



National Amateur Committee  
**ShowjumpingIreland**  
**Newsletter**  
**September 2025 Edition**

Dear Amateurs,  
Welcome to the Showjumping Ireland amateur newsletter! We are excited to share the latest updates, upcoming events and important announcements with you.

### **Upcoming Events**

- National Amateur Championships – September 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> – Mullingar Equestrian Centre

Incorporating:

- Orchard/NAPS National Amateur League Final & Presentation – [League Table](#)
- Farmer's Journal 'A' Championship – [Qualified Combinations](#)
- Plusvital Amateur Interprovincial Team Challenge – [Info for Teams](#)
- SJI Autumn Series Qualifier – [Rules & Qualifying Criteria](#)

- Connaught Amateur Autumn Classic – October 5<sup>th</sup> – Tubberbride Equestrian Centre

- Cavan October Amateur Show – October 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> – Cavan Equestrian Centre

**Please find SJI Autumn Series qualifier dates on the [SJI Amateurs page](#), with new dates being added as they become available.**

Refer to the [SJI Calendar](#) for additional upcoming events.

## **Competition Highlights**

- Dublin Horse Show Amateur Championship – August 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> – Royal Dublin Society

*First Qualifier – August 8<sup>th</sup>*

- 1  Laura Walsh (Ballinaguilkey Heritage)
- 2  Holly Morrissey (Ad Fundum D'Ersr Z)
- 3  Gwyn Yemm (Doonini Z)

*Second Qualifier – August 9<sup>th</sup>*

- 1  Vicky Curran (RNH Coco Chanel)
- 2  Alex Butler (Poshes Legacy)
- 3  Caitlin Duffy (Jockeyhall Midas Touch)

*Final – August 9<sup>th</sup>*

- 1  Niamh Quinn (Clonguish Vivaro)
- 2  Caitlin Duffy (Jockeyhall Midas Touch)
- 3  Jody Townend (JT Calover Junior)

**Congratulations to all who competed in Dublin!**

## **In Memoriam - Honouring Paddy Mullen & Peter Dargan**



Over the last number of years, the amateur community has sadly lost two much-loved members: Paddy Mullen and Peter Dargan. Both men were not only dedicated competitors but also true horsemen and champions of the sport.

To ensure their memory lives on within amateur showjumping, two new perpetual trophies have been introduced in their honour and will be awarded at the National Championships, crafted by Fitzpatrick Promotions and kindly sponsored by Leinster Region SJI.

🏆 **The Paddy Mullen Memorial Cup** will be awarded annually to the Paddy Mullen Memorial Grand Prix winner

🏆 **The Peter Dargan Memorial Cup** will be awarded annually to the Farmer's Journal 'A' Champion

These trophies will serve as a fitting tribute to their legacy, reminding us each year of the joy, competitive spirit, and good humour they brought to amateur showjumping. Their presence is deeply missed, but their memory will continue to inspire riders and friends alike.

### 📌 **Save the Date**

◆ Amateur Autumn Series Final – November 8<sup>th</sup> – Cavan Equestrian Centre [🔗 Rules & Qualifying Criteria](#)

### 🗨️ **Committee Announcements**

◆ Stables for the National Championship weekend are available for booking via [🔗 Mullingar Equestrian Centre](#). We have been very busy organising and are excited to welcome you all to an exceptional weekend, thanks to all our generous sponsors! See you there 😊

◆ Know a fellow amateur or sports member who deserves to be featured? We are looking for Spotlight Nominations for future editions! Send your nominations to us via [anna.smith@sjai.ie](mailto:anna.smith@sjai.ie).

### 🤝 **Get Involved**

We welcome all members to contribute to our amateur community! Send your ideas, feedback, and Amateur Spotlight nominations to us via [anna.smith@sjai.ie](mailto:anna.smith@sjai.ie).

We look forward to seeing you out jumping!

**Best of luck,**

♥️ **The National Amateur Committee**  
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