



FDRC NEWSLETTER

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COVID 19 BRC UPDATE

Please find attached a copy of the letter & chart sent to us by BRC dated 25.02.2021

This sets out the changes and hopefully, the steps we can all take towards getting back to normal and out and about again with our horses.

NEW MEMBERS A big warm FDRC Welcome to our newest Member: Ferne Couling from Godmersham - we look forward to meeting you soon at an FDRC Event.

FDRC AGM This was held on **on 9th February** for the first time by Zoom

The meeting was well attended by Members, in fact we had more people this year than at some past AGMs! It was a rather sad year to look back on as we spent a lot of it in lock down with many competitions cancelled. We had some online activities including quizzes, a treasure hunt, orienteering practice to name a few, culminating with our Big Christmas Raffle which raised a princely £390.00 towards Club funds..

There were some suggestions for activities for this year from Members.

For example

A social ride in Perry Woods at Selling,

Orienteering either on foot or mounted practice from The Rose & Crown, Selling.

A talk by a dressage judge on exactly what they are looking for in a test (this might be live or on line)

How to plan, ride and film a virtual dressage test and pitfalls to avoid.

A virtual Prix Caprilli competition.

We only gave out the **Junior Members award 2020** went to Matilda Taylor for her 2nd in the 80cm at the Winter Show Jumping at Hadlow in October – one of the only qualifiers to run.

The Best Helper Award 2020 went to Tony Stubbs

RED HORSE DRESSAGE FDRC LEAGUE 2020 RESULT - The results were announced at the AGM and the rosettes put in the post to the winners. There were only a few competitions run between lockdowns in 2020. Congratulations to you all.

1st Debbie Harris – with 37 points

2nd Diane Gower - with 20 points

3rd Jean Smith - with 9 points

ZOOM BITTING TALK by Vicki Wise held on March 9th

This extremely interesting and informative talk was very well attended. Vicki who is LANRA trained told us how she came to go down this route and became so interested in this particular area.

She explained how the fitting of the bridle for each horse is very important and affects the way the horse goes. It was fascinating and she demonstrated with the help of images the importance making sure bridles do not pinch a nerve or press on a blood supply and that bits fit the mouth and tongue shape as no two horses are exactly the same.

Thank you Vicki for an extremely in depth and fascinating talk. I for one will never look at my horses head & bridle in quite the same way again!

DATES COMING UP

ONLINE CLINIC for BRC MEMBERS on Wednesday 31st March 7pm- Hat and Body Protectors – are they fit for the job? With BETA

To register Members just need to email Lydia Joyce (BRC Administrator) their 2021 membership number at lydia.joyce@bhs.org.uk

These are completely free for current BRC members and they are a great additional benefit at a time when we still have limited activity.

FDRC VIRTUAL PRIX CAPRILLI – MEMBERS ONLY

Entries via <https://clubentries.com/favershamrc/> close on April 3rd

Video's to be submitted by the 3rd April

Schedule & Tests attached

AREA 10 ARENA EVENTING - BALLOT

Message from Jo Cocker - organiser

As we are unable to run a physical event we will instead be holding a ballot for the Arena Eventing Qualifier on the 17th April.

The closing date for **prelim entries will be 11th April and Area entries by 16th April.**

Riders must be available to compete at the Arena Eventing Championships on 22-23rd May at Aston-Le-Walls, meet all eligibility criteria and be on the membership database with Head Office.

Please note the prelims for the cancelled event should have been refunded by head office, so you will need to redo new prelims.

If you are interested in being in a team or riding as an individual please post on FDRC facebook or contact Angy Spoor FULLY PAID UP CLUB MEMBERS ONLY

Schedule Attached

ONLINE CLINICS for BRC MEMBERS Wednesday 14th April 7pm

Road Safety with BHS Safety Department

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NATURAL HORSEMANSHIP WITH WAYNE BUSHNELL Saturday 29th May.

HORSE PLACES FULLY BOOKED – ONLY SPECTATOR PLACES LEFT

at Mockbeggar , Rhodes Minnis, CT4 6XY.

Places very limited. £ FDRC Members £65 Non-FDRC Members £70

Spectators/Audit the clinic £5/person

Booking via <https://clubentries.com/favershamrc/>

NATURAL HORSEMANSHIP WITH WAYNE BUSHNELL Saturday 31st July

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Spectators/Audit the clinic £5/person

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The British Horse Society

Download our new incident reporting app
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The British Horse Society have released a brand new app that enables you to quickly and easily report any incidents* that affect your safety

Download for FREE from the App Store or Google Play.

