

BOURNE VALLEY RIDING CLUB

(Affiliated to the British Horse Society)

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NEWSLETTER

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The Hunter Trial at Larkhill on the 30th October concluded a very successful 1993/94 year. Our new year, beginning on the 1st November started with a flourish and renewed interest in club activities. A pub ride, a UK Chasers ride, 2 instruction sessions and the Annual General Meeting provided plenty of activities in which the members could partake. Hopefully, this is indicative of a successful year to come.

The AGM elected two new faces to join the committee, and reelected the Chairman and Treasurer for a further 2 year term. Below is a full list of committee members with their telephone numbers, so please feel free to contact any of them on any issues.

COMMITTEE

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HUNTER TRIAL

The Hunter Trial proved an enormous success despite torrential rain which fell throughout the afternoon, making the going difficult. Diane Symes riding Colliston Majuba had a good day winning Class 2, while Gemma Chillcot on Flashman II was best BV member in Class 1 taking fourth place. Clare Heald and Truman's Flight were again best placed BV member in the Open Class.

On a day that might have seemed better suited to watching such activities on television, competitors waited patiently in the downpour to take their turn. Their wait was minimised as competitors were given start times, and regardless of the dreadful conditions the competition kept almost to time all day.

Praise is also due to the army of helpers who stuck steadfastly to their tasks all day.

Brockhurst Bombadier twice deposited his rider and took a detour across the Plain. On the second occasion he was recaptured, unharmed, just before nightfall, about 4 miles from the course. A later map inspection revealed that he was heading in a straight line to his home in Newbury. In view of the weather perhaps he had the right idea!

RESULTS:

CLASS 1 - 2' 6"

1st	Caroline Branfoot	Velvet Peak	Best Novice Rider	Victoria Dunn
2nd	Victoria Dunn	Longnewton Solo		
3rd	Amanda Twyman	Button Moon		
4th	Gemma Chillcot	Flashman II	Best BV	Best Novice Horse
5th	Kathy Lewis	Tomorrow's World		Longnewton Solo
6th	Fiona Napthine	Bobby Sox		
7th	Alison Ainsworth	Tiger Sue		
8th	Nigel Mustill	Thatcher		

Class 2 - 2'9" - 3'0"

1st	Diane Symes	Colliston Majuba	Best BV
2nd	Julia Verity	Prideaux	
3rd	Emily Cole	Tully	
4th	Katie-Jane Keane	Out of Africa	
5th	Emma Young	Sirius	
6th=	Emily Cole	Willow Dancer	
	Zandra Letts	Rossmore	
8th	Phillipa Stocker	Jack	

CLASS 3 - 3'3" - 3'6"

1st	Frederik Bergendorff	Faintly Scholar	
2nd	Zanie Tanswell	Fort Dellation	
3rd=	Stuart Brown	Brutus	
	Shelley Sanders	Jasper	
5th	Mary Menzies	Happy Wanderer	
6th	Clare Heald	Truman's Flight	Best BV
7th	Vicky Brake	Ginger	
8th	Emma Young	Sirius	

PLEASURE RIDE on 13th November

15 members and friends met at Oakcuts, Middle Wallop to embark on a circular ride around Longstock. Two groups of six and nine, led by Sue Kerrison and Maureen Burford set off in opposite directions around the circuit. After negotiating a row of hippy vehicles in the very first belt of trees, Maureen's group took the anti-clockwise route via Danebury Ring, past our 1993 Show Jumping venue to Longstock, and to liquid refreshment at the Peat Spade. Sue's rather depleted group arrived just as the first were departing. One of Sue's group lost a shoe, then trod on it causing a punctured sole and naturally severe lameness. Since three people had come together, they all had to accompany the lame horse home. After leaving the pub Maureen's group, all still intact, took the road across the river to the Test Way, and along the Stockbridge railway line back towards Chilbolton. A long trot down the old railway line, was only interrupted to avoid passing walkers.

