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Ireland Funds Coolmore

Garden Party



Dear Friends of Ireland,

Welcome to our inaugural Ireland Funds Coolmore Garden Party here at Randwick, with a wonderful afternoon filled with friends, entertainment, laughter and giving ahead. An especially warm welcome to any new friends of the Fund joining us for the first time. We hope you enjoy the day and take away an understanding of the important work of the Fund and a keen interest in helping us to achieve more.

Welcome back to those who have supported us previously, we are truly grateful for your ongoing interest. Last year, we celebrated our 30th anniversary and your support was incredible.

Some of the highlights of last year included hosting the President of Ireland Michael D. Higgins and his wife Sabina in October. The President recognised and thanked our supporters for the important work we are doing, commenting "The Ireland Funds is a powerful force for good!"

We had a very successful Brisbane luncheon and a record breaking Sydney Garden Party. This enabled us to have a grant round this year of \$1.8 million, details of which can be found on the following pages. We are very proud of the fact that averaged over the last five years, 88.4% of tax deductible donations received by us have been allocated to our charities.

We partnered for the second year with Science Gallery Melbourne, an award winning international initiative pioneered by Trinity College Dublin. Our support provided an opportunity for an indigenous student to work part time in Melbourne for this year's exhibition and to travel to Ireland's Science Gallery. It also assisted bringing a classroom of students from disadvantaged areas in Melbourne and Dublin to visit the Exhibition in those cities.

Governor-General Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC announced our new partnership with Trinity College Dublin offering 20 scholarships over five years, enabling promising young Australians the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to earn their MBA at Ireland's leading university. The first intake will be September 2019.

I am extremely proud of the work that the Young Leaders have done in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane including a recent corporate breakfast hosted by LinkedIn and the most successful Global 5K in Australia to date. They have also partnered with the GO Foundation founded by two amazing individuals, former Sydney Swans Adam Goodes and Michael O'Loughlin and also with Suas, a literacy support programme in Ireland.

I would like to finish with my heartfelt thanks to you all for joining us here today and for your support and donations throughout the year. Having personally seen a number of the projects we support in action, and their impacts, I can assure you that with your help the support we provide changes lives, many of them young lives. To provide opportunity where previously there was only hopelessness is a powerful gift to be able to give and I thank you for enabling us to give it on your behalf.

Enjoy the day, and as always, go raibh míle maith agaibh go léir.

Best regards



Yvonne Le Bas
Chairman
The Ireland Funds Australia
25 November 2018





OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The Ireland Funds' mission is to harness the power of a global philanthropic network of friends of Ireland to promote and support peace, culture, education and community development across the island of Ireland and among Irish communities around the world.

The Australian Chapter was established in 1987. Last year was a huge year for us as we celebrated our 30th anniversary. These figures provide an overview of the combined activities of the Australian Ireland Fund and our Australian Ireland Foundation Public Ancillary Fund (established in 2015 to support projects in Australia) in 2017–2018.

PROJECTS SUPPORTED 2017–2018



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

- Soar — Youth Wellness
- Suas — Literacy
- Drumragh Integrated College



DONOR ADVISED GRANTS

- Trinity St. James's Cancer Institute
- Trinity Tarlo Scholarship
- Solas
- AIEF
- Science Gallery Melbourne
- Integrate My School — Education



EDUCATION AUSTRALIA

- AIEF
- Trinity MBA Programme
- GO Foundation

TOTAL DONATIONS 2017–2018 \$1,867,450

GO FOUNDATION	\$20,000
TRINITY MBA PROGRAMME	\$32,000
SOAR	\$40,000
SUAS	\$40,000
DRUMRAGH INTEGRATED COLLEGE	\$50,000
SOLAS #	\$5,000
TRINITY TARLO SCHOLARSHIP #	\$10,000
SCIENCE GALLERY MELBOURNE #	\$17,000
AIEF #	\$40,000
INTEGRATE MY SCHOOL #	\$50,950
TRINITY ST JAMES'S CANCER INSTITUTE #	\$1,562,500

