Horse	Runs	Wins	Places	Total Prize Money Won
Hurricane Run	1	1	0	767,000
Oratorio	2	1	1	650,000
George Washington	4	4	0	451,950
Rumplestiltskin	4	4	0	318,400
Scorpion	3	1	2	286,500
Alexander Goldrun	2	1	1	252,500
Dubawi	1	1	0	236,000
Saoire (GB)	4	1	0	236,000
Shawanda	1	1	0	228,000
Miss Sally	9	5	3	227,260

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{^*}$  Prize Money up to and including fourth place. Irish runs and prize money for horses trained in GB

# LEADING NH HORSES BY PRIZE MONEY WON IN IRELAND 2005\*

Horse	Runs	Wins	Places	Total Prize Money Won
Brave Inca	5	3	2	242,400
Rathgar Beau	6	3	3	209,800
Numbersixvalverde	7	2	2	199,800
Central House (GB)	9	4	4	178,600
War Of Attrition	6	4	1	166,630
Black Apalachi	7	3	3	161,500
Ansar	5	1	4	157,300
Rule Supreme	2	1	1	156,600
Euro Leader	8	4	2	153,100
Kicking King	2	1	1	148,350

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  Prize Money up to and including fourth place, Irish Runs and prize money for horses trained in GB. 2004 – 2005 NH season

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- 16. Black Apalachi
- 17. Ansar
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- 20. Kicking King



# NUMBER OF TRAINERS/RESTRICTED LICENCE HOLDERS 2001 - 2005\*

	Public Trainers	Restricted Licence Holders
2001	361	337
2002	379	325
2003	397	311
2004	433	294
2005	441	300

<sup>\*</sup>Restricted Licence Holders replaced Permit Holders in 2004 Figures calculated as of December each year



# **NUMBER OF JOCKEYS 2001 - 2005**

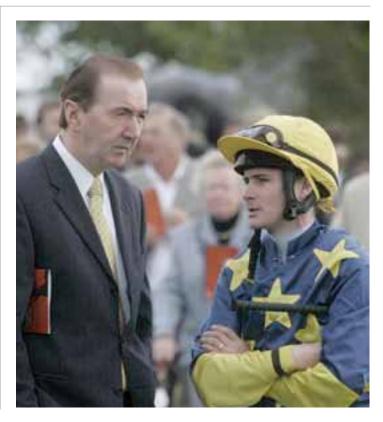
	Flat Riders*	NH Riders*	Apprentices*	Qualified Riders **
2001	56	119	53	772
2002	65	121	56	817
2003	67	118	62	780
2004	67	121	74	746
2005	73	123	69	674

# **STABLE STAFF EMPLOYEE NUMBERS**

	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total
2002	1,264	1,528	2,792
2003	1,297	1,593	2,890
2004	1,427	1,375	2,802
2005	1,417	1,669	3,086

Source: The Turf Club





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# CLASSIFICATIONS



### HIGHEST RATED IRISH TRAINED HORSES 2001 - 2005

Year	Male	Rating	Female	Rating	
2001	Galileo (IRE)	129	Imagine (IRE)	117	
2002	Rock of Gibralter (IRE)	128	Rebelline(IRE)	118	
2003	Hawk Wing (USA)	133	L'ancresse (IRE)	119	
2004	Azamour (IRE) & Grey Swallow (IRE)	123	Alexander Goldrun (IRE)	116	
2005	Azamour (IRE)	126	Alexander Goldrun (IRE)	119	

# HIGHEST RATED IRISH TRAINED TWO YEAR OLDS 2001 - 2005

Male	Rating	Female	Rating	
Johannesburg (USA)	126	Quarter Moon (IRE)	110	
Tomahawk (USA)	119	Danaskaya (IRE)	112	
Grey Swallow (IRE)	119	Necklace (GB)	108	
Ad Valorem (USA)	122	Damson (IRE)	114	
George Washington (IRE)	124	Rumplestiltskin (IRE)	116	
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# IRISH CLASSIFICATIONS - THREE YEAR OLDS BY DISTANCE 2001 - 2005 : SPRINT (5F - 6F)

Year	Male	Rating	Female	Rating
2001	Mozart (IRE)	125	Dietrich (USA)	109
2002	Captain Rio(GB)	115	Agnetha (GER)	110
2003	Deportivo (GB)	113	Miss Emma (IRE)	113
2004	One Cool Cat (USA)	114	Nights Cross (IRE) & Ulfah (USA)	104
2005	Dark Cheetah (USA)	102	Miss Sally (IRE)	111

# IRISH CLASSIFICATIONS - THREE YEAR OLDS BY DISTANCE 2001 - 2005 : MILE (7F - 9F)

Year	Male	Rating	Female	Rating	
2001	Black Minnaloushe (USA)	118	Imagine (IRE)	117	
2002	Rock Of Gibraltar (IRE)	128	Gossamer (GB)	118	
2003	Refuse to Bend (IRE)	118	Yesterday (IRE)	116	
2004	Bachelor Duke (USA)	118	Attraction (GB)	118	
2005	Dubawi (IRE)	123	Virginia Waters (USA)	113	

# IRISH CLASSIFICATIONS - THREE YEAR OLDS BY DISTANCE 2001 - 2005 : INTERMEDIATE (9.5F - 10.5F)

Year	Male	Rating	Female	Rating	
2001	Galileo (IRE)	128	Snowflake (IRE)	109	
2002	Hawk Wing (USA)	122	Irresistible Jewel (IRE)	111	
2003	Alamshar (IRE)	121	L'Ancresse (IRE)	119	
2004	Azamour (IRE)	123	Alexander Goldrun (IRE)	116	
2005	Oratorio (IRE)	123	Chelsea Rose (IRE)	111	

# IRISH CLASSIFICATIONS - THREE YEAR OLDS BY DISTANCE 2001 - 2005 : LONG (11F - 13F)

Year	Male	Rating	Female	Rating	
2001	Galileo (IRE)	129	Imagine (IRE)	116	
2002	High Chaparral (IRE)	126	Quarter Moon (IRE)	117	
2003	Alamshar (IRE)	131	Vintage Tipple (IRE)	116	
2004	Grey Swallow (IRE)	123	Ouija Board (GB)	115	
2005	Hurricane Run (IRE)	121	Shawanda (IRE)	121	

# IRISH CLASSIFICATIONS - THREE YEAR OLDS BY DISTANCE 2001 - 2005 : EXTENDED (14F+)

Male	Rating	Female	Rating	
Milan (GB)	122	-	-	
Ballingarry (IRE)	115	-	-	
Brian Boru (GB) & Powerscourt (GB)	117	Queen Astrid (IRE)	102	
Tycoon (GB)	117	Tarakala (IRE)	101	
Scorpion (IRE)	117	Right Key (IRE)	106	
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# IRISH CLASSIFICATIONS - FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UP BY DISTANCE 2001 - 2005 : SPRINT (5-6F)