A wide grassy track back towards Clatford Oakcuts provided an opportunity to allow the horses to stretch out in canter, before walking the last mile home. Sue's group continued to be incident prone with one member breaking a finger in the pub carpark. We've told her to take more water with it!! This group arrived back first. The other group arrived back to see a group one horse departing rapidly towards Grateley, with Sam, the club President, in hot pursuit, having commandeered a passing vehicle. The runaway was caught, returned to her owner and loaded into her trailer under close supervision. Many thanks to Maureen and Sue for planning a lovely ride.

UK CHASERS RIDE at INKPEN on 27th November

Five groups of riders in threes and fours rode the Inkpen UK Chasers course. Although the weather was slightly murky, this didn't spoil the spectacular views, particularly from the top of the hill by Coombe Gibbett. The course, lightly used of late, had super going, and fences of all styles and sizes provided something for everyone to jump.

This was a most enjoyable ride for all, with an added bonus of giving UK Chasers membership for the year for a nominal fee.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING on 29th November

Chairman's Report

The Chairman was happy to report a very successful year from all perspectives. Winter Dressage & Show Jumping competitions held at Catherston were very successful, but didn't attract many club members. Increasing costs and lack of availability mean that Catherston will not be used this year, but Hoplands is now available again. The next three competitions were held at Larkhill. The Dressage entries were down on the previous years probably due to the late change of venue & hence late issue of schedules. One feature of this year's events was the weather. When large areas were flooded, events like the Windsor Horse Show & Windsor 3 Day Event were cancelled, not only were our events able to run, but we had dry weather, and even, something unheard of at Larkhill, a heatwave at our very successful Combined Training. We were also able to resume our One Day Event.

Aside from our Area Qualifying competitions, club activities were very quiet from June to October, necessitating cancellation of the Show Jumping, the previously popular Superstars Competitions and many instruction sessions due to lack of interest. Following the example of last year's Dressage team, the Show Jumping team qualified for the National Championships at Malvern. With one team member barred due to flu certificate irregularities, the remaining three team members performed very creditably to finish in tenth place from twenty four teams. Rachel Fraser was one of only five to jump double clear rounds from 100 entrants, and finished in third place.

Another delight was accompanying Mandy Vigg as our first ever representative in the Dressage to Music Final at Stoneleigh. The weather caught up with us with a vengeance at our final competition of the year, our Hunter Trial. Although we expected to get our share of rain at some time, we did not anticipate that it would all arrive on one day.

With so much effort and attention needed to organise competitions, it is easy to overlook social events.

Together with our annual quiz, we ran an entertaining Race Night, an informative equine nutrition talk, a stable management evening, a stud visit, two rides on Salisbury Plain, one where we nearly got frozen to the saddle & the second when we nearly got blown from our horses, but both most enjoyable, and two UK Chasers rides.

None of this year's success would have been possible without the hard work of the committee. Each member has had a specific job and undertaken it with vigour and enthusiasm, so many thanks are due to them all.

Looking forward to next year, our winter competitions will be held at the newly refurbished Hoplands Equestrian Centre, King's Somborne. We will be returning to Larkhill for our Dressage, Combined Training, Hunter Trial and our One Day Event. The latter will include Area 17 Novice and Open Horse Trials Team Qualifiers. Obviously all these events take a great deal of work to run, so if anyone can assist their help will be greatly appreciated even if they can only spare a short time.

The Woodhay District Riding Club have decided to continue operating, so the proposed merger with BVRC has been shelved.

Financial Report

Financially the club had a very successful year too. All the competitions made a healthy profit, enabling additions to be made to our assets. Twelve jump poles, more stop watches and Dressage boards were purchased. As intended instruction broke even. Area and Championship competitions are always costly, but with the funds raised, we were able to partake in these events without worrying about the financial implications. Overall the year ended with a cash surplus of £1500. Together with existing cash and assets this puts the club on a very sound footing.

Copies of the accounts are available on request. Ring Lindsay (01264) 772388.

