



Mountshanon, 19th June 2016

Eamon Conway took on the role of organiser of this ride, this being Eamon's second venue and fifth ride to organise in the west of Ireland for Endurance Ireland. This course is situated off the edge of the village of Mountshannon and covers some lovely tracks with the only road work being an old road with grass middle. Riders got views of Lough Derg keeping up the flow of big waters in the last few rides.

Unfortunately for Eamon the rains poured down from early morning with many riders apologising to not riding due to the rain **BUT** four mad/determined/enthusiastic riders turned up to ride. First up were Vikki Sheehan on her young mare Pippa and Diane Connors on Skye, both got tacked up in the rain, rode in the rain and untacked in the rain but both Vikki and Diane smiled the whole day. They both rode out with Eamon and according to them they laughed and laughed the whole way around.

Susanne O'Rourke took the title of furthest travelled rider coming all the way from Tullamore with her open mare Apache. Thank you to the famous four who braved the horrendous weather on the day.

Thanks to Eamon for finding the course, Coillte for allowing us to ride on their lands and Emer and Yvonne for travelling to Mountshannon to act as organisers on the day.