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2010 Web Awards

Best Team (Club / County)



1

36.30% Pony Club dell'alba Open (ITA) (-)



2

15.56% Shropshire (ENG) (5)

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**9.26% Bedfordshire Gold (ENG) (1)
Winner 2009**

4	Equigames (BEL)	8.52%	(2)	
=5	Speeds of Bruille (FRA)	7.78%	(6)	Winner 2008
=5	We Hope (FRA)	7.78%	(4)	
7	Pony Material (FRA)	6.67%	(=9)	
8	Pretz 1 (GER)	4.07%	(=9)	
9	Sandefjord (NOR)	3.70%	(3)	
10	Hurlumhei Mix (NOR)	0.37%	(-)	

The (number in brackets) is last year's placing

A resounding victory here for the Open team from the dell'alba Pony Club in Italy. It's not often that this category is not won by a British county team but on this occasion dell'alba have left all in their wake.

Second place goes to Shropshire who last season brought their 10 year wait for an intercounty championship title to an end in style. Third place goes to last year's winners, Bedfordshire Gold.

Best Team (International)



1

34.63% Italy (6)



2

**25.44% France (=4)
Winner 2008**



3

**12.37% England (2)
Winner 2007, 06, 05, 04, 01, 00**

4	Belgium	10.25%	(3)	
5	Ireland	6.01%	(-)	
6	Northern Ireland	5.30%	(=8)	
7	Germany	2.47%	(=8)	
8	Norway	1.77%	(7)	
9	Wales	1.41%	(1)	Winner 2009, 03, 02
10	Switzerland	0.35%	(-)	

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All change here again. Two years ago Wales finished 9th, then came surging back last year to win, only to now slip back to 9th again. Odds on Wales winning this category again next year ?

England slip from 2nd to 3rd, making this their worst ever position in this category. A trend that I'm sure they will be looking to see reversed next year.

France move up from 4th to 2nd and miss out on the title but by a rather larger margin than their narrow defeat to Ireland in the final of the World Team Championships in Switzerland last year.

Top of the pile? Well, it's the very popular Italian team who have come from nowhere really to storm to a resounding victory this year.

World Champions Republic of Ireland only 5th??

Best Pair



1

32.46% Benedetta Paschero & Marta Venero (ITA) (-)



2

19.78% Janey Surman & Alex Franklin (ENG) (-)



3 =

**8.58% Alex Franklin & Quentin Voeltzel (ENG / FRA) (1)
Winners 2009**



3 =

8.58% Quentin Voeltzel & Dimitri Dekdouk (FRA / BEL) (-)

5	Pierre Alexandre Maury & Camille Pinson (FRA)	7.84%	(4)	
=6	Mathilde Hevin & Vincent Leroy (FRA)	5.97%	(10)	
=6	Robert Leese & Dee Cherrington (ENG / NZL)	5.97%	(6)	
8	Florian & Ludovic Pépin (FRA)	4.48%	(-)	Winner 2008
9	Johan Ramtung & Stine Omsted (DEN / NOR)	3.73%	(-)	
10	Quentin & Victor Voeltzel (FRA)	2.61%	(-)	

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Well, I'm sure everybody can see a pattern emerging by now. It's a hat-trick of wins now for the Italians with victory going to Benedetta Paschero and Marta Venero who poll a very healthy lead over the second placed pairing, World Champions Alex Franklin and Janey Surman.

In third place we have a tie with Alex appearing once again but this time with Quentin Voeltzel of France (last year's winning pair). Quentin will have to split himself in half though because he actually shares that third spot with ... himself! This time, paired up with Dimitri Dekdouk of Belgium.

Quentin actually manages to also come in 10th as part of a pairing with his brother, making him the first person to appear 3 times in the top 10 of the same category!!

