



# CDRC

## CHOBHAM & DISTRICT RIDING CLUB

*Our November Newsletter includes: Membership update, Christmas get together as well as lots of other training opportunities and all our recent area competition success*

### **Membership for 2023**

Letter received from BRC dated Nov 22

I am writing to let you know the changes to the BRC fees for 2023.

2022 has been a fantastic celebration, now that we are all able to get out and about and enjoy our horses again. It was our first full calendar of competition since 2019. As a result of member feedback we held the inaugural Introductory Championships, giving an opportunity to those members who may have never attended a BRC championship before. We have also extended our Christmas Cracker competition to give every member that wanted to enter the chance to take part. We are excited for further new developments in 2023.

Unfortunately, 2022 has also been a difficult year for everyone economically and BRC is no exception. Costs have risen across the board, exponentially in some cases. Examples of this include insurance premiums, competition costs and fuel costs to name a few. In order to meet the increased costs and remain viable we have had to raise both the affiliation fee and the per head membership figure.

Sara as chairperson, has written to BRC to express our dissatisfaction on the increase especially in times of economic instability.

Unfortunately, this increase in Membership fees from BRC means an increase to all the rates by £5, That makes £29 for Seniors, £23 for Juniors, with the £10 admin fee still applied to new members or those expired.

We want to be clear that CDRC don't profit at all from your membership costs.

### **Renewing membership**

If you wish to renew please complete the attached membership form and return with the correct membership fee. If nothing has changed you can simply pay your renewal fee and drop us an email to confirm your renewal

### **Equine pilates**

Thank you to everyone who has shown an interest in the Equine pilates. This has been extremely popular and unfortunately spaces are limited. Thanks to Ali, I hear the sessions are going extremely well.

### **Indoor dressage**

What a success! We ended up with just over 100 entries for the dressage and the day ran extremely smoothly, staying more or less on time all day.

A massive thank you to Malcolm who organises this event almost single handed. This is the 4<sup>th</sup> year we have run the two dressage shows at Merrist Wood and it is great to see many people returning year after year and also so many members, many of which have moved up the grades over this time.

All results are available on our website via the My Riding Life link.

We hope everyone had a great day, next year we will be changing some of the eligibility criteria to enable more participants.

### **Welcome New Members**

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



### Halloween Showjumping

Well done to all who took part in the Halloween showjumping and the top score, the photos looked great. Results to come out seperately.



### Committee 2023

Every year at the AGM, 3 members of the committee stand down but may also restand for election. This is part of our constitution to ensure fresh people joining the committee. This year we have 3 members wishing to standing down, who do not wish to restand for election.

We are therefore looking for volunteers to stand for election for 2023. The elections will still take place at the AGM but we need to get volunteers coming forward now.

If you are interested please email us.



### Christmas Social

It has been a long time since we were all together so we have arranged a Christmas Social in chobham

Come and join us at 7:30pm on Wednesday 7th December at Chobham Parish Pavilion, Chobham, GU24 8EQ.

We will be having a fun, hands on games night to include Giant Jenga, Giant Connect 4 and for those with a steady hand the Giant Buzz wire. If you don't fancy the games just come along for a friendly catch up.

Feel free to bring along any friends and family who would like to join us.

We will provide some nibbles but please bring along any drinks you fancy.

To get us in the Christmas spirit please wear something christmassy.....a jumper or even just some Christmas earrings/tinsel.

There will be no charge for this event as a thank you for your continued support of our club.

Please let us know if you will be joining us so we can gauge an idea on numbers for nibbles etc.







## UPCOMING EVENTS

To enter any activity, please email us –

All costs are members price, we open events to non-members if space permits but there is a surcharge.

A reminder that training need to be paid in advance and if you are unable to attend please let us know so we can contact those on a waitlist. If you space cannot be filled by a waitlist you may still be liable for the cost of the training.

Date	Activity	Location	Cost
20 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Poles progressing to jumping	Bisley	£20 per person
27 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Dressage Lesson with Suzanne Holt	TBC	£35 per lesson
07 <sup>th</sup> December	Xmas social	Chobham	FREE
10 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	Christmas show jumping	Poplar Grove Farm	£20
18 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	Dressage Lesson with Suzanne Holt	TBC	£35 per lesson

## BRITISH RIDING CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP DATES 2023

Competition	Date	Venue
Arena Eventing Championships	10-12 March	Aston-le Walls, NN11 6RT
Novice Winter Championships	1-2 April	Arena UK, NG32 2EF
Intermediate Winter Championships	22-23 April	Onley Grounds Equestrian Centre, CV23 8AJ
Combined Championships	20-21 May	Aston-le-Walls, NN11 6RT
Horse Trials Championship	4-6 August	Swalcliffe Park, OX15 5EX
National Championships	2-3 September	Lincoln Showground, LN2 2NA
Dressage to Music, Quadrille & Introductory Championships	TBA	Bury Farm, Slapton, LU7 9BT



### Area competitions

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

<http://www.brcaarea11.org.uk/Area11/whats-on/>

### National Novice Winter Dressage qualifiers

Saturday 3 December 2022

Sands Farm, Warnham (organiser: Newlands Corner RC)

### 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 11 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

22 or 23 (tbc) April 2023

Heath Farm, Munstead (organiser: Munstead Horse Trials)

PLEASE HAVE A LOOK AT THE LIST OF ALL EVENTS, make a note in your diaries and let me know now if you are interested in joining in a team or competing as an individual. There may also be opportunities to compete in other non qualifying events, across the various disciplines

### Future Team Events

The dates for the various winter/spring qualifiers and next years championship dates are now out and are copied here from the Area11 website. Please note the championship dates and venues, and if you will be unable to make the championships please let me know when putting your name forward for a team.

### A word from Team Manager - Marci

**Dressage to Music London and South East Championship, at Sands Farm on 22 October.** Helen Francis won the Intro class picking up the beautiful John and Ann Foss Trophy. Sue Childs and Bex Harris came 4th and 6th respectively in the Novice with points class - both with really high scores. A lot of work goes into producing these routines and their success was well deserved.

**Area 11 Dressage Friendly at Priory on 6 November.** Team 2nd for Alice Scott, Elizabeth Hillier Sinclair and Helen Francis picking up individual 4th, 5th and 7th individually. The weather was awful that day - particularly for poor Liz who got absolutely drenched for her test first thing in the morning!

**Area 11 Arena Eventing Qualifier, Coombelands, 19 November.** A fantastic result for our 70 cm teams, coming 1st and 3rd out of a large entry. The "Chobham Challengers" - Richard Sharpe, Florence Bradford, Emily Owen and Clare Webber have qualified for the National Final at Aston le Walls 10 - 12 March 2023, and individual prizes for Richard, Florence and Emily of 2nd, 3rd and 5th respectively. The "Chobham Chasers" were Elizabeth Hillier-Sinclair, Donna Still, Alice Scott and Julie Wright who all did fabulous rounds. Florence Bradford then did another great round in the Junior 80cm to come individual 4th and Francesca Elliott competed in the 90cm, but unfortunately no placing this time.

WELL DONE EVERYONE!

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Whilst it is not yet confirmed, the Combined Challenge Qualifier (SJ and XC) is likely to take place on 15 January 2023 at Twelsedown. Please let me know if you are interested in taking part. There will be classes at 70, 80, 90 and 100cm, junior and senior.