

# Facilities for female jockeys are just not fit for purpose

**S**CRUTINY on horseracing and in particular Britain's weighing room culture has never been greater because of the allegations of bullying made by Bryony Frost against fellow jump jockey Robbie Dunne.

Frost's allegations have also put the sport on trial.

Let me state now, some of the weighing-room facilities and the situations they create, especially for young female jockeys entering the sport, are not fit for purpose. That rings true irrespective of the outcome of the Frost-Dunne case.

I am not alone in being uncomfortable about how the British Horseracing Authority have handled the investigation into Frost's complaints.

They seem to have lost control of the case, with leaked documents appearing in a Sunday newspaper and the unexplained departure of an employee who conducted the investigation. It has also taken far too long to bring this case to a conclusion.

There has been speculation about weighing-room culture and accusations of a code of silence among jockeys when they are asked about the case.

All complaints must be thoroughly investigated, although a situation where bullying is routinely allowed and even condoned in the weighing room is not something I recognise.

But the physical layout of many weighing rooms can lead a young female jockey into potentially uncomfortable situations. That is a massive issue and needs to be addressed urgently.

For context, you need to understand how weighing rooms work. Some were designed when jockeys were all men.

Male and female jockeys have separate changing areas. There may be communal zones, a tea room and TVs to watch the racing. Valets are employed and paid by riders to wash their kit and look after their equipment.

The valets are all male and are based in the men's changing room. That means female jockeys

have to go into the male changing room to do their job.

Bizarre as it may seem, there are positives in this for female jockeys. A race starts in the weighing room. That is where the jockeys discuss what is going to happen in the next race — who intends going out front or hold up their mounts. How mounts jump and which horses are keen and pull hard early in a race.

Those are just a few tactical things that help as you prepare and start to focus on getting the spot you want down at the start. It would be a negative to be excluded from that chat.

Let's not pretend this is not intimidating, especially at the start of the career of a female jockey, maybe still in her teens.

In the ladies' changing room, we used to make a joke of going into the men's changing room, especially with newer

jockeys, so that they felt more at ease.

It can also be overwhelming when you are surrounded by people you admire, because of what they have achieved within the sport. But as a group, we would laugh with one another that those individuals weren't so scary once you'd seen a few bare bottoms!

That situation will really surprise some. The world is changing and that is not acceptable now.

I had my last ride in the 2019-20 season and it feels like even my experiences will soon be categorised as stories from 'the good old days'. It's hard to think of any other sport in which they would accept such a scenario.

The BHA have to be stronger in pressing racecourses to improve their facilities for all jockeys, but especially for female riders.

Too many racecourses have not committed to improving standards in the weighing rooms for the increasing number of female riders.

The facilities aren't just substandard, they are outrageously unsatisfactory.



Investigation: British jockey Bryony Frost

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(a) **Charlemagne Estates Limited**, having ceased to trade; (b) **Hayrose Limited**, having never traded; (c) **Courtwise Limited**, having never traded; (d) **Stwards Developments Limited**, having never traded; (e) **Stwards Developments Limited**, all having their registered office at 13-18 City Quay, Dublin 2, and each of which has no assets exceeding €150 and/or having no liabilities exceeding €150, has each resolved to notify the Registrar of Companies that the company is not carrying on business and to request the Registrar on that basis to exercise his/her powers pursuant to section 733 of the Companies Act 2014 to strike the name of the company off the register. By Order of the Board: **John McGowan** Director.

**AN CHUIR DHUICHE THE DISTRICT COURT DUBLIN METROPOLITAN DISTRICT REGISTRATION OF CLUBS ACT, 1904-2008**

**TAKE NOTICE** that an application for renewal of the Certificate of Registration of Club Na Muinteoir in respect of premises situate at 36/37 Parnell Square in the City of Dublin in the Dublin Metropolitan District Number 23, Ground Floor, Four Courts Building, Inns Quay, Dublin 7 on Wednesday the 15th day of December 2021 Dated this 18th day of November 2021 **Signeal Carrigan Landy & Company, Solicitors,** One North Strand Avenue, North Strand Road, Dublin 3, D03 X023. On behalf of the Secretary of the said Club:

To: The Superintendent Gardai Stochana Stone Street Dublin 1

To: The Chief Fire Officer Dublin City Council 165-169 Townsend Street Dublin 2

**IN THE MATTER OF COMPANIES ACTS 2014 AND IN THE MATTER OF PARIC McDONAGH LTD** Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 587 of the Companies Act 2014, that a meeting of the Creditors of the above-named company will be held via Zoom on Monday 29th of November 2021 at 9.30am for the purposes mentioned in Sections 587 and 588 of the said Act. Ms. Flawien Kelly, Irish Liquidator, 7 Fitzwilliam Street Lower, Dublin 2, is proposed for appointment as liquidator. In order to comply with current Government and HSE advice during the Covid pandemic a physical meeting of members and creditors cannot take place. In order to provide creditors with the opportunity to participate in the meeting the meeting will be held remotely via Zoom conferencing facilities. Proxies to be used in the meeting must be lodged with the company by email to flavien@irishliquidators.ie not later than 4pm on Sunday 28th of November 2021. All creditors wishing to attend the meeting are requested to submit their proxy form details and indicate what email address the Zoom invite should be sent to.