<https://www.bhs.org.uk/.../2021/march/new-safety-app-horse-i>

We hope this app will equip and encourage many more equestrians to report incidents to The British Horse Society, enabling us to use the data to support our campaigns to improve equestrian safety.

*An incident is classed as an unplanned event that:
has resulted in a human or horse feeling unsafe,
has the potential to cause injury,
has already caused injury.

The DEAD SLOW ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN run by the BHS has sent us their latest statistics. This campaign is aimed at drivers but these figures could also be used to campaign for more Bridleways or to keep the ones we have open.

THE STATISTICS

The BHS collates statistics each year to understand the rate of incidents involving horses and riders on UK roads. In the last year* alone there were:

- 1,010 road incidents involving horses have been reported to The British Horse Society
- Of these, 46 horses have **died** and 118 have been **injured**
- 130 people have been **injured** because of road incidents
- 45% of riders were victims to **road rage** or **abuse**

- 80% of incidents occurred because a vehicle **passed by too closely** to the horse
- 43% of incidents occurred because a vehicle **passed by too quickly**

SADDLE For Sale
 19.5 inch as new Wide Minster Saddle,
 Suitable for Hunter/ HW Cob
 £450.00 ono
 Sue Quarendon 01622-891864 or 07742-793603



TEAM NEWS. – **AWAITING COMPETITION DATES FROM BRC**

We are pleased to report that Claire Stryzyk came 5th in the Medium in the Area 10 VirtualWinter Dressage in February. Thank you Abi Martin & Claire for flying the Faversham flag.

LEAGUES

Redhorse Dressage 2021 FDRC Members Points League – Willow Farm EC

Redhorse Dressage run a points system for FDRC members, which will run from February – January. When entering a competition at Redhorse Dressage, write on your entry form that you are a FDRC member & give your Membership Number. Points are awarded for places 1st – 10th and a rosette is presented at each show to the highest placed FDRC member on that day. Please contact Liz Roberts if you have any further questions - Check [Redhorse Dressage Website](#) for show dates. **Results will be announced and League Rosettes will be awarded at the AGM held in Feb 2022**

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

www.favershamridingclub.com if you are not on the internet and want a diary posted to you contact Sally on 01622 851807

NEW - POLEWORK CLINICS with Claire Stryzyk at Heartlands Livery, Etchinghill

Following the successful clinic held in our brief period of normality in the Summer we would like to offer more of these clinics if there is sufficient interest. These clinics will start in the Spring. Look out for dates. **Cost would be £18 per person, groups of 4. Please contact Liz Roberts if you are interested. Dates to be announced**

POLEWORK & SJ TRAINING with Emma Handebeaux – Dates to be announced
at Chestnut Wood Stables, Scragged Oak Rd, Detling, ME14 3HL

Emma is a well respected local instructor who has been associated with the FDRC for many years. We have already had several of these lessons and they were well attended

This purpose built yard has a lovely open 60x35m fibre sand arena, new set of show jumps, plans are also ahead to develop a show jumping grass arena which is particularly useful for those who compete on grass. There is plenty of hard parking with easy access off the A249.

Sessions can be either individual, pairs or small groups of three or four.

Starting at 2pm Cost, individual £35 Pairs £18 each Group of three/four £15 each

Please contact Liz Roberts on equinelaser@gmail.com to book a place or to find out more.

Payment will be via club entries website (Must be paid on booking space)

FLATWORK LESSONS with Emma Kinsley at Willow Farm, Faversham ME13 0RS

Emma has kindly offered a Club reduced rate for her Flatwork Clinics for FDRC Members
Clinic from grassroots up through the levels

Emma has a quiet and understanding approach to training. Whether you're wanting to build confidence in your horse, the combination or progress up through the levels she is happy to help. **To**

book direct with Emma a slot please PM ELK Dressage or go to her [FB page](#)

Cost: £35.00 for individual lesson inc arena hire - 45 mins

£25.00 each for a pairs lesson (£50 in total) including arena hire - 1 hour (please find your own pair)

Payment must be made in advance.

Dates will be announced

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

HOPEFULLY RE-STARTING – DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED

For novice horses, those riders that want to build up their confidence or just improve their horse's way of going, then these clinics 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 starting 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 contact Lindsey Bootes.

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. It's 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

Payment will be made via 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)