

Bourne Valley Riding Club

incorporating Woodhay District Riding Club

(Affiliated to the British Horse Society)



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NEWSLETTER

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Are you ready, willing and prepared!!! My total lack of journalistic talent is once again being unleashed onto the unsuspecting members of the BVRC. Any complaints, please address them to the Sanitation unit in Southampton. Any giggles, then I'm more than willing to listen.

What has been going on I hear you ask, (I dream a lot), well, for one, the Area 17 Novice Indoor S/Jumping qualifier. Clare and Chica have sent in a brill report on the day so I won't go on except to say, jolly well done folks! (and thanks for the report). We're sort of asking people who compete in these events to tell us about their day, it saves me having to think so much, but it is NOT compulsory and therefore NOT a valid excuse to abstain from joining one of our teams for this year. Secondly, the Winter Dressage at Hoplands. Lindsay was right about the weather, no snow or gale force winds, however, there were a few puddles. These little harbours of menace decided to rest at strategic points on the all weather surface. Now it might just be me, but I was under the impression that most of the horses we ride have experienced rain, water on the road, you know that sort of thing and you would therefore think that a puddle might be something they would consider to be 'normal' especially in the winter months. How is it then, that for some of the little angels, puddles turn into huge monsters just waiting to eat their legs if they so much as put a foot near them. Dressage circles and straight lines develop squiggles and leaps, anything really to avoid stepping into what must be the mouth of a Hobbit style devil, until that is, you leave the arena, when of course the puddle at the end is ignored and waded through as if butter wouldn't melt. We love them really don't we!

As a note to the dressage, thanks very much to all of the helpers who appeared on the day. Although Caroline was a bit nervous beforehand about lack of people, her fears were unfounded and loads of people turned up to help.

Now, just a little preparation work for the next newsletter. Its dirty word time, no, I don't mean the Full Monty video is being put on just for BVRC members, I mean Flu/Vac certificates. Oh and of course TEAMS!

We have been persuaded to organise the Area 17 Novice and Open Team Horse Trials at Larkhill alongside our annual One Day Event on 31st May.

Anybody who would like to compete on behalf of the BVRC in a team, be it for Horse Trials, Dressage or Show Jumping needs to have a fully up to date flu/vac certificate, authenticated to the enth degree. These certificates have to be submitted with team entries. So, what we are going to do, in the next newsletter, it to send out a form for anyone who wishes to be part of a team and to ask for a copy of your flu/vac so we can check them in advance. Now, if your severely allergic to forms, just call Di Symes on 01980 652272 and let her know that you are interested, we can then issue a Tango squad to deal with the flu/vac. In the mean time, you'll just have to be patient and wait for the next gripping instalment of the newsletter. (Please, no yawning, snoring or nodding off at this point.)

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Winter Show Jumping at Hoplands Equestrian Centre on Sunday 29th March.

Results and a report of this competition will appear n the next newsletter.

Area 17 Novice Indoor Show Jumping Qualifier at HMS Dryad, Southwick on Sunday 22nd February.

A team travelled to HMS Dryad to contest the Novice Indoor Show Jumping Team competition:

The team was: Sarah Jones Coronet
Clare Berry Barney Rubble
Chica Herbert Harvest Moon
Lindsay Hills Catalin

Clare Berry and Chica Herbert have kindly sent in this report about the Area 17 Show Jumping competition

As new members to the Riding Club we were a little unsure of what was expected of us when joining the Indoor Show Jumping Team. However, we put in some practice at some indoor show jumping clinics run by Pat Burgess, which gave us more confidence in our horses abilities but did not seem to help our own nerves on the day itself.

On the actual day, we drove to HMS Dryad, Portsmouth, where we met the rest of our team, Sarah Jones and Lindsay Hills, together with the other fifteen teams all competing that day. Sarah had just cleared the first round and was looking very happy and relaxed, cheered on by her family and friends. Even though there were some serious spooks on the side of the arena we all managed clear rounds. The next round was higher and only six teams went clear, including ourselves. We therefore had to compete for placings in a third jump off against the clock and came a very proud fifth.

We hugely enjoyed ourselves and we thank the organisers for making it such a fun day.

Winter Dressage at Hoplands Equestrian Centre on Sunday 8th March.