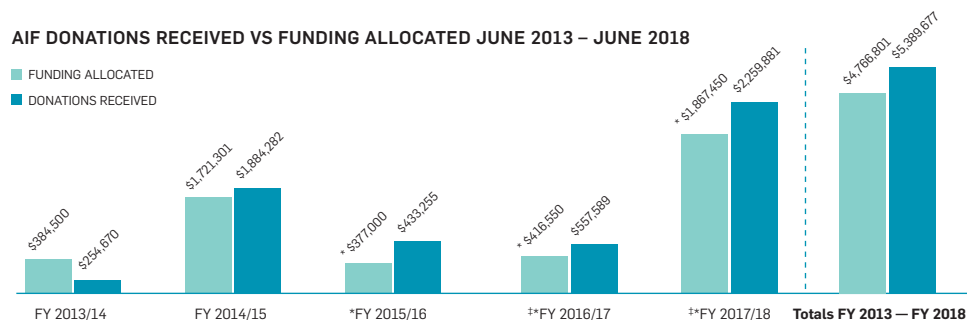
Donor Advised Grants

Over the last 5 years 88.4% of donations received have been allocated to our charities

* Includes \$250k DAG received but not to be disbursed until 2019, otherwise would be 92.7%

AIF DONATIONS RECEIVED VS FUNDING ALLOCATED JUNE 2013 – JUNE 2018

■ FUNDING ALLOCATED
■ DONATIONS RECEIVED



* Relates to the aggregated donations and funding allocations of the Australian Ireland Fund and the Australian Ireland Foundation Public Ancillary Fund
† Donations received represent the donation element of ticket receipts, tax-deductible donations and event sponsorship. It excludes receipts from auction and raffle events.

Our grant round in June 2018 totalled \$1,867,450 supporting 11 projects. Here is a snapshot of 8 of those projects*.

SUAS

Suas Literacy Support Programme partner with disadvantaged (DEIS) schools across Ireland to deliver literacy support to 8 to 14 year olds who are struggling with reading and writing – the building block of almost all future achievements. Since 2012 they have provided measurable improvements for over 4,000 students. Our continued support, including that of the Australian Young Leaders, will assist 2,820 children to:



Improve their literacy



Improve their numeracy



Reduce school dropout numbers and gain confidence



SOAR

Inspired by Jim Stynes' Reach Foundation of Melbourne, Soar provides workshops to young people aged 12–18 across the island of Ireland when they are at a transitional period in their lives. Our support this year will assist Soar to:



Provide 70 x Facilitators and 45 x Youth Crew

62,000

Reach approximately 62,000 teenagers by 2020



Provide a generation of young people with opportunities to improve well-being

INTEGRATE MY SCHOOL, INTEGRATED EDUCATION FUND

Today only 7% of schools are integrated in Northern Ireland, despite polls showing 80% support for integration. The Ireland Funds Australia are very proud to be a part of the next important step in the IE movement, transformation. With Liam Neeson's high profile involvement, our aim is to vastly improve the awareness rate, through the IEF's Integrate My School campaign, a one-stop-shop digital platform for parents containing:



Succinct explanation of the simple process of transformation



Ability to register schools online



TRINITY BUSINESS SCHOOL AND THE IRELAND FUNDS AUSTRALIA PARTNERSHIP

Officially launched by the Governor-General of Australia, Sir Peter Cosgrove in September 2017, the partnership provides Australian residents the opportunity to earn their MBA at Ireland's leading university.

20

places by 2020



4 scholarships per year for Australian residents



First intake September 2019

*Projects not shown include Science Gallery Melbourne, Solas and the Trinity Tarlo Scholarship

**AIEF**

Australian Indigenous Education Foundation is a private sector led non-profit organisation focused on empowering Indigenous children to build a future through quality education and careers at Australian schools, universities and companies. The partnership between AIEF and The Ireland Funds Australia means 80 scholarship places by 2020. To date the AIEF has:



More than 95% of alumni engaged in career pathways



Funded around one third of all scholarship places for Indigenous boarders



Consistently achieved a retention and Year 12 completion rate of more than 90%

**DRUMRAGH INTEGRATED COLLEGE**

Drumragh Integrated College, Omagh **opened in 1995** by a parents group committed to providing a cross community, post primary school for local children aged 11-19. The demand on Drumragh today is such that it is **educating 650 children in a building designed for 580**.

60 students have special needs and a total of **29% of all students are entitled to a free school meal**.

As a growing school Drumragh has many needs and struggled to replace approximately **50 computers**, the provision of which is extremely important for the schools ICT learning resources. With the help of the Ireland Funds Australia, Drumragh can now provide this much needed ICT equipment.

