

SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

Every year our Scholarship Committee issues funding for former jockeys to complete higher education courses. Currently we are supporting former Jump jockey Tom O'Brien who is completing a Post Graduate Certificate in Sports Law on a part-time evening course through De Montfort University. Tom is very interested in the regulatory side of the sport and has already spent a lot of time shadowing the BHA raceday team on race days.



Meanwhile, another former Jump jockey Ed Glassonbury has also received a scholarship to help fund a Quantity Surveying degree at University College of Estate Management. Ed has worked as an Assistant Trainer and as a Racing Syndicate Manager but is now working for a local highways and civil engineering company and is hoping that this qualification can help him progress his career to the next level. We wish Tom and Ed all the best for their studies.

UPCOMING INDUSTRY COURSES

21 - 26 Jan	Level 2 Racecourse Turf Management	GMA Learning at The British Racing School
29 Jan - 02 Feb	The Racing Industry Course TRIC	The British Racing School
05 - 09 Feb	Trainers Module 1	The British Racing School
20 - 22 Feb	Racing Secretary Course	The British Racing School
26 Feb - 01 Mar	Trainers Module 2	The British Racing School
18 - 21 Mar	Assistant Trainers Course	The National Horseracing College
18 - 22 Mar	Trainers Module 3	The British Racing School
15 - 17 Apr	Racing Secretary Course	The National Horseracing College
13 - 17 May	Trainers Module 1	The National Horseracing College

▶ IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND ANY OF THESE COURSES, PLEASE CONTACT LISA OR PHIL

Please note that applications are open for the 2024 Racing Media Academy and The BHA Development programme (29th February closing date)

JOCKEY STORIES

THOMAS BROWN



Former John Smith's Cup winning jockey Thomas Brown finished his riding career and was riding out before a meeting with Phil Kinsella at Peter O'Sullivan House changed the direction of his career entirely. He wanted to find something that wasn't office based, where he could meet new people every day and which gave

him a similar adrenalin rush to being a jockey. Together they landed on the idea of the emergency services and after a day shadowing the paramedics at Newmarket racecourse, Thomas applied for a role with the East of England Ambulance Service where he is now working as an Emergency Care Assistant.

“ Speaking to JETS doesn't mean you've given up on being a jockey or you're not committed, it just means you're progressing yourself as a person. ”

ANDREW ELLIOTT



Splitting his riding between the North of England and the Middle East, Andrew Elliott has been busy building skills to prepare him for the future. After suffering a shoulder injury and speaking with Phil whilst in rehab at Jack Berry House, he discussed his other passion in life for art and drawing.

He subsequently went on to complete a course at the Tattoo Piercing Academy in Manchester, partly funded by JETS and is using his time when not riding out or racing to practise his drawing and tattoo skills so that he can hit the ground running when he does eventually launch his own business as a tattoo artist.

“ Speaking with Phil made me realise I should set myself a challenge. He asked what I was interested in and said that I could do anything. It's a nice escape from racing to have another focus. ”

▶ READ ANDREW AND THOMAS' FULL STORIES IN THE JOCKEY STORIES SECTION OF OUR WEBSITE.

RICHARD DAVIS AWARDS 2023 REVIEW



In a change of venue from recent years, we were delighted to host the 2023 Richard Davis Awards at Warwick Racecourse on Tuesday 7th November. Presented by Tom Scudamore, the winners received their trophies at a special awards lunch ahead of the inaugural running of the JETS Richard Davis Awards Handicap Chase with the winners receiving the trophy from Richard Davis' parents Ann and John. We are extremely grateful for the generous and ongoing support of our sponsors.

THE JOCKEY CLUB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (£3000 PRIZE)

WINNER

David Parkes

Former Apprentice David Parkes established his Northern Ireland based company DAP Shipping in 2019, working with agents and hauliers all over Europe, managing the import and export of a range of goods in the post Brexit landscape. Supported by JETS, he has gained various customs and trade qualifications and shown huge determination to embrace his second career and continually learn more about international customs to help his business grow.

RUNNERS UP

Stacy Bone (Human Resources)

Dickie Hawkins (Accounts Manager)



“ I am incredibly proud to have won this award as it is a reflection on how far I have come since having to stop riding due to an ongoing injury. I have had the help of JETS with the funding of several courses from accountancy through to my customs courses and I would not have success in my new career path without them. ”

THE IJF PROGRESS AWARD (£2000 PRIZE)

WINNER

Ryan Hatch

Grade 1 winning jockey Ryan Hatch was forced to retire from racing due to injury and in 2023 was successfully recruited as a Training Instructor and Assessor for the RMF group in the West Midlands which provides Equine training to unemployed people and also has delivered courses in prisons. He has thrived in the role where he has been able to share his passion for horses with students, many of whom have never worked with horses before.