Results (* Denotes Bourne Valley Members)

Prelim 2

1 st	Lyndsey Say	Chantilly Topaz
2 nd	Margaret Horton	Harvest Gold
3 rd	Claire Ingram *	Dublin Lad
4 th	Trisha Badham *	Bizzie Lizzie II
5 th	Annabel Slater *	The Sargeant Major
6 th	Diana Burgess *	Euphobia

Prelim 6

1 st	Uri Vered	Wallis
2 nd	Lyndsey Say	Chantilly Topaz
3 rd	Jill Vallis *	Mr Moonlight
4 th	Diana Burgess *	Euphobia
5 th	Carole Perren *	Charlie
6 th	Annabel Slater *	The Sargeant Major

Prelim 14

1 st	Stacey Huneke	Cristata
2 nd	Jill Vallis *	Mr Moonlight
3 rd	Louise Keating	Captain Cook
4 th	Amy Cooper *	West Garth
5 th	Claire Ingram *	Dublin Lad
6 th	Marty Johnson *	Master Drum

Novice 21

1 st	Amy Cooper *	West Garth
2 nd	Zandra Forder *	Hopeful Heart
3 rd	Stacey Huneke	Cristata
4 th	Louise Keating	Captain Cook
5 th	Liz Potter *	Folkin Philomel
6 th	Marty Johnson *	Master Drum

Novice 24

1 st	Sarah Oldham	Happy Hooligan
2 nd	Liz Potter *	Folkin Philomel
3 rd	Zandra Forder *	Hopeful Heart
4 th	Fenella Morris	Henry
5 th	Carol Wright *	Delbert
6 th	Sandra Bryant	Henry Palmer

Hot Cross Bun Ride on Salisbury Plain on Good Friday 10th April at 2pm.

Red Alert!!! Now then folks, the date for this ride is definitely the 10th April. Not that we wouldn't get any perverse pleasure at everyone turning up on the 28th March in the middle of Salisbury Plain, only to find it's the wrong day, but the point is that it has been rumbled and the truth is now out. The Hot Cross Bun Ride is definitely the 10th April,thats Good Friday..... 1998 this year. The meeting place is still the same, F Range, Bulford side of the Cross Belt, which marks the Hampshire/Wiltshire Border, on the Tidworth/Bulford Road. And if this means as little to you as it does to me, just give Lindsay a call on 01264 772388 and I'm sure that she'll send you to the right place. (On the right day of course.) Don't forget, anyone with the right hat 16 years or over is welcome, non-club members need to cough up £2 and still need to wear the right hat, The ride & buns are free to members.

To ensure enough Hot Cross Buns are ordered please gives names to Lindsay Hills 01264 772388.

Dressage at Knighton Down, Larkhill on the 19th April (Schedule enclosed)

We certainly can't be accused of slacking this year, here we are printing the results of one dressage event and already the schedule for the next is hot winging its way to you. Anybody want to do a bit of dressage writing, stewarding, general conversation for an hour? (preferably on the 19th April that is.) Speak to Maggie Miller (01264 781633) and I suspect she will be extremely grateful for the support. If you are going to come and ride then don't forget to post your entries early and we look forward to seeing you on the day.

UK Chasers Ride at Kirby Farm, Inkpen on Saturday 25th April, 1998 meet at 2pm.

We have arranged our annual spring visit to the UK Chasers Course at Inkpen on the 25th April at 2pm. Being UK Chasers, there are lots of jumps of varying heights, none of which you have to jump if you don't want to. It does however, give you a chance to go round a course, set in beautiful countryside, either on your own, or preferably in a group of at least two. If you want to have a go but you don't have anyone to ride with then just give Lindsay Hills a ring on 01264 772388 and she will try to arrange to fit people together. The ride is open to members and non-members (over 16 years of age). If you are already a member of the UK chasers group then could you please put your UK chasers number on your reply slip. If not, then the cost includes membership of the UK Chasers group for a year enabling you to ride at any UK Chasers course.

UK Chasers Member - £8.00

Non UK Chasers Member - £15.00

Guests £2.00 extra

Directions:- From Andover take the A343 towards Newbury. Immediately north of Hurstbourne Tarrant bear left (opposite the garage/petrol station) signed Netherton and Linkenholt. Take the first right to Facombe. Follow the road through Facombe and on to the junction at the bottom of the downs. Follow the road round to the right, then straight on past Kirby House to a T junction. Turn left and the entrance to the farm for parking is approximately 100 yards on the left.

Skittles evening at The Queen's Head, Ludgershall on Friday 1st May, 1998 at 7.30-8pm.

Come and join us at the Queen's Head, the High St, Ludgershall. Drag out your other halves (PA's), see if their bowling arms are intact, and come along for an evenings entertainment. If you can't persuade (armlock) anyone into accompanying you, then don't be shy, come along on your own and join the throng.