Male	Rating	Female	Rating	
Repertory (GB)/Invincible Spirit (IRE)	112	Anna Elise (IRE)	102	
Tiger Royal (IRE)	113	Danehurst (GB)	110	
Avorado (IRE)/Fayr Jag (IRE)	110	Belle Du Jour (AUS)	107	
Osterhase (IRE)	113	Ringmoor Down (GB)	107	
Osterhase (IRE), Benbaun (IRE),	111	Moon Unit (GB)	106	
The Trader (IRE)				
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# IRISH CLASSIFICATIONS - FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UP BY DISTANCE 2001 - 2005 : MILE (7 - 9F)

Year	Male	Rating	Female	Rating	
2001	Bach (IRE)	119	Caumshinaun (IRE)	105	
2002	Bach (IRE)	113	Rebelline (IRE)	110	
2003	Hawk Wing (USA)	133	Livadiya (IRE)	110	
2004	Monsieur Bond (IRE)	114	Soviet Song (IRE)	119	
2005	Caradak (IRE)	114	Attraction (GB)	116	

# IRISH CLASSIFICATIONS - FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UP BY DISTANCE 2001 - 2005 : INTERMEDIATE (9.5-10.5F)

Year	Male	Rating	Female	Rating	
2001	Fantastic Light (USA)	129	Molomo(GB)	102	
2002	Grandera (IRE)	123	Rebelline (IRE)	118	
2003	High Chaparral (IRE)	124	Islington (IRE)	120	
2004	Norse Dancer (IRE)	121	Chorist (GB)	117	
2005	Azamour (IRE)	123	Alexander Goldrun (IRE)	119	

# IRISH CLASSIFICATIONS - FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UP BY DISTANCE 2001 - 2005 : LONG (11 - 13F)

Year	Male	Rating	Female	Rating	
2001	Mutakarrim (GB)	106	Masilia (IRE)	104	
2002	Vinnie Roe (IRE)	118	Queens Wharf (IRE)	100	
2003	High Chaparral (IRE)	127	Queens Wharf (IRE)	103	
2004	Brian Boru (GB)	114	My Renee (USA)	106	
2005	Azamour (IRE)	126	Kastoria (IRE)	111	

IRISH CLASSIFICATIONS - FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UP BY DISTANCE 2001 - 2005 : EXTENDED (14F+)

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Source: Irish Racing Calendar & Form Book. Ratings compiled by Turf Club Handicappers.



# LEADING OWNERS, TRAINERS & RIDERS



# **LEADING FLAT OWNERS BY PRIZE MONEY 2005**

0wner	Runs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Win Money(€)	Place Money (€)	Prize Money (€)
Mrs. John Magnier	159	43	27	13	15	2,821,275	693,680	3,520,955
H.H. Aga Khan	103	25	14	15	11	561,570	294,825	859,395
Lady O'Reilly	195	21	36	24	24	368,690	260,970	629,660
Michael Tabor	93	15	14	14	6	333,390	211,965	545,355
Moyglare Stud Farm	124	20	27	11	16	239,950	217,940	457,890
Joseph Joyce	50	7	5	7	5	365,700	44,520	410,220
Hamdan Al Maktoum	105	12	16	15	10	237,700	172,055	409,755
Sheikh Mohammed	49	12	6	8	1	232,380	73,610	311,990
Mrs. N. O'Callaghan	16	1	2	2	3	152,500	140,800	293,300
Norman Ormiston	33	4	4	7	3	140,200	146,205	286,405
Mrs. A.M. O'Brien	53	7	9	1	3	183,260	62,280	245,540
J Higgins	56	8	6	4	11	162,900	79,835	242,735
Godolphin	1	1	0	0	0	236,000	0	236,000
D.H.W. Dobson	74	5	3	7	8	114,700	115,861	230,561
H.H. Aga Khan	1	1	0	0	0	228,000	0	228,000
Mrs. M. Mullen	9	5	1	2	0	209,700	17,560	227,260
Dr R Lambe	63	7	6	8	8	96,050	127,480	223,530
The Royal Ascot Racing Club	1	0	1	0	0	0	200,000	200,000
Cheveley Park Stud	4	1	2	0	0	82,500	100,000	182,500
Mrs June Judd	19	5	4	0	2	129,920	46,540	176,460



# LEADING NH OWNERS BY PRIZE MONEY 2004/2005 SEASON

0wner	Runs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Win Money(€)	Place Money (€)	Prize Money (€)
John P. McManus	353	56	53	32	22	867,020	374,545	1,241,565
S. Mulryan	54	11	9	8	2	281,610	94,005	375,615
D.P. Sharkey	35	9	7	5	1	241,920	94,535	336,455
One-O-Eight Racing Club	12	5	3	0	1	258,600	37,200	295,800
Conor Clarkson	16	5	3	1	1	247,450	36,010	283,460
Gigginstown House Stud	63	15	11	3	8	216,200	63,960	280,160
O. B. P. Carroll	29	6	2	3	1	235,950	12,830	248,780
B.J. Craig	13	3	2	1	0	195,250	47,210	242,460
John P.Bowe	10	4	0	0	2	191,400	8,600	200,000
Mrs.John Magnier	46	10	5	7	5	116,100	73,690	189,790
John J.Fallon	5	2	1	1	0	131,400	54,000	185,400
Mac's J Racing Syndicate	5	3	0	2	0	161,700	20,700	182,400
John F.Kenny	21	5	3	4	1	140,300	40,010	180,310
Mrs.C.A. Moore	17	6	3	1	1	161,320	12,340	173,660
Novices Syndicate	5	1	4	0	0	100,800	67,000	167,800
James Gough	87	12	7	9	4	112,000	36,750	148,750
John J. Brennan	67	6	7	5	9	91,000	56,280	147,280
P.E.Delaney	13	4	2	1	1	108,100	29,500	137,600
Mrs Kathleen Gillane	6	3	1	0	0	132,100	2,210	134,310
John Corr	9	3	2	1	1	101,700	32,010	133,710



# LEADING OWNERS, TRAINERS & RIDERS

# **LEADING FLAT TRAINERS BY NO. OF WINS 2005**

Trainer	Runs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Win Money (€)	Place Money (€)	Prize Money (€)
D. K. Weld	526	64	65	59	58	1,026,350	721,565	1,747,915
A.P.O'Brien	256	62	42	27	25	2,675,715	963,240	3,644,955
John M. Oxx	302	62	35	39	28	1,239,460	472,250	1,720,710
M.Halford	423	54	40	41	31	747,490	261,905	1,009,395
J. S. Bolger	351	42	40	36	33	920,800	599,576	1,520,376
Kevin Prendergast	376	40	47	47	49	785,320	596,903	1,382,223
G.M.Lyons	239	26	22	23	28	256,200	113,730	369,930
David Wachman	173	23	22	28	17	491,430	234,430	725,860
C. Collins	169	21	11	8	9	336,900	52,730	389,630
H.Rogers	326	20	24	21	20	331,190	133,778	464,968
T.Hogan	220	18	27	20	13	191,150	118,545	309,695
M. J. Grassick	207	18	18	22	21	225,420	137,773	363,193
Ms. F.M. Crowley	169	18	14	15	14	407,450	91,000	498,450
Patrick Martin	156	17	5	9	12	152,010	34,735	186,745
T. Stack	132	15	16	12	10	269,440	74,960	344,400
C.F. Swan	117	14	12	9	8	177,950	56,340	234,290
Declan Gillespie	94	11	4	7	3	100,150	20,310	120,460
Edward Lynam	173	10	20	16	19	122,900	157,585	280,485
T.J. O'Mara	139	10	13	7	16	83,900	68,900	152,800
Charles O'Brien	146	9	13	20	14	143,900	102,220	246,120