Election of Officers

In an uncontested election Chairman Lindsay Hills, Treasurer Brenda Harman and committee member Julie Newman serve another two year term. Monica Tompkins and Sarah March join the committee for the first time, and Melissa Brotherwood retakes her place after a years absence.

Presentations

The Caballine Trophy, for most helpers points, was awarded to Sue Stevens

The Be Fair Cup, for most competition points, was awarded to Gail Perren

The Linssner Farriers Cup, for the best BV member in an Open Show Jumping Class, was not awarded, as we were unable to hold a Show Jumping competition. It was decided, therefore, to present the cup to Rachel Fraser in recognition of her efforts at the Riding Club Championships, Malvern.

A small present was awarded to June Bush in her absence as a thank you for all her work behind the scenes over the past two years.

The evening was rounded off with glasses of steaming hot mulled wine, mince pies, coffee and plenty of horse chat.

Cups

Other cups and trophies awarded during the year as follows:

Highland Fling Dressage Cup	Gail Perren and Blackthorne
Florin Combined Training Cup	Gail Perren and Blackthorne
Bluebell Riding Club Horse Trophy	Julie Baker and Fare Jasmine
David Packman Memorial Trophy for Novice Horse Trials	Gail Perren and Blackthorne

The Superstars and Super Horse Trophies were not awarded this year.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions were due for renewal on 1st November 1994, so if you haven't done so already please renew your membership soon so that we can include you when planning our events for 1995.

Riding Members £15 Non-Riding Members £12

Membership cards will be issued with the next Newsletter.

INSTRUCTION

Our efforts to provide evening indoor schooling facilities were thwarted. A major dispute between the owner and lessee of Cholderton Equestrian Centre and doubts about the safety of the surface of the indoor school meant it was not possible to run these sessions.

Instruction with Shena Kozuba Kozubska and Diana Fitzsimmons were diverted back to Bluebell Farm, Penton Grafton. This actually enabled some transportless members to attend the instruction. 9 members in 2 groups benefited from Shena's eagle eye and helpful teaching in November, and 5 members enjoyed a stimulating session with Diana in December.

Two general instruction sessions have been organised for 7th & 22nd January at Bluebell Farm, Penton Grafton. One session has been organised on the 11th February at Hoplands, King's Somborne. This will be show jumping schooling on the 70 x 80 metre sand arena. This will give the opportunity to practice over a course of jumps. These instruction sessions are for everyone, whatever the standard of horse or rider, so do come along. As usual, sessions are of one and a half hours with groups of 4-6 people.

Saturday 7th January	1-4pm (2 sessions)	Shena Kozuba Kozubska	£12 (4-6 Sharing)
Sunday 22nd January	1-4pm (2 sessions)	Diana Fitzsimmons	£9 (4-6 Sharing)
Saturday 11th February	1-4pm (2 sessions)	Shena Kozuba Kozubska	£12 (4-6 Sharing)

Please fill in the attached reply slips and return promptly, and please ring Lindsay 01264 772388, 2 or 3 evenings beforehand, to find out the time for your instruction.

HOPLANDS Equestrian Centre, Kings's Somborne.

Facilities, including an indoor & 2 outdoor schools, a sand jumping menage and cross country course are available to hire on an individual basis. Ring (01794) 388838.

NEW RIDING HATS PAS015

Last year it was proposed that hats should be worn to BS4472. In January 1995 the new British Standard Riding Hat PAS 015 is coming out. It is much safer than the present British Standard with polystyrene to the edges and a different chin strap. However, the hat is not mandatory and BS4472 is still alright provided it was made after 1988 and has the date after the number. There is an excellent leaflet from the BHS on choosing a riding hat obtainable from Stoneleigh for those who are interested. The European standard is yet to be decided and there are other excellent riding hats from New Zealand and so on the market.

ANNUAL QUIZ on 24th January 1995

By popular demand we are again running our highly successful quiz at the Red Lion, Clanville, Nr Weyhill.

