

CHOBHAM & DISTRICT RIDING CLUB

Our January 2023 newsletter includes: Membership reminder, Committee recruitment and a quick update on what safety regulations have changed for 2023.

Welcome to 2023!

On behalf of the whole committee we would like to wish all members a very Happy New Year. We hope everyone remains safe and well this year and we continue to grow from strength to strength with more red rosettes and fun times!

Membership Renewal

Subs are now due! If you wish to re-join please make sure you do by 31st January to avoid the extra £10 administration fee. The membership form is attached to this email or on our website. We also accept renewals via BACS and an email if no personal details have changed.

Committee

It has been amazing to see CDRC return to strong membership numbers, it was only in November 2018 that we had 14 members and the club was about to fold. Thanks to the hard work of the committee, we recorded 126 members in 2022 and look to maintain that number this year. Unfortunately, we are also saying goodbye to some committee members who are huge supporters of the club, who have been instrumental in this resurrection. Claire and Nick Valvona and Elizabeth Sharpe have all decided to stand down from the committee. We are therefore looking for interested parties to join the committee. If you are interested or have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch. We won't be able to continue at the same strength without support.

AGM

It is nearly that time again. We are just finalising the details but you will all receive an invitation to the AGM. We would love to see you all in person to hand out the awards and recap on the success of 2022. If you have any questions or issues you wish to raise at the AGM please send them in advance.

Equestrian First Aid Level 3 Classroom Training Course

We will be running a First Aid training session on 3 weekends to offer members and trainers the required First Aid training qualification, on 28 January, 04 February and 18 March. The cost is £145.50. Email us if you are interested. This is a professional qualification valid for 3 years.

Christmas Function

Thanks to everyone who joined us on Wednesday 7th December to celebrate Christmas. As well as the social, we made it into a games night with Giant Jenga, Connect 4, noughts & crosses & Giant Buzz wire.

Foss Trophy nominations

The Foss trophy is an annual award given to the member of the club who has contributed the most over the year. To submit a nomination for a recipient of this year's award please email the club by 01 February with their name and explanation of the reasons for the nomination. Voting will then be available up until the AGM.

Welcome New Members

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

Chloe Martin

Francis Milnes

Philippa Moody

Lauren Gregg

Nadia di Luzio

Thanks to all returning members!



UPCOMING EVENTS To enter any activity, please email us -

Date	Activity	Location	Cost
22nd January 2023	Rescheduled Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	Larkenshaw Farm	£35 (45min private lesson) One space left
29th January 2023	Gridwork with Tracey Cooper	Bisley	£20 per person
05th February 2023	Spring training with Tracey Cooper	Bisley	£20 per person
13th February 2023	AGM	Chobham	
19th February 2023	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	Larkenshaw Farm	£35 (45min private lesson)
26th February 2023	XC training Tracey Cooper	Munstead	£ TBA
12th March 2023	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	Larkenshaw Farm	£35 (45min private lesson)
14th May 2023	Indoor Dressage competition	Merrist Wood	
03rd September 2023	Indoor Dressage competition	Merrist Wood	









Area competitions

Schedules and entry forms for the following events are now on the area 11 website:

http://www.brcarea11.org.uk/Area11/whats-on/

National Novice Winter Show Jumping (70 & 80) qualifiers
Sunday 5 February 2023
Sands Farm, Warnham (organiser: Abinger Forest RC)

National Intermediate Winter Show Jumping (90/100/110) qualifiers Saturday 4 March 2023 Berkshire College (organiser: Area 6)

National Intermediate Winter Dressage qualifiers Saturday 18 March 2023 Sands Farm, Warnham (organiser: Newlands Corner RC)

Area 11 Dressage team friendly Good Friday 7 April 2023 Merrist Wood (organiser: West Surrey RC)

National Horse Trials qualifiers 23 April 2023 Heath Farm, Munstead (organiser: Munstead Horse Trials)

Combined Training (Dressage & SJ) qualifier for Combined Championships date to be confirmed Venue to to be confirmed

CDRC Committee

Chair - Sara Green
Secretary - Amelia James
Treasurer - Nick Valvona
Membership - Claire Valvona
Camp & Training - Liz Hillier-Sinclair
Team Manager - Marci Gough
Area Liaison - Caroline Shrubb
Website & Communications - Paul Broadest-Dixon
H&S - Sophie Robertson
Committee Member - Malcolm Hunt

A word from Team Manager - Marci

Get ready for this year's competitions by checking all the new regulations.

BRC Hat Tagging Guide for Competitors

Hat Standards – in order to ensure riders are wearing the most up to date riding hats, from 1st January 2023, PAS O15 1998 and SNELL 2002 will no longer be accepted. A new colour of hat tag will be required for all BE, PC and BRC activities from 1st January 2023.

BRC Body Protector Guidelines

Body protectors must be BETA Level 3 2009 or after purple label, or a blue 2018 label or after

http://www.brcarea11.org.uk/Area11/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/2018-BRC-BP-STANDARDS.pdf

Flu vaccination rules:

As part of the BHS, welfare of the horse is obviously paramount, however in the current climate the risk of a flu outbreak is at this time minimal. BRC are therefore comfortable to remove the requirement of a vaccination within '6 months and 21 days' of a qualifier or championship. This will be with immediate effect, however we will continue to strongly recommend a 6 month vaccination when attending BRC qualifiers and championships along with maintaining good bio-security protocols. In order to compete in a BRC qualifier and/or championships the annual vaccinations (12 month) and initial course must be correct as per G7 of the Handbook. BRC reserve the right to amend these vaccination rules should another outbreak occur. All horses must have a microchip – this will be checked at qualifiers and championships (any horse not microchipped will be eliminated).

HELPERS REQUIREMENT

For many events it is a requirement of entry that we provide a helper to the organisers for the day of the show. No special skills are required (although welcomed), and generally the help is required for a couple of hours. We have to provide the names of helpers at the time of entry, and so if anyone is willing to provide help in the future please let me know. This is a great way to see what goes on at these competitions, help in a discipline that you don't normally compete at, or for someone who enjoys the training and other facilities offered by the club, to help out.