

# CDRC

# CHOBHAM & DISTRICT RIDING CLUB

Hi Everyone, welcome to Decembers Newsletter. We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New year and that you get to celebrate with friends and family.

## Membership

British Riding Clubs have introduced a new platform for members to renew/register their membership. This is compulsory for all clubs and means that members register directly online with BRC rather than through our old system.

You should have received an email from BRC on or around Monday 27 November explaining this and with links to some help files. It is titled "British Riding Clubs - Launch of New Membership Platform". If you haven't seen it, take a look in your junk/spam folder.

A second email should have been sent from a company called Sport:80, which is running the platform on behalf of BRC. The link in this email allows you to log onto the system and update your details and renew membership. Again, if you have not yet seen this, check your junk/spam for an email from Sport:80.

You should be able to access the system to review your information now, in advance of renewing your CDRC membership from 1st January 2024.

BRC have increased their levy per member to £24 and the block club affiliation fee has also increased to £215. As a result, your committee have decided to increase membership fees as follows:

Senior Riding Member £35
 Junior Riding Member £32
 Non-Riding Member £25

At less than £3 per month for all categories we hope that members feel that this is still good value for money. Our membership fees are one of the cheapest for Area 11 clubs.

If you have any questions directly relating to CDRC's implementation of the system, please contact us on chobhamrc@gmail.com. If your question is relating to support for using the new system, please contact brcmembership@bhs.org.uk

#### **Christmas meal**

Huge thank you to Emma for organising our Christmas meal. 20 people attended at the Belvedere Arms in Sunningdale for a fabulous meal and get together.

There is another social for 06<sup>th</sup> December at the Four Horsehoes in Chobham, no need to book just turn up and enjoy a catch up with other members.

# Save The Date - AGM 2024

The CDRC AGM for 2024 will take place on Thursday 29th February. Venue will be advised nearer the date and we are hoping to have a fun activity after the formal business and presentation of awards. Watch this space!

We do know that Paul would like to step away from his newsletter/website responsibilities, though will still remain involved in the club for the June Show. Also Samantha will be stepping down from the Training role due to increased work commitments. If anyone would like to join the Committee to undertake either of these roles, please do send in your nomination when we issue the formal notice of AGM in January.

# Welcome New Members

Don't forget to join our members only Facebook group to keep up to date on the latest news

Thanks to all returning members!



#### Quadrille

You may have seen our wonderful quadrille team featuring in the BRC newsletter recently giving more kudos to their recent success. We are pleased to offer the opportunity to anyone interested to join this well-oiled quartet team.

Anyone interested will be able to join the training and may be selected to represent the club at the quadrille events. Selection will be made by an independent judge but attendance at training is mandatory to be selected. The cost for all quadrille training is covered by individuals.

The team have entered the Quadrille for 2024. This is being brought forward to a Spring event and will take place at Bury Farm on 8th and 9th March 2024. So far, the squad consists of original team members, Helen Francis, Donna Still and Marci Gough, together with Nadia di Luzio (who replaces Clare Webber). They are hoping to perform an updated version of their 2023 performance " Ferdinand, the Reluctant Bull Fight Parade Horse".

Ideally, a squad of 6 horses and riders is required to allow for a couple of reserves, so if anyone is interested in being considered for the squad, (or would like to be involved in some other capacity) please let us know. You need to be available for various training sessions as well as being able to attend Bury Farm on 8/9th March 2024 if required. Your horse needs to be good at working in formation with others and able to perform basic dressage movements.

### **Christmas Showjumping**

On Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December Aimee FitzSimmons will be holding show jumping training over some fabulous Christmas themed jumps.

Lessons will be £20 per head and we encourage Xmas jumpers and tinsel.

# Save the date Dressage show

Our now annual indoor dressage competition will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024. Please add this date to your diary and if you know anyone willing to sponsor the show please let us know

#### Save the date for Camp 24

We have secured Rose Hill in Henley for the 12-14 July. This is the final year we will be hosting at Rose Hill as the venue has been sold. This is just a date placeholder, registration of interest will be shared separately.



# UPCOMING EVENTS To enter any activity, please email us —

Please be payment should be made in advance to secure your space.

Date	Activity	Location	Cost
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Polework with Tracey Cooper	Bisley	£20 REF 10/12
13 <sup>th</sup> January	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	TBA	£37.50 (45min private lesson)
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	TBA	£37.50 (45min private lesson)
09 <sup>th</sup> March	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	TBA	£37.50 (45min private lesson)



