**THE CORINTHIAN CHALLENGE CHARITY RACE SERIES**

Welcome and thank you for your interest as a Rider in our race series 2020 in aid of **Irish Injured Jockeys**. This is a unique opportunity to participate in racing over three of Ireland’s most coveted racecourses – The Curragh, Naas, and Leopardstown and all for **Irish Injured Jockeys**, the charity set up for jockeys, by jockeys.

**CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

1. You must hold a valid Turf Club A1 Amateur Licence **OR** successfully pass a One Day Charity Race Competency Assessment at R.A.C.E. in order to participate in the charity series.
2. Once applications are received and following an informal interview,

We will arrange assessment for successful applicants to attend a one day assessment at R.A.C.E. on Wedsnesday 6th May 2020

 During the course of events, if for whatever reason you have a health issue, a medical with a Turf Club approved doctor will be arranged on your behalf (Dr Adrian McGoldrick, The Moorefield Medical Centre, Newbridge, Co. Kildare. Tel : 045 486633). Please advise Alisha McCormack in confidence.

All riders will have target to raise **€10,000** in donations or sponsorship to compete in this series. All riders must submit **€2000 booking deposit upon their acceptance by IIJ no later than Monday 27th April** in order to ride. The balance of the 10k to be submitted as per an agreed schedule with Irish Injured Jockeys.

All sponsorship cheques are payable to **“IRISH INJURED JOCKEYS”.** Please forward to **Irish Injured Jockeys, Curragh House, Dublin Road, Kildare, Co. Kildare**, clearly stating your name alongside donations/sponsorships.

1. All riders are responsible for organising their own horse(s), which has to comply with all entry requirements. **Riders must give the name(s) of their horse(s) and their trainer(s) for entry to IIJ not Horse Racing Ireland -** **info@irishinjuredjockeys.ie**

**RACE DATES AS FOLLOWS:**

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| **Race** | **Entries Before 2pm**  | **Declarations – Before 4pm** |
| Sunday 19th July The Curragh | Monday 13th July  | Thursday 16th July |
| Sunday 23rd August Naas | Monday 17th August | Thursday 20th August |
| Saturday17thOct Leopardstown  | Monday 12th October  | Thursday 15th October |

1. **The race series is being run over three racecourses - distances**
* The Curragh Racecourse Sunday 19th July – 1 ½ miles
* Naas Racecourse on Sunday 23rd August - 1 ½ miles
* Leopardstown Racecourse on Saturday 17TH Oct - 1 ¼ miles

Riders will be required to participate in all three races.

1. The race series will be run on a point system with the overall winner of the series being decided after the running of the third race at Leopardstown. The points will be awarded as follows : 1st place 10 points, 2nd place 7 points, 3rd place 5 points and 4th place 3 points. In the event of a tie riders cumulative finishing position over the three races will be taken into account.

**PROVISIONAL CONDITIONS**

* This charity race series will adhere to the Rules of Racing & strict weights
* A Private Sweepstakes Charity Race Series with an entry fee of €10000 per rider
* The deposit of €2000 must be paid by 27th April to secure place, (refunded on request if rider fails assessment)
* The balance of the 10k to be submitted as per an agreed schedule with Irish Injured Jockeys.
* All funds raised payable to “**Irish Injured Jockeys”**

**HORSES**

* For 3 year olds and upwards
* Horses must have run at least three times under the Rules of Racing or I.N.H.S. Rules
* **ONE OF THESE RUNS MUST HAVE BEEN SINCE 1st May 2018**
* Point-to-Point Steeplechases are excluded in the above condition and horses must be returned in training on date of race to be eligible
* **Distance** : The Curragh Racecourse 12 furlongs (1 ½ miles)

 Naas Racecourse 12 furlongs(1 ½miles)

Leopardstown Racecourse 10 furlongs(1 ¼ miles )

* **Weights** : 12 st
* **Mares Allowance** : 5lbs
* **Penalties to count from 1st Jan 2018**
* **Winner of a \*race from 1st jan 2018 to carry 3lb extra for each race won – with Maximum Penalty 9lbs Therefore maximum weight allowed 12st 9 lbs**
* Horses that require to be led to the start will **NOT** be permitted to take part
* Blinkers, Visors, Hoods, Pacifiers, Eye Shields or Sheepskin Cheek straps are **NOT** permitted,
* Tongue straps are permitted but must be declared
* Riders can enter more than one runner in each race but final declaration of one horse must be made as per schedule above.

