



Wolfhill Ride 25th January 2015

The weather leading up to the Wolfhill ride was very mixed going from snow to mild and back again, so Endurance Ireland were lucky that Sunday dawned a bright mild morning with only a small amount of fog which was quick to burn off. Teresa Moore was our organiser at our venue which was the Church carpark in Wolfhill. We would like to thank the Parish for kindly allowing us to use their carpark as a venue.

First to head out on course were two of the Gales Hill Stablemates Boffin and Scimitar with Evelyn and Anne on board. These two horses are long used to travelling together having in total racked up an impressive 7000km competitive mileage between them. They quickly completed the 26km loop with all both riders remarking what a great day it was for a hack.

Our next pair out on course were George on Spirit and Laura on Joe, these are two beautiful Connemara's who easily completed the 13km loop. We are delighted to welcome these ladies to the club and are looking forward to seeing more of them throughout the season. Following them out on course was Marian on Toby, both of whom seemed to enjoy the fantastic views available from the course once the fog lifted.

Mike Cuddihy and Pat Carty were next out on course on Gales Hill's Drummer and Boston. Neither of these two are strangers to Endurance Ireland nor the Wolfhill course. The two guys undertook the 26km course at a steady pace at the start of what, will hopefully be a busy season.

Next out were Madison and Tommy, this is Madison's second year with Endurance Ireland and her second year undertaking the Interschool's Competition, Madison will definitely be one to watch this year.

Bobbie Ovington brought out her mare Coolhenry Hannah, she has recently taken over this ride from Mum Siobhan, Bobbie rode with Susanne and Natasha who were out for their first ride of the season bringing Apache and Bronti. The 3 ladies set out around the scenic course, as this was Apache and Bronti's first ride of the season they set a leisurely pace.

The final rider out on course was Loretto with her gelding Oscar, Loretto set a cracking pace with Oscar and completed the second quickest loop of the day, she rode back in with great-niece Bobbie.

Endurance Ireland would like to thank everyone who helped the Organiser Teresa Moore on the day, Darren for helping mark and unmark the course and Siobhan for her lovely chocolate eclairs, which were devoured by riders on their return to the venue. Without the Organisers and other volunteers we would not be able to run these rides. We would also like to extend our thanks again to the Wolfhill Parish for the use of their carpark. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the next ride.