

Salerno Interschools Report 5th March 2017

Sunday the 5th of March the completion moved to the West of Ireland to Duffy's EC in Claregalway with Salerno Galway welcoming 16 teams to their leg of the TRI Equestrian league. A fun, friendly and very welcoming show was hosted by the Salerno and supported by students, their teachers and families and local businesses. 12 teams competed in the Novice Team event with local team Calasanctious's Cathal Duffy, Keeva Crudden, Emma O'Callaghan and Jane Field beat the home team in a tight jump off to take the trophy for the 3rd year running. Salerno's Orlaith de Baíread won the Novice Individual with Phelim McCann from Presentation Athenry taking 2nd and Salerno rider Grainne Regan taking 3rd.

While the sun had shone for the novice competition the hailstones pelted down for the Open Riders. The testing track built by Mark Duffy proved difficult for all the riders with locals Calasanctious again taking home 1st prize with their team of Cathal Duffy, Brendan Commins, Cara Crudden and Jane Field. Newbridge College took joint second with Caragh Sweeney, Leah Heffernan, Leah Ross and Niamh Flinter and Presentation Athenry's Jack Neilan, Phelim McCann, Conan McCann and John Naughton. The TRI Equestrian Open Individual and 1.10cms, kindly sponsored by Olympic Saddlery were both won in style by Suzannah Scanlon. . We hope she will become a regular on the Interschools circuit. The Salerno crew looked after all their visitors with their café full of home baking treats. Rosette winners were given Easter eggs to munch on their way home.

The next leg of the TRI EQUESTRIAN league will be held in Mullingar Equestrian on Sunday the 12th of March.