**GO FOUNDATION**

The GO Foundation was founded by former Sydney Swans AFL players Adam Goodes and Michael O'Loughlin. With around 85% of Indigenous students in public schools GO are playing a vital role in making the education of young Indigenous Australians a more fulfilling and enjoyable experience and is proudly supported by the Australian Young Leaders' fundraising efforts. The GO Foundation public school scholarships provide:



Financial assistance for educational needs, equipment and learning support



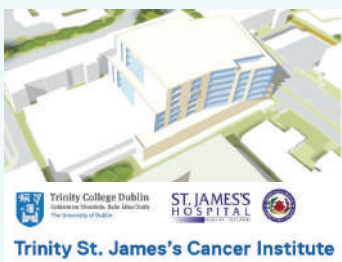
Cultural mentoring and corporate mentoring



Transition support from school to university



Employment and internship pathways

**TRINITY ST. JAMES'S CANCER INSTITUTE**

The Trinity St. James's Cancer Institute aims to consolidate cancer activities and expertise in Ireland in a dedicated facility within the next 5-7 years. It intends to become an internationally accredited comprehensive cancer centre.

With a project cost at €150 million the Institute welcomes partners in philanthropy to secure the delivery of this unique project with international benefit. The sources of support for the plan are expected to be a combination of philanthropy (33%), self-generated and public funding.

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Acknowledgement of Country

AIEF Students



His Excellency General the Honourable *Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd)*
Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia



Master of Ceremonies
Richard Wilkins AM



Entrée Served



Welcome by *Yvonne Le Bas*
Chairman, The Ireland Funds Australia



Tom Magnier
Principal, Coolmore Australia



Main Course Served



Ireland Funds Coolmore Stud Stakes



Silent Auction throughout Luncheon



Entertainment by
Ireland Rocks featuring former INXS singer and Grammy-nominated songwriter, *Ciaran Gribbin*



Pledge



Live Auction
Guest Auctioneer *Mr. Chris McKearney*



Dessert and Irish Coffees



Entertainment by
Ireland Rocks



Menu

Pre Lunch

Fabulous Pimms Cocktails and Canapés



Entrée

To be served alternately

Pressed Crispy Free Range Chicken

with puy lentil, herb and chorizo salad, roasted heirloom carrots, chicken stock emulsion

Zucchini, Fennel and Lemon Thyme Tart

with ricotta, baby chard and cherry truss tomato relish



Main Course

To be served alternately

NZ King Salmon

with celeriac mash, wilted garden greens with dragoncello, crisp salmon skin wafer

Grass-fed Beef Fillet

with garlic sweet potato mash, wilted garden greens and beef Madeira jus and Hollandaise



Dessert

Trilogy of Miniature Desserts

With lemon and coconut meringue, crème brulee tart and chocolate espresso eclair



Coffee

Espresso and Cappuccino from the coffee cart
Irish Coffees

Domaine Chandon Rose
Wolf Blass Eaglehawk Chardonnay
North of South Sauvignon Blanc
Beautiful Somewhere Shiraz
T'Gallant Cape Schank Pinot Noir



Live Auction

Lot 1

Coolmore 2019 Melbourne Cup Experience

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Experience the race that stops a nation in style with 2 entry tickets to the Members Enclosure at Flemington Racecourse and a 3-course lunch including drinks at the Coolmore Table in the Atrium Restaurant at Flemington Racecourse on Melbourne Cup Day 2019, generously donated by Coolmore Australia. The Atrium Restaurant offers stunning views of the racecourse and city skyline with superb dining facilities in the heart of the lively Grandstand. This prize also includes 2 economy return flights from Sydney to Melbourne for the race-day, generously sponsored by Travel Phase travel agents.

Value: Priceless



Lot 2

Private Dining Experience for 10 people

Be Spoilt - Enjoy the luxury of a fine restaurant in the privacy and comfort of your own home. A private Chef and Waiter will serve a gourmet 5 course dinner for 10 guests including 12 quality bottles of carefully selected matching wines. One course will feature an (optional) Plating demonstration by your Chef. You will get tips and learn the techniques Chefs at the world's top restaurants use to construct and present their dishes. All meals include your personal Chef, attentive Waiter, all crockery, cutlery, linen napkins, tea and coffee. All you need to do is choose your guests.

Sydney Metro only, other T&C's apply.

