## BOURNE VALLEY RIDING CLUB

## NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 1983

The Committee have elected Peter Hills, The Ridings, Dauntsey Lane, Weyhill, Andover, Tel. Weyhill 2388 as Vice Chairman in place of Sandra Oliver who has resigned this post but remains as a committee member.

Peter and Lindsay Hills have agreed to be our Team Managers and Selectors for the Area Competitions next year.

You will see from the programme that we hope to start a course of General Instruction in February at Tidworth (if we can have the use of the school). This will be followed by Show Jumping Instruction at Blue Bell Farm, Penton. Sue Bennett (Weyhill 2341) must have the names of members who want to participate by the <u>first week in January</u> so that she can arrange reasonably small classes and book the instructors accordingly.

The Social Evening on 25th October was something of a disaster as P.C. Todd, who was to be our speaker, got the date wrong and didn't turn up! He has asked me to give you all his most sincere apologies for the mistake! however, the two special constables did arrive eventually so members were able to get at least some of their tack postcode stamped.

About 30 people came to the Fiesta Hall on 15th November to see the film and to question Marie Stokes. Three members of the committee entertained Miss Stokes to dinner in Andover before the meeting, which she seemed to appreciate; the film company sent us the right film this time and we were able to put some of our questions to Miss Stokes afterwards and sort out some of our problems, so altogether it was a very successful evening. Many thanks to Cathy Edwards for making all the arrangements and to David Roberts for allowing us the use of the Hall.

Our commiserations to Shirley Myall who failed the Stable Management exam last month. The only consolation is that none of the other people, who took the exam on the same day as Shirley, passed either.

Seven members are now preparing to take Grades I and II and Sue Bennett wants names of anyone who wants to take Grade III next summer.

Sue Bennett has suggested that the Club should start to collect a library in order to save members the cost of buying the text books and leaflets which the BHS recommend should be read before taking the Grade Tests etc. The Committee have agreed to this and have allocated £50.00 from Club funds to start it off. The books will be kept at Blue Bell Farm, Penton and Sue will act as Librarian. If anyone would like to done to any suitable books (or leaflets) I am sure they will be very gratefully received.

BEST WISHES TO ALL MEMBERS FOR A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND A SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR

June Bush

## ADVERTISEMENT

David Green, Appleshaw will give instruction at all levels.