Food is available during the evening but must be pre ordered. There is a choice of Basket food of Chicken & chips, Scampi & chips, Veggie burger & chips or Ploughmans Ham, Cheese or Beef., all meals are £4 each or Sausage & Chips at £2.50. You don't have to eat at all if you don't want to. We need to know beforehand how many people are coming. So I'm afraid its the dreaded reply slip time.

If you want food, please send reply slip to Caroline Stevens by Saturday 25th April, otherwise just ring to let her know you are intending to come along. Tel: 01264 323729. (Members, friends & accompanied children welcome).

Instruction

Evening instruction sessions have been arranged with Sorrel Warwick, at Cholderton House EC indoor school.

The weekday instruction sessions continue with Diana Burgess. These sessions will be held at Virginia Chamber's outdoor school in Lower Chute. Parking is courtesy of the Chute Club, but please park towards the front of the car park and please ensure that the area is left tidy (no litter or droppings).

Cross Country instruction has been arranged with Diana at Dene Farm, Nether Wallop and Tweseldown.

Ring Lindsay (01264 772388) if you would like more detailed directions to any of the venues.

Please make a careful note of the days of the week and times for the sessions because they are not necessarily the same each week.

The dates with Diana are as follows:-

Tuesday	21 st April	10.30 am	General Instruction at Lower Chute	£10
Monday	4 th May	10.30 am	Cross Country Schooling at Dene Farm, Nether Wallop	£15
Tuesday	5 th May	10.30 am	General Instruction at Lower Chute	£10
Wednesday	14 th May	10.30 am	Cross Country Schooling at Tweseldown	£20
Monday	18 th May	10.30 am	General Instruction at Lower Chute	£10

The dates with Sorrel are as follows: (All are General instruction costing £10 per session.)

Thursday	2 nd April	6.45pm	Thursday	7 th May	7pm
Wednesday	21 st April	7pm	Thursday	21 st May	7pm

The General instruction sessions will consist of a some flatwork with some optional gridwork or a small course of jumps at the end. Each session will last 1 hour 30 minutes. Groups of 4-6 people.

Cross Country instruction will be sessions of 2 hours again with groups of 4-6 riders.

The instruction is aimed at all levels of horse and rider - so do come and have a go. If you wish to attend, please send the attached reply slip to Lindsay Hills **AT LEAST 3 DAYS BEFORE** the due date.

ADVERTS

For Sale: **Dressage/Showing Saddle:** 17.5" medium width, black, made by Calcutts. 2 years old and very lightly used. (The front of the saddle is slightly more straight cut than a normal modern dressage saddle in order to show the shoulder better, hence it can double for dressage or showing). £375. Tel: Claire Ingram (01264) 332536.

REDENHAM RUGS

Horse Rugs Repaired and Cleaned. Same day mending if required. Local collection and delivery by arrangement.

Workshop open mornings Monday, Thursday, Saturday . Ivy Cottage, Redenham, Nr Andover. Tel: (01264) 773232 / Fax: 773001.

For Sale:- **Rice Farmers Hunt Trailer** - Rear Unload. Good Condition. Stored under cover. New tyres. Well maintained. £750 **Call 01264 781633**

DIARY DATES

APRIL

- 10.4.98 BVRC Hot Cross Bun Ride on Salisbury Plain at 2pm at Cross Belt (between Tidworth / Bulford).**
Names to Lindsay Hills (01264 772388)
- 12.4.98 AMPORT HORSE SHOW
Sae: Mrs M. Hale, Amport Riding Centre, Furzedown Lane, Amport, Nr Andover, Hants SP11 8BE.
- 19.4.98 BVRC Unaffiliated Dressage at Knighton Down, Larkhill.**
Organiser: Maggie Miller (Schedule enclosed).
- 21.4.98 BVRC General Instruction with Diana Burgess at Lower Chute, 10.30am**
Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills
- 22.4.98 BVRC General Instruction with Sorrel Warwick at Cholderton House EC at 7pm.**
Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills
- 25.4.98 BVRC UK Chasers Ride at Kirby Farm, Inkpen, 2pm.**
Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills

