

# Chobham and District Riding Club

November 2021

35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



***Stay Alert and Stay Safe!***

***Our November newsletter includes: Staying safe, sustainability, what's coming up and request for help to support the committee***

As the nights start to draw to a close earlier and earlier each night we are about to make the huge leap of the clock change. Going into winter we jump back meaning we get an extra hour in bed, which I am sure will be appreciated by everyone.

At this time of year, the sun is lower in the sky and often produces amazing lightshow in the sky, however this is also a risky time for us when out hacking. Drivers are often blinded and unable to see the road clearly. If you are going to ride on a road, no matter how busy or quiet, it is essential to wear the appropriate high visibility clothing for both you and your horse.

Talking about safety, it is very easy to become complacent and take for granted some of our safety equipment. No matter how safe your horse it, accidents happen, and we often come off worse.

At this time of year we start some increased risk tasks such as clipping, increased lunging and sometimes having to keep our horses in for longer. Each of these pose different risks but by wearing a hard hat, gloves and correct footwear we can help reduce the risk of injury if anything should go wrong.

We want you all to stay safe.

I spoke about this topic the other month, but Sustainability is a topic that seems to be everywhere right now. But it's far more than just a buzz word, and awareness is rising in the equestrian world of the importance of protecting our planet by being more environmentally conscious. Luckily, there are several straightforward changes that everyone can make this now to help...

1. Find out whether the packaging of your horse's feed, supplements and other products are recyclable and consider switching to a brand that is proactive when it comes to sustainable packaging. For example, the feed sacks used by Saracen Horse Feeds are 100% recyclable.
2. Consider ways in which you might be able to save water on your yard. This could be by looking into installing automatic drinkers, to prevent water being wasted in buckets, or simply by repairing leaky taps around the yard.
3. Consider buying more of your tack, rugs and other kit second-hand – often items are only on the market because a horse has been sold.
4. Cut down on the number of wipes and sponges you use around the yard — and your home — whether for cleaning tack and boots, applying fly spray, or wiping surfaces.

## MEMBERSHIP

Annual subscriptions are due at the end of the year. You can now re-join CDRC for next year.

To re-join: Email us [chobhamrc@gmail.com](mailto:chobhamrc@gmail.com) and declare your intention to extend your membership for 2022.

Payment should then be made to the CRDC bank account before 31DEC to avoid the admin charge.

Membership costs: £24

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



## UPCOMING EVENTS

*To enter any training clinic please email us.*

**Sunday 31 October 2021**

RDA sponsored ride on Chobham Common

**14 November 2021**

**Autumn Orienteering**

On Chobham Common - £8 per person

**13 November 2021**

**Side saddle experience at Larkenshaw Farm**

£30 each

**14 November 2021**

**Polework clinic with Maria Windsor at Larkenshaw Farm**

£20 each

**27 November 2021**

**Dressage lesson with Suzanne Holt (venue to be advised)**

Lesson will cost £25 per person for a 45minute private lesson (shared lessons also available)

**01 May 2022**

**Open Indoor Dressage competition at Merrist Wood**

**16 October 2022**

**Open Indoor Dressage competition at Merrist Wood**



### Support the committee

We need your help! Are you willing to support the committee on our event/team events/ training? Please let us know so we can continue to run as many events as we do.

### Flu Vaccines

Flu vaccinations for BRC has returned to annual, which is making everyone's lives easier. Let's hope all the other disciplines follow suit!

### Area competitions

Please see our Facebook for area competition details  
13 Nov – Intro dressage at Priory

04 Dec – Novice Dressage at Sands Farm

### Contact us:

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### CDRC Committee

Chair – Sara Green

Secretary – Amelia James

Treasurer – Nick Valvona

Membership – Claire Valvona

Teams & Training – Liz Hillier-Sinclair

Area Liaison – Caroline Shrubbs

Website & Communications - Paul Broadest-Dixon

Committee Member - Malcolm Hunt

Health and Safety – Sophie Robertson

### Nick Edwards show jump training

- ◆ Tues 2nd @Wix Hill (West Horsley)
- ◆ Wed 3rd PM @Wix Hill
- ◆ Sun 7th PM @Wix Hill
- ◆ Wed 10th @Parwood
- ◆ Sun 14th PM @Wix Hill
- ◆ Tues 16th @Wix Hill
- ◆ Wed 17th PM @Wix Hill
- ◆ Sun 21st PM @Wix Hill
- ◆ Tues 23rd @Wix Hill
- ◆ Wed 24th @Parwood
- Fri 26th 1.30pm-8pm @Merrist Wood
- ◆ Sun 28th PM @Wix Hill
- ◆ Tues 30th @Wix Hill

We will be offering the following sessions....

**30min individual** £35@Wix/£55@Parwood/£60@Merrist Wood

**45min individual** £50@Wix/£80@Parwood/£90@Merrist Wood

**45min pair (price per person)**

£30@Wix/£45@Parwood/£50@Merrist Wood

**60min group of 4 (price per person)**

£40@Parwood/£45@Merrist Wood

(Prices include arena hire. Payment secures booking)

**Book directly with Nick, 07833 47 27 27**

### Christmas Social on 07 December

We are busy planning a Christmas get together in Chobham Community hall for all members. More details to follow but add the date to your diary.