# **Bourne Valley Riding Club**

## incorporating Woodhay District Riding Club

(Affiliated to the British Horse Society)

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We normally expect to have a lull in club activities during August. Unfortunately, this year the lull seems to have extended well into September. Refreshed from our break, we are bouncing back with a full program of activities for the autumn.

## Area 17 Show Jumping Qualifier on 13th July.

Three Show Jumping Teams, one Open and Two Novice, travelled a long distance to High Hurlands, Passfield, Nr Liphook to contest the Area 17inter clubs Show Jumping Qualifier.

Our Teams were:

Open: Natasha Bruce Barnagrotty's Choice

Nicky Winham Harpo
Caroline Stevens Relza
Moira Willis The Nibbler

Novice: Moira Willis Bess Peter Pell Porky Pig

Lindsay HillsCatalinZandra ForderHopeful HeartRoy SoutheyBallandanteSarah JonesCoronetJulie NewmanColliston MajubaCarole PerrenCharlie

The competition is for teams of four horses & riders, jumping in two rounds - the open at 3'3" & 3'6" and the novice 2'6" & 2'9" - with the best three scores in each round to count towards a team total.

Our open team started well in the first round with two members clear and two with a single stop each, giving a first round team total of 3. Unfortunately the introduction of a water tray in the second round, placed under the largest parallel on the course, got the better of them.

The two novice teams fared much better. Thirteen teams entered the competition, and at the end of the first round, five were on a zero score, of which 2 came from BVRC with seven of the eight team members jumping clear. The second round proved testing, but five BVRC members produced second clear rounds. Luckily with some masterly team selection, four of these came from one team, leaving that team, along with one other from the Meon Riding Club on zero scores at the end of the second round. A jump off, involving all four team members ensued.

Our first member jumped clear, the Meon rider had four Faults; our second member jumped clear, the Meon rider had a fall & was eliminated; our third member jumped clear & the competition was all over - with a zero score we couldn't be beaten, even without our fourth rider jumping.

The victorious team who finished with a clean sheet, jumping 11 clear rounds between them, were: Peter, Zandra, Sarah & Carole.

The team now goes forward to the National Riding Club's Championships on 7th September at the Three Counties Showground in Malvern, Worcs. Good Luck to them all.

## Barn Dance at Harrow Way Community School Hall on 25th July.

This was a rare occasion for club members to meet with other members & friends & without their horses. Harrow Way School hall proved an ideal venue, with plenty of dancing space and good galleried viewing for the non participants.

The band Wiltshire Klof & caller Rod Hopgood soon set the unwary minds at rest, and in no time at all the music was playing and dancing ventured. The riders amongst us were very happy being commanded and corrected when we turned right instead of left, but would have felt even more at home if arena letters (AHEKCFBM) had been pinned around the edge

of the dance floor, we certainly understood the instruction to "Gallop".

When considering dress code for the evening, reinforced toe capped jodhpur boots seemed to be the most sensible attire. Luckily they were found to be unnecessary.

Dancing resumed after a welcome break & breather for an excellent supper provided by Robinson's of Stockbridge.

Progressive dances enabled people to meet others particularly PA's of other club members. Sweat flowed freely throughout the evening, dispelling many members view that they were fit.

President, Sam, sustained a calf injury, trying to show us young 'uns' how it should be done, and still isn't quite trotting up sound.

This was an excellent event and should be compulsory as part of a pre-season fittening program.

## Show Jumping at Hoplands Equestrian Centre, Kings Somborne on Sunday 20th July

Unfortunately entries were a bit sparse for this event. Nevertheless those that were there had a good day's jumping.

