



# Chobham and District Riding Club

January 2021

*Happy New Year to all members and their families from CDR as we jump into 2021*





## 35 years of CDRC

## Happy New Year

We would like to wish you and your families a very happy New Year. Unfortunately, it has not been the positive start to the year we would have all prayed for. From 5 January England entered in another national lockdown.

What does this mean for us?

This means that no BRC activity will be permitted during this time. The only exception to this is virtual activities.

In terms of your general ability to ride, please see the below guidance from the BHS

- During the lockdown riding schools must close for public lessons and activities
- Arena hire is not permitted, however arenas can be used for exercising horses which are stabled at the venue, livery yard or riding school
- Horse owners, loaners and sharers can continue to travel to care for and exercise their horse when it is not kept at home
- Livery yards can continue to allow horse owners, loaners or sharers to care for and exercise their horse
- Horse riding can continue although all organised activities and competitions will be required to stop
- Essential visits for the welfare of horses e.g. farrier, vet and physio can continue

Remember – Horse riding is a dangerous sport, please try not to put yourself at added risk during this time and put added pressure on the NHS.

This year sees us celebrate 35 years of CDRC. The Club was original founded by John Foss and his wife Ann, at Langshot Equestrian Centre in Chobham. John, who remained up to date with all CRDC activities and was often seen attending our events and AGM, sadly passed away last year.

Sara Green kindly attended his Funeral on Tuesday 05 January on behalf of CDRC.

John has left a huge legacy of our wonderful club and will be fondly remembered. As per his wishes we have made a donation of £100 in his memory to the Alzheimer's Society.

35 years is a remarkable achievement and we would like to continue the celebration of this achievement throughout the year. Any ideas on how to mark this occasion would be grateful received.

With that in mind, we have now confirmed the date of our AGM, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 19:30. This will be a virtual meeting via Zoom. An official invitation with zoom instructions will be shared separately. All questions must be submitted to the committee via email by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February.

After the AGM we would like to extend the invitation for everyone to remain on the call to raise a glass in John's memory and have a general catch up.

## Welcome to New Members

Please join me in welcoming the following new members to CDRC.

Don't forget to join our Facebook groups

Nancy Brown

Amie Fitzsimons

Lucy Kirby

Kelly Monk

Karen Sharp

Jodie Wake

Nancy Wilson



## THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TOO

Although it might seem bleak now, we have some exciting dates for your diaries for the coming year to make note of.

**27 January 2021** – Vet talk with Rebecca Gengasamy MVB Cert (EVP) MRCVS. 20:00 start - virtually via zoom

**25 February 2021** – AGM 19:30 start – virtually via zoom

**18 April 2021**– Indoor Dressage at Merrist Wood

**13 June 2021** – Charity Show at Dunstall Green

**30 August 2021** – Bank Holiday Monday Show at Dunstall Green

**05 September 2021**– Indoor dressage at Merrist Wood

These are all subject to any national or local restrictions, but we are hopeful that we will be able to run these events.

In addition, we will be once again looking to run a camp this year in the summer months.

## FINAL RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

It is that time of year again, renewal subs are due once again for 2021. As discussed at the AGM in February 2020, British Riding clubs have increased the membership fees and as a result we have had to increase our fees to £24 for the year, which is equivalent to £2 a month. Membership entitles you to enter any CDRC organised event at reduced prices, including our shows. You will also be insured at any BRC run event, including training and receive a quarterly instalment of news, information and articles exclusively for BRC members.

If you do not re-join by **31 January 2021**, you will need to pay the **additional £10** administration fee on top of the annual payment as per our constitution.

**To re-join**, if your details haven't changed, simply pay the membership fee of £24 into the club account and email us to confirm. If your details have changed please complete the attached form.

**Chobham and District Riding Club**

**Sort code: 40-47-08**

**Account Number: 22516586**

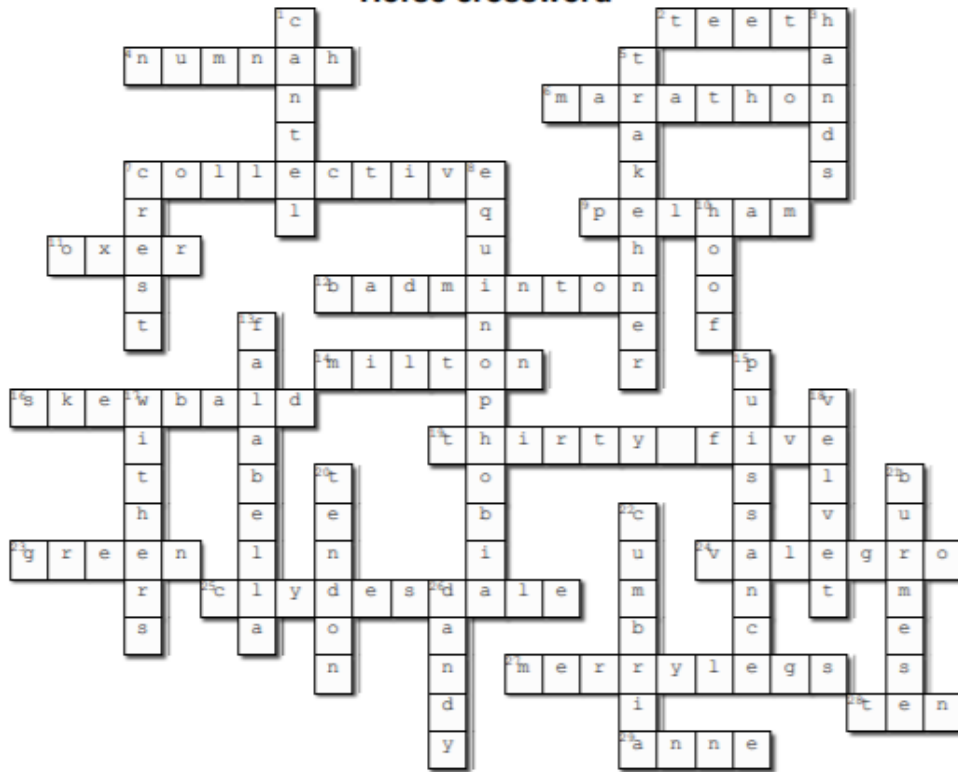
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Please try to reference as 'membership'.



