BOURNE VALLEY RIDING CLUB

NEWSLETTER - JUNE 1971

Twenty members attended the Annual General meeting at Tedworth House on 18th May. Mr. Hart, in his annual statement, thanked the Secretary, Treasurer and the Committee for their support during the year. He particularly thanked Miss June Bush, who has resigned at Hon. Secretary, for her devoted service during the past three years as Secretary, and hoped she would continue to play an active part in club activities. He hoped that the members present and many more members would continue to enjoy the activities that the Committee worked so hard to put on. Amongst the varied programme during the past year, the Annual Dinner, Mrs. Skelton's curry lunch followed by a jolly round the Harroway jumps, and the two Pint-to-Pint rides seemed to have been the most popular.

The statement of the Cluh's accounts showed a less of £37. The Treasurer said that at present there was £52 in the bank at present. The Committee later decided to be more careful with their expenditure.

As a result of the voting which took place at the A.G.M., your Committee for the year will be:-

Chairman Mr. S. Hart

Vice Chairman Mr. D. Packman (elected at a later

meeting)

Hon. Sec. Miss C. Birnie
Hon. Treas. Mrs. E. Appleton

Committee Mrs. J. Dibden, Mrs. S. Hart,

Miss A. Knox, Mr. A. Misselbrook,

Mrs. P. Portman

The various sub-committees have been rearranged and they are now as follows:-

Programme It was decided that as this is the most important

part of the club the whole Committee should be

part of this sub-committee

Competitions

Manager Mr. D. Packman

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Events Miss A. Knox, Mrs. J. Dibden, Miss C. Birnie

Liaison Committee

Representative Mr S. Hart Press Officer Miss C. Birnie

It was decided to ask Mrs. Skelton to be our President for a second year, and Mr. Morgan, our Accountant, will be an Honarary member.

As you will see from the fixtures list, it has been decided to buy 12 tickets en bloc for an evening session of the Horse of the Year Show at Wembley in October. It is not yet known how much the tickets will be, but should work out cheaper than last year, as it was felt people would prefer to trafel up independently. Those wishing to buy tickets should get in touch with Miss Birnie (Pewsey 3329). Proce 1.50. Webs 640 of

Most of you will know by now of Lindsay Hart's and Sandra Knox's success in the competition organised by the Bath & West Show Committee to chose a Tournament Princess (who went under the title of Queen of Youth & Beauty). Lindsay won the contest and Sandra was second, which entailed them both spending the week of the show at Shepton Mallet to take part in the Jousting Tournament put on to entertain some 74,000 visitor to the show. The Jousters were professional stunt men and took the mock fights quite seriously, even notching up some real injuries! A good time seems to have

been had by all.

At the Annual Meeting, suggestions were put forward for future instruction. The most popular seemed to be courses of 4-6 lessons rather than I lesson by one person, and perhaps a demonstration with one horse only and an instructor. We hope to arrange courses like these later on this year, and any members having further ideas should pass them on to Committee members.

It is hoped that as many members as possible will try for the Riding Club tests, particularly the Grade III. With refresher courses being arranged specially our chances of success should be heightened. Names to Miss Birnie as soon as possible.

In the Dressage Contest organised by the B.H.S. on behalf of Riding Clubs which was held at Brockenhurst at the beginning of May for a team of four, three scores to count, out team came 4th out of four teams competing. It was felt that we all learnt something for future competitons, and we all enjoyed watching previous Olympic competitors doing the Grand Prix test.

Individual results:

Miss	S.	Knox on Satan (Novice test 18)	53%
Miss	C.	Birnie on Fyfield Fluffy (""")	50.7%
Miss	S.	Campbell on Alana (Elementary test 24)	31.3%
Mrs.	N.	Brown on Breeze (Novice test 18)	26.9%
		Team total (best	3) - 135

This year it was our turn to put on the Area Prix Caprilli and Dressage competitions. We were fortunate to be able to borrow one end of the polo ground in front of Tedworth House. In the Individual Dressage Competition (Test 18) we all congratulate Sandra Knox, who came =2nd with 79 points, so qualifying for the final at Stoneleigh in September. The winner was Miss R. Morgan (Hampshire Rural) with 84 points, and =2nd was Miss A. Gill also Hampshire Rural. Other Bourne Valley scores:-

Miss C. Birnie 75 Miss L. Hart 72 Mr. R. Hale 58

In the Prix Caprilli, our team did very well to come 2nd, with 305 points (best 3 scores), to the Ringwood 'A' with 316. As there were 6 teams competing only one team goes through to the final at Stoneleigh in September. It's no use crying over spilt milk but if we'd managed to enter a second team two teams would have qualified for the final. Better luck next year! Bourne Valley results:-

Miss C. Birnie on Fyfield Fluffy	106	=2nd
Miss L. Hart on Highland Fling	100	=5th
Miss. S. Campbell on Alana	95	=13th
Mrs. J. Facer on Florin	99	=7th
	(out of 130)	

Team scores (best three):-

lst	Ringwood 'A'	316
2nd	Bourne Valley	305
3rd	Ringwood 'B'	303
4th	Hampshire Rural 'B'	279
5th	Meon Valley	277
6th	Hampshire Rural 'A'	275

If I can speak at least personally, I would like to say how much I feel Captain Allen's lessons hebped our riding. Many thanks to Mr. Packman for organising them.

FOR SALE

1 pr. size 10 mens black riding boots £5

1 pr. size 7 brown riding boots. Narrow calf and with laced insteps £2

1 67" crash helmet £2

Apply Mrs. Jackie Dibden, Laramie, Locks Drove, Upton, Tel: Hatherden 212

FOR SALE

Brigadier Webster, who is emigrating to South Africa later this year, is selling his horse Vincent. He is 16.1 hh, 7 years old, is a good jumper particularly Cross Country. He has been =1st South Western Dressage Group Open Hunter Trials, list in their Novice. Placed Show Jumping at Tatchbury and has two firsts in Junior Hunter Trials with 16 year old boy rider.

He has no vices and is easy to box.

Further details from Brigadier Webster, Upper Close, Winterbourne Stoke, Wilts. Tel: Shrewton 224