

# INTERNATIONAL MOUNTED GAMES ASSOCIATION

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# **Competition Results**

## **March, April and May**

### **Irish Spring League (March, 1, 8, 14, 22 & 29)**

#### **U12 & U14**

1. Sadie Hyland 120 pts
2. Mollie Kinsella 117 pts
3. Matt Sinnott 116 pts
- Saoirse Wynne 116 pts
- Darragh Carolan 116 pts

#### **U17 & OPEN**

1. Peter Mc Carthy 119 pts
2. Ciaran O Leary 117 pts
3. Mark Devitt 117 pts

### **Challenge Grand Ouest : Etrier de Corné (March, 14 & 15)**

#### **OPEN**

1. Team Pony Matériels PMG 42 pts
2. Les Speedys 38 pts
3. Les Best Bondes 33 pts

#### **U14**

1. La CEDO Team 116 pts
2. Les Minis Ponygamers de l'Isle 111 pts
3. Team Ponymatériels PMGOL 106 pts

#### **U17**

1. La CEDO Team 111 pts
2. Les Indestructibles 97 pts
3. Team V & B 97 pts

### **Challenge Grand Ouest : La Bonde (April, 4 & 5)**

#### **OPEN**

1. Les Best Bonds
2. Team Pony Matériels PMG
3. Bel Air MG

#### **U14**

1. Team Girls
2. Team Pony Matériels PMGOL
3. Les Minis Ponygamers de l'Isle

#### **U17**

1. Red Team
2. Team Cadet Logis
3. Danish Dynamite

#### **U12**

1. The Kings Five de l'Isle
2. Les Riki Speed
3. Les Bonbonds Mini

### **Challenge Peter Dale : Istres (April, 4, 5 & 6)**

#### **OPEN**

1. Level Up
2. Peillard Mounted
3. Mugnagno Tattini

#### **U14**

1. Peillard Minis
2. La Scuderia Equi Games
3. Dell Alba Under 14

#### **U17**

1. Dell Alba Junior
2. Peillard Junior
3. Les Justes Doués

### **Challenge Grand Ouest : Etrier Vitréen (April, 25 & 26)**

#### **OPEN**

1. Ponymat Buisseret
2. Recomposés
3. Team Fox

#### **U17**

1. Les Loups de Buisseret
2. Les Cartouch in Full
3. Les Bond Sai

**U14**

1. Team Pony Matériels PMGOL
2. Les Cart Attack

**Spring Championships : Shrewsbury (April, 11 & 12)****OPEN**

1. Bedfordshire Yellow 51 pts
2. Leicestershire 50 pts
3. Royal Berkshire 47 pts

**U14**

1. Monmouthshire White 47 pts
2. Bedfordshire Yellow 39 pts
3. West Hampshire 35 pts

**U17**

1. Hertfordshire Reds 53 pts
2. Monmouthshire White 52 pts
3. Bedfordshire 52 pts

**U12**

1. Monmouthshire White 57 pts
2. Dorset 53 pts
3. South Kent 50 pts

**Southern Individuals : Hampshire (April, 4 & 5)****OPEN**

1. Rory Capel 44 pts
2. Mitch Lyons 40 pts
3. Aaron Tyler 38 pts

**U14**

1. Megan Tutt 233 pts
2. Brigette Boher 225 pts
3. Brooke King 175 pts

**U17**

1. Megan Gurton 188 pts
2. Katy Snook 169 pts
3. Rosie Pratt 150 pts

**U12**

1. Amelia Swann 171 pts
2. Mia Marshall 121 pts
3. Daisy Farmer 91.5 pts

**England Friendly****OPEN**

1. Shropshire South 73 pts
2. Bedfordshire Mga 65 pts
3. Warwickshire 53 pts

**U17**

1. Monmouthshire Mga 49 pts
2. Hertfordshire Reds 48 pts
3. Hampshire 39 pts

**U12**

1. Monmouthshire Whites 203 pts
2. West Midlands 135 pts
3. South Glamorgan 126 pts

**French Championships – Lamotte Beuvron (May, 23rd, 24th & 25th)****OPEN**

1. Team Pony Materiels Cedo
2. Starzup Team Horse Spirit
3. Les Best Bonds

# **UPCOMING COMPETITIONS**

## **June & July**

<b>WHEN?</b>	<b>WHAT?</b>	<b>WHERE?</b>
<b>JUNE</b>		
June, 6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup>	British Pairs Championships	Uttoxeter racecourse, Staffordshire, England
June, 13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup>	La Nocturne Internationale	Le Logis du Poney, Saint Sauvant, France
June, 13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup>	Southern Championships	Newforest Showground, Hampshire, England
June, 13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup>	Nisse Cup	Alleby, Sweden
June, 13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Dale Challenge	None, Italy
June, 20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>	Danish Pairs Championships	Denmark
June, 27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup>	Dorset Friendly	New Forest Showground, Hampshire, England
June, 27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup>	Nordic Individual Championship	Fredriksborg, Norway
June, 28 <sup>th</sup>	Swiss Team Championships (3rd leg)	Blackyland, Genève, Switzerland
<b>JULY</b>		