# **LEADING NH TRAINERS BY NO. OF WINS 2004/2005 SEASON**

Trainer	Runs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Win Money(€)	Place Money (€)	Prize Money (€)
Noel Meade	517	78	59	52	46	1,108,900	445,783	1,554,683
W.P. Mullins	326	53	35	35	42	787,060	330,030	1,117,090
Mrs John Harrington	378	45	38	28	31	853,640	262,110	1,115,750
Michael Hourigan	594	38	46	50	40	607,400	305,508	912,908
Paul Nolan	340	34	39	32	26	478,150	254,245	732,395
C.F. Swan	365	31	34	37	34	380,785	202,375	583,160
E. Sheehy	281	31	33	14	31	546,050	158,885	704,935
P.A. Fahy	276	31	19	28	24	366,100	118,465	484,565
C. Roche	171	28	25	13	12	351,030	191,050	542,080
E. J. O'Grady	297	27	37	35	23	293,870	266,135	560,005
F. Flood	269	27	13	24	20	305,850	98,895	404,745
D.T. Hughes	370	26	40	38	42	414,090	245,490	659,580
T.J. Taaffe	140	25	15	12	9	512,550	96,535	609,085
M.J.P. O'Brien	111	24	24	11	4	524,640	167,785	692,425
A.L.T. Moore	324	23	26	31	27	480,970	344,065	825,035
Joseph Crowley	275	22	15	11	17	215,450	120,905	336,355
D.K. Weld	71	19	10	7	6	300,860	57,930	358,790
P. Hughes	214	17	17	9	15	251,240	126,275	377,515
P.J. Rothwell	174	16	15	10	11	148,400	52,360	200,760
David Wachman	76	14	10	10	5	189,060	57,385	246,445



# LEADING FLAT JOCKEYS BY NO. OF WINS 2005 (EXCL. APPRENTICE) Jockey Runs 1st 2nd 3rd 4th Win Money(€)

Jockey	Runs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Win Money(€)	Place Money (€)	Prize Money (€)
P. J. Smullen	511	67	70	63	48	1,028,190	668,930	1,697,120
F. M. Berry	340	58	42	49	24	997,780	414,945	1,412,725
K. Fallon	229	57	29	23	27	3,415,615	482,750	3,898,365
D. P. McDonogh	494	52	55	39	45	877,680	526,730	1,404,410
M. J. Kinane	228	45	27	24	19	997,790	378,785	1,376,575
N. G. McCullagh	489	43	38	43	46	546,460	311,245	863,705
W. M. Lordan	489	41	50	46	32	626,520	482,350	1,108,870
K. J. Manning	376	38	43	38	42	892,550	596,500	1,498,050
T. P. O'Shea	503	37	39	42	45	415,750	241,303	657,053
J. A. Heffernan	488	35	51	37	22	546,660	388,670	941,330
J. P. Murtagh	193	30	20	24	20	599,490	262,400	861,890
P. Shanahan	357	28	28	16	35	391,300	200,105	591,405
R. M. Burke	263	19	21	20	16	256,880	136,708	393,588
C. O'Donoghue	257	15	21	21	14	145,650	409,483	555,133
J. P. Spencer	53	10	9	2	5	368,820	117,690	486,510
D. M. Grant	244	4	10	18	27	50,700	87,755	144,455
J. J. Behan	98	4	8	7	8	32,200	33,095	65,295
V. R. De Souza	45	4	4	8	2	65,900	52,283	118,183
C. Soumillon	9	3	1	0	1	317,100	51,000	371,100
W. J. O'Connor	133	2	10	8	7	15,050	36,770	51,820

# LEADING OWNERS, TRAINERS & RIDERS





# LEADING NH JOCKEYS BY NO. OF WINS 2004/2005 SEASON

Jockey	Runs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Win Money(€)	Place Money (€)	Prize Money (€)
R Walsh	531	111	84	72	60	1,453,910	562,735	2,016,645
P Carberry	506	99	46	53	41	1,595,910	413,543	2,009,453
B.J. Geraghty	463	86	58	53	36	1,564,995	416,735	1,981,730
D.N. Russell	512	49	68	59	34	538,150	475,340	1,013,490
J.L. Cullen	426	45	46	27	31	661,500	268,505	930,005
C O'Dwyer	412	40	37	39	34	682,160	339,025	1,021,185
D.J. Casey	388	37	48	38	36	689,115	258,500	947,615
R.M. Power	247	30	24	13	21	543,740	136,520	680,260
J.R. Barry	417	28	39	32	35	558,710	231,575	790,285
B.M. Cash	334	19	23	29	28	242,400	247,060	489,460
T.J. Murphy	128	17	15	18	13	340,050	148,148	488,198
M.D. Grant	284	16	22	15	15	198,850	109,015	307,865
T.P. Treacy	264	13	20	21	15	177,250	111,080	288,330
G.T. Hutchinson	181	13	15	9	14	301,200	131,645	432,845
A.P. McCoy	62	13	14	8	6	372,940	194,860	567,800
G Cotter	250	12	10	14	18	153,750	142,470	296,220
P.A.Carberry	246	11	23	13	17	179,540	136,195	315,735
A.P. Crowe	254	10	23	17	17	115,870	147,905	263,775
K Whelan	320	10	12	16	19	84,350	77,795	162,145
R Geraghty	173	7	10	2	15	70,350	43,070	113,420

# **LEADING FLAT APPRENTICE BY NO. OF WINS 2005**

Jockey	Runs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Win Money(€)	Place Money (€)	Prize Money (€)
C.D. Hayes	412	38	38	39	44	458,250	228,008	686,258
R.P. Cleary	420	32	26	27	35	503,610	186,335	689,945
C.P. Geoghegan	296	18	15	19	26	158,260	112,215	270,475
Catherine Gannon	338	15	26	23	23	220,860	147,430	368,290
M.C. Hussey	351	15	17	23	23	175,325	134,835	310,160
P.B. Beggy	212	14	11	8	10	163,920	58,575	222,495
E.M. Butterly	168	14	11	7	11	99,050	47,060	146,110
D.J. Condon	111	12	4	13	8	144,100	24,400	168,500
S.M. Gorey	214	11	6	17	14	83,825	62,358	146,183
W.J. Lee	210	9	14	13	14	74,550	54,580	129,130
D.J. Moran	238	7	10	13	16	87,750	94,061	181,811
B.S. Hughes	90	5	7	5	6	66,830	35,450	102,280
J.E. Moriarty	123	5	5	18	8	54,470	34,945	89,415
S Hunter	74	4	7	2	4	39,400	18,070	57,470
K.T. Maher	90	4	5	6	7	27,300	18,265	45,565
M.J. Lane	98	4	5	5	9	24,850	20,385	45,235
B.S. Carey	43	4	3	4	4	31,500	20,590	52,090
Elizabeth Sheehan	34	3	3	4	3	19,600	10,965	30,565
Helen Keohane	123	3	1	8	5	36,500	14,150	50,650
J M O'Dwyer	74	2	2	3	5	13,300	10,295	23,595`