This is for teams for 4 people (members or non members). Cost £2.50 per team

Questions will be a mixture of horsey and non horsey.

So please come along to this entertaining evening. Bring your friends, form a team in advance, or make up a team on the night.

It is helpful to know approximately how many people are coming, so please ring Lindsay Kemble (01980) 842200.

DRESSAGE at HOPLANDS, King Somborne on 5th February 1995

We will be holding our winter dressage competition at Hoplands, King Somborne in 1995. This venue is under new ownership and hopefully this will be the first of many events we hold there.

There are two Olympic size outdoor Dressage arenas and a smaller indoor school. We will run 2 Prelim Tests & 2 Novice Tests, initially using two schools for warming up & one for competition. During the afternoon both arenas will be used for competition with the indoor school for warming up. Although it would be nice to have all the riding under cover, with warming up facilities indoors, hopefully the time spent outdoors will be minimal. The Schedule is enclosed.

NOVICE INDOOR TEAM SHOW JUMPING QUALIFIER on 12th February 1995

The Area Novice Indoor Team Show Jumping Qualifier is to be held at Crofton Equestrian Centre at Stubbington, Nr Fareham.

This is a two round competition, 2'6" in the first round and 2'9" in the second round. If there is sufficient interest we will enter a team, so please ring Diane Symes (01980) 652272 asap, if you are interested in taking part.

HUNTING

A request was made to investigate the possibility of a club subscription to either or both the RA Hunt and Berks & Bucks Draghounds, allowing members to hunt for a reduced cap (say £10 instead of £30 or £40 for the day).

Before the relevant Hunts are approached, we would like your views. Is this something you would like to take advantage of? Or would you not want club funds being used in this way? Please let us know. Ring Lindsay Hills (01264) 772388.

DRESSAGE to MUSIC

After Mandy Vigg's success at the Dressage to Music Final at Stoneleigh, we are considering running a Dressage to Music class at our Dressage competition in April. Please help us with this decision by indicating if this is of interest. Ring Lindsay Hills (01264) 772388.

Be Fair and Caballine Cup Points

Here are the final results of the competition and helpers points for the year 1993/1994.

Be Fair Cup Points

G. Perren	67	D. Symes	19	E. Derbyshire	6
S. McGrath	55	J. Moss	18	Marti Johnson	6
M. Vigg	44	J. Bench	15	J. Cleaver	6
C. Farrington	38	J. Newman	13	H. Huskisson	5
J. King	34	J. Evans	12	E. Elderton	4
L. Sims	31	L. Hills	11	J. Stoker	4
M. Miller	27	D. Hodson	11	B. Symonds	4
J. Baker	26	M. Tompkins	10	T. Griffiths	3
C. Perren	26	L. Kerrison	10	R. Sheppard	3
C. Stevens	24	A. Pearce	10	S. Shepherd	3
R. Fitzgerald	23	G. Chillcot	9	S. Anderson	2
P. Robinson	23	S. Sale	8	P. Sheppard	2
C. Heald	21	A. Ainsworth	6	A. Hartley	2
E. Shaw	20	E. Davies	6	D. Lucas	1

Caballine Trophy Points

S. Stevens	36	D. Hunt	9	S. Bennett	3
C. Stevens	30	A. Ainsworth	6	S. Fisher	3
J. Bush	30	J. Bench	6	L. Kerrison	3
S. Fentiman	30	E. Derbyshire	6	J. King	3
J. Newman	24	G. Facer	6	D. Lucas	3
S. Hart	18	T. Griffiths	6	J. Saiers	3
S. McGrath	18	S. Hockey	6	L. Sims	3
S. Kerrison	15	D. Hodson	6	D. Turner	3
S. Peacock	15	M. Miller	6		
D. Symes	15	P. Sheppard	6		
M. Burford	12	R. Sheppard	6		
G. Perren	12	J. Vallis	6		
M. Southey	12	M. Vigg	6		

Be Fair Cup

This was given to the club by Lucinda Green, and is awarded annually to the member with most competition points throughout the year. Points are given to club members only according to their position relative to other club members, irrespective of the actual placing within the class. The winner also receives a year free membership to the club.