Apologies to those who noticed that in my haste to get all the clues aligned together correctly I miss spelt 1 down- 'Cantle' and 19 across has a space or hyphen 'thirty-five'

### Horse crossword



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#### Cross

2. What do you use to age a horse (**teeth**)
4. Saddle cloth (**numnah**)
6. The cross country phase in carriage driving (**marathon**)
7. The name given to pace, impulsion, submission and rider (**collective**)
9. Type of bit (**pelham**)
11. Type of show jump (**oxer**)
12. What event is held at The Duke of Beaufort's home (**badminton**)
14. What was the name of the horse John Whitaker rode to win the King George V gold cup and Volvo World cup in 1990 (**milton**)
16. Brown and White (**skewbald**)
19. Number of years CDRC has been running (**thirty five**)
23. A young or inexperienced horse, known as (**green**)
24. Name of the horse who scored the highest dressage marks (94.3%) (**valegro**)
25. Native breed in the UK (**clydesdale**)
27. Name of the gray pony in Black Beauty (**merrylegs**)
28. how many muscles are in a horses ear (**ten**)
29. Who won more individual European titles, Princess Anne or Zara Philips (**anne**)

#### Down

1. The name of the back of a saddle (**cantle**)
3. Measurement of horse (**hands**)
5. Type of XC jump (**trakehner**)
7. The top of a horse neck (**crest**)
8. What is the fear of horse know as (**equinophobia**)
10. The 'seat of corn' is where on the horse (**hoof**)
13. Worlds smallest Horse breed (**falabella**)
15. The competition of who can jump the highest (**puissance**)
17. Highest part of the horses back, used for measuring (**withers**)
18. What was the first name of the jockey in National Velvet (**velvet**)
20. Type of horse boot (**tendon**)
21. Name of the horse the Queen was riding in her 1981 birthday parade when six blank shots were fired at her (**burmese**)
22. Appleby Horse fair is in which county (**cumbria**)
26. A type of brush to remove mud (**dandy**)



## VET TALK

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January at 20:00 we welcome an interactive Vet talk from Rebecca Gengasamy MVB Cert (EVP) MRCVS.

Rebecca graduated from UCD, Dublin with first class honors. She joined Sound Equine in 2014 and in 2018 completed a post-graduate degree in Advance Equine Practice with the University of Liverpool.

To enable Rebecca to be able to share the most informative information at this talk, we would like to know what topics you would be most interested in her covering or any questions you would like her to answer.

Suggestions to get you thinking include,

- Colic and digestion
- Lameness – causes and diagnosis
- Ligaments and tendons
- Laminitis
- Dental care
- Injections
- Wound care
- Most common callout reasons
- Latest technology
- Best practise tips

To attend this evening please let us know the topics you want covered and any questions by **20 February 2021**. We can then send these questions to Rebecca and share with you the Zoom joining instructions.



## VIRTUAL TREK

Whilst we are limited on the activities we can run, we thought it would be a perfect opportunity to test some of our TREK skills and run a small competition.

To enter, you need to film yourself and horse completing 8 of the 10 potential activities below. This means you can do these either ridden or in-hand. (If you need any images of the set-up please let us know) There is no time limit and you can wear whatever you like.

Once completed, send us the video to be marked, up to 10 points are awarded per activity with 80 points available. Points are awarded based on the success and ease of the activity being completed.

To send the video please either email it directly to us or if the file is too large send for free using 'WeTransfer' <https://wetransfer.com/>

The closing date for this is 22 February 2021 and an entry fee of £3 is to be paid to the club account. – Good luck!

### Activities

1. Corridor ridden at a walk, trot or canter (4 poles in 2 lines set 70cm width apart)
2. Jump (cross pole at a max height of 60cm)
3. Water walk across (Tarpaulin on the floor secured with poles x2)
4. Bending poles (6 cones/electric fence posts/jump wings set 2 metres apart)
5. Rein back (use same set up as corridor but only go halfway and rein back until front feet past the end of the pole)
6. Neck rein figure of eight (two cones two metres apart). Go around left-hand cone first and then the right-hand cone
7. A) (ridden) Halt in circle - walk into circle, halt, rest reins on neck and immobility for 10 seconds  
B) (in hand) leave horse in circle for 10 seconds (bailing twine circle or pole circle or cone circle)
8. Washing line - collect coat from the washing line take to opposite side of horse and then put coat back on washing line (two jump wings and bailing twine)
9. Mount with mounting block, horse must remain stationary
10. Dismount, horse must remain stationary



## **CDRC Committee**

Chair – Sara Green

Secretary – Amelia James

Treasurer – Nick Valvona

Membership – Claire Valvona

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