



BRITISH HARNESS RACING CLUB

Award Nominations 2014

Horse of the Year

Saunders Mach 3

Winner of 8 of 9 races, including that unbelievable late run to win the Welsh Classic

Racezapan

A strong mare who has five race wins, in 2014 she has travelled to Ceredigion, Tregaron, Appleby and York from her home in Stirling

Robec

Very consistent since his first appearance at Musselburgh he hasn't failed to impress and is the new 1¼ mile trotting record holder at York

Im Impartial Too

Winner of 6 of his 14 races this year and only twice out of the top three

Ayr Regal

Not only the outstanding 3YO Colt of the Year but must be a candidate for Horse of the Year. He started 2014 as a Grade 1 and progressed through the grades to finish as a Grade 11 with classic wins in England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland. He was top money earner in 2014 with six wins, and three seconds from 12 starts. A real tough little horse who raced consistently well all season.

BJ's Harmony

A consistent performer with nine race wins in 2014

Brywinsmagicpotion

The most consistent Free For All of 2014, winning on three occasions and equalling the track records at Portmarnock and never out of the placings.

Pacer of the Year

Sepia Sands

Winner of the Musselburgh Hurricane Pace Heat & Final

Ayr Regal

As above

BJ's Harmony

As above

Racezapan

As above

Ontop Fugative

Winner of Heat and Final in the Jimmy 'Knocker' Rennie at Haugh Field, in a string of 3 on the bounce.

Mare of the Year

Southsideaffection

A tough and consistent mare who has turned in sub two minute performances more than once in 2014

Merrington Motion

Winner of 9 out of 11 starts, including a superb performance in the Appleby Brough saddle pace

Racezapan

as above

Rhyds Night Nurse

Advancing from Maiden to Grade 5, she has had 6 wins and some very good placings in 2014

Shades of Grey

Ultra consistent mare, winning at Ceredigion, Musselburgh and Heat and Final at Bells Field

BJ's Harmony

As above

Trotter of the Year

Robec

Very consistent since his first appearance at Musselburgh he hasn't failed to impress and is the new 1¼ mile trotting record holder at York

3YO Colt of the Year

Ayr Regal

Not many classic 3YO races that he has missed. His achievements include the Ceredigion 3YO, the Musselburgh 3YO, The Breeders Crown 3YO Colts, The Little Welsh Dragon and of course the profitable Christopher Dunne 3YO in Portmarnock

Rhyds Design

3YO British Record Holder at York on 20th September recording 1.57.2.

Robhall

Started off the season with three on bounce, winning the Appleby 3YO, the Corbiewood 3YO and the National Pacing Derby

3YO Filly of the Year

Rhyds Rainbow

With 6 wins she had been impressive in her first season winning many a prestigious race; York 3YO Championship, BHRC Sire Stakes and Breeders Crown

Rhyds Art

Winner of the Little Welsh Dragon, she was unfortunate towards the end of the season with injury but still consistent for connections

2YO Colt of the Year

Rewrite History

3 out of 3 for this colt, he is very imposing and set a new track record at York for 2YOs

Titanium

Winner of the York Futurity, the Sire Stakes and of course €12,000 in the Vincent Delaney Memorial at Portmarnock where he broke the track record

2YO Filly of the Year

Shaba Hanover

Strong filly and winner of the Junior Welsh Dragoness

ATM

Winner of two from five; the York 2YO Futurity and the Ceredigion 2YO, plus places in her other three outings

Carmel Camden

Easy winner of the NWSA 2YO Fillies which relocated to York in June

Overseas Horse of the Year

Doonbeg

Culminating an unreal career winning a Top Class FFA at Musselburgh, this world record holder has still got it!

Meadowbranch Romeo

Turned in fabulous performances in July to win the Famous Musselburgh Pace Heat and Final Saorlas Glory

Winner of the Strata Florida Heat and Final. A consistent performer from six starts in 2014 he won three, was second twice and third in the other

Forafewdollarsmore

Taking retirement in 2014, he went out on a high partnered by Walter Stewart. A great stalwart of the sport!

Special Contribution to Harness Racing

Darren Owen (commentator)

His professionalism, hard work and enthusiasm for the sport can only help raise the profile. The industry is very lucky to have such a quality commentator, with his entertaining and accurate race calling making each and every race that bit more enjoyable.

Karen Kennedy

The heart behind Scottish race administration

John Govan

The inner heartbeat of the Bells Field fixture. He and his wife and friends tirelessly fund raise all year round whilst supporting many others too!

Carmel Stewart

Not only is she one half of the team that provided 'Dollars' to the sport, but she is also hard working behind the scenes and a fabulous provider of results from anywhere and everywhere, present or not!

David Edwards

Part of the team that provide Tregaron and also a font of knowledge over horse performances and handicapping - if only one person understands the system David is the man!

Doonbeg

As above

Kit Bousfield

He has been involved in Harness Racing going back to the 1930's in racing, breeding and also Appleby Spring and Fair Trots, with these being staged on his own farm. It was Noel Simpson having visited Appleby in the '60s that inspired him to build the hard track at Prestatyn, which later lead to the forming of the BHRC. If any man deserved recognition it should be Kit Bousfield who has contributed a lifetime to the furtherance and well-being of trotting in the UK.

Dawn Forrest

A stalwart of Harness Racing for many years in the North of England, she is secretary to many clubs and also a BHRC Steward. 2014 has been a testing year, but Dawn has still managed to fulfil all her duties and keep her horses trained and racing too!

Peter Deighton

He has been involved with Harness Racing since 1953, he has been a member of EVHRA for 55 years up to the present day. He has been a commentator, handicapper, starter and Steward. Commentator for Kendal, York and Musselburgh, and still commenting at the age of 75 years. He was heavily involved in the resurrection of trotting at Hellifield, has served a term as a BHRC Steward. Just a few of Peter's contributions to Harness Racing over many years and is worthy of recognition.

Hamish Muirhead

Owner and Trainer, racing his horses at many different fixtures, he is also one of the main man behind Haugh Field in Scotland

Alistair Smith

The tireless worker behind Musselburgh, he has been behind MFDA administration for many a year and is a very deserving nominee