July, 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup>	John Scott Championships	Lincolnshire County Showground, England
July, 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Home International	Lincolnshire County Showground, England
July, 20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>	Royal Welsh Show	Royal Welsh Showground, Builth Wells, Wales
July, 25 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup>	DK Pony Cup	Tune, Denmark

For more information on the international calendar, please check the web link  
<http://www.mounted-games.org/imga/events/2015/allcomps.html>

## **IMGA PROGRAMME**

<b>WHEN ?</b>	<b>WHAT ?</b>	<b>WHERE ?</b>
July, 6 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>29th World Team Championships OPEN</b>	Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington, Kentucky, USA
July, 28 <sup>th</sup> to August, 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> World Individual Championships</b>	David Broome Event Centre, Chepstow, Wales
August, 5 <sup>th</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> European Championships</b>	Equivallée, Cluny, France
September, 18 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> World Pairs Championships</b>	Newark and Nottinghamshire Showground, Newark, England
To be decided	<b>IMGA Annual Meeting</b>	Ireland
November, 13 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Nations Championships</b>	Equine Lifestyle Festival, Hawkesbury Showgrounds, Clarendon, NSW, Australia
November, 23 <sup>rd</sup> to 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>World Team Championships U17</b>	HITS Showground Ocala, Florida, USA

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## **THE INTERVIEW**

### **Mathilde Hévin**



For the second 2015 IMGA Newsletter, we've decided to interview an experienced rider from the north of France.

Mathilde Hévin, who won many medals with the French Team, will answer a few questions in order to know more about herself, her ponies and her passion for Mounted Games.

**Hi Mathilde, could you tell us more about yourself? Where, when and how did you start playing Mounted Games?**

*I started riding at the age of 6 at Bruille Equestrian Center. I first rode in a traditional manner. Then my riding teacher Pascal Desfrenne discovered Mounted Games, through the intermediary of Jacques Cavé, and started developing this discipline in our riding school. I loved it immediately and I met my team mates, Baptiste Delamaide and Vincent Leroy, at the age of 10. We took part in our first French Championships two years later in 1999. Since then, we've taken part in each French Championships. We were rewarded with 7 French Champions titles.*

*Beside all this, I discovered international competitions in 2002 with the Peter Dale Challenge. Since then, I haven't stopped driving around France and abroad.*

*I also wanted to try the trials for the French teams and I got the chance to ride for France for the first time in 2005 where I took part in my first Worlds Champs, great memories!!*

**Which ponies have played an important role in your riding career until today?**

*To live all those experiences, I rode different ponies. I started with ponies from the riding school but then I got my first competition pony Chanel, because to be able to do all this, our riding teacher asked us to invest in a pony. Then, I moved on to another pony to improve. I got Fayda and Hévéa.*

*I also love dressage and it was a real pleasure to bring new ponies to Games. That's what I did with Trianon and lately with Amadeus (my future games pony).*

*But I have to say that the pony I've improved and shared the most with is Hévéa d'Hamby.*

**What have been your best memories at competitions?**

*I shared with Hévéa my best moments in competitions. First of all, our French Champions titles, it was always magical! But also another unforgettable memory, our World Team Champions title in 2012!*

*I'll also never forget the World Champs in Australia, it was a unique sports and human experience, we brought home the bronze medal after being close to the gold medal during 20 games...*