# LEADING CONDITIONAL RIDERS BY NO OF WINS 2004/2005 SEASON

Jockey	Runs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Win Money(€)	Place Money (€)	Prize Money (€)
T.G.M. Ryan	291	31	30	20	26	357,370	157,970	515,340
P.W. Flood	294	25	18	26	29	284,490	101,970	386,460
A.J. McNamara	289	23	20	25	31	262,110	110,665	372,775
D.F. O'Regan	354	21	27	27	33	183,050	130,413	313,463
M.P. Walsh	257	20	22	19	19	203,260	130,840	334,100
Michael Darcy	241	19	15	18	18	194,160	79,575	273,735
J.P. Elliott	217	14	15	9	7	184,400	59,990	244,390
J.M. Allen	285	13	11	13	13	137,600	73,720	211,320
R.J. Molloy	173	13	10	12	7	155,310	59,655	214,965
A.J. Donoghue	183	11	13	6	8	100,000	48,810	148,810

# **LEADING QUALIFIED RIDERS BY NUMBER OF WINS 2004/2005 SEASON**

Jockey	Runs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Win Money(€)	Place Money (€)	Prize Money (€)
N.P. Madden	234	39	27	20	26	386,150	153,015	539,165
Derek O'Connor	91	11	11	8	7	76,650	33,495	110,145
Miss N Carberry	111	10	12	11	6	121,950	66,815	188,765
Peter Fahey	115	10	6	14	12	82,250	38,000	120,250
J.J. Codd	131	9	16	13	16	76,150	52,465	128,615
P Tobin	64	9	9	3	5	61,250	23,200	84,450
M.J. O'Connor	61	8	10	6	2	69,825	28,940	98,765
R. Loughran	142	8	9	15	14	72,650	42,710	115,360
P. Cashman	85	8	9	4	5	63,250	30,125	93,375
K. E. Power	73	8	8	8	4	67,800	22,265	90,065

**2006 FIXTURES** 

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# **JANUARY**

Sun	1	Fairyhouse
Sun	1	Tramore
Mon	2	Cork
Thu	5	Thurles
Sat	7	Navan
Sun	8	Naas
Thu	12	Limerick
Sat	14	Punchestown
Sun	15	Leopardstown
Thu	19	Thurles
Sat	21	Naas
Sun	22	Cork
Sun	22	Fairyhouse
Thu	26	Gowran Park
Sat	28	Navan
Sun	29	Leopardstown

# **FEBRUARY**

Thu	2	Clonmel
Sat	4	Fairyhouse
Sun	5	Limerick
Sun	5	Punchestown
Wed	8	Down Royal
Thu	9	Thurles
Sat	11	Naas
Sun	12	Leopardstown
Wed	15	Fairyhouse
Thu	16	Clonmel
Sat	18	Gowran Park
Sun	19	Navan
Wed	22	Punchestown
Thu	23	Thurles
Sat	25	Fairyhouse
Sun	26	Naas

# **MARCH**

Wed	1	Downpatrick
Thu	2	Limerick
Sat	4	Fairyhouse
Sun	5	Clonmel
Sun	5	Leopardstown

Thu	9	Thurles
Sat	11	Navan
Sun	12	Naas
Fri	17	Down Royal
Fri	17	Wexford
Sat	18	Gowran Park
Sun	19	Downpatrick
Sun	19	Limerick
Thu	23	Clonmel
Sat	25	Navan
Sun	26	Cork
Sun	26	Curragh
Thu	30	Thurles

# **APRIL**

APR	(IL	
Sat	1	Limerick
Sun	2	Limerick
Sun	2	Navan
Wed	5	Gowran Park
Sun	9	Curragh
Sun	9	Tramore
Mon	10	Tramore
Thu	13	Tipperary
Sat	15	CORK
Sun	16	CORK
Sun	16	FAIRYHOUSE
Mon	17	CORK
Mon	17	FAIRYHOUSE
Tue	18	FAIRYHOUSE
Thu	20	Tipperary
Sat	22	Naas
Sun	23	Leopardstown
Sun	23	Sligo
Tue	25	PUNCHESTOWN

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Mon	1	Down Royal
Mon	1	Limerick
Wed	3	Ballinrobe (e)
Thu	4	Tipperary (e)
Fri	5	Cork (e)
Sat	6	Kilbeggan (e)
Sun	7	Gowran Park
Sun	7	KILLARNEY
Mon	8	KILLARNEY (e)
Tue	9	KILLARNEY (e)
Thu	11	Clonmel (e)
Fri	12	Downpatrick (e)
Fri	12	Wexford (e)
Sat	13	Downpatrick
Sun	14	Leopardstown
Mon	15	Roscommon (e)
Wed	17	Naas (e)
Thu	18	Tipperary (e)
Fri	19	Cork (e)
Sat	20	Punchestown (e)
Sun	21	Gowran Park
Sun	21	Navan
Mon	22	Kilbeggan (e)
Tue	23	Sligo (e)
Thu	25	Clonmel (e)
Fri	26	Limerick (e)
Fri	26	Wexford (e)
Sat	27	CURRAGH
Sun	28	CURRAGH
Sat	27	Tralee
Sun	28	Tralee
Mon	29	Ballinrobe (e)
Tue	30	Ballinrobe (e)
Wed	31	Leopardstown (e)

# JUNE

Thu	1	Punchestown (e)
Fri	2	Down Royal (e)
Fri	2	Tramore (e)
Sat	3	Tramore
Sat	3	Kilbeggan (e)
Sun	4	Listowel
Sun	4	Navan

Fri	30	CURRAGH (e)
Wed	28	Naas (e)
Tue	27	Sligo (e)
Mon	26	Kilbeggan (e)
Sun	25	Gowran Park
Sun	25	Down Royal
Sat	24	Down Royal
Fri	23	Limerick (e)
Fri	23	Down Royal (e)
Thu	22	Tipperary (e)
Wed	21	Leopardstown (e)
Mon	19	Ballinrobe (e)
Sun	18	Fairyhouse
Sun	18	Cork
Sat	17	Limerick (e)
Fri	16	Navan (e)
Thu	15	Clonmel (e)
Wed	14	Leopardstown (e)
Mon	12	Roscommon (e)
Sun	11	Roscommon
Sun	11	Cork
Sat	10	Curragh (e)
Fri	9	Wexford (e)
Fri	9	Fairyhouse (e)
Thu	8	Tipperary (e)
Wed	7	Leopardstown (e)
Mon	5	Naas
Mon	5	Listowel

# JULY

Sat	1	CURRAGH	
Sun	2	CURRAGH	
Wed	5	BELLEWSTOWN (e)	
Thu	6	BELLEWSTOWN (e)	
Fri	7	BELLEWSTOWN (e)	
Fri	7	Wexford (e)	
Sat	8	Leopardstown (e)	
Sun	9	Limerick	
Mon	10	Roscommon (e)	
Tue	11	Roscommon (e)	
Wed	12	Naas (e)	
Thu	13	Downpatrick	
Thu	13	Gowran Park (e)	