Price Range \$5,200 - \$5,900



Live Auction

Lot 3

Coolmore Stud Weekend Away in the Hunter Valley for 4

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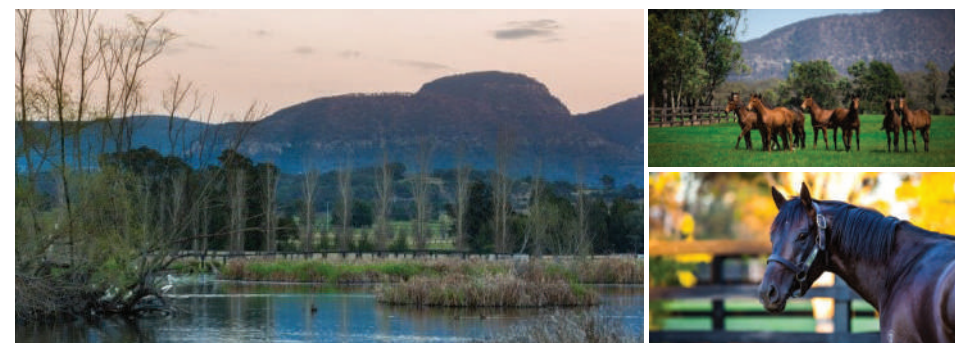
The world renowned Coolmore Stud is located in the picturesque Hunter Valley, NSW. Situated on 8,500 acres of lush countryside alongside the famous Hunter River, Coolmore is the premier source of elite Thoroughbreds in the Southern hemisphere. Its line-up of stallions includes Champion Sire Fastnet Rock, as well as recent stars like So You Think, Pierro and American Pharoah!

Brilliant sprinters Caravaggio and Merchant Navy join Champion two-year old Churchill on the stallion roster at Coolmore Australia for the 2018 season.

The Magnier Family and Coolmore Australia are making available the opportunity to enjoy this remarkable farm with the following package for up to four people:

- Return flights on a private plane from Sydney to Coolmore
- A private tour of the farm and its world-renowned facilities
- Dinner hosted at Coolmore
- An overnight stay in the luxurious Guest House (Dates subject to availability)

Value Priceless





Live Auction

Lot 4

Phuket Hideaway

A week in one of Phuket's most serene, luxurious and well located villas! Relax with 7 nights for 10 guests in 5 extra-large bedrooms, with luxury en-suite bathrooms (finished in natural stone and marble) – all within minutes to magnificent West Coast Beaches! The Villa has a complete staff of housekeepers, garden/pool attendant, security guards and the manager/concierge, and features oversized private pool and outdoor areas to relax. Supplied with return transfers to Phuket International Airport.

Subject to availability with a 12 month travel validity. You have 2 months to make contact and secure your travel dates. Other T&Cs apply, please refer to Holiday promotional display.

Free \$100 travel voucher towards your travel package with The Savvy Traveller

Value \$9,900 – \$11,000



Lot 5

Sail Sydney Harbour



Celebrate a very special family occasion or charm business guests with the Ultimate Afternoon or Twilight sail. Relax aboard the stunning 60ft Yacht "Sydney" cruising around Sydney Harbour for 12 people with your own private Captain. Entertain close friends or business guests on Charles Curran AC's personal yacht whilst enjoying a lunch with a selection of fine Australian wines on spectacular Sydney Harbour. "Sydney" is built for speed and comfort so relax and enjoy four breath taking hours on the yacht previously raced in the Sydney to Hobart.

