



# LONGINES IRISH CHAMPIONS WEEKEND

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LIVE ON

AT THE RACES

  
LEOPARDSTOWN

12TH & 13TH SEPTEMBER 2015

THE  
Curragh  
RACECOURSE

After the huge success of last year's inaugural Irish Champions Weekend, September sees the return of the ultimate Irish racing fixture.

Last year's meeting was a huge success, attracting over 24,000 spectators over both days. This year's event promises to be even better, with over **€4million in prize money** up for grabs.

Watch the action unfold at **Leopardstown** on **Saturday 12th September** and the **Curragh** on **Sunday 13th September**. Over the course of the weekend, 10 Group races will be run, including **five Group 1** contests, attracting some of the leading horses in Europe.

The feature race on the first day at Leopardstown is the **QIPCO Irish Champion Stakes** where dual Guineas winner, **Gleneagles** is a potential runner up in trip, along with Royal Ascot hero **Free Eagle**. The feature race the following day from the Curragh is the **Palmerstown House Estate Irish St Leger**, won last year by high class stayer **Brown Panther**, sparking wild celebrations in the winners' enclosure. It was another triumph for a British raider, paying further testament to the ability of the meeting to attract top-class runners from the other side of the Irish Sea.

## SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER Leopardstown Racecourse

<b>QIPCO Irish Champion Stakes</b>	<b>(Group 1)</b>	10f 3yo+	€1,100,000
<b>The Coolmore Matron Stakes</b>	<b>(Group 1)</b>	8f 3yo+ Fillies	€300,000
<b>Clipper Logistics Boomerang Stakes</b>	<b>(Group 2)</b>	8f 3yo+	€200,000
<b>The John Deere Juvenile Turf Stakes</b>	<b>(Group 3)</b>	8f 2yo	€100,000
<b>KPMG Enterprise Stakes</b>	<b>(Group 3)</b>	10f 3yo+	€100,000
<b>The Ballylinch Stud EBF Fillies Maiden</b>		7f 2yo Fillies	€30,000
<b>EBF 'Petingo' Handicap</b>		14f 3yo+	€150,000
<b>EBF 'Sovereign Path' Handicap</b>		7f 3yo+	€150,000

## SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER Curragh Racecourse

<b>Palmerstown House Estate Irish St Leger</b>	<b>(Group 1)</b>	14f 3yo+	€350,000
<b>Moyglare Stud Stakes</b>	<b>(Group 1)</b>	7f 2yo Fillies	€300,000
<b>Goffs Vincent O'Brien National Stakes</b>	<b>(Group 1)</b>	7f 2yo	€300,000
<b>Moyglare 'Jewels' Blandford Stakes</b>	<b>(Group 2)</b>	10f 3yo+ Fillies	€200,000
<b>Derrinstown Stud Flying Five Stakes</b>	<b>(Group 3)</b>	5f 3yo+	€200,000
<b>Tattersalls Ireland Super Auction Sales Stakes</b>		7f 2yo	€250,000
<b>EBF 'Bold Lad' Handicap</b>		6f 3yo+	€150,000
<b>EBF 'Northfields' Handicap</b>		10f 3yo+	€150,000

# THAT'S NOT ALL...

Aside from the racing action, fans of the sport also get the opportunity to get up close and personal with some stars of the training and breeding world on the unique **Curragh Thoroughbred Trail**. Last year, this included trips to the world famous **Irish National Stud** plus guided tours at the yards of Johnny Murtagh, John Oxx and many more. **The Goffs Champions Sale** before racing at Leopardstown also gives racegoers the chance to see real money changing hands as a number of talented thoroughbreds go under the hammer. The sales topper in 2014 was Timiyan, bought for €470,000.

## ADMISSION:

### LEOPARDSTOWN: SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

Adult admission ticket	€20
Ticket with Curragh Thoroughbred Trail	€35
Senior/Student	€10
Children under 16	FREE

### THE CURRAGH: SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER

Adult Admission Ticket	€20
Ticket with Curragh Thoroughbred Trail	€35
Senior/Student	€10
Children under 16	FREE

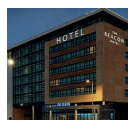
### WEEKEND TICKET OPTIONS (ONLINE BOOKING ONLY)

2 day adult ticket	€30
2 day adult ticket with Thoroughbred Trail Tour	€40

Click [here](#) to book your tickets

## WHERE TO STAY:

We've listed a number of hotels that are partnering with Leopardstown and the Curragh, so why not check out the special offers and book early to avoid disappointment.



### THE BEACON HOTEL

Sandyford, Dublin 18, Ireland.  
Tel: +353 (0) 1 291 5000  
[www.thebeacon.com](http://www.thebeacon.com)



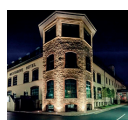
### KEADEEN HOTEL

Curragh Road, Newbridge, Co. Kildare, Ireland.  
Tel: +353 (0) 45 431666  
[www.keadeenhotel.ie](http://www.keadeenhotel.ie)



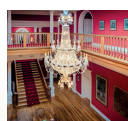
### KILLASHEE HOUSE HOTEL & SPA

Naas, Co. Kildare, Ireland.  
Tel: +353 (0) 45 879 277  
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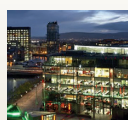
### WESTGROVE HOTEL

Westgrove Hotel, Abbeylands, Clane, Co. Kildare.  
Tel: +353 (0) 45 989900  
[www.westgrovehotel.com](http://www.westgrovehotel.com)



### PALMERSTOWN HOUSE ESTATE

Palmerstown House Estate, Johnstown, Co. Kildare.  
Tel: +353 (0) 45 906 901  
[www.palmerstownhouse.ie](http://www.palmerstownhouse.ie)



### THE MARKER HOTEL

Grand Canal Square, Dublin 2.  
Tel: +353 (0) 1 687 5100  
[www.themarkerhoteldublin.com](http://www.themarkerhoteldublin.com)



## WHAT ELSE IS THERE TO DO?

- Racing on the beach at Laytown takes place just once a year and this year's meeting ties in perfectly with Longines Irish Champions Weekend as the meeting takes place on Thursday 10th September.
- The Harvest Festival in Listowel takes place from 13th - 19th September and always draws huge crowds from people all over Ireland.
- Tiger Dublin Fringe Festival.
- Kildare Village Outlet shopping.

For more information on these events, and others, go to [www.visitdublin.com](http://www.visitdublin.com)

## GETTING THERE:

Flying over from the UK? To check out the latest flight prices and to compare a number of airlines, visit this price comparison website to make sure you are getting the best deal.

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