Fri	14	Cork (e)	Thu	17	TRAMORE (e)
Fri	14	Fairyhouse (e)	Fri	18	TRAMORE (e)
Sat	15	CURRAGH	Sat	19	TRAMORE (e)
Sun	16	CURRAGH	Sun	20	TRAMORE
Sun	16	Sligo	Sun	20	Leopardstown
Mon	17	KILLARNEY (e)	Mon	21	Roscommon (e
Tue	18	KILLARNEY (e)	Tue	22	Sligo (e)
Wed	19	KILLARNEY (e)	Wed	23	Bellewstown (
Thu	20	KILLARNEY	Thu	24	Bellewstown (
Wed	19	Leopardstown (e)	Thu	24	Tipperary (e)
Fri	21	Kilbeggan (e)	Fri	25	Kilbeggan (e)
Sat	22	Tipperary (e)	Fri	25	Wexford (e)
Sun	23	Fairyhouse	Sat	26	Curragh
Sun	23	Tipperary	Sun	27	Ballinrobe
Mon	24	Ballinrobe (e)	Sun	27	Curragh
Tue	25	Ballinrobe (e)	Mon	28	Downpatrick
Wed	26	Naas (e)	Mon	28	TRALEE
Thu	27	Limerick (e)	Tue	29	TRALEE
Fri	28	Wexford (e)	Wed	30	TRALEE
Sat	29	Leopardstown (e)	Thu	31	TRALEE
MON	31	GALWAY (E)	Fri	1	TRALEE

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Sun	20	TRAMORE
Sun	20	Leopardstown
Mon	21	Roscommon (e)
Tue	22	Sligo (e)
Wed	23	Bellewstown (e
Thu	24	Bellewstown (e
Thu	24	Tipperary (e)
Fri	25	Kilbeggan (e)
Fri	25	Wexford (e)
Sat	26	Curragh
Sun	27	Ballinrobe
Sun	27	Curragh
Mon	28	Downpatrick
Mon	28	TRALEE
Tue	29	TRALEE
Wed	30	TRALEE
Thu	31	TRALEE
Fri	1	TRALEE

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	GALWAY (e)	Fri	1	Down Royal
	GALWAY	Sat	2	Down Royal
	GALWAY	Sun	3	Killarney
	GALWAY (e)	Mon	4	Roscommon
	GALWAY	Tue	5	Laytown
	GALWAY	Wed	6	Clonmel
	Cork	Fri	8	Kilbeggan
	Cork	Sat	9	Leopardstown
	Naas	Sun	10	Cork
	Roscommon (e)	Sun	10	GALWAY
	Gowran Park (e)	Mon	11	GALWAY
	Sligo (e)	Tue	12	GALWAY
	Sligo (e)	Thu	14	Tipperary
	Tipperary (e)	Sat	16	Curragh
	Wexford (e)	Sun	17	Curragh
	Kilbeggan (e)	Mon	18	LISTOWEL
	Curragh	Tue	19	Curragh
	Downpatrick	Tue	19	LISTOWEL
	Ballinrobe (e)	Wed	20	LISTOWEL
	Gowran Park (e)	Thu	21	LISTOWEL

Fri	22	LISTOWEL
Sat	23	LISTOWEL
Sun	24	LISTOWEL
Wed	27	Downpatrick
Sat	30	Fairyhouse
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Sun	1	Tipperary
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Fri	6	Gowran Park
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Wed	11	Navan
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Sun	15	Naas
Wed	18	Punchestown
Thu	19	Punchestown
Sat	21	Fairyhouse
Sun	22	Clonmel
Sun	22	Curragh
Mon	23	Curragh
Wed	25	Navan
Thu	26	Thurles
Sat	28	Naas
Sat	28	Wexford
Sun	29	Galway

Mon	30	Galway
Mon	30	Leopardstown
NO	VEME	BER
Wed	1	Punchestown
Thu	2	Clonmel
Fri	3	DOWN ROYAL
Sat	4	DOWN ROYAL
Sun	5	Cork
Sun	5	Leopardstown
Wed	8	Fairyhouse
Thu	9	Thurles
Sat	11	Naas

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Sun	12	Navan
Wed	15	Downpatrick
Thu	16	Clonmel
Sat	18	Punchestown
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Thu	23	Thurles
Sat	25	Gowran Park
Sun	26	Navan
Thu	30	Thurles

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Sat	2	Fairyhouse
Sun	3	Fairyhouse
Thu	7	Clonmel
Sat	9	Navan
Sun	10	Cork
Sun	10	Punchestown
Wed	13	Downpatrick
Thu	14	Gowran Park
Sat	16	Fairyhouse
Sun	17	Navan
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Sat	23	Navan
Tue	26	Down Royal
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Tue	26	Down Royal
Tue	26	LEOPARDSTOWN
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Wed	27	LEOPARDSTOWN
Wed	27	LIMERICK
Thu	28	LEOPARDSTOWN
Thu	28	LIMERICK
Fri	29	LEOPARDSTOWN
Fri	29	LIMERICK
Sun	31	Punchestown
Sun	31	Tramore

