

BOURNE VALLEY RIDING CLUB.

NEWSLETTER - JANUARY 1975.

The A.G.M. will be held at Tedworth House on 18th February at 8.p.m. It has been said before in previous Newsletters, and I make no apologies for saying it again, that the A.G.M. is one of the most important events in the Club's calendar, and yet it is one of the worst attended! It is the only occasion in the year when all members can meet together to discuss the business side and general running of the Club and to air their views in public on the rights or wrongs of the decisions made by the Committee over the previous year and to make suggestions for next years activities. It is also important that you send in your nominations for the vacancies on the Committee and attend the Meeting to vote for the people that you want to serve on the Committee. Details of the Agenda are enclosed with this letter and, as mentioned in the December Newsletter, you will see that we are to discuss the possibilities of a bulk buying of fodder scheme. This will be a big undertaking for the Club if it is carried out, and we must have members views and ideas before embarking on it, so this is another good reason for you to attend the A.G.M. (and one that could be to your financial advantage!) - do try to come.

If you have already paid your sub for 1975 please ignore this paragraph! For those of you who have not yet forked out, will you please send your sub now to Norman Creese, 6 Clock House, Bodenham, Salisbury (£2.00 for Riding members, £1.~~00~~⁹⁵ for non-riders, please say if you belong to the B.H.S.) If you would like to pay by Bankers Order - which saves the trouble of having to remember it each year - ask Norman Creese or Tina Bowyer for the appropriate form.

I have been asked to mention Bridleways in this letter. Keeping these paths open is a recurring problem and it seems that the best way to do this is to ride them regularly. I understand that the B.H.S. is now willing to make representation to the appropriate body if requests to the landowner and/or local council fail to get impassable paths re-opened.

The Club show jumping competition, held at Tidworth on 12th January, was well attended. Major and Mrs. Glendinning kindly came to judge the three classes and we are very grateful to them for turning out on such a cold and wet Sunday afternoon. There were two straight forward jumping classes and a little light relief was afforded by the obstacle race for which eight brave people competed. Results were:-

Class 1. (2'6")	1st Miss L. Hart	Class 2 (Obstacle)	
	2nd Mrs. T. Gray	1st Mr. T. Oliver	
	3rd Mr. N. Creese	2nd Miss S. Capes	
	4th Mr. T. Oliver	3rd Miss E. Murdoch	
		4th Mrs. T. Gray	
Class 3 (3'6")	1st Mrs. T. Oliver		
	2nd Mr. T. Oliver		
	= 3rd Miss S. Capes		
	= 3rd Mrs. T. Gray		

Brigadier Heathcott is giving a course of instruction (limited to 8 riders) at Skamore Cottage, Tangley, for anyone aged 17 or over, on Saturday March 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd, 2.p.m. - 4.p.m. This will be a course of four consecutive lessons of two hours each and the complete course will cost £10 a head - further information from Mrs. Rosemary Hicks, Skamore Cottage, Tangley. Any member wishing to take part should give their name to Rosemary Hicks (Chute Standen 225) by Feb. 18th.

J.B.