

The ISH Young Breeders programme is a joint programme between Teagasc and Horse Sport Ireland. It is aimed at those between the ages of 14 to 25 years who are interested in assessing, exhibiting, and breeding performance horses. They do not have to be breeders themselves or necessarily come from an equestrian background. An avid interest and an eagerness to participate and learn is all that is required.

The skills and knowledge transferred through training serve as a foundation for those with an interest in developing their knowledge of the horse. These skills come into focus for varied uses including purchasing a new horse/pony; deciding about which mares/stallions to use for breeding; assessing offspring; presenting horses for inspection, sale, show or competition.

The Young Breeders Programme is a wonderful opportunity for young people to meet with their peers and make contacts in Ireland and throughout the world who share their interest in horses.

The main activities of the Young Breeders Programme involve training days and every second year national and international competitions. The next World Championship event takes place in Austria in 2019 and the National Competition which begins the selection process for teams to participate at this championship will be early in 2019. Therefore, 2018 training events will provide training for those who are interested in competing, but also for those who simply wish to gain confidence in assessing horses and broaden their knowledge.



2018 Training Programme Events:

Date	Venue	Focus	Trainer	Booking
Feb 24 2018	Kilconnell Stud, Fethard, Co. Tipperary	Assessment of Conformation, Movement & Jump	Tiernan Gill & Teagasc Equine Specialists	https://teagasc.clr.events/
Mar 24 2018	Ennisnag Stud, Stoneyford, Co. Kilkenny	Assessment of Conformation & Movement	Andrew Hughes & Teagasc Equine Specialists	https://teagasc.clr.events/
April 4 2018	Hodson Bay Hotel, Athlone, Co. Westmeath	Careers Pathways Breeding & Markets Assessing horses (videos) with expert panel	Multiple panel discussions <i>Panellists listed below</i>	https://teagasc.clr.events/ (will become available in March)
May 12 2018	Lissyegan Stables, Ahascragh, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway	Assessment of Conformation, Movement & Jump	Philip Scott & Teagasc Equine Specialists	https://teagasc.clr.events/
June 25 2018	Army Equeitation School, McKee Barracks, Blackhorse Avenue, Cabra West, Dublin 7	Assessment of Conformation, Movement & Jump	Comdt. Tom Freyne & Teagasc Equine Specialists	By Email wendy.conlon@teagasc.ie Or text Wendy 087/9879083
July *				
September*				

*Information will be provided in the coming months re July & September training activities



Teagasc & Horse Sport Ireland Young Breeders Seminar

Date: April 4, 2018

Venue: Hodson Bay Hotel, Athlone

Registration: 1.00pm; Close: 6.15pm;

Registration Fee €20 p.p.; Light supper provided; Online booking will open in March at <https://teagasc.clr.events/>

Attendees: Aimed at those aged 14-25 years of age

Careers Options & Pathways in the Thoroughbred Sector

- Timmy Hillman – Tattersalls & Castledillon Stud
- Guy O' Callaghan - Grangemore Stud
- Clodagh Kavanaugh –Darley Flying Start
- Cathal Beale – C.E.O. Irish National Stud

Careers Options & Pathways in General Industry & Sport Horse Sector

- Annie & Kate Madden (FenuHealth)
- Barbara Murphy – Equilume & U.C.D.
- Judith Faherty – The Irish Field
- Catherine Farrell – Horse Sport Ireland

- Michelle Kenny – River Lodge Eventing

The Young Breeders Programme:

- David Bourke
- David Browne
- Arianna Mezzapelle
- Vera O'Callaghan

Breeding, Trade & Assessing Horses

- William Funnell, Billy Stud & International Rider
- Barry O Connor, Trader & Coach
- Tiernan Gill; Young Horse Producer
- Andrew Hughes, Ennisnag Stud

