14th Lancelot Awards Club Secretary of the Year Award Nominations



Aoife Farrelly (Mo Chara)

Aoife took on the role as secretary 3 years ago with great energy and commitment. The club members are always fully informed regarding regional and national events and information.

Her leadership qualities really shine true when our club host's our annual derby and regional dressage qualifier. Her attention to detail and preparation is what makes the show a great success. She takes this extra work in her stride along with her own busy career.

Aoife participates and encourages others in the club to compete and enjoy all aspects of riding club. She will always volunteer at national and regional events. Aoife is liked and respected by her club and regional members.

Karen Kelly (Cheval)

Karen has been an extremely professional Club Secretary for three years for our club, which has over 40 members and as a club with its own grounds, comes huge additional responsibility.

Karen has looked after all club memberships, and all the communication with Cheval Members, other clubs, region and the AIRC. Karen also looks after all the national event submissions and volunteer lists. Karen also looked after the North East regional minutes secretary last year and still actively supports the regional committee, attending their meetings.

Karen always goes above and beyond her role, been seen too often pulling jumps in and out in Cheval at course builds, opening up grounds for events, Event Secretary for our big shows, will take on any job, pole party, call up, Safety Officer and so on. As well as a full-time job, Karen is also a master dog trainer and will share advice to members if asked, we don't know how she fits it all in.

Lucy Kelly (Tinahely)

Lucy has been secretary for the last three years and has displayed remarkable energy and enthusiasm in her role. She can regularly be found armed with a paintbrush or staple gun ready to tackle any jobs that are required at the clubs grounds in Coolboy.

Lucy keeps members well informed and updated with regular upbeat, newsy emails and texts, results, upcoming events, rule changes etc. Lucy is the driving force behind organising the clubs clinics and competitions throughout the year. She is very welcoming and helpful to visiting competitors and will go out of her way to help out where needed. Lucy is also a great baker and somehow manages to find the time to produce cakes and cookies for every event. (Her lemon drizzle cake now has legendary status!) She is always cheerful and approachable and dedicated to our club and it's future.