(e) - Evening Meeting Racing Festival

08-01-06	Naas	Slaney Nov Hdle Grade 2	18-04-06	Fairyhouse	Menolly Homes Hcap Hdle Grade B
14-01-06	Punchestown	Juvenile Hdle Grade 3			Menolly Homes Nov Hdle Grade 2
15-01-06	Leopardstown	Pierse Hcap Hdle Grade B			Moore Mem Hcap Chase Grade A
		Pierse Hcap Chase Grade A	25-04-06	Punchestown	Kerrygold Champion Chase Grade 1
		Fitzpatrick Nov Chase Grade 2			Nov Hdle Grade 1
19-01-06	Thurles	Kinloch Brae Chase Grade 2			Ellier Nov Chase Grade 2
		Anaglogs Daughter Nov Chase Grade 3	26-04-06	Punchestown	Punchestown Gold Cup Grade 1
21-01-06	Naas	Woodlands Nov Chase Grade 2			Champion Bumper Grade 1
22-01-06	Fairyhouse	Normans Grove Chase Grade 2			S M Morris Hcap Chase Grade B
26-01-06	Gowran Park	Thyestes Hcap Chase Grade A			Punchestown Bewleys Mares
		Galmoy Hdle Grade 3			Hurdle Grade 3
29-01-06	Leopardstown	AIG Champion Hdle Grade 1	27-04-06	Punchestown	Champion 4yo Hdle Grade 1
		Arkle Nov Chase Grade 1			Tipperkevin Hdle Grade 1
		Golden Cygnet Nov Hdle Grade 3			Swordlestown Nov Chase Grade 1
					Pat Taaffe Hcap Chase Grade B
05-02-06	Punchestown	Grand National Trial Chase Grade C	28-04-06	Punchestown	Punchestown Champ Hdle Grade 1
		Hdle Series Final Grade 2			Betfair Nov Hcap Chase Grade A
		Tied Cottage Chase Grade 3			Tickell Nov Hdle Grade 1
12-02-06	Leopardstown	Hennessy Gold Cup Grade 1			
		Dr P J Moriarty Nov Chase Grade 1	07-05-06	Killarney	Murphys Hcap Hdle Grade B
		Deloittte Nov Hdle Grade 1			
		Spring 4yo Hdle Grade 2	23-07-06	Tipperary	Betdaq Hdle Grade 3
18-02-06	Gowran Park	Red Mills Chase Grade 2			
		Red Mills Trial Hdle Grade 2	02-08-06	Galway	Galway Plate (Hcap Chase) Grade A
19-02-06	Navan	Flyingbolt Nov Chase Grade 2	03-08-06	Galway	Galway Hdle (Hcap) Grade A
		Boyne Hdle Grade 3	28-08-06	Tralee	Brandon Hcap Hdle Grade C
		Ten Up Nov Chase Grade 3	31-08-06	Tralee	Denny Hcap Chase Grade C
25-02-06	Fairyhouse	Bobbyjo Chase Grade 3			
		INHSO Series Final (Nov Hcap	19-09-06	Listowel	Lartigue Hcap Hdle Grade C
		Hdle) Grade B	20-09-06	Listowel	Kerry National (Hcap Chase) Grade A
		Winning Fair Juvenile Hdle Grade 3			
26-02-06	Naas	Johnstown Nov Hdle Grade 2	01-10-06	Tipperary	McManus Hdle Grade 1
		Nas Na Riogh Nov Chase Grade 2			Grimes Nov Chase Grade 3
		Newlands Chase Grade 2			Joe Mac Nov Hdle Grade 3
				Roscommon	Kilbegnet Nov Chase Grade 3
	Leopardstown	Mick Holly Hcap Chase Grade B		Gowran Park	National Lottery Chase Grade 2
09-03-06		Michael Purcell Mem Nov Hdle Grade 2	08-10-06	Limerick	Munster National (Hcap Chase)
11-03-06		EBF Nov Hcap Chase Final Grade C			Grade A
	Gowran Park	Shamrock Hcap Chase Grade C	28-10-06		Brown Lad Hcap Hdle Grade C
19-03-06		Dawn Run Mares Nov Chase Grade 3	29-10-06	Galway	Ballybrit Nov Chase Grade 3
25-03-06		An Uaimh Chase Grade 3			
26-03-06	Cork	Mount Ruby Hcap Chase Grade C	03-11-06	Down Royal	Scarvagh House Mares
					Nov Hdle Grade 3
02-04-06		Hugh McMahon Mem Nov Chase Grade 3	04-11-06	Down Royal	James Nicholson Chase Grade 1
16-04-06	Fairyhouse	Powers Gold Cup Novice Chase Grade 1			Killultagh Properties Chase Grade 3
		EBF Mares Hdle Final Grade 3	05-11-06	Cork	Cork Grand National Hcap
		Festival Nov Hdle Grade 2			Chase Grade C
17-04-06	Fairyhouse	Irish Grand National (Hcap Chase)	11-11-06		Poplar Square Chase Grade 3
		Grade A	12-11-06	Navan	Fortria Chase Grade 2

		Lismullen Hdle Grade 2
		For Auction Novice Hdle Grade 3
16-11-06	Clonmel	Clonmel Oil Chase Grade 2
18-11-06	Punchestown	Irish Field Nov Chase Grade 3
19-11-06	Punchestown	Craddockstown Nov Chase Grade 2
		Morgiana Hdle Grade 2
26-11-06	Navan	Troytown Hcap Chase Grade B
		Monksfield Nov Hdle Grade 3
02-12-06	Fairyhouse	Juvenile Hdle Grade 3
		New Stand Hcap Hdle Grade C
		Porterstown Hcap Chase Grade C
03-12-06	Fairyhouse	Drinmore Nov Chase Grade 1
		Hattons Grace Hdle Grade 1
		Royal Bond Nov Hdle Grade 1
09-12-06	Navan	Bumper Grade 2
10-12-06	Cork	Cork Stayers Nov Hdle Grade 3

		Hilly Way Chase Grade 2
10-12-06	Punchestown	John Durkan Mem Chase Grade 1
17-12-06	Navan	Barry & Sandra Kelly Mem
		Nov Hdle Grade 1
		Tara Hdle Grade 2
26-12-06	Leopardstown	Durkan New Homes Nov Chase Grade 1
		Juvenile Hdle Grade 2
26-12-06	Limerick	Greenmount Park Nov Chase Grade 2
27-12-06	Leopardstown	Dial A Bet Chase Grade 1
		Future Champion Nov Hdle Grade 2
		Paddy Power Hcap Chase Grade B
28-12-06	Leopardstown	Lexus Chase Grade 1
		Christmas Hdle Grade 1
		Ascon Nov Chase Grade 1
28-12-06	Limerick	Dorans Pride Nov Hdle Grade 3
29-12-06	Leopardstown	December Hdle Grade 1

# MAJOR FLAT RACES FOR 2006



26-03-06	Curragh	Park Express Group 3
09-04-06	Curragh	Gladness Stakes Group 3
15-04-06	Leopardstown	1000 Guineas Trial Group 3
		2000 Guineas Trial Group 3
23-04-06	Leopardstown	Ballysax Stakes Group 3
01-05-06	Curragh	Athasi Stakes Group 3
		Mooresbridge Stakes Group 3
		Tetrarch Stakes Group 3
14-05-06	Leopardstown	Derrinstown 1000 Gns Trial Group 3
		Derrinstown Derby Trial Group 2
17-05-06	Naas	Blue Wind Stakes Group 3
27-05-06	Curragh	Boylesports Irish 2000 Guineas
		Stakes Group
		Ridgewood Pearl Stakes Group 2
		Greenlands Stakes Group 3
28-05-06	Curragh	Boylesports Irish 1000 Guineas
		Stakes Group 1
		Tattersalls Gold Cup Group 1
		Gallinule Stakes Group 3
05-06-06	Naas	Swordlestown Stud Sprint Group 3
14-06-06	Leopardstown	Ballycorus Stakes Group 3
07-06-06	Leopardstown	Ballyogan Stakes Group 3
18-06-06	Cork	Noblesse Stakes Group 3
01-07-06	Curragh	Audi Pretty Polly Stakes Group 1
		Curragh Cup Stakes Group 3
02-07-06	Curragh	Budweiser Irish Derby Stakes Group 1
		Railway Stakes Group 2

08-07-06	Leopardstown	Brownstown Stakes Group 3
15-07-06	Curragh	International Stakes Group 3
16-07-06	Curragh	Darley Irish Oaks Group 1
		Anglesey Stakes Group 3
		Minstrel Stakes Group 3
29-07-06	Leopardstown	Meld Stakes Group 3
		Debutante Stakes Group 2
13-08-06	Curragh	Independent Waterford Wedgewood
		Phoenix Stakes Group 1
		Royal Whip Stakes Group 2
		Phoenix Sprint Group 3
16-08-06	Gowran park	Denny Cordell Lavarack Group 3
20-08-06	Leopardstown	Desmond Stakes Group 3
26-08-06	Curragh	Futurity Stakes Group 2
27-08-06	Curragh	Moyglare Stud Stakes Group 1
		Round Tower Group 3
		Flying Five Group 3
09-09-06	Leopardstown	Baileys Irish Champion Stakes Group 1
		Coolmore Matron Stakes Group 1
		Kilternan Group 3
16-09-06	Curragh	Irish Field St Leger Group 1
		Renaissance Stakes Group 3
17-09-06	Curragh	Laing O'Rourke National Stakes Group 1
		Blandford Stakes Group 2
19-09-06	Curragh	Park Stakes Group 3
01-10-06	Tipperary	Concorde Stakes Group 3
08-10-06	Curragh	Beresford Stakes Group 2
30-10-06	Leopardstown	Killavullan Stakes Group 3

# **IRISH HORSE RACING AWARDS**

orse Racing Ireland hosted the third Irish Horse Racing Awards in the Westin Hotel, Dublin.

