BOURNE VALLEY RIDING CLUB

1972 MARCH NEWSLETTER

Subscriptions are due on April 1st - £1.50 for Riding Members and £1 for Non-riding members. Please pay promptly - except for those that joined for the first time since January 1st 1972, who are exempt until next year. Those that do not pay will not receive the next fixture list or newsletter.

The newsletter appears to be more widely read than the fixture list, thus accounting for the added length and more descriptions of activities in the newsletter. Contrary to a minority feeling, all members are kept fully informed of events, and you can't complain you aren't told. So put your reading specs on, send the fixture list and put it in some prominent place!

People have become very bad about paying for various activities on demand, according to the Treasurer. She is sick of chasing people round the country-side for payments which are month's old. In future people <u>must</u> pay beforehand, or not join in the activity.

The Club's Library of useful books and pamphlets has made a fair start. The Secretary is keeping them, and those wanting to borrow them can get in touch with her and the book with arrive, for a limited period. Please be careful not to lose them and DON'T lend them on without telling the Secretary. If members are generally unreliable, we shall fine you, or withdraw the service. Books already here are:-

The B.S.J.A. Year Book
B.S.J.A. Rules and Regulations
Combined Training Rules for Official
Horse Trials
Dressage Rules and Official Procedure)

These are the property of the Sec., who is prepared to lend them out, but woe betide anyone who loses any; they are all tied up with my work -----

For Dressage Competitions
The Manual of Horsemanship

Grassland Management for Horse and Pony owners

A Guide to Simple Book-keeping

Notes on building Cross Crounty Course Lesign and Fence Construction A Simple guide for Hunter Trials.

We hope soon to get Notes on B.S.J.A. Course Building (out of print) and some Veterinary and Schooling books, (on order).

A useful (?) new rule for Dressage Tests - "Whips may be carried by Competitors in Preliminary, Novice and Elementary classes. They are not permitted in the finals of Championships classes."

Please note that the A.G.M. will take place on May 23rd at Tidworth House, 7.30p.m. for 8 p.m. Please try and come - last year only 23 members were present, and when you consider we have 101 members

I have been asked to inform members that there will be two Riding Clubs camps this year. June 12th - 16th at Larkhill for those at or above Grade II, and 24th - 26th June at Goodwood, Chickester, Sussex, for inexperienced people. Those interested please apply to the Sec. who will be getting applications forms and full details from Headquarters.

Rugby Riding Club have arranged a 24hr. air trip to Munich to watch the Cross Country stage of the Olympics. The cost of the excursion if £26, including membership of Rugby Riding Club. Full details from Mrs. E. Coppack, 314 Bilton Road, Rugby: Tel: Rugby 4841.

There is a new Riding Clubs competitions this year - "The Equine Behaviour

Study Competition", which basically is an essay (max 10,000 words) involving your observations on an equid (horse, pony, donkey, mule or Zebra), including other animals if liked. There are three classes, a) Open to any one person or group, b) any Pony Club member and c) any Riding Club member. Anyone interested please get in touch with the Secretary, who has full details.

Ambso there is the annual Riding Clubs film competition, any subject, but it must be instructional. 8 mm or super 8 films only, silent or with sound. Fuller details from Secretary.

The date for the Area One Day Event has been changed, because the Ringwood and District Riding Club have been able to obtain permission to use St. Giles Park, Nr. Wimborne (by kind permission of Lord and Lady Shaftesbury) on Sat 30th July, and not at Tatchbury in September as was arranged. The Area Show Jumping is at Tidworth and volunteers for humping jumps etc. on Sun July 9th will be appreciated by Sam Hart (Tidworth 3378). The Prix Caprilli/Individual Dressage in on September 3rd, organised by Mean Valley. This year's Team Dressage, organised by the BHS, for which we can try to qullify twice, will be on 29th/30th April at Brockenhurst and 1st/2nd July at Coombe Bissett (Jumping Course of Wessex).

Major Pinney has asked our club to provide the arena party for the Show Jumping phase of the Tidworth Three Day Event (May 19 - 21) - that is 6-9 people in the ring and 2-3 people in the collecting ring. Volunteers, particularl our male members, phone Sam Hart (Tidworth 3378).

Anyone wanting information on the qualifying rounds of the Golden Horseshoe competition get in touch with Cathy Birnie (Pewsey 3329) who has full details.

The BBC is showing a film of the R.A. Pony Club practising for last year's Prince Philip Cbp on 1st May at 5.30 p.m.

Last month's visit to Mrs. Loriston-Clarke's lecture/demonstration on schooling a young horse vas voted an outstanding success - 25 people from our club went. Pat Burgess' two sessions were much enjoyed as usual.

Jackie Dibden has two very good crash helmets, suitable for cross country riding, for hire, borrow or sale.