

BOURNE VALLEY RIDING CLUB

NEWSLETTER MARCH 1984

We have not elected a Club President for the last few years but, at their last meeting, the committee unanimously voted in favour of inviting Sam Hart to fill this post. As most members will know, Sam was the Club's Chairman for many years and is still an active member of the Club; I am very glad to say that he has now agreed to become our President.

Many congratulations to those members who passed their Grade I and II tests in January and very many thanks to Sue Bennett who has been giving riding and stable management instruction to the 7 candidates since November. Thanks too to Marty Hoare and Shirley Myall who helped with the tests. Their hard work produced the following excellent results:-

Grade I

Jane Bailey
Lisa Dolton
Jenny Hunt
Stella Linssner
Anne Sealey

Grade II

Jane Bailey
Judy Dathan
Lisa Dolton
Carol Glover
Jenny Hunt
Anne Sealey

I hope we will have an equally good pass rate in August when 7 members will take Grade III!

There was a good turn out for the Social on 15th February. Our thanks to Bob Cull, who was the speaker on that evening, for giving us such an interesting talk on his experiences with circus animals.

The instruction sessions in February went very well - all were well attended and everyone seems to have enjoyed themselves. Many thanks to the instructor, Caroline Nodding-Scott. If members would like a further course of flatwork instruction please let Sue Bennett know (Weyhill 2341). We are hoping to arrange jumping instruction in April/May with Cindy Moir as instructor - please contact Sue Bennett for details of venue and cost if you want to take part.

If enough members are interested we can arrange a video recording session during the summer; the cost for this will be about £10 a head - again, names to Sue Bennett please.

There was a splendid turn out for the Prix Caprilli and Dressage competition at Tidworth on 11th March, with 16 entries for the Prix Caprilli and 13 for the Dressage class. Very many thanks to Sam Hart who organized the event and to all his helpers.

The results were:

Prix Caprilli No.10

1.	Judy Hyson	on KELLYANA	89
2.	Peter Hills	on CHARLEMAGNE	88
3.	Anne Sealey	on PRINCESS	88
4.	Heather Turner	on CHIPS	85
5.	Monica Cox	on BARNEY BAY	83
6.	Carol Glover	on FINA	82

Dressage No.8

1.	Lindsay Hills	on SUMMERTIME JESTA	111
2.	Judy Hyson	on KELLYANA	99
3.	Lindsay Hills	on CHARLEMAGNE	97
4.	Susie Clark	on KASTANA	93
5.	Sue Bennett	on ROISIN DHU	89
6.	Judy Dathan	on TRUDI	87

The Bourne Valley have a team entered in the Ride and Tie competition at the Wellington R.C. on 23rd April. The team (Norman Creese and Peter Hills) will compete against many other teams in an attempt to get themselves and one horse over a 7 mile course in the fastest possible time - vocal support on the day would be more than welcome!

The Bourne Valley are invited to send a team of 4 to the Hindon R.C. Superstars on 6th May; the competition will be similar to our own Superstars event, with some mounted and some unmounted classes. Anyone interested in representing the Club at this event, please contact Peter Hills (Weyhill 2388) as soon as possible.

Sylvia Hart has very generously presented a silver cup to the Club. It will be known as the Highland Fling Dressage Cup, and will be awarded for the first time at the combined training event on 13th May. Sylvia's horse, Highland Fling, was the first Bourne Valley horse to qualify for the R.C. Championships at Stoneleigh where he competed in the Dressage in 1969, so it is fitting that his name should be commemorated in the Club.

Finally, another piece of good news - we have at last succeeded in finding a set of second-hand show jumps for the Club and are now in the process of purchasing 8 jumps complete with wings, stands etc., together with a small trailer for transporting them and for storage. In case you are wondering how we can afford this, we have had some cash put aside in a Building Society account for just this opportunity.

The first use for these jumps will be on 13th May at the Combined Training Competition. It is essential that we all try to make this day a financial success. Many helpers will be needed - please contact Cathy Edwardes if you could lend a hand.

A reminder of the AREA COMPETITIONS 1984:

Prix Caprilli, Teams & Pairs Dressage Sunday 8th July

Place: KNIGHTON FARM, CANFORD MAGNA.

Tests: Prix Cap. No.10
 Pairs Dress No.2
 Dressage No.6 (Prelim.)
 No.11 (Novice)
 No.17 (Novice)
 Championships No.18 to replace No.17

Equitation & Show Jumping Sunday 22nd July

Place: ORGANFORD, NR. WAREHAM (off A.35)

Horse Trials (Areas 11,13 and 17) Sunday 5th August

Place: STOCKLANDS, LIPHOOK, HANTS.

Test: No.5 (Prelim.)

Anyone who is interested in taking part in any of these team competitions, please contact Lindsay Hills (Weyhill 2388) if you haven't already done so.

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