#### **Results:**

Class 1	2'3" to 2'6"			Class 2 approx 2'9"		
1st	Tessa Redshaw	Hooray Henry	1st	Janie Jenkins	Beavers Brook	Best BV
2nd	Danielle Lloyd	Dandy Best BV	2nd	Sarah Young	Mr Spock	
3rd	Lynn Duddy	Romeo	3rd	Craig Storey	Tremacron	
4th	Judith Fauchwar	nger Holly	4th	Lynne Duddy	Romeo	
5th	Sarah Ansty	Bonnie Anastasia	5th	Louise Keating	Soldier	
6th	Sally Colley	Mr Chips	6th	Sharon Paul	Manila	
Class 3	approx 3'0"			Class 4 approx 3'3"		
1st	Jennifer Arenas	Betty	1st	Jennifer Arenas	Betty	
2nd	Julia Shearn	Lady	2nd	Louise Keating	Soldier	
3rd	Sarah Young	A Touch of Sparkle	3rd	Sarah Young	A Touch of Sparkle	
4th	Julie Newman	Pepsi <b>Best BV</b>	4th	Diana Burgess	Cristata	Best BV
5th	Lindsay Hills	Catalin				

The Farrier's Cup was awarded to Diana Burgess.

## Area 17 Dressage & Riding Test Qualifier on 3rd August.

Two Dressage teams and a Riding Test team travelled to Forest Lodge, Nr Shaftesbury for this qualifier.

Riding Test Team:

RT2 Nicky Winham Harpo
 RT2 Jill Vallis Mr Moonlight
 RT3 Zandra Forder Vegas Lad
 RT3 Julie Baker Fare Jasmine

#### Dressage Teams:

Prelim 10	Jill Vallis	Mr Moonlight	Nicky Winham	Harpo
Novice 27	Zandra Forder	Hopeful Heart	Julie Baker	Fare Jasmine
Novice 32	Liz Potter	Folkin Philomel	Diana Burgess	Cristata
Elementary 44	Claire Farrington	Alley Marble	Lindsay Hills	Catalin

Medium 68 Clare Farrington Alley Marble

These competitions again consist of four team members - for the Dressage each person rides a different dressage test, Prelim 10, Novice 27 & 32 or Elementary 44; the Riding Test two members ride RT2 & two ride RT3 and in each case the best three score count towards the team total. We also had an individual entry in the Medium 68 test.

The Riding Test team acquitted themselves very creditably to finish in fourth place, with Nicky Winham & Harpo second in RT2.

The Dressage teams also excelled with 22 teams taking part in the competition, Diana Burgess 3rd & Liz Potter 4th in the Novice 32 and Claire Farrington winning the Elementary & Medium test. Claire & Alley Marble qualify in their own right for both test, and go forward to the National Riding Clubs Championships in Malvern on 7th September.

One Dressage team finished in ninth place. The other team finished equal second. The score of the fourth team member was taken into account, giving us second place & putting the team in a qualifying position. The team with whom we were equal then raised an objection because of a minor rule infringement by one team member early in the day.

The results were recalculated and our team was demoted to eighth place. Due to the lateness of the protest & incorrect procedures in making the protest, our appeal was upheld, results recalculated again & our team reinstated to second place.

One week after the competition we were informed that due to scoring mistakes found after the competition, we had once again been demoted, but this time to third place and out of the qualifying place.

Several letters were dispatched in all directions appealing against the injustice of our situation and pleading with the Championship organisers to give us a special invitation. At this moment in time it is uncertain whether or not the team will be going to Malvern.

Good Luck to Claire at Malvern & commiserations to the team if after all they don't make the finals.

## **Riding Hats**

As of the 1st January 1998, the Riding Club's are introducing new safety standard for riding hats. Currently the minimum standard allowed is BSI 4472 or 6473 but the recommended standard is the superior PAS015.

BSI 4472 and 6473 are being superseded by a new European Standard hat (BS EN 1384) which offers a higher level of protection. This is in addition to PAS015, which provides the greatest protection.

BSI 4472 and 6473 hats will **NOT** be acceptable at Riding Club events after 1st January 1998.

This is an early warning so that you can ask for a new hat on your Christmas list if you don't already possess one to the new standard.

#### Instruction

Following the success of the summer instruction sessions with Sorrel Warwick, three more instruction dates have been arranged at Cholderton House EC indoor school.

The Tuesday instruction sessions resume 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).

Please ring Lindsay (01264 772388) if you would like more detailed directions to Lower Chute or directions to Cholderton House.

