RICHARD DAVIS AWARDS 2017

Entries are open for the 20th Richard Davis Awards, due to take place on November 19th at Cheltenham Racecourse. The Awards are an important showcase of the fantastic achievements jockeys have made in their second careers and show just what a wide range of career opportunities are available to jockeys once they retire.

We are always looking at ways to improve the Awards and are delighted to announce a brand new Award to reflect the support JETS now provides to jockeys from the very start of their riding career, to ensure jockeys maximise their potential both in and out of the saddle. Thanks to generous new sponsorships from The Jockey Club and British Racing School, we’re able to offer £7000 in prizemoney across three Award categories:

The Jockey Club Achievement Award
The top Award designed for those jockeys who have significantly achieved in pursuing their new chosen careers and is worth £3000 to the winner with two runners-up prizes of £500 each. Three finalists will be selected by the judging panel in advance with the winner announced at the Awards in November.

The IJF Progress Award
Judged by a team of IJF Almoners and worth £2000, this Award rewards the early progress of those jockeys who have more recently started out on a new career/training path or who are actively preparing for their future careers while still riding or while injured.

The BRS Current Jockey CPD Award
With a prize of £1000, this is a new award introduced for 2017 for currently licensed jockeys who have shown real commitment to their Continuing Personal Development whilst riding or during injury time out in order to prepare for their future careers and/or to enhance their development as a jockey.

HOW TO ENTER
We hope to attract a bumper crop of entries this year so we’re encouraging as many jockeys as possible, both past and present, to put themselves forward. Entry forms can be found on the website. If you’re unsure of what to include in your entry, Lisa and Phil, our Personal Development Managers, are on hand to help with entries or ask your Jockey Coach. Entries close on Friday 8th September.

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Read the full stories on Adele and Richard and many others on our website.

JOCKEY STORIES

We are constantly adding new stories to the ‘Jockey Stories’ section of our website highlighting the diverse careers that jockeys are going on to enjoy. You can learn from their experiences and find out how JETS has supported them along the way. A couple of recent stories are:

ADELE MULRENNAN
The new face and voice of Go Racing In Yorkshire, Scottish Sprint Cup winning jockey, Adele Mulrennan attended a number of media training courses with JETS which has prepared her perfectly for her new role as a racecourse presenter at Yorkshire tracks. She also has some great advice for jockeys who don’t know what they want to do after riding – “Don’t be scared if you fail at something, just move on and try something else. JETS is there to help and the main thing is to be prepared.”

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

JETS On Course
31 July Newton Abbot
04 August Thirsk
09 August Pontefract

01 – 04 August Trainers Module 2
The Northern Racing College

22 – 24 August Racing Secretaries Course
The British Racing School

29 Aug – 01 Sept Trainers Module 3
The British Racing School

04 – 08 Sept Stud Secretaries’ and Stud Administration
National Stud

04 – 09 Sept Trainers Module 1
The British Racing School

09 August Kempton (AWT)
23 August York
29 August Ripon
30 August Lingfield

19 – 21 Sept Assistant Trainers Course
The British Racing School

26 – 28 Sept Assistant Trainers Course
The Northern Racing College

16 – 18 October Bookkeeping/SAGE Course
The British Racing School

02 – 03 November Racing Secretaries Course
The Northern Racing College
**JOCKEY MATTERS SERIES 2**

Following the positive response we received to Series 1 of the Jockey Matters series, we are delighted to announce the launch of Series 2 which will highlight the journey a jockey goes on from the very outset when they embark on the Jockey Coaching Programme, following on with the Personal Development Programme run by JETS to ensure they are constantly developing as jockeys and finally looking at Career Transition as we focus on the support and opportunities available to jockeys in the build up and post their retirement as a jockey. Later films in the series will look at Concussion and Mental Resilience, both due to be released in the Autumn.

The first two films in the series were launched recently at the 5lb Claiming Workshop at Jack Berry House in Malton and received a really positive response from the young jockeys who attended.

You can view the films on our website or by using #JockeyMatters on Twitter.

**CONGRATULATIONS!!**

JETS scholarship recipient Aodhagan Conlon who has gained a First Class degree in Sports Psychology at Bath Spa University. We hope that Aodhagan will be using his skills and knowledge to help jockeys in the future.

Successful applicants for the RMG Media Traineeship Shelley Birkett and Jason Keily due to start later this year.

**GREAT WORK WITH PDPs**

We are really pleased with the response we’ve had from young jockeys who have been busy completing their Personal Development Plans at Licensing courses with the help of Personal Development Managers Phil Kinsella and Lisa Delany. We have completed PDPs with 146 individual 7lb claiming jockeys (90 apprentices and 56 conditional jockeys). The jockeys set themselves targets and are asked to look at various aspects of their professional and personal lives so that the PDMs can point them in the direction of any additional support they may need. Many of the PDPs have been reviewed on Continuation Training Days so the jockeys can assess their progress and set themselves new goals and challenges.

**CONCEPTS COACHING UPDATE**

The cohort of BHA Jockey Coaches attended a CPD day on July 12th at the Northern Racing College, organised by Coaching Development Manager Philip Robinson. The coaches had sessions on Sports Psychology and the Licensing Course Fitness and Simulator Test. Many thanks to jockeys Faye McManoman and Aiden Blakemore for helping out on the day, and the coach Gold Star goes to Neil Pollard for his performance in the bleep test and the simulator fitness session!

**THINK ABOUT COURSES NOW**

September is when many training courses begin so now is the right time to think about any new qualifications you’d be interested in acquiring. Please contact Lisa or Phil to discuss what options are available and of course how JETS can help with funding your course.

**AND FINALLY...WE HAVE A NEW NAME!**

JETS has dropped the use of ‘Employment’ in our name, we are now the Jockeys Education & Training Scheme which we feel reflects our wider remit to develop jockeys throughout their careers rather than just focusing on career transition, training and employment opportunities for jockeys. Luckily that means we’re still known as JETS!

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