



West Surrey Riding Club

BHS affiliated Riding Club

WSRC News & Events

Our monthly news and events update for December 2018

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We made it to the end of 2018 – and my first year as Chairman of this wonderful club. Although it was a ‘challenging end’ to the horsey events calendar for me personally I did manage 3/4s of a wonderful year with my pony, Romeo, and whilst out and about I got to meet so many of you, our lovely members. The committee has done a superb job this year, we delivered a wide selection of events and instruction and we continue to be interested in your ideas and suggestions in order to grow our club even more. Please do contact us with those ideas! This is our final communication of 2018, if you are receiving this as a new member then we welcome you to West Surrey and look forward to seeing you in 2019, if you haven’t renewed then this will be the last newsletter you receive and we are sorry to say Goodbye!

On behalf of the committee we hope you are all having a lovely relaxing Christmas and we wish you all lots of success and horsey fun in 2019!

Julie Johnson - Chairman WSRC

NEWS ITEMS

WSRC AGM Friday 23 November 2018

The annual AGM was on Friday 23 November at Casis’s Farm, Rowley Drive in Cranleigh – otherwise known as the Cranleigh RDA. We were delighted to be able to host you all in the new RDA building, the Club’s association with Cranleigh RDA is solid and growing stronger year on year with various Club members being RDA volunteers. The evening started with a very informative talk by our special guest

Dietrich Graf von Schweinitz who talked to us about the merits of acupuncture, chronic pain identification and management and Vets with Horsepower which is a new charity he is involved with!

Dietrich also stayed and handed out our 2017/18 trophies – congratulations to everyone that won one and to all our Team members this year who received end of year Team rosettes.

2018 Open Dressage Show

PYO Julie Johnson

Prelim 12 Annabel Rigby

Prelim 14 Tina Pendle

Novice Caitlin Fahy

2017/18 Dressage series

W&T Champion Vikki Chuter & Beauty

Reserve Champion Rebecca Attridge & Tom

Prelim Champion Sophie Tack & Tommy

Reserve Pam Wilson & Tilly

Novice Champion Pam Wilson & Tilly

Overall WSRC Points Trophy Champion Julie Johnson & Romeo

Reserve WSRC Points Trophy Champion Vikki Chuter & Beauty

The WSRC trophy for member contribution: Julie Hazelwood

The WSRC trophy for most improved combination: Louise Hollington

The 'TOM' trophy Pam Wilson

The WSRC trophy for veteran RC horse Tanya Craye-Griffen – Tom

Senior Showing champion 2018 Vicki Alexander

Senior DTM champion 2018 Vikki Chuter

The WSRC trophy for committee member 2018 Ro Major

Teams:

Senior Showjumping team member 2018 Lynn Roberts

Senior HT team member 2018 Samantha Petri

Junior Dressage team member 2018 Sophie Tack

Senior Dressage team member 2018 Rebecca Attridge

Membership renewals

This is just a reminder that annual membership runs from 1st November up until the 31st October. So, from 1st November 2018 onwards, you will need to have renewed your membership to participate in our instruction and events. Regrettably this year we are having to increase our membership fee to reflect our increased costs and outgoings and in line with what other local riding clubs charge, so for the 2018-2019 membership year the annual cost will be £28 for renewing members, and £30 for new members. The 'renewal' price of £28 is only valid up to and including 1st January 2019 so you don't have long left to save yourselves some £s!

Sunday 17 February & Sunday 17 March – Members only

Dressage series at Kilnhanger stables.

Tests for Sunday 17 February will be Intro A, Prelim 2 and Novice 28. Entries close Thursday 14th – all enquiries please to Vikki Chuter. [Link here to MRL for entries and schedule.](#)

Tests for Sunday 17 March will be announced shortly.

Please note we still need to helpers on the day – stewarding, writing, scoring etc – Please contact Vikki if you can help – we cannot run these events without you!

Good Friday Area 11 Dressage Team Friendly – Friday 19 April

As usual West Surrey will be hosting the 2nd dressage friendly of the year on Good Friday at Merrist Wood.

The schedule will be ready in January – in the meantime we are still looking for sponsors for all three team classes. We also need helpers for the day including scorers, writers, stewards, car park supervisors and runners. Please contact Julie Johnson if you can help on either sponsorship or jobs on the day!

