

Lyd Valley Riding Club

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March 2013 Newsletter

Dear Members,

With spring fast approaching and thankfully some nice dry weather at the moment (albeit chilly), it is time to brush off the horses and climb on board again. As you will see from this newsletter, we have got a lot going on in the coming months.

This winter has been very long and wet and it has been a shame that the events we have put on have not been well supported, and some have unfortunately been cancelled due to lack of entries. Hopefully that will change now and we will see a lot more of you out and about supporting the club. Members have indicated that more XC was wanted and as you will see we have again got the rally at Southcott, a XC training session with Richard Lucas at Lower Tokenbury and a training session at Bicton. All of these venues have fences starting from 18" and going up to 3'6" and so there is something for everyone.

It is also nice to see that Debbie Penwill has kindly agreed to organise a combined training competition at Leewood, again with jumps to suit all standards and the competition will be open to non members (please see details under Events).

There are still a few spaces left to go to Felicity Mann and members who have been previously have thoroughly enjoyed the outing, so please get in touch with me asap if you are interested in attending.

Happy riding,
Cath

A Message from Angela Coward

I would like to thank all the Committee and Members for the lovely flower arrangement that you so kindly sent me during my convalescence from a recent operation.

All being well I hope to be out of the dressings fairly shortly and am truly looking forward to being back at work. If all goes to plan I should then be able to start some limited teaching duties and best of all me riding; although if I had to be stuck indoors for 6 weeks I think I chose the best time of year to do it!

Sincerely,
Angela

Your Committee

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February 10th – Area Dressage Day.

Everything started well, but went downhill rapidly. Up early, all horses mucked out, box loaded, Fred plaited up and booted. All ready – what could go wrong??? After having travelled thousands of miles in his career and been all over the country in our lorry Fred decided he had had enough and at his ripe old age was not going in. We had left 15 minutes to get him in as the first event of the season, he always took a while. What we forgot was that he hadn't been to an event for years, so no way was he going up the ramp. After an hour and a quarter of pushing, pulling and bribing I was sent down to Duchy to declare the team and Amy and my husband would bring a very wet and fed up Fred down when he loaded.

On arrival at Duchy it was nice to find no rain and after booking the team in I went down to the warm up arena to find Seonaid and Filipe. Amy then rang to say that Fred had decided to walk up the ramp, but they would not be coming as he had twisted his shoe and stood on a clench and was now lame! The thought of Findus did go through our minds.

Anyway, luckily we could compete with a team of 3. Seonaid and Sally were doing the prelim test and Jacqui was left on her own to do the novice. After Filipe decided he could manage to walk over the decidedly terrifying snakes on the floor (drains) and go into the very scary large indoor school, he warmed up very nicely. On to the test itself which was in the small indoor school and Filipe behaved impeccably and did a very good test, after which I am not sure who was grinning the most, Seonaid or her horse!

In the afternoon it was Sally and Jacqui's turn. Sally was first up on her horse who has been lame for a while. It was only the week before area that she came sound and without having trotted or cantered a circle since last year the little mare did a lovely test.

Jacqui was last to go in the outside arena and typically it started raining as she went in. Poor Jacqui was thrown in at the deep end because there were no other members who would do the novice test. She picked up the gauntlet and riding her youngster, who had never attempted anything like this before in his life, they performed very well.

At the end of the day, after all the scores had been added up I am very pleased to say that Seonaid and Sally both came home with rosettes, Seonaid being 8th in her arena and Sally 9th.

All in all everyone had a good day and the horses behaved impeccably and we have a very good base to work on for the summer dressage. The following afternoon we got the lorry out again and lo and behold Fred walked straight up the ramp, although it did look as if he had a very smug grin on his face, but at least we will get there in the summer, hopefully!!!

Cath

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AREA COMPETITIONS

Following on from the success of the winter dressage, teams are now being sought for the following:

Area SJ - to be held at Chyverton on Sunday, 16th June. Heights start from 80cm in the first round and 85cm in the 2nd (Novice) and go up to 1.10m in first round and 1.15 in the 2nd (Open).

Area Horse Trials - to be held at St. Leonards on Sunday, 23rd June. Heights from 85cm SJ/90cm XC up to 1.10SJ/1.10m for the XC.

Area Dressage - to be held at St. Leonards on Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st July. Classes from Prelim to Elementary. Also Riding Test.

Please get in touch with Amy Scrivener by the end of March if you would like to be in a team. It is a really fun team event with all standards of horse and rider, so please do not feel you are not capable, everyone can have a go.



Sally Pidsley and Storm from the Area Dressage competition at Duchy in February.

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Dressage Results

13th January 2013

Intro B (2009)

- 1st Debbie Penwill and Sassie
- 2nd Hazel Coward and Flit
- 3rd Antonia Tuckett and Travellers Joy
- 4th Sadie Pearce and Mayfair

Prelim I (2006)

- 1st Joint Louise Jewell and Choccy & Angela Coward and Flit
- 3rd Anne Redman and Max
- 4th Sandra Hill and The Last Rolo

Prelim 10 (2002)

- 1st Louise Jewel and Choccy
- 2nd Anne Redman and Max
- 3rd Hazel Coward and Merry Manuel
- 4th Sandra Hill and The Last Rolo

Novice 25 (2005)

- 1st Amy Scrivener and Freddie Lee
- 2nd Debbie Penwill and Tammie

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- 2nd Debbie Penwill and Tammie

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Events Diary

All events held at Leawood Equestrian Centre, Bridestowe, EX20 4ET, unless otherwise stated.

For directions see www.lydvalleyriding.co.uk

Weekend events and Caroline Creighton Training: Entries / enquiries to Cath Scrivener - 07815 821779. Please book up at least 10 days prior to event.

