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This is just a quick Newsflash with an added date, a confirmed date, a changed date & a date reminder.

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## Talk by Isabel Harker from Spillers – Come and find out how your horse digests his food! on Thursday 9th February 7.30pm for 8pm start, The Red Lion Country Inn, Clanville

We have invited Spillers Brand Development Manager, Isabel Harker, to come and talk to us.

She will describe the journey food takes through the intestines of the horse, with the aid of a life size intestine (albeit in fabric form). It will demonstrate how the food is digested and what is happening in each part of the gut. It is bound to be surprising and intriguing to see the size of the stomach and other parts.

With spring around the corner she will also advise on laminitis and colic risks in the upcoming change of season.

There will be plenty of opportunity to ask questions and if you have a specific feed problem she'll be pleased to help.

Inevitably Spillers horse feeds will be recommended, but the talk is not primarily a promotional exercise.

Let Sandra (01264 396390 sandra.groves47@ntlworld.com) know by Monday 6th February if you're coming but don't worry if you can't let us know beforehand, you're most welcome to turn up on the night.

Cost: Members £2, Non-members £3.

## Yard Visit by Isabel Harker

Spillers are able to arrange yard visits to weigh and condition score your horse. This is usually offered to groups of 10 horses but as Isabel will be coming down to our area on Thursday 9th February, she is offering to do a yard visit for just 5 horses. If you are interested in arranging a yard visit during the day on Thursday 9th February, please contact Isabel directly on 07890 606729 to talk about location and timing.

Winter Dressage on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2012 at Castle Farm, Over Wallop (schedule enclosed).

We are returning to Castle Farm for our Winter Dressage. The classes will be run indoors, with warm up outside on an all weather surface. The schedule will include two Prelims, one Novice & a choice of a Novice, an Elementary or Medium Dressage Tests. Sandra (01264 396390 sandra.groves47@ntlworld.com) would love to hear from Dressage writers, stewards or scorers willing to help out on the day.



## **Instruction**

Instruction dates, organised with Diana, Elizabeth & Rosie, were published in the December Newsletter.

The Rosie Moss Show Jumping instruction has been moved from Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February to Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30pm. Please contact Lindsay if you wish to attend this or any other instruction sessions.

BRC Area 17 Novice Indoor Show Jumping Qualifier at Crofton EC, Stubbington, Hants on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2012,

Full details about this competition together with application forms for team places, were sent out with the December Newsletter **PLEASE CONTACT SUSIE IMMEDIATELY if you would like to be considered for a team place. Tel: 01980 671523 or email:** susie\_pool@btinternet.com. Then fill in and return the team application form with copies of the horse's Flu Vacc Certificate / Passport. To be sure of being considered for a place, the form needs to be submitted to Susie by *Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2012.*