Sunday 3 February WSRC Social – Fun ride with optional cross country jumps

Vikki Chuter has kindly organized a social gathering ride around Woolgars. The ride is about 8 miles long and has optional jumps from 1ft 6 to 3ft 6. The ground is chalky, well draining soil so should be good no matter what the weather. Its all off road around farm tracks and very quiet. Vicki will put you into groups if you wish and I understand there may be a warm treat in store on your return for you and your pony!

Please see Facebook or contact Vikki directly for more info vikkichuter@aol.com

Upcoming Team events

We have a number of team events coming up this Winter. We are currently looking for new team members who want to represent the club. Entries fees all paid for (for qualifiers that includes Pre entries) and often discounted training prior to the event. Please contact the relevant Team Manager.

Area Dressage team friendly (1)

Saturday 2 February 2019

The Priory, Frensham (organiser: Elstead RC) Please contact Julie Johnson, julielisajohnson@gmail.com
(Teams of 3 or 4 doing Prelim or Novice – this is a friendly so no pre entries)

Novice (80) Winter Show Jumping Qualifier - Sunday 10 February 2019

Sands Farm (organiser: Abinger Forest) Entries close 21 days prior to competition. Please contact Jenny Tully jennytully2000@yahoo.co.uk

Intermediate (90, 100, 110) Winter Show Jumping Qualifier Saturday 2 March 2019

Berkshire College of Agriculture (Area 6 organiser) Please contact Jenny Tully

jennytully2000@yahoo.co.uk

Intermediate Winter Dressage Qualifier Saturday 23 March 2019

Sands Farm, Warnham (organiser: Newlands Corner) Entries close 21 days prior to competition Please

contact Julie Johnson julielisajohnson@gmail.com

Area Dressage team friendly (2)

Friday 19 April 2019

Merrist Wood, Guildford (organiser: West Surrey RC) Please contact Julie Johnson

julielisajohnson@gmail.com

(Teams of 3 or 4 doing Prelim or Novice – this is a friendly so no pre entries)

Please remember that for all Qualifiers you must have an up to date vaccination certificate for your horse and have your hat tagged according to BRC rules.

Instruction Update

We have loads planned this Winter – thanks to Louise for organizing this little lot!

Bio mechanics Clinic with Lottie Betchley

Wednesday 2 January 2019

Casis Farm (Cranleigh RDA), Rowly Drive, Cranleigh Surrey. (Indoor school & parking on site).

09.30 1 hour session for shared session - 2 riders (£55 per person)

10.30 1 hour session for shared session - 2 riders **(FULL)**

11.30 30 minute session for 1 rider (£55) **(FULL)**

12.00 30 minute session for 1 rider **(FULL)**

Instructional Dressage with Catriona Moorwood

Saturday 9 February & Saturday 9 March

Heath Cottage, Farley Green. GU5 9DP - Parking at Roman temple

Practice your test riding for the Club members only dressage series on Sunday 17th February and March.

Sessions at 11:00, 12:00 and 13:00

£20 per person for 1 hour (2 people per session). If only 1 booked on, session will be 30 minutes.

Lateral work clinic with Sarah-Jane Hornsby

Saturday 12 January 2019

Flatwork clinic for building confidence and developing your riding, Sarah-Jane Hornsby has been a regular local instructor for West Surrey for many years and is loved by us all! Her sessions are grounded, a lot of fun and informative – she concentrates on both you and the horse and maximises the best way of going for you both!

10:30 New to Lateral work

11:30 Developing Lateral work

12:30 Developing Lateral work

Max 4 in a group

£20 per rider Little Lockner Stables, Dorking Road, Chilworth, GU4 8RH. Parking by arrangement a nearby Sample Oak Farm. (5 minute hack by private path).

Showjumping clinic with Sally Thurloway

Saturday 26 January and Saturday 30 March 2019.

Mayor House Farm, Farley Heath Road, Albury. GU5 0SR. Please park at the Roman Temple and hack (max 10 minutes).

1 hour sessions from 11:00 going progressively up in height:

11.00 0.50-0.60 cm 12.00 0.80 cm 13.00 0.90 cm

Max 4 per group - £25 per rider

Polework clinic with Sarah-Jane Hornsby

Saturday 16 March 2019

Fun and informative Polework clinic for building confidence and developing your riding.

10:30 Poles on the ground (walk and trot)

11:30 Poles on the ground (walk, trot and canter)

12:30 Raised poles (walk, trot and canter)

Max 4 in a group

£20 per rider Little Lockner Stables, Dorking Road, Chilworth, GU4 8RH. Parking by arrangement a nearby Sample Oak Farm. (5 minute hack by private path).