The dates with Diana are as follows:-

Tuesday 30th September	10.30 am	Cost £10	(one session only)
Tuesday 14th October	10.30 am	Cost £10	(one session only)
Tuesday 21st October	10.30 am	Cost £10	(one session only)

The dates with Sorrel are as follows:-

Saturday 11th October	3pm	Cost £10	(one session only)
Sunday 19th October	12pm	Cost £10	(one session only)
Saturday 1th November	12pm	Cost £10	(one session only)

All of the instruction will be of a general nature some flatwork with some optional gridwork or a small course of jumps at the end, for groups of 4-6 people. Each session lasts 1 hour 30 minutes. 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.

#### Hunting

A club subscription to the RA Hunt will be taken out again this year. This will enable club members to hunt up to 6 times during the season (from the end October to April) for a cap of £15 per day (this is £40 for non-subscribers). The Opening Meet of the season is on 25th October. Cub Hunting has started already and is FREE. For you early risers this is an ideal opportunity to introduce horses to hounds before the season begins properly. Ring Sam Hart (01980) 843378 for details of meets, times, parking, dress, protocol etc etc, he is a mine of information.

Don't forget your membership card.

#### Hunter Trial at Knighton Down, Larkhill on Sunday 26th October, 1997

This is the first call for our annual Hunter Trial, this year returning to our favourite venue, Larkhill.

The schedule for this event is enclosed with the newsletter.

If you can't enter for any reason we would appreciate lots of offers of help to fence judge, steward or do the scoring. Don't be shy, ring **NOW** with your offers of help.

Lindsay Hills 01264 772388 or fence judging Maureen Burford 01264 781499.

#### Be Fair Cup Points Update

Again, for those who do not know, BVRC members are allocated points based on their placings in our events through one year. Highest points wins the cup. Rosettes are awarded to the ten highest placed in the points table. Diana has a clear lead at the moment, but several other are not far behind.

Diana Burgess	71	Sam Adams	15	Claire Ingram	6
Zandra Forder	47	Sally Colley	15	Craig Storey	6
Julie Newman	45	Liz Potter	15	Jo Farrington	6
Carol Wright	42	Caroline Primrose	15	Mary Wyatt	6
Lindsay Hills	36	Sarah Ross	15	Sarah Jones	9
Moira Willis	35	Natasha Bruce	15	Jill Richardson	5
Sue McGrath	35	Alison Mitchell	14	Myra Bennett	5
Danielle LLoyd	28	Anne Ashpitel	13	Rachel Fraser	5
Peter Pell	27	Juliet Lee	13	Clare Farrington	5
Roy Southey	26	Peter Sheppard	12	Claire Campbell	4
Marty Johnson	22	Diane Symes	12	Madeleine Southey	4
Carole Perren	22	Jo Sore	11	Sue Waters	4
Louise Worthington	19	Chantelle Hutton	10	Louise King	4
Annabel Slater	18	Millie Brotherwood	10	Dee Hodson	3
Nicky Winham	18	Lindsay Kemble	9	Jo Jeffreys	3
Janie Jenkins	17	Heather Turner	9	Lena Bond	3
Jo King	17	Rebecca Hamilton-Fletche	r 8	Liz Davies	2
John Stoker	17	Caroline Stevens	8	Fiona Gready	1
Jennie Rolfe	17	Jill Bendinger	7	Gill Trickett	1
Jackie Bench	16	Tricia Badham	7	Danielle Ysart	1
Jill Vallis	16	Caroline Clinkard	6		

## **Caballine Trophy Points Update**

For those that do not know, these points are allocated to anyone that helps at a BVRC do, based on one point for each hour put in and at the end of the year, the person with the most points wins a rather nice trophy. Rosettes are also given to the ten highest placed helpers.