**RIDERS**

* To qualify as a Rider and to participate in this Race you must either hold an A1 Amateur Jockey’s Licence **or** have successfully completed a Charity Race One Day Competency Assessment at R.A.C.E., and have passed a medical with a Turf Club approved doctor (only if required)
* Riders cannot have ridden more than 5 winners on the racecourse to be eligible
* It is strictly subject to attaining the above qualification that a Rider’s entry will be accepted
* **NB** the mandatory percentage deductions shall **not** apply to this race
* Horses that run in Private Sweepstakes do not lose their eligibility to run in Point-to-Point Races
* The winning Jockeys of each race will each receive a trophy
* The groom in charge of the winning horse in each race will receive €100
* The groom in charge of the best turned out horse will receive €100
* The overall winner of the series will receive the 2019 Corinthian Challenge trophy
* Riders **who have not** forwarded Donations/Sponsorship Fee to Irish Injured Jockeys as per agreed schedule will be considered ineligible to participate in the race(s)
* In the event of this series being oversubscribed Irish Injured Jockeys reserves the right to select a maximum of **18 riders** and to accept or reject any **Rider - Horse** as they deem fit. Their decision will be considered final.

**APPLICATION FORM – THE CORINTHIAN CHALLENGE CHARITY RACE SERIES**

**PART A**

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| **Please complete and return to****Alisha McCormack, Irish Injured Jockeys, Curragh House, Dublin Rd, Kildare, Co. Kildare****T : 045 533011 E : info@irishinjuredjockeys.com** |

**NAME: ………………………………………………Date of birth …………………**

**(BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE)**

**ADDRESS: ………………………………………………………………………………………**

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**TELEPHONE: ………………………………………………………………………………………**

**MOBILE: ………………………………………………………………………………………**

**EMAIL ADDRESS: ………………………………………………………………………………………**

**Licence Details :** Please attach copy of A1 Amateur Jockey’s Licence if applicable

 Otherwise, please indicate availability to attend One Day Charity Race Competency Assessment at R.A.C.E. **May 6th** in order to participate in the Corinthian Challenge Charity Race Series :

**……….. Yes** I am available to attend (**Please tick**)

Please contact Alisha McCormack in confidence if you need to attend for a medical with The Turf Club approved doctor (Dr Adrian McGoldrick, The Moorefield Medical Centre, Newbridge, Co. Kildare. Tel : 045 486633)

* **Donation/Sponsorship**: Please note the payment structure for the €10,000 entry fee: **€2000 by 27th April and balance as discussed with Irish Injured Jockeys.**
* Cheques/Drafts made payable to “**Irish Injured Jockeys”**
* Sponsorship – Riders may look for sponsorship for racing gear, giving them the unique opportunity to advertise their business with the media over the event.
* All riders must commit to attending meetings, organised event days building up to the races. Participants must track their progress coming up to each race supplying weekly photos and videos of themselves the yards and the horses to gain public interest.

**APPLICATION FORM – PART B – PR RELEASE FORM**

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| **Please complete and return to****Alisha McCormack, Irish Injured Jockeys, Curragh House, Dublin Rd, Kildare, Co. Kildare****T : 045 533011 E : info@irishinjuredjockeys.com** |

Please indicate your permission for the Irish Injured Jockeys to maximise publicity opportunities which may benefit the charity by completing the following :

I,………………………………………………………….., give my consent for Irish Injured Jockeys and Red PR to use images, quotations and to follow my training and racing progress over the period of the series in order to maximise all PR opportunities which will benefit the charity across all media platforms.

I also indicate my acceptance for the public to follow my progress on social media channels and Just Giving -Everyday Hero, an appointed partner of Irish Injured Jockeys to promote events and collect donations on the charity’s behalf.

**Signed : ……………………………………………………………………….Date : …………………..**

**About You:**

Please provide as much information as possible about your previous racing experience:

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Why you accepted this challenge and how you know the charity **Irish Injured Jockeys**?:

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Is there anything you want to share that is not already known but will capture the interest of the public in general? Any details that will make create the best media coverage for your profile.

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**APPLICATION FORM – PART B – PR ITEMS AND RELEASE FORM**

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| **Please complete in BLOCK CAPITALS and return to****Irish Injured Jockeys, Curragh House, Dublin Rd, Kildare, Co. Kildare****T : 045 533011 E : info@irishinjuredjockeys.com** |

**Social Media Channels:**

Please indicate which social media channel(s) you use, your username/@, and your consent for us to share your progress with your followers :

Facebook : ………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Twitter : ………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Instagram : ………………………………………………………………………………………………………...

