

Jersey Horse Driving Society

On 19th September the last Driving Trials of the season were held at Fairfield Trinity. This event was for the Juniors, Novices and Grooms, the majority not having been regular competitors in the previous trials and for those with horses that are novice or new to this event.

Kieran O'Connor driving Hermes was the only junior and not only was it his first time to compete in this event consisting of three phases, dressage, marathon with obstacles and a cones course, but he beat all the senior competitors in the dressage and marathon phases to win the cup for the highest placed Junior in the driving trials over the 2010 season. Hermes' owner Rachelle Bownes driving her novice pony Pocket Rocket won her class and the best cones rosette. Fleur White drove Zodiac much faster than in previous trials beating Vincent Obbard driving Max in his first trials into second place.

David Gallichan and John Vibert competing in the Grooms class were in keen competition against each other. David driving Charlie finished the day as winner being slightly ahead of John in all three phases.

At the end of the day a cones class was held for the grooms who had assisted the drivers. The joint winners were Sheila Vetier and June Vibert with Margaret Littlechild and Margaret Robinson in third and fourth places.

Results

Juniors: 1, Kieran O'Connor (Hermes) 159.50

Grooms: 1, David Gallichan (Charlie) 221.00; 2, John Vibert (Robin) 242.00

Novice: 1, Rachelle Bownes (Pocket Rocket) 156.00; 2, Fleur White (Zodiac) 326.50; 3, Vincent Obbard (Max) 643.00

Grooms Cones: 1, June Vibert (Robin) 15; 1, Sheila Vetier (Charlie) 15; 3, Margaret Littlechild (Zodiac) 32; 4, Margaret Robinson (Max) 107

Best dressage and Best Marathon: Kieran O'Connor

Best Cones: Rachelle Bownes