



## FDRC NEWSLETTER

### 2019 ISSUE NO. 1 – MARCH

#### NEW MEMBERS:

**A big warm FDRC Welcome to our newest Member:** Christine Charlier

#### QUESTIONNAIRE

The BRC are concerned that entries seem to be down for riding club shows / qualifiers / championships across the board and have put together a short questionnaire for you to fill in and return to help them (and us) get a better idea of what you want & expect from your Riding Club. Please find a copy enclosed. – apologies as this was supposed to go out with the last newsletter.

#### COMING UP

**WISDOM & CHIPS at Norton Village Hall, Provender Lane, Norton ME13 0SW -**

**Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> March Sorry this event has been postponed – please look out for the new date**

A fun quiz with Fish & Chip Supper (veggie alternatives available) - you will need to book your place so that we can order the food from Crispins Fish Bar, Teynham.

Tea & Coffee will be available and you are welcome to bring your own drinks alcoholic or otherwise – glasses will be provided.

A general knowledge quiz suitable for all. You can make up a team or just come along.

It would be lovely to see lots of you there.

#### **AREA 10 CT TEAMS QUALIFIER at Felbridge EC, East Grinstead RH19 2NU on April 6th 2019.**

For the fifth year running the Faversham and District Riding Club is going to Organise and run the Area 10 Combined Training Qualifier. We realise this is not a very local venue but it is an ideal venue for the event as we need five all weather surfaced arenas to run the event efficiently and Felbridge is really the only centre that can accommodate this.

There are both Junior and Senior teams and individual classes and the schedule can be found on our website [www.favershamridingclub.com](http://www.favershamridingclub.com). **So whether you are looking to be in one of our Club teams or you are able to give up your time and help on the day, we really do need you!** This event takes an army of Riders, supporters, family members and helpers to really make it happen!

Each team consists of two riders in each section.

Prelim section will ride the BRC HT 90Q (2013) Dressage Test and Jump 75cm

Novice section will ride the BRC HT 100Q (2013) Dressage Test and Jump 85cm

Qualifier for the Festival of the Horse which will be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at Washbrook Farm, Aston-le-Walls, Daventry, Northamptonshire, NN11 6RT

Please get in touch if I haven't contacted you already and you would like to help or if you would like to compete. The Prelim entries will need to be in by the 17<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

**Contact details – Lindsey on 07729 763470 or email [lf.bootes@btinternet.com](mailto:lf.bootes@btinternet.com) for teams or helpers**

**NEW EVENT for 2019 - HAVE-A-GO HORSE AGILITY on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2019**  
**at Mockbeggar Farm, Rhodes Minnis CT4 6XY by kind permission of Bev Horkan & Liz Roberts**

A fun clinic for everyone - all ages, shapes and sizes of horses and riders welcome.

This clinic will help both horse and rider with confidence and socialisation; and can be done in-hand or under saddle. Working in small groups, you will be learning how to tackle challenges, ranging from crossing a tarpaulin and footbridge, and going through streamers, to negotiating complicated pole based obstacles.

£5.00 for Members & £10.00 for Non Members, and will include a fun competition and barbeque. Visitors will be welcome at a small charge. **SCHEDULE ENCLOSED**

**FDRC SPRING SHOW at Willow Farm, Hansletts Lane, Ospringe ME13 0RS on Sunday May 12th**

This is the perfect start to the season with classes for everyone from the very novice to the more experienced. **Schedule enclosed.**

Back by popular demand - two classes of Have-a-Go Dressage with a casual dress code Dressage, Show Jumping & Showing Ridden & In Hand classes for all ages & abilities.

**Looking forward to seeing lots of our Members entering.**

**This would be the ideal show to start getting points for the NEW BRC Grassroots League – see details under LEAGUES section later on in Newsletter.**

**Lecture Demo with David of 'First Thought Equine Ltd' Saturday 6th July 10am** - Symmetry in the Saddle follow up event – Postponed from original date in January.

This will include a demonstrations of a couple of riders, riding a Dressage test in their own saddles and then following a fitting of a **WOW** saddle they will then have the chance to ride the test again. If any members are interested in taking part in this event, there will be a limited number of places available. This is an opportunity to try a WOW saddle and also for everyone to partake in open discussion on the horses way of going and symmetry.

Our last event was a great success and I cant thank Maddie and David enough for giving us this opportunity to visit their HQ and share their knowledge once again.

**Location** – Little Duskin Farm, Covet Lane, Kingston, Canterbury, Kent CT4 6JS. In the indoor school, seating provided.

**Car Parking** – at the factory car park

**Refreshments** – Hot drinks provided – tea coffee fruit teas etc. and biscuits.

**Charge** – TBC entry fee, which David and Maggie wish to go to their chosen charity the 'British Horse Society' More details to follow and for more information please contact Lindsey Bootes

**LOOKING BACK:**

**CHRISTMAS MEAL at the Alma on Dec 7<sup>th</sup>**

A very good turnout for our end of Year Christmas Dinner . As usual The Alma produced a good spread. Lots of chat and laughter – a good evening. Thank you Anne for organising it again.