Best Individual Rider



1

25.11% Quentin Voeltzel (FRA) (1)
Winner 2009, 08



2

16.17% Janey Surman (ENG) (=4)



3

12.34% Florian Pépin (FRA) (-)

4	Dimitri Dekdouk (BEL)	11.91%	(2)	
=5	Dee Cherrington (NZL)	9.79%	(-)	
=5	Mark Devitt (IRE)	9.79%	(-)	
=7	Alex Franklin (ENG)	5.11%	(-)	
=7	Widukind Moorman (GER)	5.11%	(3)	
9	Maren Lande (NOR)	2.55%	(-)	
10	Elaine Trevor-Jones (ENG)	2.13%	(-)	Winner 2007, 06, 05

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And speaking of Quentin... the Italian stranglehold on the results is broken in the individual category where Quentin once again reigns supreme and takes his third successive victory in this category, thereby matching the achievement of Elaine Trevor-Jones (2005/06/07).

Inaugural European Individual Champion, Janey Surman, takes the silver medal just ahead of Florian Pépin from France in Bronze. Not a single Italian rider in the top 10??

Best Trainer



1

31.39% Andrea Piazza (Pony Club Dell'Alba / ITA) (-)

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2

**18.61% Jacques Cavé (ITA) (1)
Winner 2009**



3

**14.60% Jens Martin (South Africa/AGMGA/Modum) (3=)
Winner 2004, 03, 02, 01**

4	Malcolm Trevor Jones (England / Shropshire)	9.49%	(-)
=5	Joel Pepin (We Hope)	5.47%	(3=)
=5	Audrey Vetrain (Equigames)	5.47%	(6)
=7	Robert Leese (Sandefjord)	4.38%	(-)
=7	Pola Preugel (Germany U17 / Germany U14)	4.38%	(-)
9	Philippe Gargallo (Switzerland / EM2C Peillard)	4.01%	(-)
10	Jerome O'Connor (Ireland)	2.19%	(-)

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An Italian battle royal in this category with Andrea Piazza, trainer of our best Club/County winning team from the dell'alba Pony Club in Italy, taking the title away from last year's winner, Jacques Cavé, who is of course the Italian national trainer. Seems voting loyalties were somewhat split in Italy on this one.

The "best of the rest" position feeding off the voting scraps is filled by Jens Martin who last year could be found training AGMGA and Modum in Norway as well as the South African national team.

Loudest Trainer or Supporter



1

21.20% Steven Chorley (SCO) (6)



2

20.28% Quentin Castel (BEL) (-)



3

**17.51% Joel Pépin (FRA) (2)
Winner 2008**

4	Jo Morris (WAL)	8.76%	(-)	
5	Signe Sehested (DEN)	7.83%	(=7)	Winner 2003
6	Huw Whitney (WAL)	6.91%	(1)	Winner 2009
7	Judith Moormann (GER)	6.45%	(5)	Winner 2007, 06
8	Colin Carson (NIR)	5.99%	(-)	
9	Gemma Hopkins (WAL)	3.23%	(-)	
10	Brian Kennedy (NIR)	1.84%	(-)	

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A very close finish this one with Quentin Castel of Belgium just being pushed into 2nd by the narrowest of margins. The winner though, claiming his first Web Awards win, is a familiar face (voice) to most in the international Mounted Games community. Steven Chorley takes this one as the loudest of them all. Your winner from a couple of years ago, Joel Pépin takes 3rd with last year's winner, Huw Whitney, only finishing 6th!

Best Competition 2010



1

33.64% European Team Championship (Chepstow / WAL)



2

17.73% World Team Championship (Geneva / SUI)



3

9.55% Nocturne Logis du Poney (Saint-Sauvant/FRA)

4	Welsh Championships (Builth Wells / WAL)	9.09%
=5	French Team Championships (Lamotte Beuvron / FRA)	6.82%
=5	Royal Welsh Internation Friendly (Builth Wells / WAL)	6.82%
7	Challenge des Ch'tis (Bruille / FRA)	5.45%
8	World Equestrian Games (Louisville / USA)	4.09%
9	World Individual Championships (Chepstow / WAL)	3.64%
10	Southern Hemisphere Championships (Pietermaritzburg / RSA)	3.18%

No great surprise in this category really. The European Championships in Wales last year was rightly heralded as a fantastic competition and that view has been repeated here in the voting. Anybody who was there will know that this is a well deserved victory.

A somewhat distant second place goes to the World Team Championships in Switzerland. The Worlds always rates highly in this category so this also is no great surprise. In 3rd place the increasingly popular day/night *nocturne* competition in France.