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Anna Smart 32 Shalagh Harrigan & Vyonna Wast	-
Anne Smart 32 Shelagh Harrigan 6 I voline west	-
Clare Heald 30 Linda Rawlings 8 Alison Ainsworth	
Maggie Miller 30 Josie Saiers 8 Pippa Bowen	4
Sue McGrath 29 Tina Shearing 8 Hazel North	4
Jenny Jones 25 Debbie Symmons 8 Mandy Poulton	4
Diane Symes 18 David Turner 8 Louise King	4
Jenny Verity 17 Jill Vallis 8 Angela Wilson	4
Shelagh Forder 15 Julie Baker 7 Sarah Turner	4
Monica Tomkins 14 Dawn Elderfield 7 Claire Ingram	3
Sue Stevens 14 Janie Jenkins 7 Jo King	3
Sam Woodhouse 14 Julie Newman 7 Karen Nimmo-Scott	3
Millie Brotherwood 13 Roy Southey 7 Tricia Badham	3
Mary Bell 11 Eve Watkins 7 Peter Derbyshire	2
Nicky Winham 11 Angela Cooper 6 Peter Pell	2
Maureen Burford 10 Mary Perren 6 Madeleine Southey	2
Sue Kerrison 10 Heather Turner	2

## **Club News**

Club Vice President, June Bush, has not been too well recently. Flowers were sent to June with our best wishes, and I'm sure we all hope that she makes a speedy recovery.

## **Club Sweatshirts**

BVRC Sweatshirts & Polo shirts are available at all club functions, or directly from Lindsay (01264 772388).

Cost Sweatshirts £12 Sizes medium, large or extra large. Polo shirts £11.50 Sizes small, medium, large or extra large.

#### National Riding Clubs Championships at Malvern, 7th September.

Nine days before the Riding Club's Championships our Dressage Team was invited to join the Novice Show Jumping Team and compete at Malvern. 1600 horses & riders assembled at Malvern over the 6th/7th weekend to contest the National Junior & Senior Championships.

Three team members stabled overnight at Malvern, three stabled in the vicinity of the showground and one travelled on the day setting out at 5am.

Only two of the original Novice Show Jumping team, Sarah & Zandra remained intact and they were joined by reserves Roy & Lindsay to make up the quartet. The competition was raised 3" in height from the area at 2'9" in the first round and 3'0" in the second round. The testing course of ten fences which included two doubles and four lots of fences on related distances, required jumping with pin point accuracy - something we didn't quite manage on the day. Sarah gave our best performance and was really unlucky not to finish with a double clear after just tipping the side of a cross pole in the second round. This was a very lengthy competition with 140 horses and riders (29 teams + individuals) taking part. each round took over four and a half hours to complete. They were still jumping when we left at 7.15pm.

#### **Novice Show Jumping Team**

Sarah Jones	Coronet	0,4
Zandra Forder	Hopeful Heart	4,5
Roy Southey	Ballandante	0,8
Lindsay Hills	Catalin	4,12

Our late invitation to the Team Dressage competition meant that our riders were slotted in at the end of eachtest, each going last in their arenas.

With in excess of 45 riders in each arena, going last at around 4pm when the tests started at 9am was not necessarily an advantage. Still we were there!!

Claire and Liz both performed their tests in a long arena (20x60m), testing in its our right. Claire finished as fourth individual in the Elementary test and Liz finished in eleventh place from the team placings in her arena. Although Zandra & Jill were below half way in their arenas, both felt that they had never performed better tests andreceived marks in excess of 60%. You can't ask for more than that. The team finished 17th out of 30 teams.

## **Dressage Team:**

Prelim 14	Jill Vallis	Mr Moonlight
Novice 24	Zandra Forder	Hopeful Heart
Novice 35	Liz Potter	Folkin Philomel
Elementary 41	Claire Farrington	Alley Marble

Medium 68 Clare Farrington Alley Marble

The Hampshire Rural RC & Vectis RC who qualified from our area took team placings second and third respectively, with Hampshire Rural having the highest placed team members in two arenas. The winning team travelled from East Lothian, Scotland and had an eight hour journey to get to Malvern - and we thought that we had a long way to go!!

Early in the afternoon, Claire was first into the arena for her individual Medium test, not usual considered to be an advantage. On this occasion Claire performed an outstanding test setting a high standard which could not be matched by any of the other competitors. Claire achieved a mark of almost 75% and a substantial lead over the next competitor.