Other : …………………………………………………………………………………………………………

**Images:**

**( IMPORTANT )As part of the Challenge all participants must track their progress coming up to each race supplying weekly photos and videos of themselves the yards and the horses to gain public interest**, please forward these on your Social media and to info@irishinjuredjockeys.com

**Availability For Publicity:**

Are you available for publicity work to promote the race(s)? Please mention any restrictions we need to be aware of or sponsor deals to promote :

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**Signed By : ………………………………………………. Date : ………..**

**LETTER OF AUTHORISATION**

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

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**HAS BEEN APPROVED BY IRISH INJURED JOCKEYS TO RAISE FUNDS ON OUR BEHALF.**

**PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT US IF YOU REQUIRE FURTHER INFORMATION.**

[**www.irishinjuredjockeys.com**](http://www.irishinjuredjockeys.com)

**Irish Injured Jockeys, Curragh House, Dublin Road, Kildare, Co. Kildare**

**T: +353 (0)45 533011 E:** **info@irishinjuredjockeys.com** **Charity Registration No. : CHY21119**

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**Application for competency assessment for**

**Irish Injured Jockeys Charity Race Series 2020**

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| Name |  |
| Address |  |
| Telephone number |  |
| E-mail address |  |
| Have you ever held a license to ride before (if yes give details) |  |
| How regularly do you currently ride out for a racehorse trainer? |  |
| How regularly do you currently ride in other disciplines or your own horses etc? |  |
| Is your riding of a standard that you would be capable or riding a variety of racehorses in a safe and controlled manner?  |  |

Please outline in as much detail as possible your riding experience, with relevant dates:

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**Riding is a risk sport. Think safety. It is your responsibility to record your experience accurately and factually as misrepresentation may have safety implications for you or others you are riding with. Use additional pages if necessary.**

**Terms**

All enquires should be made directly to **Irish Injured Jockeys**

 **(E:** **info@irishinjuredjockeys.com****)**

By completing and signing the above application form you are indemnifying RACE against all actions, claims, costs, losses, demands and expenses arising as a direct or reasonably foreseeable result of the assessment.

The assessment you are taking part in will determine, based on your performance on the day, your likely level of competence to ride safely is a charity race only and will not entitle you to hold a license of any type.

If there is any medical reason or otherwise as to why you should not be taking part in the assessment you should notify a member of RACE Staff prior to the assessment.

The assessment will be conducted by Instructors from RACE. The result of the assessment will be notified directly to (organiser name), who has organised the assessment on your behalf.

If, in the opinion of the assessors, you are unable to competently carry out the tasks required, you will not be permitted to progress to the next stage of the assessment.

The assessment will be held at RACE in Kildare town **Wednesday May 6th with sign in at 1.45pm sharp**. If you are late for the assessment you may be unable to take part.

To assist with best practice hygiene at RACE it is essential that you present in clean clothing and with clean footwear, failure to do so may result in you being refused entry to the RACE barn or simulator room. It is imperative that you are suitable dressed for this assessment. This includes the following items:

1. Helmet: PAS 015: 2011 (must have CE marking and label/ good condition/ no chin cup/cradle/draw lace/ metal hooks are forbidden/ must be the correct size)

2. Body protector: EN -13158:2009

3. Riding boots: small/thin race riding boots **are not acceptable**

4. Jodhpurs/jeans: racing britches **are not suitable**

5. Whip: racing whip

All of your equipment **must be as specified above** or you will be unable to take part in the assessment, but will still be charged the fee. See attached page for the timetable for the day of the assessment.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this application form to Irish Injured Jockeys**

**Timetable**

The assessment will be held at RACE in Kildare town. The date you should attend will be confirmed with you by **Irish Injured Jockeys**. Sign in is **1.45pm sharp** and if you are late you may be unable to take part.

A meeting will be scheduled for 10.30am with Red PR and Irish injured Jockeys Team prior to assessment to meet and great and go over all details of the series

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| 1.45pm | Registration/ Induction/ Safety Briefing/ Equipment Check |
| 2pm  | Tack up horse with:BridleExercise saddleSaddle clothSaddle padNumber clothMartingaleCorrectly fitted brushing bootsIf you are unable to carry out this task competently you will not be permitted to progress to the next stage of assessment |
| 2.30pm | Riding assessment, all carried out in a string:Warm up in walkWarm up in trotWarm up in canter (If you are not showing sufficient level of competence you will not continue to the next stage of assessment – applicable at all stages of assessment) Trot on gallops Canter on gallops (in single file, keeping five lengths apart, in control at all times)Warm down in walk  |
| 3.15pm | Candidates will put their horses away after assessment to include the following actions:Untack horseTie up horseTie up bridle correctlyGroom horse to remove all sweat marksPick out horses feet |
| 3.30/ 3.45pm | Racehorse simulator assessmentYou will be assessed on the following aspects:BalancePositionStyleFitnessHand skills (hold reins correctly in single/double bridge, change hands)Whip skills (carry whip in both hands, change whip into different hands, comfortable use of the whip in both hands)Ability to ride a finish |
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