NEWSLETTER APRIL 1989

By the time you read this newsletter, no doubt all of you will be aware of the outbreak of Equine Herpes Virus, in the last few weeks and our decision to cancel our outdoor Dressage on 23rd April. It is recommended that we don't travel or mix our horses until the all clear is given.

After that somewhat sombre note, just a short newsletter to let you know of a few events that we are hoping will be given the green light. More especially as they are being run for various Charities.

The Show - Jumping at Faccombe on the 21st May is a new venture for the Bourne VALLEY R.C. as we are combining with both Danebury R.C. and the Woodhay R.C. to put the Show on. The Top Score competition is for Affiliated Riding Club members only (17 years and over), but the rest of the competitions are open to all. Please do try to get sponsorship for yourself if entering the Top Score competition as you will see from the information package we could win a Dressage Arena for ourselves if sufficient is raised. Faccombe is 3 miles north west of Hurstbourne Tarrant, take the fork opposite the Saab garage and follow the signs to the Jack Russell pub.

The major event of the year for the Bourne Valley R.C. is our One Day Event to be held on 4th June at the Bluebell Farm, Penton. Wouldn't it be super if we could have a 100% turnout of Club members on the day!!! So if you don't plan to compete, please give either Elizabeth Peerless on 0962 881400 or Sue McGrath on 0264 87316 as I'm sure they can find a job for you.

Talking of future events and telephone calls, Elizabeth has had such a poor response to date on the subject of Team events, that it looks unlikely that we will be entering anything at all. This could be a ridiculous situation for the Club to be in after the successes of the last few years, more especially as we will be hosting the Area 17 Horse Trials. So if you're interested please ring Elizabeth on 0962 881400 as soon as possible as the entries have to go off to Stoneleigh very soon. We need Team members for Dressage, Prix Caprilli, Show jumping, Equitation jumping and Horse Trials. We know a lot of you are keen because you said so on your membership renewal forms, SO WHY NOT RING US NOW...... We would be especially grateful if some of our new members would come forward, as a lot of the old regulars have been at it for so long now that they have had to get new young horses and are starting all over again!!

Just a brief word of congratulation to Maggie Millar, Debbie Green and Jane Beale who passed their Riding and Road Safety Tests last month. Thanks also to Dawn Williams who put in so much time and effort in the organising of the event and helping to make their success possible.

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PROGRAMME

30th April	Afternoon Instruction at Cholderton CANCELLED
21st May	Charity Show Jumping at Faccombe. Schedule enclosed
28th May	Penton B.H.S. Horse Trials.
4th June	Area 11 and 17 Horse Trials. Schedule enclosed
11th June	Area 17 Show Jumping and Equitation Jumping at Stocklands Show Centre, Liphook.
18th June	Area 17 Dressage to Music at Woolhampton.
16th July	Area 17 Dressage, Prix Caprilli and Pairs Dressage at Iwerne Minster near Blandford

FOR SALE..... A pair of long brown leather riding boots size 6 for £50 also a black bowler hat. Please contact June Bush on Weyhill 2888 after 27th April.

CLOSING THOUGHT

WHY NOT SPEND THE TIME YOUR HORSES ARE CONFINED TO BARRACKS READING THE ENCLOSED SCHEDULES, GIVING ELIZABETH OR SUE A RING, OR RAISING SOME SPONSORSHIP FOR THE HELP THE AGED CAMPAIGN.