

NEWSLETTER - JANUARY, 1970.

Twelve new members have joined the Club since my last newsletter bringing the total to 89 - our highest yet. There are 68 riding, 20 non riding and one honorary member. Names and addresses of the new members are printed overleaf.

Two new Clubs have been formed in our liaison area, one in the New Forest and one is based on the Applemore riding stables at Dibden Purlieu, near Southampton. A Club has also been formed, and has applied for affiliation, at Newbury, and we hope to meet some of their members at a social evening on February 27th.

As there was no Area Horse Trial competition in our own area last year, we competed with the Clubs in Area 19 at their event at Shepton Mallet in September, but our two teams could only finish fourth and fifth. Also in September, Miss Lyndsay Hart riding Highland Fling, represented the Bourne Valley in the finals of the Riding Clubs Dressage Championship at Stoneleigh. Lyndsay was one of the youngest riders there and she did very well to finish twenty second with 76.5 points against strong opposition. The winner was Miss V. Gillespie from the Spartan R.C. with 111 points. In fact all our teams and individual riders did well in the Area competitions, and I think you will agree that it was a very creditable effort on their part to reach the finals in two of the four events in our first year of competing in these competitions. The Prix Caprilli final, in which 18 Clubs took part, was won by the Cross Thames R.C. with 272 points. Ringwood & District R.C., the winners in our Area, came eighth with 251 points.

We are hoping to send teams to all the events again this year and perhaps to compete also at some of the local shows which have classes for Riding Clubs. By the way please note that the Area Prix Caprilli and Dressage competition will now be held on Aug. 23rd and not May 31st.

A point which may interest some members was raised at the Riding Clubs' Conference in October. This was that "It was agreed that Riding Club members should be allowed to jump in Local Jumping Classes at B.S.J.A. Affiliated Shows without being members of the B.S.J.A".

In view of what I have just written, it sounds as if we are going to concentrate on competitions only but this is not the case at all - the programme sub-committee will continue to try and produce a balanced fixture list but, as always, new ideas are needed so if there is any event you would like the Club to organise this spring or summer, do please let me know.

The Bring and Buy Auction, held after the annual dinner, was a great success and made a profit of £8. The committee's thanks to all who brought and bought and to Mr. Misselbrook who acted as our very efficient auctioneer.

You may have heard that the Worshipful Company of Farriers has launched a nationwide appeal for "the future of horse shoeing". The committee thought that this was a very worth while charity to support and have sent a donation of £5 on behalf of the Club. If any member would like to send an individual contribution as well, the address is:- A.J. Barshan, The Worshipful Company of Farriers Charitable Trust, Stewart House, Commercial Road, Woking. (Cheques payable to Worshipful Company of Farriers Charitable Trust).

We have also been asked, as have all affiliated Clubs, to send a small donation (£1) towards a retirement present for Captain G.H.S. Webber and this we have done. Capt. Webber has retired after four years as Chairman of the Riding Clubs' Committee.

Mr. Packman would like to thank all members who came to the B.H.S. meeting in Andover on 15th January. 61 people were present representing all aspects of equitation from racing to disabled riders and it was very apparent from all that was said that facilities for riding are needed in the area. Brigadier Barbour, the B.H.S. representative for the southern counties, who Chaired the meeting, was very enthusiastic about the response of the meeting and he is preparing a report to send to the Andover Borough Council. I will let you know the result of his action in due course.

# NEW MEMBERS

Mrs. S. Bagnall	Bricmerston Farm House, Durrington.	Durrington Walls 542	Riding
Miss C. Dunning	Goddards Farm, Hatherden.	Hatherden 204	Non-riding
Mr. R. Hale	5, Shakespeare Avenue, Andover.	Andover 5730	Riding
Mr. G. Hawkins	Orford Farm, Iron Acton, Bristol.	Rangeworthy 362	Riding
Mrs. M. Kain	Manor Farm, Stoke.	St. Mary Bourne 262	Non-riding
Mrs. Knapton	Old Craven Arms, Inkpen, Newbury.	Newbury 429	Riding
Miss C. Lay	c/o Harroway House, Penton Mewsey	Weyhill 295	Riding
Miss J. Shearing	Pennings Farm, Coombe Bissett, Salisbury.	C. Bissett 254	Riding
Miss T. Shearing	" " " "	" "	Riding
Miss S. Stedman	Park Farm, Clench, Marlborough.	Marl. 2136	Riding
Brig. F. Webster	Upper Close, Winterbourne Stoke, Salisbury.	Shrewton 224	Riding
Hon. Mrs. H. Willoughby	7, Ashdown Terrace, Tidworth.	Tidworth 2394	Riding

## Change of Address:

Miss C. Birnie	2 Fyfield Manor Cottage, Pewsey
Miss A. Jeffreys	Haven Hill, St. Mary Bourne, Andover. St. Mary Bourne 226
Miss W. White	Tudor Lodge, 40, Solent Road, Southbourne, Bournemouth.

Mrs. Sheerman has changed from non riding to a riding member.