



### 28<sup>th</sup> June 2015 Kilsheelan Ride

Sunday 28 June saw Endurance Ireland in the beautiful setting of Kilsheelan Village, Co Tipperary.

Ride organiser Siobhán Ovington and Endurance Judge Yvonne Croke had a early start to set up this venue!!

First out on course were Anne Kinsella on GH Scimitar and Evelyn Moore on Boston Rose. This experienced foursome took off and did a leisurly 16.25km TR.

They were followed out on course by Madison Flaherty on her great little pony Bobby, Madison and Bobby were undertaking the second leg of her Novice Qualifier. They were accompanied by Bobbie Ovington on her fiesty Mare Hanna who was tackling the first leg of her Novice Qualifier. These two ladies completed the 32.5km CR with ease and both ponies passed the vetting with flying colors!!

This pair were closely followed by Patrick Byrne on his Young Mare Amber, this was Patrick and Ambers' second outing with Endurance Ireland and they took to it like 'pigs in muck!!' finishing up the 32.5km in style. Patrick and young mare Amber took this opportunity to pass through the Vet Gate to give both horse and rider the experience. No problems there for this up and coming pair and Patrick has expressed his wish to undertake his first Novice qualifier at the next available opportunity in Stradbally at the Hound Show.

Next out o course were Mother & Daughter Team O'Rourke – Mum Susanne on legendry Apache and Natasa on her favourite Bronte. They were accompanied by Wexford Woman, Eileen on her gelding Billie. This little group completed the 16.25Km with ease.

Everyone then enjoyed their picnic on the beautiful banks of the Suir in the Summer Sunshine!!

Endurance Ireland would like to thank Coillte and Gurteen Estate for the beautiful venue and thanks too to Siobhan Ovington for organisign and Yvonne Croke who undertook the role of Endurance Judge on the day. Without these ladies and the willingness of Coillte and landowners to facilitate us, these days would not be possible so a heartfelt thanks from all the riders.