How To Book Instruction

Bookings to be made online via MyRidingLife on our [website](#) (preferred method) or by cheque/post.

<http://www.equineaffairs.com/RemoteLocationEventList.aspx?SecretaryID=208070&Type=RunBySecretary&from=rl>

Payment is required at time of booking. We regret we cannot issue refunds unless a doctor's or vet's certificate/letter is provided. If you are unable to attend your booked instruction, you are free to find a replacement (as long as it's a WSRC member and at an appropriate level for the instruction!) and organise reimbursement between yourselves. We recommend using the WSRC Facebook page for this.

For cheque/postal bookings, please download a booking form from the website and send to Louise Hollington – please contact Louise by email for her address – lhollington@hotmail.co.uk

If you are unsure of venue locations in the Albury/Farley Green/Blackheath area visit our website and search for 'Venue map' for a guide.

INSTRUCTION AND EVENTS TIMETABLE:

January

- Weds 02** **Biomechanics Clinic with Lottie Bletchley**
Location: Casis Farm, Rowly Drive, Cranleigh, Surrey. GU6 8PL
- Sat 12** **Lateral work clinic with Sarah-Jane Hornsby**
Location: Little Lockner Stables, Chilworth Surrey. GU4 8RH
- Sat 26** **Sally Thurloway Show jumping clinic**
Location: Mayor House Farm, Guildford Surrey

February

- Sat 2** **Area 11 Dressage Team Friendly (1)**
Location: Priory Equestrian, Frensham (Contact Julie Johnson)
- Sun 3** **WSRC Fun ride with optional x country jumps – Woolgars Farm (10 am)**
Location: Woolgars Farm, Blakes Lane, Horsley KT24 6EA
- Sat 9** **Dressage Test training with Catriona Moorwood**
Location: Heath Cottage, August Lane, Farley Green, Surrey, GU5 9DP
- Sun 10** **Novice (80) Winter showjumping qualifier**
Location: Sands Farm, Warnham. (Contact Jenny Tully)
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 Location: Sands Farm, Warnham (Contact Julie Johnson)
- Sat 30** **Sally Thurloway Show jumping clinic**
 Location: Mayor House Farm, Guildford Surrey

April

- Fri 19** **Area 11 Dressage Team Friendly (2)**
 Location: Merrist Wood Guildford Surrey (Hosted by West Surrey RC)

BRITISH RIDING CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP DATES 2019

Competition	Date	Venue
Arena Eventing Championships	9 – 10 March	Washbrook Farm, Aston-le-Walls, Daventry, Northamptonshire. NN11 6RT
Novice Winter Championships	30 – 31 March	Arena UK, Allington Lane, Allington, Grantham, NG32 2EF
Intermediate Winter Championships	26 – 28 April	Bury Farm Equestrian Village, New Bury Farm, Mill Road, Slapton, Bucks. LU7 9BT

Festival of the Horse	18 – 19 May	Washbrook Farm, Aston-le-Walls, Daventry, Northamptonshire. NN11 6RT
Horse Trials	2 – 4 August	Swalcliffe Park Equestrian, Grange Farm, Swalcliffe, Banbury, Oxon. OX15 5EX
National Championships	31 August – 1 September	Lincolnshire Showground, Grange-de-Lings, Lincoln, Lincolnshire. LN2 2NA
Dressage to Music & Quadrille Selection Trial	TBC 27 – 29 September	Bury Farm Equestrian Village, New Bury Farm, Mill Road, Slapton, Bucks. LU7 9BT
Quadrille Final	TBC	TBC

LONDON & SOUTH EAST CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019

L&SE Horse Trials, Show Jumping, Dressage & Riding Test Championships

Sunday 6 October 2019

Snowball Farm, Burnham, Slough SL1 8EH (organiser Area 6)

L&SE Dressage to Music Championships

TBA at Sands Farm

ABOUT WEST SURREY RIDING CLUB

West Surrey Riding Club (affiliated to the British Riding Club) is a small friendly club based in Area 11 in the Surrey Hills conservation area between Guildford and Cranleigh. Our primary objective as a club is to help and encourage our members in all aspects of horsey life –The emphasis we try to maintain in the club is to make owning and training your horse as enjoyable and sociable as possible while still being informative and safe. We know that the majority of our riders are keen to improve their skills and do the very best for their horses, so all the events we organise are aimed to promote these things.

All committee members details and other information visit www.westsurreyridingclub.co.uk