These awards are designed to honour the human and equine talent which has made Irish racing one of the country's most popular sports and has delivered our greatest successes in the international arena. The awards were presented by Mr John O'Donoghue, TD, Minister for Arts, Sport & Tourism.

The winners in the six categories are:

# 2005 NATIONAL HUNT AWARD RUBY WALSH

For the second year in succession, the 2005 National Hunt Award went to the three-time Irish Champion Jockey.
Ruby won the English, Irish and Welsh Grand Nationals, only narrowly missing out on an all-time record Grand Slam when beaten a short head in the Scottish Grand National.

# 2005 FLAT AWARD

### KIEREN FALLON

The 2005 Flat Award went to a man who enjoyed a truly sensationl year, winning races like the Budweiser Irish Derby and the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe for the first

time in an illustrious career. A six-time English Champion Jockey, he teamed up with the Ballydoyle Operation last March, a move which yielded some tremendous victories in many of the big races in Europe and worldwide. As Kieren was in Hong Kong, Aidan O'Brien received the award on his behalf.

# 2005 POINT-TO-POINT AWARD DEREK O'CONNOR

The 2005 Point-to-Point Award went to a man who is no stranger to success on the racecourse and is generally regarded as one of the all-time great point to point riders. He broke his own record by riding a tremendous total of 63 Point To Point winners during a memorable season.

# **2005 OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** NINA CARBERRY

The 2005 Outstanding Achievement Award went to the lady with a winning smile who has taken the racing world by storm and is one of Ireland's top prospects for the years ahead. She created history by becoming the first lady rider to defeat the professionals in a race at the Cheltenham Festival when guiding Paul Nolan's Dabiroun to a surprise win in the Fred Winter Juvenile Novice Handicap Hurdle.

# 2005 CONTRIBUTION TO THE INDUSTRY AWARD

### **GALWAY RACECOURSE COMMITTEE**

The 2005 Contribution to the Industry Award went to the Galway Racecourse Committee who have helped to make their Festival Ireland's most consistently successful meeting of the year, which attracts almost 200,000 racegoers from Ireland and abroad. Each year the Galway Festival creates new attendance and betting records. They are about to embark on another ambitious plan with a new grandstand in the pipeline for 2007. Their Chairman, Mr Ray Rooney, accepted the award on behalf of the Committees behalf.

# 2005 HORSE OF THE YEAR

### KICKING KING

The 2005 Horse of the Year award went to a horse who only tasted defeat in one of his six races. Owned by Conor Clarkson of Clarkson Financial and brilliantly trained by Tom Taaffe and ridden by Barry Geraghty, this horse won four Grade One races during the season and gave Ireland a first Cheltenham Gold Cup for ten years as well as a fantastic win in the King George VI Chase at Kempton.



















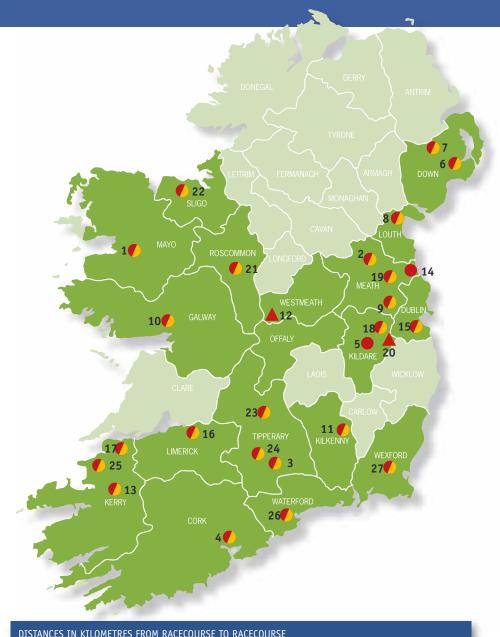




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**IRELAND'S RACECOURSES** 

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Ballinrobe	-	302	228	249	239	335	284	272	270	49	275	171	261	301	275	151	229	254	209	301	89	102	188	185	254	288	332
Bellewstown		-	233	295	94	122	271	50	61	256	158	132	347	8	71	242	317	78	39	77	197	234	190	240	342	217	203
Clonmel			-	97	149	346	343	276	207	182	86	153	144	237	201	79	154	160	230	163	185	308	57	43	178	60	102
Cork				-	210	409	404	338	268	204	166	215	85	299	263	100	122	222	292	225	276	330	118	105	117	123	177
Curragh					-	203	199	136	63	192	75	73	258	93	58	152	227	16	86	19	136	217	99	150	251	133	118
Downpatrick						-	39	71	152	331	267	195	457	120	181	352	426	187	129	191	245	218	299	349	450	326	312
Down Royal							-	70	151	295	266	194	283	118	179	350	452	185	128	196	209	182	299	348	279	325	311
Dundalk								-	81	271	193	124	385	48	109	280	355	116	58	120	184	186	227	278	380	255	242
Fairyhouse									-	224	127	101	317	60	40	211	286	46	28	50	166	218	158	214	310	186	172
Galway										-	228	125	216	254	228	104	183	208	201	212	79	138	133	138	207	241	287
Gowran Park											-	109	231	156	121	164	239	80	150	83	169	254	78	124	264	58	72
Kilbeggan												-	232	131	104	125	200	84	77	88	65	150	104	155	225	155	155
Killarney													-	347	311	110	64	270	340	272	283	341	165	146	20	205	251
Laytown														-	70	241	316	76	37	80	195	232	188	239	340	216	202
Leopardstown															-	206	281	41	64	45	169	222	153	204	305	180	131
Limerick																-	80	164	234	167	172	230	98	40	104	138	184
Listowel																	-	239	309	242	252	310	174	115	27	214	260
Naas																		-	70	3	149	201	111	161	263	138	122
Navan																			-	73	121	175	182	232	333	209	195
Punchestown																				-	149	201	111	161	263	138	122
Roscommon																					-	84	128	183	254	215	215
Sligo																						-	212	269	333	299	299
Thurles																							-	58	198	116	162
Tipperary																								-	139	98	144
Tralee																									-	238	284
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Jessica Harrington's Moscow Flyer pictured after winning the John Smith's Melling Chase at Aintree for the second consecutive year. (HR)

### Front Cover - First Left Picture

Kicking King with Barry Geraghty on board rounds off a wonderful season with victory in the Punchestown Guinness Gold Cup at the Punchestown Festival. (HR)

### **Second Left Picture**

Oratorio (3rd right) responds well to Kieren Fallon's urgings to thwart English Derby winner Motivator (2nd right) with Alexander Goldrun (extreme left) a close up third in a thrilling finish to the Baileys Irish Champion Stakes at Leopardstown. (PM)