## THE GROUP DOG WALK at Rhodes Minnis, on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> December

This was a really good social event with 18 Members & friends with 21 + dogs.

Liz had worked out a lovely route through the forest which took about 90 minutes and then back to Mockbeggar Yard for tea/coffee and hot sausage rolls.

Thanks to Tim and Sean for all the cooking and to Liz & Bev who hosted & organised it all.



## FDRC AGM on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019 at Norton Village Hall,

The AGM did not tempt too many members out of their homes on a February night but it was nice to see those who did attend and catch up over tea/coffee & doughnuts after the business was finished. Our Chair, Anne, reported on the past years events and we seemed to have been a very busy club in 2018 but unfortunately it was not our best financial year to date partly due to losing two long term sponsors for our main competitions.. Plans for 2019 were discussed and suggestions made.

Awards were given out to Members who had gone the extra mile for the club during the year plus the results & rosettes for the FDRC Red Horse Dressage League.

### THE 2018 FDRC Redhorse Dressage League – Results

1 <sup>st</sup> -	Anne Adams	- 35 points
2 <sup>nd</sup> -	Carol Sudds	- 34 points
3 <sup>rd</sup> -	Claire Stryzyk	- 31 points
4 <sup>th</sup> -	Diane Gower	- 19 points
5 <sup>th</sup> -	Indra Morris	- 17 points
=6 <sup>th</sup> -	David Smith	- 11 points
=6 <sup>th</sup> -	Jean Smith	- 11 points
7 <sup>th</sup> -	Emma Mcannally	- 9 points
8 <sup>th</sup> -	Lucy Adams	- 6 points

Well done all of you – The League will be running again this year.

### **Thank Yous and Members Awards were given out to:**

Faye-Marie Smith, Anne Adams, Abi Martin, Jenny Marshall, Chris Sutton, Sally King  
Brian Fayers, Craig King, David Powell, Bob Holroyde

## Area 10 Arena Eventing at Petley Wood on January 13<sup>th</sup> 2019 – Sally King

I acted as Team Manager for this competition and we had a Senior 80cm Team and two individual riders.  
The team were:

Lucy Adams on MD Connie, Faye Smith on Jigsaw Jack, Simon Rake on Balingaddy Prince and Claire Stryzyk on Carlo of Ardagh

The two individuals were Maddy Stubbs on Foxy Lad (Junior 80cm) & Faye Smith with Lavemill (Senior 80cm)  
Our two nominated helpers for the day were Veronica Crouch & Tony Stubbs

Pleased to say our team of four Simon, Lucy, Claire and Faye came 6th out of 12 teams.  
Sadly our individuals Maddie and Faye were not placed.

But a brilliant effort by all our riders and many thanks to our helpers Tony and Veronica

Looking back over the scores I realised that NOT ONE competitor got a clear round in either the 70 or 80 cm classes!! It was a very testing course of 18 fences with a very tight time and lots of spooky fillers. I have never seen so many riders fall off in one competition. To get enough riders through to count for a place was an achievement in itself. So proud of our riders.

### **TEAM NEWS**

**Our Teams have been out and about and doing really well – Congratulations to all our team members & individuals entries – we are so proud of you.**

### **TEAM & AREA COMPETITIONS COMING UP:**

#### **Area 10 Intermediate Winter Dressage & Team Friendly on March 10<sup>th</sup> at Blue Barn, Great Chart TN23 3DH**

We have a team of four Anne Adams (P13), Claire Stryzyk (N28), Debbie Harris (N34) & Julia Izzard (E42) Plus 5 Individuals Mel Lewis (P13), Faye Smith (P13), Maddie Stubbs (P13 Juniors) Emma Mcanally (Intro), Julia Izzard (M)

Helpers: Tony Stubbs, Ali Ruck & Debbie Harris

#### **Area 10 CT Qualifier on April 6<sup>th</sup> at Felbridge EC, Copthorne Rd, East Grinstead RH19 2NU**

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We are looking for team members & helpers members for this event - get in touch with Angy Spoor if you are interested at [Angyspoor@aol.com](mailto:Angyspoor@aol.com) or Lindsey Bootes at [lf.bootes@btinternet.com](mailto:lf.bootes@btinternet.com)

### **THE TEAM & HELPER'S CHARTER –**

This was in the last newsletter and is being trialled for 2019 and will be open to being revised from time to time – this is slightly updated. See Below