RUNNERS UP

Thomas Brown (Emergency Care Assistant)

Jason Dixon (Equine Dentist)



“ Whilst this role is so different from anything I've done before, I have found it extremely rewarding. With the support of JETS and the team at RMF Training, I have really grown in confidence and seen that my students have too. I'm pleased to play a part in attracting future racing staff from diverse backgrounds to the sport. ”



THE BHA DEVELOPMENT AWARD (£1000 PRIZE)

WINNER

Olivia Tubb

Based in Lambourn with Johnny Portman, Apprentice Olivia Tubb has applied herself diligently to all aspects of her career working closely with her Jockey Coach George Baker as well as taking advantage of nutrition, strength and conditioning, media training and performance psychology support. She was also one of the first jockeys to apply for the JETS Personal Development grant available to jockeys with less than 50 rides in order to complete a gym instructor course whilst injured.

RUNNERS UP

Harry Kimber

Charlie Maggs



“ I love being a jockey and want to make sure I use all of the support available to me. I am fortunate to have Oaksey House on my doorstep however I want to make sure I develop personally and professionally. I have achieved a lot of the performance goals I set out in my Personal Development Plan, I work hard, and I am really proud of how my career has gone so far. ”



► FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE AWARDS, READ PROFILES AND WATCH FILMS ON ALL OUR FINALISTS ON OUR WEBSITE.

FLAT JOCKEY AMBASSADOR TRAINING

Following a highly successful two day programme for Jump jockeys over the summer, we are looking forward to teaming up with GBR and the PJA again to offer a similar opportunity for Flat Jockeys. With just ten places available, the aim is to provide bespoke and highly specialist training to equip jockeys with a range of skills and information to enable them to enhance their profile, engage successfully with a range of media and maximise commercial opportunities.

The training will take place on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th March in Newmarket when jockeys will hear from presenters and speakers with a diverse range of backgrounds and expertise in sports media, fan engagement, personal branding, social media and commercial opportunities.

► HOW TO APPLY: ANY JOCKEYS WISHING TO ATTEND SHOULD CONTACT LISA DELANY BY FRIDAY 2ND FEBRUARY



WHO'S TRAINING NOW...

We are constantly receiving applications from jockeys and former jockeys to complete a wide range of different training courses and qualifications some of which are highlighted below.

Rhian Ingram	Level 2 Showjumping Coaching Course
Hugh Nugent	French Language Lessons
Paula Muir	Introduction to Dog Grooming
Kathy Begley	Veterinary Medicine – Year Three
Megan Brookes	Level 3 Diploma in Gym Instructing and Personal Training
Alexander Thorne	AAT PCTN Principle of Costing
Max Kendrick	Level 3 Introductory Diploma in Equine Nutrition
James Nixon	LGVC + E Driver Training



Alexander Thorne

“ Since retiring, I re-invigorated my studies and then began to apply to accountancy firms in the area. I was fortunate enough to land a position as a trainee accountant in a firm (Alder, Demain & Akers) which specialises in the racing industry. The firm deals with prolific clients including high profile jockeys, trainers as well as the bloodstock industry. ”



NEW PERSONAL TRAINING DIPLOMA

We are delighted to be working in collaboration with Glen Reed, the IJF's Strength & Conditioning Coach to deliver a four month Level 3 Diploma in Personal Training. Jockeys Alice Bond and Sam Feilden along with Jockey Coaches Richard Perham and Charlie Poste have all been supported by JETS to take part

on the course which will combine a mixture of practical sessions as well as online theory lessons which cover a range of subject areas including anatomy and physiology, nutrition, how to run a business and how to coach a range of clients from the elderly to professional athletes.

The students recently completed a practical training session at Peter O'Sullivan House and afterwards Sam Feilden said, "it's been great to get started with some practical skills work in the gym. Having something else to think about that runs alongside my current injury rehabilitation has been really beneficial."



IN THE FRAME

Former stable jockey for Nicky Richards Ryan Day has been busy since stopping riding in 2021. With a keen interest in the outdoors, he's completed photography courses and is working with

racecourse photographers as well as completing product shoots for major equine brands. He is currently looking to further his business by completing social media and digital marketing courses. Keep up the good work Ryan.

NEW JOCKEY MATTERS FILM COMING SOON!

Filming is underway for a new film to add to our Jockey Matters series, this time focusing on Personal Development. We've spoken to a number of jockeys at the recent Claiming Jockeys Workshops in Newmarket as well as Head of Coaching George Baker so look out for the new film which will launch in the coming weeks.



All the films in the Jockey Matters series can be viewed on our website covering subjects from Mental Health and Addiction to Injury and Career Transition.



CONGRATULATIONS TO...

James Best, Finian O'Toole, Thomas Willmott and Harry Kimber for all successfully completing their LGV driver qualification.



WELCOME PAGE FULLER

We are delighted to welcome Page Fuller as a new JETS Trustee. Former Jump jockey Page now works as Editorial Analyst for the Ellipse Data Horseracing team and brings invaluable insight and experience to her role with JETS, helping jockeys take advantage of all the services we offer.

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