### **Third Left Picture**

Kieren Fallon brings home French raider, Hurricane Run, to win the Budweiser Irish Derby at the Curragh. (TJ)

Page 1: Although only in third place over the last, Hi Cloy (Andrew J. McNamara) managed to get up and record a narrow victory over Jim (Robert. Power), Forget The Past (Barry Geraghty) and Ned Kelly (Paddy Flood) in the John Durkan Memorial Chase at Punchestown. (HR)

Page 2: Trainer Tom Taaffe stands proudly by stable star Kicking King after landing the Punchestown Guinness Gold Cup at Punchestown in late April. (HR)

Page 4: Barry Geraghty and Essex (left) are congratulated by Philip Carberry on Mansony (placed second) after the Pierse Hurdle at Leopardstown. (HR)

Page 5: Marcus Du Berlais and Barry Cash land safely over the final fence before winning the Pierse Leopardstown Chase at Leopardstown. (HR) Page 6: Rule Supreme and David Casey land over the final fence to win the Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup at Leopardstown. (HR)

Page 7: Robbie Power guides Jessica Harrington's Well Presented to victory in the Anglo Irish Bank Nas Na Riogh Chase at Naas. (CN)

Page 8: It's an Irish 1-2-3 as Hardy Eustace (Conor O'Dwyer) leads Harchibald (Paul Carberry) and Brave Inca (Barry Cash) over the final flight in a never-tobe-forgotten Smurfit Champion Hurdle. (HR)

Page 9: Barry Geraghty kissed the beautiful trophy for the Totesport Cheltenham Gold Cup after guiding Kicking King to a memorable victory. (HR)

Page 10: An anxious wait for jockey Shay Barry on Rathgar Beau as he awaits the announcement of the result of the photo-finish with Moscow Flyer after the Kerrygold Champion Chase at Punchestown. (CN)

Page 11: Ruby Walsh can't hide his delight as Hedgehunter strides past the post to win the John Smith's Grand National at Aintree (HR)

Page 12: Smiles all round as jockey Frankie Dettori is congratulated by Sheikh Mohammed and Simon Crisford after Dubawi landed the Boylesports Irish 2000 Guineas at the Curragh. (PM)

Page 13: Trainer Frances Crowley gives a congratulatory pat to Saoire after the filly had won the Boylesports Irish 1000 Guineas at the Curragh. (CN)

Page 14: Trainer John Oxx pictured with Azamour after the colt had triumphed in the Prince Of Wales Stakes at Royal Ascot at York. (HR)

Page 15: Thumbs up from trainer Aidan O'Brien after completing a magnificent English Classic double at Newmarket with Footstepsinthesand and Virginia Waters. (HR)

Page 16: Jockey Robbie Burke and trainer Robbie Osborne pictured with Latino Magic after winning the European Breeders Fund McDonogh Handicap at the Galway Festival. (HR)

Page 17: Tracey Piggott interviewing successful trainer Dermot Weld after his charge, Ansar, had landed the Hewlett-Packard Galway Plate for the second consecutive year. (HR)

Page 18: Euro Leader (yellow and blue stripes) and Ruby Walsh jumping the final fence with Ursumman and Niall Madden before going on to win the Denny Gold Medal Handicap Chase at the Tralee Festival. (CN)

Page 19: A fine action study of George Washington and jockey Kieren Fallon as they ease to an impressive eight length victory in the Waterford Wedgwood Phoenix Stakes at the Curragh. (CN)

Page 20: Owner Mrs. Tony Donnelly proudly holds Chelsea Rose as Tracey Collins, daughter of trainer Con Collins, gives her an affectionate tug of the ear after winning the Dance Design Stakes at the Curragh (CN)

Page 21: Kieren Fallon canters to the start on Oratorio before their memorable victory in the Baileys Irish Champion Stakes at Leopardstown. (HR)

Page 22: Conor O'Dwyer and War Of Attrition on their way to victory in the Daily Star Steeplechase at Punchestown. (CN)



Page 23: Trainer Noel Meade and jockey Paul Carberry with Star Clipper after their fine success in the Anglo Irish Bank Munster National at Limerick. (HR)

Page 24: Champion Jockey Pat Smullen and Champion Apprentice Jockey Chris Hayes with their respective trophies at Leopardstown. (CN)

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Page 27: Andrew J. McNamara holds aloft the trophy after winning the Paddy Power Dial-a-Bet Chase at Leopardstown. (CN)

Page 28: Robbie Osborne leading in Latino Magic on the Tuesday of the Galway Festival in front of record crowds.

Page 31 (From Top): Frankie Dettori doing one of his trademark victory leaps after winning the Boylesports 1,000 Guineas on Dubawi at the Curragh racecourse. (HR)

The Listowel Festival parade ring before the feature race, the Guinness Kerry National. (CN)
Record crowds at the Galway Festival in July. (CN)

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Page 36: The excitement builds in pre-Budweiser
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Page 39: Niall (Slippers) Madden celebrates with the Neighbours Racing Club who are the syndicate owners of More Rainbows after winning the Guinness Galway Hurdle.

Jockey Conor O'Dwyer talks to War of Attrition's owner Michael O'Leary (far right) who is joined by (left to right) his brother Eddie, wife Anita and trainer Mouse Morris after winning the Daily Star Steeplechase in Punchestown in October. (HR)

Page 41: Horses gallop towards the finish line at
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Page 52: Our proud Cheltenham heroes Hardy Eustace, Kicking King and Moscow Flyer parade at the opening day of the Flat season at the Curragh Racecourse on the Sunday after the Cheltenham Festival and receive a huge welcome with tricolours waving and great rounds of applause. (PM)

Page 58: Flat jockeys Rory Cleary, Kieren Fallon
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Top Curragh Trainer Dermot Weld in the parade ring with Champion Flat jockey Pat Smullen. (CN)

Page 61: Azamour gets the best of Ace in an Irish one-two at Royal Ascot at York in the Prince of Wales Stakes in June. (CN)

Page 62: Owner Joe Joyce (centre) receiving the presentation following Saoire's win in the Boylesports 2,000 guineas, ridden by Michael Kinane and trained by Frances Crowley. (BS) HRH The Aga Khan enjoying Azamour's win in Royal Ascot in York with his jockey Michael Kinane. (BS)

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Page 66: Leading NH jockey Ruby Walsh at the press conference after winning the John Smith's Grand National in Aintree aboard Hedgehunter. (HR) Leading Flat jockey Pat Smullen congratulates the Leading Apprentice Christopher Hayes on the final day of the Flat season in Leopardstown. (HR)

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### **Back Cover - Third From Right Picture**

It's my fourth one!! – Trainer Dermot Weld pictured with the Galway Plate Trophy after Ansar had given him a fourth victory in the race at the Galway Festival. (HR)

### **Back Cover - Second From Right Picture**

Jockey Paul Carberry gives Beef Or Salmon a congratulatory pat on the neck after winning his third Lexus Chase at Leopardstown. Ruby Walsh and Hedgehunter, who finished fourth, are also in shot. (HR)

### **Back Cover - Extreme Right Picture**

Husband and wife team of Pat Smullen and Frances Crowley embrace after her historic triumph with Saoire in the Boylesports Irish 1000 Guineas at the Curraqh. (CN)



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