#### **THE TEAM & HELPERS CHARTER**

- 1. All designated FDRC Helpers for Area Team Competitions organised by another club may claim travel expenses of 45ppm***
- 2. All FDRC team members and /or individual riders competing at a competition organised by the BRC or another club will pay a sub of £10.00 per horse which will go towards the helpers/club expenses.***
- 3. Should a rider be able to provide a helper e.g. Parent/partner/friend/relation the helper may claim the travel allowance and that rider will not have to provide a £10.00 sub.***
- 4. All team members should put their name forward to help at a club run or team event at least once a year to repay the favour – we do not pay helpers expenses for any competitions organised by the FDRC.***

## **LEAGUES**

### **Redhorse Dressage 2019 FDRC Members Points League – Willow Farm EC**

We have arranged with Redhorse Dressage to run a points system for FDRC members, which will run during from February 2019 – January 2020. When entering a competition at Redhorse Dressage, write on your entry form that you are a FDRC member or tell Sue Barradell on the day. Please contact Liz Roberts if you have any further questions - Check Redhorse Dressage Website for show dates.

**Results will be announced at the end of Jan 19 and League Rosettes will be awarded at the 2020 AGM**

### **BRC Grassroots Points League 2019**

#### **The Grassroots Points League is a new opportunity for all BRC Members**

All dressage (Walk and Trot and Prelim Level) and show jumping (60cms and 70cms) competitors can gain points at BRC Club organised competitions. Area Qualifiers and National level competitions will not count. Points can be gained when competing at BRC Club organised competitions only.

There will be two separate leagues; show jumping and dressage. Monthly score updates will be provided; therefore competitors must return their score card to the BRC head office no later than the 7th of the following month. Results on cards received after this time will not count. The competition will run for ten months from January – October 2019, there will be rosettes down to 10th place, sashes down to 3rd and there will be an overall supreme champion prize for the competitor who has accumulated the most points in the two leagues.

#### **It's so simple, just follow these easy steps:**

1. Download and print your blank points card from the BRC website.
2. Compete at any dressage (Walk & Trot and Prelim Level) or show jumping (60cms & 70cms) BRC Club organised competition.
3. Ask the Secretary at the event to confirm your placing with their signature.
4. Post your completed points card back to BRC HQ by the 7th of the following month.
5. Finally, wait for the results.

### **TRAINING & TRAINERS - Please see What's On page training dates at**

**[www.favershamridingclub.com](http://www.favershamridingclub.com) if you are not on the internet and want a diary posted to you contact Sally on 01622 851807**

### **Show Jumping Clinics with Julie Draper at Twisden , Great Chart, TN26 1JS** (Generally on a Sunday)

1 Hour session starting at **10.00 am** for 60/70cm group 1 hour session starting at **11.00 am** for 75cm+ group  
Cost £15.00 per horse Groups of 4 riders

### **Show Jumping Clinics with Maria Draper at Twisden , Great Chart, TN26 1JS** (Generally on a Saturday)

1 hour session starting at **1.30 pm** 70 cm (Height will be adjusted to suit group)  
Cost £15.00 per horse Groups of 4 riders

### **Polework & Novice Show Jumping Clinics with Ali Ferry BHSII (SM)**

For novice horses, those riders that want to build up their confidence or just improve their horse's way of going, then these dates are aimed to help you. They are a chance for you to work over poles and small fences progressing to a course.

To be held at Chilham Park in the Soft Track Arena. These will be 1 Hr sessions at 12.00 mid day and 1.15pm

Cost is:- £14 per rider (4 to 5 riders per group) To find out more or to book a place on the above training.

**For SJ & Pole Work please contact Lindsey Bootes on 07729 763470 or email [lf.bootes@btinternet.com](mailto:lf.bootes@btinternet.com)**

### **Flexi Time Flatwork Clinics with Liz Roberts at Mockbeggar Farm, Rhodes Minnis**

**Liz Roberts** (Listed BD Trainers Database and BD Trainee Judge, Fully Insured) who competes regularly in dressage will be taking these clinics in a 20 x 60 arena. Its Flexitime as **YOU** are in charge of when you have your lesson. **YOU** book direct with Liz at a time which suits **YOU** and this can be evenings as well as daytime as the arena is fully floodlit, weekdays as well as weekends These sessions are to suit all levels & abilities .

**Cost: Individual Lesson of 45 mins to 1 hour - £30.00**

To book your time or for more info contact Liz on 07813880373 or [equinelaser@gmail.com](mailto:equinelaser@gmail.com)

Payment will be made via [www.clubentries.com](http://www.clubentries.com) ahead of the clinic.



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### FAVERSHAM & DISTRICT RIDING CLUB REGALIA

Sweatshirts - £22.50    Baseball Caps - £9.50

Polo Shirts – 19.50    Fleece - £26.50

Half Zip Fleece - £25.60

All the prices above include for the item of clothing and the embroidery work of the club logo on the front, with your name underneath the club detail on the back.

Members usually purchase their own blue saddlecloths and these can be embroidered with the club name and your own name for £10.00 -

For all orders contact Lindsey Bootes (details above)