

CHOBHAM & DISTRICT RIDING CLUB

Hi all, welcome to the March Newsletter. Maybe I should go into predicting the weather as in the February newsletter I said that we often see a cold spell and last Wednesday proved me right with the snowfall. Hope everyone was ok and luckily it didn't last that long.

This month's newsletter is full different events. If there is anything else you want us to look into, please get in touch.

Attached in the show schedule for the Dressage at Merrist Wood - entries will open on MRL shortly.

Payment reminder

If you would like to sign up to any clinic, email CDRC. When making payment for the clinics please pay for each one individually and reference the date and clinic e.g. "19/03 Poles". Payment will secure your slot.

Next Social

Thanks to all who joined us for hopefully the second social at The Four Horseshoes in Chobham. The next date for your diary is 12th April at 19:30

Pilate

The very popular Pilates sessions start on the 17th April for 6 weeks (excluding bank holiday)
Cost £35

Boot camp

Next block starts 04th April 6 weeks at £40

Camp

We are in the process of planning camp and we are keen to gauge how many of you might fancy coming along. We always try to keep the cost sensible and hope to keep it under £350. Date is looking likely to be the last weekend in July.

Return of Orienteering for 2023

Come for a fun Orienteering ride exploring the Surrey Hills, starting from the Roman Temple car park near Farley Heath. No map reading skills required! Just follow directions, answering clues and finding objects along the route. Lovely going mainly on sand tracks through forest and heathland with some Easter surprises along the way! There is a short route (approx 1 hour) suitable for all and a longer route (approx 2 hours) with slightly more challenging terrain and obstacles but still within the capabilities of most horses and riders. Cost is £5 per rider, all proceeds go to CDRC. Optional Easter themed fancy dress with a prize for the best outfit!

Show Sponsorship

14th May - Indoor Dressage at Merrist Wood

11th June - Charity Show at Dunstall Green

03rd September – Indoor dressage at Merrist Wood

We are looking for sponsors for the classes at all of these shows.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in sponsoring, please get in touch. Through sponsorship we are able to donate more of the profits to our charities and minimise our running costs.

Welcome New Members

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

Michelle Lewis

Grace Lewis

Moya Payne

Georgia Brenton

Kirsty Grant

Oscar Bantleman

Ruth Bostock

Thanks to all returning members!



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
19 th March 2023	Polework with Tracey Cooper	Bisley	FULL waitlist only £20 per person for a group lesson
25 th March 2023	Jumping with Tracey Cooper	Bisley	FULL waitlist only £20 per person for a group lesson
08 th and 09 th April 2023	Polework with Tracey Cooper	Bisley	AM slots only £29 per person for a group lesson
15 th April 2023	Orienteering	Farley Heath	£5
16 th April 2023	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	Larkenshaw Farm	£37.50 (45min private lesson)
22 nd April 2023	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	Larkenshaw Farm	£37.50 (45min private lesson)
23 rd April 2023	Jumping with Tracey Cooper	Bisley	5 spaces left £20 per person for a group lesson
06 th May	Cross country with Kajsa MS Eventing	Pachesham equestrian Centre	8 Spaces left £TBA
07 th May 2023	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	Larkenshaw Farm	£37.50 (45min private lesson)
14th May 2023	Indoor Dressage competition	Merrist Wood	
04 th June 2023	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	Hold the date only. Booking accepted in April	£37.50 (45min private lesson)
11 June 2023	Charity Show	Dunstall Green	
24 th June 2023	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	Hold the date only. Booking accepted in April	£37.50 (45min private lesson)
09 th July 2023	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	Hold the date only. Booking accepted in April	£37.50 (45min private lesson)
30 th July 2023	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	Hold the date only. Booking accepted in April	£37.50 (45min private lesson)
20 th August 2023	Dressage Training with Suzanne Holt	Hold the date only. Booking accepted in April	£37.50 (45min private lesson)
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/

Area 11 Dressage team friendly

Good Friday 7 April 2023 Dressage schedule April 2023

Merrist Wood (organiser: West Surrey RC)

Combined Training (Dressage & SJ) qualifier for Combined Championships

Easter Sunday 9 April Combined Training Schedule April

Felbridge (organiser: Area 13)

National Horse Trials qualifiers Sunday 23 April 2023

Heath Farm, Munstead (organiser: Munstead Horse Trials)

National Style & Show Jumping qualifiers for the BRC NAF Five Star National Championships Saturday 1 July 2023

2023 National Style & SJ Qualifiers schedule

Elstead RC field (organiser: Elstead RC)

Dressage to Music (National & L&SE qualifiers) Sunday 9 July 2023

Belmoredean EC, Burgess Hill (organiser: Liz Marlow, Area 13)

National Dressage & Riding Test qualifiers Sunday 16 July 2023

Pachesham, Leatherhead (organiser: Chipstead RC)

National Intro Dressage qualifier Sunday 13 August 2023

Priory Equestrian, Frensham (organiser: Elstead RC)

A word from Team Manager - Marci Teams and Competitions Update

The spring competition season is now underway and we've made a great start! On 5 March Richard Sharpe competed in the Combined Challenge (SJ and XC) and had a great round on the very enthusiastic Eddie in the 90 cm class at Tweseldown,

The following week the Arena Eventing team (Florence Bradford, Emily Owen, Clare Webber and Alice Scott) went up to Aston le Walls for the National Finals, having qualified for the mixed (junior and seniors) 70 cm. It was such a fabulous achievement to have qualified for this prestigious final and have the opportunity to compete at this great venue. Florence Bradford did a fantastic round to finish 10th as an individual out of over 90 starters, and Alice Scott rode a brilliant round to bring Ember home with just one error and a few time penalties. It wasn't Emily's day and Clare's pony Spirit took a dislike to the bridge, having been foot perfect up till then. A cold and long day, but great memories for everyone.

Upcoming events include the National Intermediate Winter Dressage qualifier on 18 March, where we have a team and 3 individuals competing, another National Final - this time the Novice Winter Dressage Championships on 1 April, where Helen Francis and the lovely Gasper will be competing for CDRC, the Area friendly dressage competition on Good Friday where we have an incredible 4 teams competing and the Combined Training (SJ and dressage) Qualifier on 9 April where Stacey Bishop, Sarah Miller and Alice Scott will be representing the club.

Future Dates

National Horse Trials Qualifier at Munstead on 23 April 2023. Individuals and teams of 4 - mixed 70 and 100, and senior and junior teams at 80 and 90. Entry fee £89. Qualifies for Swalcliffe Park OX15 5EX on 4 -6 August 2023, and you should be available for this final should you qualify. Please let me know if you are interested or have any questions.

Looking forward to the summer we have qualifiers for Style and SJ on 1 July, Dressage to Music on 9 July, Dressage and Riding Test on 16 July and Intro Dressage on 13 August. Please keep these dates free in your diary and drop me a line if you are interested.

Finally, please remember the CDRC dressage show on 14 May 2023 at Merrist Wood. This is open to all, and individuals can also enter as a team of 3. So grab your friends, make up a team and get entering. I will not be responsible for putting teams together for this show, as it is open to all - R/C and non R/C. However, if you would like to be in a team, but don't have anyone to team up with, then I will be happy to act as a liaison point and put people in touch with each other.



CDRC Committee

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