



Cruising

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Cruising was an infamous Irish Sport Horse Stallion and international showjumper; ridden by Trevor Coyle during his long and outstanding showjumping career. Cruising was a consistent performer at the heights of international competition, winning Grand Prix classes at Aachen in 1999, Dortmund in 1998, Lucerne in 1998, San Marino in 1996, Wolfsburg in 1996 and the World Cup qualifiers at Millstreet and Geneva 1998. He was also a prolific team horse, winning Nations Cups in Dublin (1997), Rotterdam (1996), Calgary, Dublin, Aachen (all 1995) and Modena (1994).

Cruising's pedigree is also world-class. He is by the Irish Draught stallion Sea Crest, a Grade A showjumper. Cruising's dam, Mullacrew (ISH), was an international showjumper by the sire Nordlys (TB). Cruising himself was considered one of the world's most significant sires of the 21st century. The grey stallion was, for many years, the predominant choice for many international breeders. Cruising sired champion progeny that have achieved some of the highest accolades in elite equestrian sport. Cruising is the only stallion in Ireland to have a 5* rating for his own showjumping performance and the performance of his offspring in both eventing and show jumping. Cruising's impact on the international circuit will be felt for many years to come due to the high-profile progeny like Flexible (USEF horse of the Year 2012), Mr. Medicott (USEA Horse of the Year 2012) and Mr. Cruise Control (who topped the British Eventing rankings for 2013). Mary McCann's Hartwell Stud in Kildare was Cruising's home for his entire lifetime, and in 2012 two clones of Cruising were born at Hartwell Stud. Cruising Arish and Cruising Encore the "cruising clones" are still standing at stud having already sired many foals. The impact of Cruising on the horse world is sure to be carried forward for years to come.



Cruising's owners the McCann family.