*I've got great memories from a competition in 2004 at Cock of the North during when, without even realising, we won the competition.*

*Finally, I'll never forget all the World Pairs Championships I've shared with Vincent and especially the 2 finals we rode in that were magical with my 2 ponies Hévée and Trianon that was ridden by Vincent.*

**You've been running a riding school for a few years now with your partner Baptiste Delamaide, can you tell us more about your adventure?**

*As you may have noticed, I'm a big fan of competitions but I also love teaching. I taught Games riders while studying. After obtaining my BPJEPS (French Horse Riding Teacher diploma) and a Masters Degree in Sports Management, I got the opportunity when I was 22 to get in the big adventure of opening my own Equestrian Center with my partner Baptiste Delamaide. In 2010, the Evetria Equestrian Center opened. It's a friendly and family equestrian center essentially based on Mounted Games where I work alone, with Baptiste helping me a lot. The club grew slowly and today we've got 12 teams taking part in different competitions and the French Champs.*

**This year, you took over Quentin Voetzel as French Mounted Games Assistant Trainer, with Cyril Barreau (French Trainer). Can you explain how the trials work in France and what you expect from riders and ponies?**

*I got the chance this year to take over Quentin, to help Cyril Barreau in the coaching of the French teams. I found it great to be able to continue with the French team this way.*

*The riders that have put their name down for the trials had a training session at Christmas, then they had to take part in different international competitions such as La Bonde, Cluny and the French Champs. After that, 10 riders were selected for a second training session at the start of June. At the end of this training session, we will know who will ride for France at the European Championships in Cluny.*

**Between the riding school, the French Teams and the baby you are expecting, how do you organise yourself?**

*On top of all this, I'm expecting a baby very shortly. I was very lucky and my pregnancy went very well. I was able to attend all competitions, follow my riders and that was awesome! Now I'm looking forward to going back to competitions, I hope I'll be able to ride in August because it's the only thing I'm missing at the moment.*

**What are your other hobbies and occupations?**

*I have to admit that I don't really have the time to think about other occupations and hobbies, the competitions and the riding school take a lot of time but I don't mind as I absolutely love what I do even though it is tiring at times.*

**What can we wish you for 2015, on a professional, personal and sports point of view?**

*You can wish me for 2015 to have a lovely baby in good health, in order to continue the competitions with her and bring home plenty of medals!!!!*



**Thank you Mathilde for answering all our questions !!**

*Shortly after this interview was written, Mathilde gave birth to a little girl! We wish Mathilde, Baptiste and their baby plenty of joy and happiness for 2015!*

Sean Bource

# ***INTERNATIONAL NEWS***

## **World Team Championships 2015 (Kentucky, USA)**



### **England OPEN**

Abi Caiger  
Sarah Farnsworth  
Alex Franklin  
Livvy Lock  
Danielle Loveless  
Reserve: Erin Dobby  
Trainer: Alex Franklin



### **Ireland OPEN**

Mark Devitt  
Aido Hanlon  
Jake O'Connor  
Donelle O'Leary  
Tony Whooley  
Reserve: Alan Keogan  
Trainer: Jerome O'Connor

## **World Team Championships U17 2015 (Florida, USA)**



### **England U17**

Lucy Burrows  
Melissa Cheeseman  
Ella Clark  
Will Thirlby  
Lottie Watson  
Reserves: Rosie Hutton, Tom Williams, Sam Stansfield  
Trainer: Bradley Stamp

## **European Team Championships 2015 (Cluny, France)**



### **Ireland Open**

Jake O'Connor  
Craig O'Connor  
Kate O'Connor  
Mark Devitt  
Aido Hanlon  
Reserve: Peter McCarthy  
Trainer: Jerome O'Connor

**Congratulations to the selected riders and trainer!**

You would like more information on the International Mounted Games Association or you have a question for an IMGA Officer? It's very simple! All you need to do is to send your questions to the following e-mail addresses:

For general enquires and information:

<http://www.mounted-games.org/imga/site/contact.html>

IMGA Help Line:

<http://www.mounted-games.org/imga/site/helpline.html>

Thank you for reading this Newsletter! We would like to remind you that this document's purpose is to facilitate the transmission of information throughout the World of Mounted Games.

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