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD** Dated this 17th of November, 2021

**Varient Energy (Manufacturing) Limited**, having never traded, having its registered office at Milltown, Garryhill, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow, having its principal place of business at Milltown, Garryhill, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow, and having no assets exceeding €150 and having no liabilities exceeding €150, has resolved to notify the Registrar of Companies that the company is not carrying on business and to request the Registrar on that basis to exercise her powers pursuant to section 733 of the Companies Act 2014 to strike the name of the company off the register. By Order of the Board: **Edel Murphy**, Director.

**Oscetra Limited**, having its registered office at TSS, Unit 612, Kishane Avenue, Northwest Business Park, Ballycoolin Dublin 15 and having its principal place of business at TSS, Unit 612, Kishane Avenue Northwest Business Park, Ballycoolin, Dublin 15 having ceased to trade and GNH Real Estate Developments Limited, having its registered office at Unit 3D North Point House, North Point Business Park, New Malow Road, Cork, Co. Cork and having its principal place of business at Unit 3D North Point House, North Point Business Park, New Malow Road, Cork, Co. Cork having ceased to trade and Skynzu Limited having its registered office at 29 Miles Place, Dublin 2, D02 YV46 and formerly having its registered office at 33 Fitzwilliam Lane, Dublin 2 and having its principal place of business at Sussenbergsstrasse 132, 8044 Zurich, Switzerland having ceased to trade and Benignat Fort International Limited, having its registered office at 28-32 Pembroke Street Upper, Dublin 2, Dublin, D02 EK84, Ireland and formerly having its registered office at Inniscara, Main Street, Rathcoole, Co. Dublin and having its principal place of business at 25-32 Pembroke Street Upper, Dublin 2, Dublin, D02 EK84, Ireland and never having traded and Erheat Renewable Energy Limited, having its registered office at 41 Keriff Avenue, Naas, Co. Kildare, having its principal place of business at 41 Keriff Avenue, Naas, Co. Kildare, having ceased to trade and W91AGCV, having ceased to trade and Pangea Cultural Trade Limited, having its registered office at 10 Saint Agnes Road, Flat 1, Dublin 12, D12 F516 and having its principal place of business at 10 Saint Agnes Road, Flat 1, Dublin 12, D12 F516 never having traded and each of which has no assets exceeding €150 and/or having no liabilities exceeding €150, has each resolved to notify the Registrar of Companies that the company is not carrying on business and to request the Registrar on that basis to exercise his/her powers pursuant to section 733 of the Companies Act 2014 to strike the name of the company off the register. By Order of the Board: **Noel Lacey**, Director; **Oscetra Limited**. By Order of the Board: **Anders Juul Hansen**, Director; **GNH Real Estate Developments Limited**. By Order of the Board: **Dr. Rudolf A. Rupac**, Director; **Skynzu Limited**. By Order of the Board: **Stanley Aguzie**, Director; **Benignat Fort International Limited**. By Order of the Board: **Gang Ma**, Director; **Erheat Renewable Energy Limited**. By Order of the Board: **Nicolas Rafael Severin Larrain**, Director; **Pangea Cultural Trade Limited**.

**Silvercorp International Properties Limited**, having never traded, having its registered office at Milltown, Garryhill, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow, having its principal place of business at Milltown, Garryhill, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow, and having no assets exceeding €150 and having no liabilities exceeding €150, has resolved to notify the Registrar of Companies that the company is not carrying on business and to request the Registrar on that basis to exercise her powers pursuant to section 733 of the Companies Act 2014 to strike the name of the company off the register. By Order of the Board: **Edel Murphy**, Director.

**FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

**1 Chris Shackleton** intend to apply for permission for development at Unit E in the townlands of Moneenallon Commons Upper, Brownsbarn and Collegeland, Baldonnell Business Park, Dublin 12 and located between Casement Aerodrome and the N7 national route. The proposal amends a previously permitted development under SDCC Reg. Ref. SD20A/0215. The proposed development will consist of signage for Unit E, including the provision of:

- 2 No. way finding signs located at entrances to Unit E;
- 2 No. totem signs located to the west and north of Unit E;
- 3 No. halo illuminated signs to the south western, north eastern and south eastern elevations; and
- All associated works.

