

Interschools Report for Kernan's Equestrian Centre – Saturday 6th of February.

DECISIVE VICTORY FOR NEWBRIDGE COLLEGE AT INTERSCHOOLS COMPETITION IN KERNANS EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

Hosted by Kernan Equestrian Centre in Crossmaglen, the interschool's competition started at 10am after everyone had walked the technical track built by James Kernan. With 5 teams in the Novice competition only two teams Newbridge College and Our Lady's Castleblaney qualified for the jump off. Local team Our Lady's Castleblaney won with a clear score in a time of 71.43 seconds to Newbridge's time of 64.95 with a pole down.

The largest number of entries of the day was in the Novice Individuals which was dominated by Newbridge College with Leah Heffernan taking 1st place in a time of 29.32 seconds. Claire Cassidy of Scoil Mhuire Trim took 2nd and Niamh Flinter of Newbridge took 3rd place.

The weather was very wet and blustery by the time the Open Team competition began in the afternoon. Again two teams entered the jump off on clear scores, Newbridge College and Monaghan College. The Newbridge team of sisters Caragh and Caoimhe Sweeney, Amy Carroll and Daniel Fitzgerald took 1st place, with a combined time of 58.61 seconds in the jump off beating Monaghan College into 2nd with their combined time of 69.43 seconds with 4 faults.

The Open Individual competition was won by Daniel Fitzgerald on Erbee's Corvette, who also took 2nd place on another pony, Larkamore Comet, with Norah Faye on Miss Mischief taking 3rd place.

The venue also ran a 1.10 mtr qualifier for the Mullingar Final with Daniel Fitzgerald on Erbee's Corvette taking 1st place and also qualifying his 2nd pony Laramore Comet, 3rd place went to Caragh Sweeney, with the last three qualifying placing going to Victoria McElvin on Paondora, Natalie Kingham on Coco and Ciara Muirheas on Hans Lough. The next completion in the league will be hosted by Cavan Equestrian Centre on Saturday the 13th of February.