Claire & Alley Marble are the National Riding Club's Medium Dressage Champions. They received rosettes, a sash and a magnificent trophy of a horse's head modelled in bronze. Very well done to them both.

Many thanks to Chef d'Equip, Di Symes who must have tramped many miles back and forth across the showground ensuring that everyone was in the right place at the right time and offering support during and after team performances. She too should have been awarded a commemorative rosette for her efforts.

## **DIARY DATES**

#### **SEPTEMBER**

#### 30.09.97 BVRC General Instruction with Diana Burgess at Lower Chute, 10.30am.

Send Reply Slip to Lindsay Hills.

#### **OCTOBER**

4/5.10.97 Berks & Bucks Draghounds Hunter Trial at Canon Heath Down, Kingsclere.

SAE: Anne Ruskin, Wyedale Cottage, 10 Milton Place, Fairford, Glos. GL7 4HS.

#### 11.10.97 BVRC General Instruction with Sorrel Warwick at Cholderton House EC at 3pm.

Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills

12.10.97 Winchester RC Hunter Trial at Dene Farm, Nether Wallop.

SAE: Biddy Hadfield, Old Station House, Whitchurch, Hants, RG28 7AU.

#### 14.10.97 BVRC General Instruction with Diana Burgess at Lower Chute, 10.30am.

Send Reply Slip to Lindsay Hills.

## 19.10.97 BVRC General Instruction with Sorrel Warwick at Cholderton House EC at 12pm.

Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills

19.10.97 Army and Royal Artillery Hunter Trial at Knighton Down, Larkhill.

SAE: Major JA Eden, HQ DRA, Larkhill, Wilts SP4 8QT.

#### 21.10.97 BVRC General Instruction with Diana Burgess at Lower Chute, 10.30am.

Send Reply Slip to Lindsay Hills.

25.10.97RA Hunt Opening Meet.

25.10.97 Unaffiliated Dressage at Hoplands EC, King's Somborne.

For further details ring Jon or Celia Stanwyck (01794) 388838.

#### 26.10.97 BVRC Hunter Trial at Knighton Down, Larkhill.

Organiser: Lindsay Hills 01264 772388

#### **NOVEMBER**

## 01.11.97 BVRC General Instruction with Sorrel Warwick at Cholderton House EC at 12pm.

Send reply slip to Lindsay Hills

## **ADVERTS**

#### **Cross Country Schooling at Larkhill.**

To arrange individual Cross Country Schooling ring Staff Sgt Fleming 01980 675547 at Larkhill Saddle club.

As the course is on military land, a clearance pass has to be arranged with Sgt Fleming and collected from the stables at Larkhill before arriving at the course.

The course is available on the following dates: Sept 27 & 28th, Nov 9, 16, 23 & 24th, Dec 13-19th.

**Trailer for Sale** Rice Farmer's Hunt Trailer. Rear Unload. Good Working Condition. New Tyres. Stored under cover. £900. Tel: 01264 781633

**Bertie** Dark Bay 15.1+HH, Quality 4 year old, Small Show Hunter. Lightly but successfully shown won or placed each time. Kind & sensible with no vices £3950. Tel: Pippa Bowen 01264 720348

**Bourne Valley** For Sale. 16.1HH 8yr Thoroughbred gelding. Plenty of bone. 3 good paces and snaffle mouthed, Successfully Completed PN & N BHTA events. Good to hunt and draghunt, still lots of potential. Viceless. To good home only. University forces sale. Tel: 01264 738229.

## **Horses for Sale**

Very Pretty 3 year old Bay TB filly approx 14h. Broken in and going well, Will jump 2' with ease. Good to shoe, catch and box. Great ability and will be excellent for Pony Club. Extremely kind and loving nature.

Ride and Drive middleweight 15.2h bay gelding. 9 year old Bay Standard bred. Good to shoe, catch and box. Has Hunted well.

16.3h Chestnut gelding by Cruise Missile. 9 year old. Good to Hunt and has recently been show jumping and has completed x-country. Good Temperament as well as good to box, shoe and clip. Tel: 01980 670975 evenings.

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