Best Competition Ever



1

**24.44% 2008 World Team Championship (Sydney / AUS) (1)
Winner 2009, 08**



2

16.00% 2010 European Team Championship (Chepstow / WAL) (-)



3

12.00% 2010 World Team Championship (Geneva / SUI) (-)

4	2007 World Team Championships (Brugelette / BEL)	11.11%	(2)	Winner 2007
5	2010 Welsh Championships (Builth Wells / WAL)	8.44%	(-)	
6	2009 European Team Championships (Marseille / FRA)	8.00%	(4)	
7	2004 World Team Championships (Saumur / FRA)	7.11%	(7)	Winner 2005, 04
8	2009 Nocturne Logis du Poney (Saint-Sauvant / FRA)	6.22%	(3)	
9	2008 European Team Championships (Verden / GER)	4.89%	(5)	
10	2001 World Team Championships (Guelph / CAN)	1.78%	(-)	Winner 2003

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Despite the popularity of the European Championships in Wales last year and that competition claiming the title of best of the year, it wasn't enough to take the "best ever" title as well. That honour still belongs firmly to the 2008 World Team Championships held in Australia. Given that only just over half of the IMGA teams were represented at that Worlds, I suppose this vote is a testament to just how highly those who were there rated the experience. In 3rd place, last year's World Team Championships also rate solidly in the memory of the voters.

Best Looking Rider (Male)



1

40.49% Pierluigi Tusino (ITA) (-)



2

**16.56% Gaetan Sejalon (FRA) (1)
Winner 2009, 08**



3

**10.12% Jens Martin (LUX) (2)
Winner 2006, 05, 02, 01**

4	Ryan Davis (AUS)	5.83%	(7)	
5	Aron Tyler (ENG)	5.52%	(9)	Winner 2004
6	Dimitri Dekdouk (BEL)	5.21%	(3)	
7	Alexis Henrotte (BEL)	4.60%	(5)	
=8	Louis-Stephane Ameller (SUI)	3.99%	(-)	
=8	Ludovic Pépin (FRA)	3.99%	(-)	
10	Andrew Jordan (NIR)	3.68%	(10)	Winner 2000

The (number in brackets) is last year's placing

A landslide victory here for Pierluigi Tusino from Italy who not only comes out as the winner but also stops Gaetan Sejalon from claiming a hat-trick of wins in this category by pushing him into 2nd place. Jens Martin slips from 2nd to 3rd.

Quite an international top 10 here with 8 nations represented.

Best Looking Rider (Female)



1

32.69% Benedetta Paschero (ITA) (-)



2

**17.31% Valy Schmartz (LUX) (1)
Winner 2009, 00**



3

**10.38% Mathilde Hevin (FRA) (2=)
Winner 2008**

4	Camille Pinson (FRA)	9.23%	(4)
5	Anaïs Vandael (BEL)	7.69%	(2=)
6	Lotte Hansen (NOR)	6.54%	(8)
7	Chloe Golding (ENG)	5.00%	(7)
8	Katrine Petersen (DEN)	4.62%	(10)
9	Katie Young (WAL)	3.46%	(-)
10	Charlotte Potiphar (ENG)	3.08%	(-)

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It's a similar story for the ladies as Benedetta Paschero takes this one by a country mile to add to her victory in the best Pairs category as well. That result pushing last year's winner, Valy Schmartz from Luxembourg, into 2nd place. The one time Scandinavian dominance in this category seems to have been well and truly broken now though with 2008 winner, Mathilde Hevin from France rounding out the top 3. Only Lotte Hansen from Norway is still waving the Scandinavian flag, holding firm in 5th.