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- 1.5.98 BVRC Skittles evening at Queens Head, Ludgershall, 7.30-8pm.**
Send reply slip to Caroline Stevens
- 3.5.98 AMPORT HORSE SHOW
Sae: Mrs M. Hale, Amport Riding Centre, Furzedown Lane, Amport, Nr Andover, Hants SP11 8BE.
- 4.5.98 BVRC Cross Country Instruction with Diana Burgess at Dene Farm, Nether Wallop, 10.30am**
Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills
- 5.5.98 BVRC General Instruction with Diana Burgess at Lower Chute, 10.30am**
Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills
- 7.5.98 BVRC General Instruction with Sorrel Warwick at Cholderton House EC at 7pm.**
Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills
- 13.5.98 BVRC Cross Country Instruction with Diana Burgess at Tweseldown, 10.30am**
Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills
- 17.5.98 BVRC Dressage, Combined Training, Show Jumping at West Woodhay**
Organiser: Shelagh Forder (Schedule enclosed with next Newsletter).
- 18.5.98 BVRC General Instruction with Diana Burgess at Lower Chute, 10.30am**
Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills
- 21.5.98 BVRC General Instruction with Sorrel Warwick at Cholderton House EC at 7pm.**
Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills
- 24.5.98 AMPORT HORSE SHOW
Sae: Mrs M. Hale, Amport Riding Centre, Furzedown Lane, Amport, Nr Andover, Hants SP11 8BE.
- 31.5.98 Area 17 Novice & Open Team Horse Trials Qualifier + BVRC One Day Event at Larkhill.**
Organiser: Lindsay Hills (Schedule enclosed with next Newsletter).

JUNE

- 21.6.98 **BVRC Unaffiliated Dressage at Durrington Sports Ground.** Organiser: Monica Tomkins.
- 28.6.98 Area 17 Team & Individual Dressage & Riding Test Qualifier, Harnsworth Farm, Nr Botley
Organiser: Meon Riding Club.

JULY

- 19.7.98 Area 17 Team & Individual Novice & Open Show Jumping Qualifiers at Forest Lodge, Nr Shaftesbury.
Organiser: Shillingstone & Purbeck Riding Clubs .

OCTOBER

- 25.10.98 BVRC Hunter Trial at Larkhill.**

REPLY SLIP to be returned to Mrs L Hills, The Ridings, Dauntsey Lane, Weyhill, Andover, Hants SP11 8EB.

I would like to attend the General Instruction with Sorrel Warwick at 7pm on Thursday 21st May at Cholderton House EC, and enclose a cheque for £10 (made payable to Bourne Valley Riding Club). Sessions 1 hour 30 mins based on 4-6 sharing.

Name Tel No

REPLY SLIP to be returned to Mrs L Hills, The Ridings, Dauntsey Lane, Weyhill, Andover, Hants SP11 8EB.

I would like to attend the general instruction with Diana Burgess at 10.30am on Monday 18th May at Lower Chute, and enclose a cheque for £10 (made payable to Bourne Valley Riding Club). Sessions 1 hour 30 mins based on 4-6 sharing.

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Name Tel No

REPLY SLIP to be returned to Mrs L Hills, The Ridings, Dauntsey Lane, Weyhill, Andover, Hants SP11 8EB.

I would like to attend the General Instruction with Sorrel Warwick at 7pm on Thursday 7th May at Cholderton House EC, and enclose a cheque for £10 (made payable to Bourne Valley Riding Club). Sessions 1 hour 30 mins based on 4-6 sharing.

Name Tel No

REPLY SLIP to be returned to Mrs L Hills, The Ridings, Dauntsey Lane, Weyhill, Andover, Hants SP11 8EB.

I would like to attend the general instruction with Diana Burgess at 10.30am on Tuesday 5th May at Lower Chute, and enclose a cheque for £10 (made payable to Bourne Valley Riding Club). Sessions 1 hour 30 mins based on 4-6 sharing.

Name Tel No

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I would like to attend the Cross Country instruction with Diana Burgess at 10.30am on Monday 4th May at Dene Farm, Nether Wallop and enclose a cheque for £15 (made payable to Bourne Valley Riding Club). Sessions 1 hour 30 mins based on 4-6 sharing.

Name Tel No

REPLY SLIP to be returned to Caroline Stevens, 37 Cusden Drive, Andover, Hants SP10 5AZ.

I would like to attend the skittles evening at Queen's Head, Ludgershall, on **Friday 1st May 7.30pm.**

I would like the following meals at £4 each:

Chicken & Chips	Ham Ploughmans
Scampi & Chips	Cheese Ploughmans
Veggie Burger & Chips	Beef Ploughmans
Sausage & Chips at £2.50	No Food

and enclose a cheque £..... (made payable to Bourne Valley Riding Club).

Name Tel No

PLEASE REPLY BY SATURDAY 25th APRIL

REPLY SLIP to be returned to Mrs L Hills, The Ridings, Dauntsey Lane, Weyhill, Andover, Hants SP11 8EB.

I would like to attend the UK Chasers ride at Inkpen on Saturday 25th April and enclose a cheque for £8 / £15 + £2 for guests (made payable to Bourne Valley Riding Club).

Name Tel No

Address

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UK CHASERS MEMBERSHIP NUMBER:

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