Value in excess of \$7,000



Live Auction

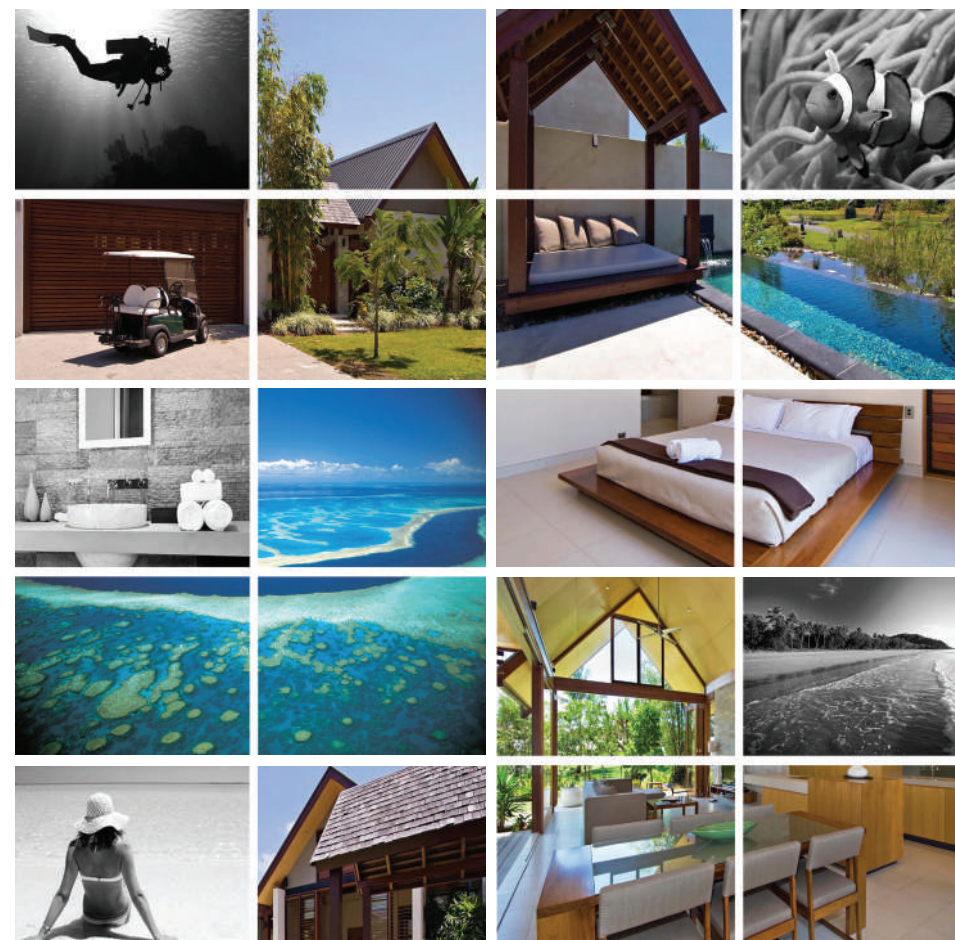
Lot 6

Great Barrier Reef Adventure, Port Douglas

7 nights for 6 guests in better than 5-star luxury! Featuring 3 full bedroom suites, your own private plunge pool, and a private golf buggy provided for your entire stay! This amazing package also includes a full day Great Barrier Reef snorkelling experience for all guests. Visiting Opal Reef, enjoy the beautiful coral formations and abundant marine life. All equipment and transfers provided, with morning/afternoon tea and lunch!

Subject to Availability with a 12 month travel validity. You have 2 months to make contact and secure your travel dates. Other Terms/Conditions apply.

Price Range \$11,500 - \$13,500





Live Auction

Lot 7

2018 Toyota Yaris Ascent 1.3L Automatic 5 Door Hatch



The exciting and ever entertaining Yaris is the car that comes with the convenience and comfort you need, all within a fun-sized package.

Yaris effortlessly catches the eye from every angle with its distinctive design and refined sporty feel.

Whether it takes you to your much loved local restaurant or on to brand new adventures together, Yaris announces your presence. Its cohesive lines exhibit a confident on-road presence and further add to its refinement. The compact dimensions make it ideal for zipping around the city and finding the perfect parking spot. Not to mention, the convenience of a reversing camera to help guide you.

So whether it's your daily commute to work or a relaxing weekend at the beach, Yaris has you covered.

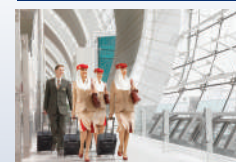
RRP \$17,500 on the road



Live Auction

Lot 8

Trip of a Lifetime with Emirates



Fly from Sydney to Dublin in style with Emirates. Enjoy two Business Class flights to Dublin flying on one of the most advanced and modern fleets in the sky. Enjoy chauffeur-drive to and from the airport and access to the exclusive Emirates Lounge so you can relax with a glass of champagne pre-flight. You can then board the magnificent Emirates A380 with the famous on board lounge and bar, enjoy our spacious seats which convert into a fully-flat bed at the touch of a button. Indulge in your choice of regionally inspired cuisine made with the freshest ingredients and enjoy up to 3,500 channels of award-winning entertainment with live sporting and news channels and stay in touch with family & friends whilst at 40,000 feet with free Wi-Fi.

Indulge with a 2 night stay in a Standard Queen Room in the Garden Wing at the stunning 5 Star Merrion Hotel including full Irish breakfast each morning. An impeccable restoration of four Georgian townhouses, The Merrion is a marriage of exquisite comfort, relaxed elegance and advanced guest facilities, including free Wi-Fi, an 18m pool, spa and gym.

Relax with a 2 night stay at Sheen Falls Lodge overlooking the picturesque Sheen Falls, just outside the heritage town of Kenmare, this 5 star, Relais & Chateaux hotel offers fine dining and a unique collection of luxury cottages and villas. Sheen Falls Lodge offers the best of Irish hospitality in an unsurpassed location.