# /Area Competitions

# https://brcareaii.co.uk/upcoming-events

#### **QUALIFIERS**

- National Intermediate Show Jumping Qualifier (90,100,105): December 10th at Merrist Wood (WRVC)
- Area 11 Dressage Team Friendly (1): 17th December at The Priory (WVRC)
- National Winter Novice Show Jumping Qualifier (70&80):
   4th February 2024 (AFRC)
- National Winter Novice Dressage Qualifler (prelim/novice): 24th February 2024 at Sands Farm (NCRC)
- National Winter Intermediate Dressage Qualifier: 2nd March 2024 at Sands Farm (NCRC)
- Area 11 Dressage Team Friendly (2): 29th March 2024 at Merrist Wood (WSRC)
- Arena Eventing Qualifier: to be held at Coombelands date tbc (Spring 2024)
- National Horse Trials Qualifier: 16th June at Munstead (Areas 6,11 & 13)
- National Style & Show Jumping Qualifiers tbc
- National Dressage & Riding Test Qualifiers tbc
- Combined Training Qualiflier tbc
- Challenge (SJ/XC) Qualifier: 4th August at Tweseldown (note: clashes with last day of H/T Championship)

# **CHAMPIONSHIPS**

- London and South East (L&SE) DTM
   Championships to be held in Spring 2024 (date to be advised).
- Dressage to Music Championships, Introductory Dressage and Quadrille - Bury Farm on 8 - 10 March 2024.
- Novice Winter Championships Arena UK 6-7 April 2024
- Intermediate Winter Championships Arena UK
   27-28 April 2024
- Arena Eventing Championships Aston-le-Walls
   31 May 2 June 2024
- Horse Trials Swalcliffe mixed 70 and Junior 80 2 August 2024 running as a One Day Event

# **Teams and Competitions Update**

# **Vaccinations**

All horses and ponies competing in BRC Events must be vaccinated against equine influenza. We sometimes need to provide copies with entries, or often, passports are checked at events. All details must be in accordance with BRC rules - these can be found in section G7 (Pages 22-26) of the 2023 BRC Handbook. Prior to competing we ask that passport details are sent to Charlotte Knight via email

- charlotteknight96@gmail.com. She needs a clear copy of each page of vaccinations, right back to include the first 3 primary vaccinations. We also need a clear image of the pages with the microchip number (note this is not the same as the ULEN number) and the horses registered name. Charlotte will check and log the details so that we have them for the future.

On subsequent vaccinations please send a copy of the relative page to Charlotte, so that we have the correct records in place for subsequent competitions. Can I please ask that all members who have previously provided vaccination details, but have not yet provided a copy of the most recent booster, please now do so, in order that we may keep the records up to date. Should you no longer have the horse, or will no longer be competing, please also advise Charlotte.

Whilst the details are checked, please note that the responsibility for ensuring everything is in order ultimately rests with the competing member, but should you have any queries we will try to help, as the rules can be complicated.

One rule worth pointing out is that :- No injection should have been given on any of the 6 days before the competition and /or entry to the competition stables.

Please also note that from 1 January 2024 BRC is amending the intervals of new or restarting flu vaccinations courses. Vaccinations that are up to date and correct are not affected by this change, only courses starting after 1 January 2024. From that date the intervals will be:-

1st vaccination (V1)

2nd vaccination (V2) 21- 60 days

3rd vaccination (V3) 120 - 180 days

Boosters Not more than 1 year apart

2024 is a leap year and, whilst not counted for annual vaccinations, the extra day must be considered for the primary course (V1 -V3).



- Horse Trials Swalcliffe Senior 80, Junior 90,
   Senior 90 and mixed 100 3 and 4 August 2024 running as a Two Day Event
- National Championships Lincolnshire
   Showground 31 August 1 September 2024
- Combined Championships Aston-le-Walls 5-6
   October 2024

As always, if you are interested in any team/area competitions or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me and I will be happy to chat through what may be available for you.

Marci Gough

CDRC Team Manager

#### Results

#### **Introductory Dressage Qualifier at Priory 5 November 2023**

We had 2 senior teams and a junior team competing at this very well supported show - everyone did well with some great results. Top places of the day were Isabella Scott - First Junior in her section (first time competing for the club and qualifying for the final at Bury Farm!) with Emily Owen and Katie Snelling both achieving second place in their sections for an overall 2nd for our wonderful Junior Team. Senior placings were Joanna Smith 2nd and Marci Gough 3rd in their individual sections. Donna Still and Marci Gough also competed in the Pairs and were just pipped at the post into 2nd place. It was also first time for Shelby Tingley competing for the club and she achieved some PB dressage scores.

#### **Future Dates**

Please have a look at the future dates for the Qualifiers and Championships and note in your diary to ensure that you keep the dates free! We are always looking for new team members and keen to include everyone who wishes to have a go. Please note that you should be competing competently at the level of the competition you wish to enter, and that your horses vaccinations all need to be up to date (please see above).

# CDRC Committee

Chair – Sara Green
Secretary – Amelia James
Treasurer – Clare Webber
Membership – Caroline Shrubb
Camp & Training – Samantha Dean
Team Manager – Marci Gough
Website & Communications - Paul Broadest-Dixon
H&S – Sophie Robertson
Committee Member - Malcolm Hunt
Committee Member – Amie FitzSimons
Social – Emma Bishopp