All mid-week training at Leawood, with instructor Angela Coward, unless otherwise stated. All sessions still only £10. **Please call the night before a mid-week session between 6-8pm for time of class.** Entries/enquiries to Debbie Penwill, 07837 479246, home address for cheques: Leawood House, Bridestowe, EX20 4ET. Please note that there are No Dogs allowed at Leawood.

Please keep an eye on the web site as Angela's mid week training dates will go up there as soon as she is able to resume her teaching, which hopefully will not be too long away.

Volunteer's wanted to help at Dressage Competitions

If you have some spare time on Dressage days your help would be greatly appreciated in assisting the committee in running these events. Please contact Pat Thomas if you are able to offer assistance.

March 2013

Sunday, 10th March - flatwork with John Chubb at Leawood. Starting from 10am. Groups of 3. £15 per session.

Sunday 17th March - Dressage Competition, Leawood. Classes from Prelim to Novice. Details on website.

Tuesday, 19th March - from 6pm SJ training with Caroline Creighton at Leawood. Classes start from young horses jumping 2' up to 3'6. Groups of 3. £20 per session.

Saturday, 30th March - visit to Felicity Mann at Cullompton, Two sessions 11-1 and 2-4. Groups of 4 (must be under 15stone). £30 pp. Please see write up in newsletter.

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April 2013

Saturday, 6th April - Flatwork with John Chubb at Leawood. Starting from 10am. Groups of 3. £15 per session.

Saturday, 13th April - XC training with Richard Lucas at Lower Tokenbury. £20pp for 1 1/2 hours, Groups of 5.

Tuesday, 16th April - From 6pm SJ training with Caroline Creighton at Leawood. Classes start from young horses jumping 2' up to 3'6. Groups of 3. £20 per session.

Sunday, 28th April - Rally at Southcott, flatwork, SJ and XC - 4 hours of instruction. £40 per person. Groups of 4.

May 2013

Saturday, 12th May - Demonstration at Little Bidlake Farm, Bridestowe with Dawn Vanstone. How to ride a dressage test and what the judge is looking for. Watch three tests being ridden and sit with the judge. See how they mark, what they look for, etc. Intro, Prelim and Novice tests. 10am start. £5 members and £7.50 non members.

Tuesday, 14th May - from 6pm SJ training with Caroline Creighton at Leawood. Classes start from young horses jumping 2' up to 3'6. Groups of 3. £20 per session.

Saturday, 19th May - Flatwork with John Chubb at Leawood. Starting from 10am. Groups of 3. £15 per session.

Saturday, 26th May - XC schooling at Bicton Arena. 2 hours of instruction. groups of 5. £30 pp.

June 2013

Saturday, 1st June - Combined Training at Leawood. Jumps start from 1'9" up to 2'9". Price £12 for members, £15 for non members.

Saturday, 8th June - Demonstration at Little Bidlake Farm, Bridestowe with Angela Moore, McTimothy practitioner. 3 hour, Massage, etc for your horse, get instruction and have a go. £30 pp £35 non members.

Tuesday, 11th June - from 6pm SJ training with Caroline Creighton at Leawood. Classes start from young horses jumping 2' up to 3'6. Groups of 3. £20 per session.

Sunday, 16th June - Riding Club Area SJ qualifier at Chyverton. Please get in touch with Amy if you are interested.

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June 2013

Saturday 22nd June - Flatwork with John Chubb at Leawood. Starting from 10am. Groups of 3. £15 per session.

Sunday 23rd June - Riding Club Area Horse Trial qualifier at St. Leonards. Please get in touch with Amy if you are interested.

July 2013

Saturday 20th/Sunday 21st July - Riding Club Area Dressage qualifier at St. Leonards. Please get in touch with Amy if you are interested.

Please get in touch with Cath Scrivener cathscrivener@btinternet.com or 07815 821779 for more information or to book in for any of the above.

South West Riders 10/12 Mile Pleasure Ride

South West Riders are holding a 10/12 mile pleasure ride to be held on Sunday, 21st April starting from Ten Acre Plantation, Ashbury, nr. Okehampton (signed from A3079). There is ample hard surface parking and refreshments are available. Come and explore the Pegasus Way, forestry tracks, field bridlepaths and some fantastic views across open countryside. £10 to include a year's membership to South West Riders. Profit to Devon Air Ambulance and Hillside Animal Rescue Centre.

For more information please ring Gretta Madigan on 01822 840081.

Combined Training Saturday 1st June 2013

LVRC are delighted to offer a Combined Training Event with a class to suit everyone. It promises to be a fun competition and a great opportunity to compete amongst friends.

Debbie Penwill has kindly organised this event and it would be great to see it really well supported.

A full schedule is detailed overleaf.

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LYD VALLEY RIDING CLUB COMBINED TRAINING

Saturday 1ST JUNE 2013

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LEAWOOD EQUESTRIAN CENTRE
(BRIDESTOWE)

CLASS 1 (OPEN) Dressage BE100 106(2012)
Show Jumping up to 85cms (max)

CLASS 2 (INTERMEDIATE) Dressage BE90 95 (2012)
Show Jumping 70cms (max)

CLASS 3 (NOVICE) Dressage BE90 95 (2012)
Show Jumping 55cms (max)

£15 Non Members

£12 LVRC Members

Entries will only be accepted with full payment, closing date 28/5/2013. Please make cheques payable to Lyd Valley RC. Please send entries to D Penwill, Leawood House, Bridestowe, Okehampton EX20 4ET

For times call **07837479246** on Thursday 30th May between 7&9pm