This trip is even more memorable, with a tour of Coolmore Stud in County Tipperary and lunch for 2 at Mickey Ryan's Cashel.

The package also includes car hire of an automatic car in Ireland, thanks to DriveAway Holidays. DriveAway Holidays has over 25 years of experience providing Australians with domestic and international car hire, European car leasing and motorhome rentals across the globe.

Value in excess of \$30,000



**Emirates Conditions apply. These tickets are valid for travel from 25 November 2018 to 25 November 2019 and all travel must be completed by this date as no extensions are permitted. Please note that these tickets do not incur Skywards points. Any taxes and/or charges imposed by the Australian Government and/or by foreign governments and/or authorities departing passengers, are payable by the passengers at the time of ticket issuance. The tickets must be issued within 3 months from 25 November 2018 and your travel must be complete within 12 months from the date of tickets issued. The tickets will not be valid for travel between 10 December 2018 to 15 January 2019. These tickets are non-encashable, non-transferable, non-reroutable and non-endorsable and can be used for travel on Emirates Airline operated flights only, no code share flights permitted.*



Ireland Funds Coolmore Stud Stakes

Just \$100 for your chance to win!

Combined prize pool in excess of \$8,000.
Get ready for the race that stops a room!

1st Prize

Sail Sydney Harbour

Private Discover Sailing Day package for 8 on Sydney Harbour - Enjoy a private sailing experience for 8 guests on a new Beneteau 40 foot yacht. A delicious on-board lunch or afternoon tea will be served, including champagne, beer, wine and soft drinks. Departing from the Rushcutters Bay area, learn how to hoist and trim the sails or just chill out on the deck while enjoying a taste of the mighty Pacific Ocean! Be fascinated by the view of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Opera House whilst sailing on to Shark Island, arriving back at the Rushcutters Bay area four hours later.
(Accommodation and Travel expense not included).

2nd Prize

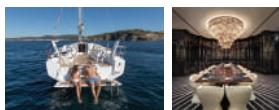
Dinner for twelve people at BLACK Bar & Grill to the value of \$3,000

BLACK Bar & Grill perfectly marries a contemporary Australian grill with a stylish wine bar and million-dollar views of Sydney Harbour and the city. The restaurant is the absolute perfect setting for you and eleven friends or you may wish to host guests in the stunning semi-private or private and intimate dining room. Whether it's a private corporate function or exclusive dinner, Executive Chef Dany Karam will create a bespoke menu for you and your guests.

3rd Prize

A bottle of Moët to celebrate your place

THE STAR



BLACK
- BAR & GRILL -

How to play

There is a BLUE envelope on each table containing Ireland Funds slips, paperclips and a Race Day Booklet

To play with Cash:

Complete the Ireland Funds slip, ticking the cash box and attach your cash to the slip with the paperclip. Once completed exchange your slip and cash for our Coolmore Cash with our Promotional Staff who will come to your table.

To play with Credit Card:

Complete the Ireland Funds slip, ticking the credit card box. Once completed exchange your slip for our Coolmore Cash with our Promotional Staff who will come to your table.

Then take your Coolmore Cash to one of the bookies stationed around the room to place your bet

- You can bet as many times as you like – keep an eye on the odds and listen out for tips
- The Ireland Funds Coolmore Stud Stakes race will be called live on stage at approximately 3.05pm
- Those who bet on horses that place 1st, 2nd and 3rd then need to take their ticket to the bookie for authorisation, these tickets will be placed into 3 separate barrels and winners drawn at 4.15pm
- You can also purchase Coolmore Cash directly from the Ireland Funds Promotional Staff around the marquee or at the Coolmore Stud Stakes Table.

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DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE YOUNG LEADERS NETWORKS IN SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND BRISBANE?

The Ireland Funds Young Leaders Networks aim to attract professionals from around 25 to 40. Paving the way for the future, the Network cultivates an emerging generation of philanthropists, connects the global Irish community, and inspires positive change by hosting a number of fundraising events throughout the year.



Some of the events hosted this year include:

- Sydney: A corporate breakfast at LinkedIn
- Melbourne: Carvery & Craic
- Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne: The Global 5k fun run

For 2018 the Australian Young Leaders chosen charities are Suas, who partner with designated disadvantaged (DEIS) schools across Ireland to deliver literacy support to 8 to 14 year olds who are struggling with reading and writing; and the GO Foundation who offer scholarships to Indigenous Australian students in public schools.

To join or learn more about the Young Leaders Network please visit our website irelandfunds.org/young-leaders/