Points are awarded as follows:

1st	9 points
2nd	7 points
3rd	5 points
4th	3 points
5th	2 points
6th	1 point

Caballine Trophy

The Caballine Trophy was given to the club by June Bush, our Vice President, to be presented annually to the member who has helped most at club events. The winner of this magnificent trophy also receives a year free membership to the club.

The rules for awarding points have been redrafted this year. 1 point is given for each hour helping (over half an hour counts as a complete hour). It is the helpers responsibility to ensure that the points due to them are claimed from the event organiser. Points may be claimed helping at an event, setting up an event or clearing up afterwards.

DIARY DATES

JANUARY

- 07.01.95 GENERAL INSTRUCTION - Shena Kozuba Kozubska at Bluebell Farm, Penton Grafton.
Return reply slip to Lindsay Hills.
- 22.01.95 GENERAL INSTRUCTION - Dianna Fitzsimmons at Bluebell Farm, Penton Grafton.
Return reply slip to Lindsay Hills.
- 24.01.95 ANNUAL QUIZ - Red Lion, Clanville, Nr Weyhill 7.30 - 8pm
Organiser: Lindsay Kemble (01980) 842200

FEBRUARY

- 05.02.95 Winter Dressage at HOPLANDS, King's Somborne.
Organiser: Caroline Stevens (01264) 356249
- 11.02.95 SHOW JUMPING INSTRUCTION - Shena Kozuba Kozubska at Hoplands, Kings Somborne
Return reply slip to Lindsay Hills.
- 12.02.95 Area Novice Indoor Show Jumping Qualifier, Crofton Equestrian Centre, Stubbington.
- 19.02.95 Winter Show Jumping at HOPLANDS, King's Somborne.
Organiser: Sue McGrath (01264) 359145

APRIL

- 23.04.95 Dressage at Larkhill.
Organiser: Diane Symes (01980) 652272

MAY

- 14.05.95 Combined Training at Larkhill.
Organiser: Julie Newman (01264) 889721

JUNE

- 04.06.95 One Day Event including Novice & Open Area Qualifiers at Larkhill
Organiser: Lindsay Hills (01264) 772388
- 25.05.95 Area Show Jumping Qualifier at Tweseledown.
Organiser: Hampshire Rural Riding Club.

JULY

- 09.07.95 Area Dressage Qualifier at Bluebell Farm, Penton Grafton.
Organiser: Danebury Riding Club.
- 16.07.95 Show Jumping at Hoplands, King's Somborne.
Organiser: Sue Fentiman (01264) 350236

OCTOBER

- 29.10.95 Hunter Trial at Larkhill.
Organiser: Lindsay Hills (01264) 772388

ADVERTS

14" Morris & Nolan (Walsall) Black GP Saddle, now outgrown.
This is a beautiful little child's saddle in superb condition. £275 ono
16" Dressage Saddle, narrow/medium fit. Built on "Turf & Travel" tree.
Suit teenager. Good condition. £200 ono
Tel: Roseanne Fitzgerald (01264) 737213

Dianna Fitzsimmons is seeking a working pupil, terms negotiable.
Tel: (01264) 771060

15.1 IDxTB Bay Gelding. Good all rounder. Ideal PC/RC. Fully Vaccinated, Freeze Marked. Open to Vet. £2500.
Tel: Maggie Miller (01264) 781633.

REPLY SLIP to be returned to Mrs L Hills, The Ridings, Dauntsey Lane, Weyhill, Andover, Hants SP11 8EB

I would like to attend the instruction with Shena Kozuba Kozubska on Saturday 7th January
and enclose a cheque for £12 (made payable to Bourne Valley Riding Club)
Sessions 1 hour 30 mins based on 4-6 sharing.

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