



1440 BOURNE VALLEY RIDING CLUB

(Affiliated to the British Horse Society)

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NEWSLETTER MARCH 1990

Dear members,

Time seems to be at a premium at the moment and so we have somehow managed to go through February without a Newsletter. Perhaps it is just as well, as many of the Area and Club events I would have told you about have since been rearranged or cancelled in the meantime. So, what is going on and what has happened?

BE FAIR CUP :

The Indoor Show Jumping which was held at Cholderton on the 11th February suffered from the high winds we have been experiencing and as a result was not as well attended as we would have hoped. However, those who did come along all agreed that it was a good days sport marred only by a somewhat dodgy surface in the school. I'm glad to say this now seems a little better having taken part in the Trent Park there recently. The placings after this event were :

1st Sue McGrath	28pts	2nd Liz Edwards	18pts
3rd Sarah Ensor	16pts	4th Lindsay Hills	14pts
5th Emma Foord	12pts	6th Karen Duggleby	11pts
7th equal :- Peter Brotherhood, Lucinda Sims, Julie Hancocks, Dave McGrath,all on 10pts			
11th Judy Hyson	9pts	12th Julie Lancaster	6pts

HELP THE AGED TOP SCORE :

For those who took part last year or in our last Indoor Show no introduction is necessary but to recap - this competition is National, all the courses built re identical in layout and you jump as many jumps as your horse can cope with in the allotted time. There is no penalty for a knockdown or refusal, only loss of time, except for the Joker, a 3'.9" fence worth 200 points which if knocked down loses you 200 points!! The highest scoring Club member goes forward to a Regional qualifier and the winners here go on to the Dunhill Christmas Show. The design of the competition is such that even those who have less capable horse have a good chance if only the smaller jumps are tackled. As we did last year we shall run the Show in conjunction with the Woodhay and Dist. and the Danebury Riding Clubs at Facombe on 13th May. Hopefully by the time this goes to post we will have a schedule for you, if not with the next newsletter.

MEMBERSHIP :

As well as wishing " Many Happy Returns " to those past members who have renewed their subscriptions I would like to extend a welcome to the following NEW members : Tracy Ryder, Andover; Jenny Young, Bulford; and someone who is going to cause a lot of confusion.... Susie McGrath, Hungerford. Welcome to you all and we look forward to meeting you in the next few months.

THE QUIZ :

A good evening was had by all the eleven teams and the good crowd of spectators at the Rebels den, our thanks to Sandra and Tom Olliver for inviting the Club to use such an ideal venue and to Liz Rawlingson and Ian Walker for organising the evening so well. Lets hope that we are all so much wiser now!!!!.....Kournakoff stirrup irons, American gags, periostitis of the second metacarpal bone etc..etc..etc..

RIDING CLUB QUALIFIERS :

We shall be sending Teams to all the the B.H.S. qualifiers so if you would like to be considered for any of the following events then please contact Carole Glover on Andover 781991 as soon as possible. The dates and places are as follows:

Area Horse Trials.....10th June.....Lulworth Equestrian Centre.

Area Show Jumping/Equitation Jumping
24th June.....Manor Farm, Chilworth.

Area Dressage/Prix Caprilli/Pairs Dressage
22nd July.....Brookewood Park, Bramdean.

The Club will help with travel expences but don't forget that in order to take part in any official qualifier your horse must have a valid flu. certificate. There will be a number of team training sessions before the actual competition.

INSTRUCTION SESSIONS:

As the group sessions at Sue Bennetts were so popular, two more have been arranged for Saturday 31st March and Sunday 8th April, commencing at 10am and 11.15am at a cost of £5 per session. Please return the form to Marty enclosing your cheque payable to the Bourne Valley Riding Club. It is hoped for cross country schooling sessions both at Bluebell Farm and Wellington Riding when the ground dries out. More in future newsletter.

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM EVENT :

The Berks and Bucks Draghounds are holding a Team Event on Sunday 22nd April at Kingsclere. If anyone is keen to make up a Team or would like further details then would you please ring Sue McGrath on 0264 87316. Entry is £32 per team of four with first three home to count.

FOR SALE :

Double 16.2hh horse trailer. New double floor and electrics. Old but in very sound condition. If interested then please ring 0962 75422