Best Referee



1

21.46% Huw Whitney (WAL) (1)
Winner 2009, 07, 06



2

18.77% Peter Dale (WAL) (2)



3

16.48% Phillipe Permingeat (FRA) (-)

4	Jens Martin (LUX)	14.56%	(3)	Winner 2004
5	Pierre-Luc Portron (FRA)	10.73%	(4)	Winner 2008
=6	Younes Ahlbom (SWE)	4.60%	(-)	
=6	Mike Dyke Garfield (ENG)	4.60%	(9)	
7	Pierre Marsille (BEL)	4.21%	(-)	
9	Philipp Preugel (GER)	2.68%	(-)	
10	Pete Daniels (ENG)	1.92%	(10)	Winner 2005

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You really have to feel a bit sorry for Peter Dale in this category. That's now 4 years in a row that IMGA's senior championship referee has finished runner up in this category. The win, not surprisingly though, for the 4th time in 5 years goes to Huw Whitney. How long before he himself also gets a crack at the World Team Championships? We will see. In 3rd place we have Phillipe Permingeat from France.

Best Commentator



1 =

25.00% Sean "Mappy" Bource (FRA / IRE) (4)



1 =

25.00% Filippo Chiarenza (ITA) (-)



3

**20.83% Huw Whitney (WAL) (1)
Winner 2009, 07**

4	Steeven Nee (FRA)	8.71%	(-)	Winner 2008
5	Mary Worth (ENG)	5.68%	(-)	Winner 2005
6	Per Iver Lande (NOR)	4.92%	(8)	Winner 2006, 04, 03
7	Tilo Von Donner (GER)	3.41%	(-)	
8	Jean-Herve Ameller (FRA)	3.03%	(5)	
9	Tim Pinney (ENG)	1.89%	(7)	
10	Atle Berger (NOR)	1.52%	(-)	

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Believe it or not, we actually have a tie for first position. Don't think this has ever happened before but after three months of voting, there was nothing in it between the French Irishman known as *Mappy* and Italy's own Filippo Chiarenza. Sorry guys, you're going to have to share this one.

Following them, we have last year's winner, Huw, in second place and following him, the 2008 winner, Steeven Nee from France.

Good to see Mary Worth back in the running after her omission from the Top 10 last year.

Most Improved Team



1

35.66% Pony Club dell'alba Open (ITA) (-)



2

17.28% Ireland (-)



3

14.71% Switzerland (-)

4	We Hope (FRA)	8.09%	(3)	Winner 2008
5	Equigames (BEL)	6.99%	(2)	
6	Belgium	5.88%	(4)	
7	New Zealand	5.51%	(1)	Winner 2009
8	Sandefjord (NOR)	2.57%	(5)	
9	Shropshire (ENG)	1.84%	(-)	
10	Hurlumhei Mix (NOR)	1.47%	(-)	

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Considering the fact that the dell'alba Pony Club Open team came from nowhere to win the best club team category, I suppose it's only fitting that they take this one as well. Not much doubt in it either as they polled more than twice as many votes as runners up and world champions Republic of Ireland who, of course, made sure that World Championship final was so exciting.

Good to see Switzerland coming in in 3rd here as well. The hosts put on a sterling performance at Worlds and really raised a number of eyebrows.

Best Pony



1

22.76% Pepe (Benedetta Paschero / ITA) (-)



2

**15.30% Spy (Quentin Voeltzel / FRA) (1)
Winner 2009, 08**

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14.18% Poppy (Janey Surman / ENG) (6)

4	Sheena (Camille Pinson / FRA)	11.57%	(4)
5	Astuta De La Invernada (Andrea Piazza/ITA)	10.45%	(-)
6	Blue (Alex Franklin / WAL)	8.21%	(-)
7	Indiana Jones (Mark Devitt / IRE)	6.34%	(-)
8	Hot (Dimitri Dekdouk / BEL)	5.22%	(2)
9	Navajo du Pous (Florian Pépin / FRA)	4.10%	(5)
10	Raskia (Pola Preugel / GER)	1.87%	(-)

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Given how the results have fallen up until now, probably not much of a surprise here. Quentin may have managed to hold on to his crown as individual champion for a third year in a row but sadly for him, his famous pony was not able to emulate that feat. That honour this year belongs to Benedetta Paschero's pony Pepe. Benedetta herself is of course already a double winner this year so it'll be champagne all round in the Paschero household this evening. 2nd place of course goes to the winner of the past two years, Spy, whilst the top three is rounded off by Poppy, who carried Janey Surman to that European Individual Championship title last year.