This application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation may be made to the Planning Authority in writing on the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

**FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

Planning permission is sought by **Ivan Eustace and Madies Daxalastin** for development at Doldrum Hill, Old Carrickbrack Road, Howth, Co. Dublin (D13 HN82). The proposed development will comprise: (i) demolition of existing detached two-storey dwelling and detached single-storey domestic garage; (ii) construction of a replacement 4 no. bedroom two storey over lower ground floor dwelling comprising: 4 no. en-suite bedrooms with terraces, store, plant room, bike shed, kitchen/dining/living area, lounge, shower room, wc, cloakroom, gym and office. The flat will have a deck/balcony serving first floor and terraces serving ground floor; (iii) upgrade of existing vehicular entrance off Fairhill Lane, including widening of entrance, and internal driveway; and (iv) drainage, landscaping, boundary treatments and all associated works necessary to facilitate the development. The Planning Application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation may be made to the Planning Authority in writing on the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

**DUN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN COUNTY COUNCIL**

Permission is sought for retention of residential use as a single family dwelling at Springfield house, Colmore Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin located within an Architectural Conservation Area by **Maurice and Ann Fitzgerald**. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority, County Hall, Dun Laoghaire during its public opening hours. A submission/observation may be made on payment of €20 within a period of 5 weeks from the date the application is received by the planning authority.

**SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL**

We, **MLEU Dublin 2** Limited intend to apply for a planning permission for development site at Unit E in the townlands of Moneenallon Commons Upper, Brownsbarn and Collegeland, Baldonnell Business Park, Dublin 12 and located between Casement Aerodrome and the N7 national route. The proposal amends a previously permitted development under SDCC Reg. Ref. SD20A/0215. The proposed development will consist of signage for Unit E, including the provision of:

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- All associated works.

This application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of South Dublin County Council during its public opening hours of 9am - 4pm, Mon-Fri, and a submission or observation may be made to South Dublin County Council in writing and on payment of the prescribed fee (€20.00) within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by South Dublin County Council of the application.

**SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**I. Barry Farrell**, intend to apply for permission for an extension to an existing detached two storey main dwelling. The development will consist of demolition of existing single storey structures - porch extension to the front, bay window and store to rear. Construction of single storey flat roof extension to front, part single storey flat roof extension and part two storey extension with pitch roof to match existing dwelling to rear, and internal modifications with associated site works at Lissadell, Whitechurch Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin 16, D16 Y3V4. This application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of South Dublin County Council during its public opening hours of 9am - 4pm, Mon-Fri, and a submission or observation may be made to South Dublin County Council in writing and on payment of the prescribed fee (€20.00) within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by South Dublin County Council of the application.

**RECRUITMENT**

**BBQ Kitchen Drogheda**, a new restaurant. Looking to recruit a Sous Chef to work at Unit 25-25 James House, Dyer Street, Drogheda, Co. Louth. Salary is €32,000 per annum for 39 hour per week job. A knowledge of Indian Cuisine is required. Knowledge of Urdu, Punjabi or Arabic an advantage. Please apply by post at the above address or email your CV at: [bbqkitchendrogheda@gmail.com](mailto:bbqkitchendrogheda@gmail.com).

**Forno500 Italian Restaurant** is seeking a Commis Chef to work at 74 Dame Street, Dublin 2. Duties include preparing meal ingredients, dealing with incoming deliveries, monitoring inventory of restaurant supplies, maintaining basic cleaning duties and plating and presenting meal items. Applicants must have at least two years Commis Chef experience and have excellent communication skills. The successful candidate must have 2 years of Chef experience. Must have desirable ability skills such as catering, creativity, hospitality. Must have competency skills such as flexibility, teamwork, time management, working on own initiative. The successful candidate desirably must specialise in Italian cuisine, attention to detail, and health and safety. Salary: €30,000.00 per annum. Hours: 39 per week. Apply to: [accounts@forno500.ie](mailto:accounts@forno500.ie)

**HOLLYMOUNT CATERING LIMITED**, Unit 1, Lakeside Retail Park, Clonsilla, Co. Mayo looking to recruit an experienced head chef, knowledge of Indian cuisine an advantage, work 39 hours per week and salary €30,000 per annum. Please send your CV by email or post. email: [hollymountcatering@gmail.com](mailto:hollymountcatering@gmail.com)

**Title: Dairy Farm Assistant**  
**S. McSwaney** is seeking a dairy farm assistant in Blarney, Cork for a 180 cow herd. Seeking a candidate to assist and participate in the performance of Dairy Farm activities. Annual salary €30,000, 39 hours per week. Apply with CV by email to [seanmcsweeney.cork@gmail.com](mailto:seanmcsweeney.cork@gmail.com)

**Vernon Catering**, Unit 4 Willborough Industrial Estate, Clonsilla Business & Technology Park, Dublin 17 wishes to recruit a Procurement Specialist to identify, source and procure sustainable volume supplies of fruit and vegetables from Brazil and Latin America. Fluency in Portuguese- Brazilian dialect and Spanish-Latin American dialect essential. Annual salary €30,000; 39 hours per week. Apply with CV by email to: [carolina@vernoncatering.ie](mailto:carolina@vernoncatering.ie)