BOURNE VALLEY RIDING CLUB

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We had a very enjoyable evening at Penton on 15th June when we held our annual Riding Club Horse Competition and Barbecue at Blue Bell Farm. A dressage test was included in the competition this year, as well as the showing class. The dressage was judged as both dressage and prix caprilli by Gill Cooke and the show class by Tanis Downs - our thanks to both of them. Our thanks too to the Bennetts for again allowing us to use their land and to the Ollivers for providing and cooking the excellent barbecue - not forgetting Caroline Nodding-Scott who organised the event this year and Sam Hart who presented the rosettes.

Results:-

Showing Class Dressage Test No. 5 1 Carol Rogers 2 Carole Glover 2 Lyn Calkin 3 Kay South 3 Tamar Sutton 4 Julie Baker 4 Anne Sealey 5 Gilly Facer 6 Jacky Cleaver Dressage Test No. 5 4 Carole Glover 5 Lyn Calkin 6 Liz Rawlingson

Carole Glover won the Blue Bell Cup.

The Be Fair Cup is developing into quite a battle between Sue McGrath and Carole Glover. These two are several lengths in front of the field but the battle for third place is also quite interesting with only 6 points separating the next 6 members. The final event in this competition, for this year, will be the combined training in September and the cup will be presented to the winner at the A.G.M. in October.

Area Team Dressage & Prix Caprilli Competitions

Two dressage and one prix caprilli team took part in the area dressage competition at Newbury on 30th June. The dressage competition consists of a team of 3 riders each riding one test of either test 8, 12 or 17. A total of nineteen teams were competing.

Our teams were as follows:

| | | Test | Score | | Result |
|---|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------|--------|
| Sarah McNally Judy Hyson Lindsay Humfreys | Classic Rock Kellyana Tiger Sue | 8 12 17 | 75 76 84 | } | 9th |
| Lindsay Hills Lyn Calkin Sue McGrath | Charlemagne Goofy Saturn | 8 12 17 | 100 76 99 | 6th) | 7th |

Although each member of the team individually is capable of winning at the level at which they usually compete, the team dressage standard is so high that nobody was able to figure in this company since those in the winning teams compete and win regularly in affiliated dressage competitions. The best results were obtained by Sue McGrath and Lindsay Hills who each finished 6th within their arenas. The teams fininshed in 7th and 9th places from nineteen teams.

Team Results

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| | Bourne Bourne | | | 275 239 |

The prix caprilli competition consists of teams of 4 riders with the best three scores to count. Two members from each team rode in two different arenas. Our team put up a very creditable performance to finish second overall and hence qualify for the National Riding Club Championships at Stoneleigh on 18th August. Pat Sarsfield-Hall had the distinction of being first overall in his arena. Julie Baker, riding a substitute horse for only the second time, did extremely well to be equal second in her arena.

The overall scores were as follows:

| Julie Baker | Schumman | 101 |
|--------------------|-----------|-----|
| Carole Glover | Fina | 78 |
| Lindsay Humfreys | Tiger Sue | 74 |
| Pat Sarsfield-Hall | Samantha | 100 |

Team Results

| 1 | Meon | 291 |
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| 2 | Bourne Valley | 279 |
| 3 | Ringwood | 275 |
| 4 | Shillingstone | 256 |
| 5 | Danebury | 235 |
| 6 | Tadley | 234 |

It may be of interest to note that the qualification of the Prix Caprilli team for the National Championships completes a remarkable period for the club. After having no qualifiers to Stoneleigh since 1978, in the past two years we have managed to get 4 teams to Stoneleigh - each in a different discipline (Equitation Jumping, Horse Trials, Show Jumping and Prix Caprilli) and involving fourteen different club members. Our congratulations to all concerned.

The horse trials team take part in their area competition at Shamley Green on 10th August. Our good wishes go to them too.

About 45 people (unfortunately only a dozen were B.V. members) attended the lecture/demonstration "How To Ride A Dressage Test" by Shena Kozuba-Kozubska at Cholderton Equestrian Centre on 10th July. Shena began the evening by explaining the importance of preparing the horse for dressage and some useful exercises for working in before you actually ride a test. Two Bourne Valley members were guinea pigs for the evening. Pat Sarsfield-Hall on Samantha had volunteered to ride Prelim Test 8 and Gill Trickett on Pembrena Matty Novice Test 12. While Pat and Gill rode each test, Shena judged and marked each movement explaining her reasons for each mark. This was a very interesting exercise as it was useful to hear the judge's comments and to see where one can so easily lose or gain a mark or two. After an interval during which coffee, cake and biscuits were available, Shena then demonstrated some more advanced movements on her horse. I am sure we all learnt a great deal that evening. I certainly did and would like to thank Shena very much for an enjoyable evening. Our thanks also to Pat for agreeing to take part and, of course, Gill, who organised the demonstration.

Our thanks to Julia Bayley for organising the Summer Disco at Kimpton on 20th July. I think the people who went to this had a good evening but where were all the B.V. members?— the only two who turned up were the President and the organiser which must have been very disappointing for Julia, particularly as this will be her last job for the Club for the time being as she is going abroad very soon.

Marti Hoare is now installed in her new house and is ready to start the course of instruction for Grades 1 and 11. For details of times, place and cost please ring Marti on Stonehenge 46354 as soon as you possibly can.

A course of instruction for members wanting to take Grade 111 will start in August and will be given by Sue Bennett - details from Sue on Weyhill 2341.

A reminder that the Club has a small library at Blue Bell Farm, Penton, from which leaflets and books can be borrowed. These are aimed particularly at members who are preparing for the Riding Club Grade Tests - contact Sue Bennett for details.

We wish our Show Jumping and Prix Caprilli teams the very best of luck when they compete in the Championships at Stoneleigh on 17th and 18th August.

J.B.

Livery available for one horse - grass keep with use of stable. For further details ring Andover 781991. (Over Wallop)

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SUN. 25TH Horse Show/Competitions in aid of Ethiopia and Live Aid. Dean Livery, Dean, Nr. Winchester, Hants. For further

details and schedules Tel: Sparsholt 559.

SUN. 25TH Shillingstone Riding Club Horse Trials. Novice course 2' 9".

Schedules from: Mr. N. Fincham, Wistaria, Shillingstone,

Blandford, Dorset. Entries close 17th August.

SEPTEMBER

SUN 1ST Yew Tree Farm - Mini One Day Event. To be held at

Yew Tree Farm, Goodworth Clatford, Andover, Hants. Schedules from: Miss T. C. Downs at above address.

Entries close 21st August.

SUN. 15TH Bourne Valley Riding Club - Combined Training at

Middle Wallop A.A.C.

OCTOBER

TUES. 22ND Bourne Valley Riding Club - Annual General Meeting to be

held at the Poplar Farm Inn, Abbotts Ann, Nr. Andover, Hants.

at 7.45p.m.

NOVEMBER Showjumping - date and venue to be confirmed.

DECEMBER Christmas Show - date and venue to be confirmed.