



Message from your Chairman:

I seem to have the most random list of things to tell you all about this time – so (in best fake French accent) “listen very carefully, I shall type this only once...”

Firstly, would you believe it, it's nearly Annual General Meeting time again (see details elsewhere in this Newsletter). Don't forget, as well as an opportunity to have a say in how your Club is run, this is also your chance to collect from us your Club trophies for winning or, in the case of open shows, being the highest placed Club member (for which you'd have received a trophy winners rosette at the time) through the year. So do come along – don't miss out!

And having given you something, we need some things back in return if you can, please, like helpers for the Club show-jumping show at Merrist Wood on 23 October. Do remember it's a condition of membership of the Club that you help at one of our events during the year, so if you didn't help at the June show or the Easter dressage, ring Emma on 01276 - 474391 to offer assistance - before we come chasing you!

We also need to replace two Club officials as of the AGM. Both Carol, our dressage teams manager, and Kathy Newlands (membership secretary) have asked to stand down due to pressure of too many other things to do! Thank you both ever so much for your support of the Club. Does anyone out there think they may be able to step in to one or other job? Neither is very time-consuming, both being roles which require comparatively intermittent attention. If you need more details of what each entails, why not give Carol or Kathy a ring and have a chat first? Their numbers are on the Committee page of this Newsletter – for now!

Finally, Lindsay, the Secretary from the Surrey Union Hunt, has been in touch to let me know once again Hunt discount vouchers are available for our members (it really is Autumn now!). Each saves you £ 20 off the normal cap per meet and you're allowed to use up to four per season. Contact me if you want any, on 01483 – 770943.

Hope to see you at one of our Club events soon!

Cathy Hughes

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Team Events

Area 11 National and London & South-East Qualifiers

Would you like to be part of a team representing West Surrey RC at the Area/National and local (London & South East, L&SE) qualifiers? All disciplines are included (see below). If you fancy joining a Club team or entering as an individual (where available) for any of the events, contact the relevant team manager (see details on the Committee page of this Newsletter). They'll be able to tell you more about which tests / heights are used at each qualifier, and sign you up! We really don't only want people who are experienced in their discipline – we're also very happy to include those who are just keen to have a go (and who promise to turn up on the day! – we're happy to pay your team entries for you, but some of these events aren't cheap).

Or, if you're in the locality anyway, why not drop in and support your team? This years L&SE championships are being held at Mattingley on 25 September, for which our horse trials team has qualified. The L&SE Dressage to Music Championships are at Sands Farm on 23 October.

Below are the dates currently available for all qualifiers that our Area 11 is running during 2011. Keep your eye on our Area 11 web-site (www.brcarea11.org.uk) for more details, updates (the Winter season of qualifiers, Area "friendlies" and the Area Team Quiz is being arranged as we speak!), and schedules in due time.

13 November – **Area Team show-jumping** (75, 85 & 90cm) – Elstead's Club field

TBA – **National Winter Dressage** (Prelim. 18 & Novice 24, Junior & Senior teams) - Merrist Wood

26 February 2012 – **National Novice Indoor show-jumping** (85/90cm, Junior & Senior teams, no individuals) – Sands Farm

1 April 2012 – **National Eventers Challenge** (85 & 95cm & 1.0m, Senior & Junior teams, individuals and pairs) – Rogate, with Area 17.

4 March 2012 – new **National Combined Training** (dressage & show-jumping (details TBA), Senior & Junior, teams & individuals) – Sands Farm.

Still to be arranged:

Area Team Dressage x2

Area Team Quiz

Royal Windsor Horse Show dressage & show-jumping **Round 2**.



Past Team Events

Robin's Round Up

National & LSE Horse Trials Qualifier at Rackham, Pulborough 10th July 2011

I am still on a diet, and have been since my last update, but, any Burghley bound horse would have been jealous to have my sleek physique! Although, it does seem slightly unfair when no one else seems to be on a diet and it fact some people are grossly overweight not naming any names Ginger!

Anyway, as a result, one slightly cold misty morning I made out the slave moving towards me rather than any of the other less talent or brilliant horses. I did think about hiding in case she was going to put my fly mask on honestly it is really scary! However, I escaped that one, but the bath I had instead was probably worse, but apparently I looked very smart. Then the ramp of the tin box thing came down to reveal a new 'Robin eating' floor. And at last we were off! On arrival I was kitted out in a fabulous new West Surrey numnah.

Then I wandered over to take part in the silly circle thing, this was awful but I blame the slave for not practicing enough. Consequently there was a slight communication issue, what did you want me to do? Halt, walk, gallop? I have no idea but it was soon over with. Basil did a calm accurate test, which showed a lot of practice had gone into it. Then new team member Bailey and Alice raced through their test as quickly as possible.

Even if I say so myself, West Surrey were amazing in the pole thing, with us all jumping great clear rounds. Basil's slave did particularly well as the track was very twisty, a bit like a handy pony course and Basil is quite large to navigate around. Bailey was also very good but I think he was slightly surprised at the height of fences as he is a proper show jumper and jumps at places like Hickstead!

At last it got around to the galloping bit, although not before a massive rain storm ... my hair style was completely ruined! The only lucky part about it was that, unfortunately for them, Basil and Bailey had to go cross country in the down pour. Basil was awesome eating up the course and giving his slave a great ride. Bailey and Alice went a tad slower, well show jumpers do not normally have to go that fast or through deep mud ... yuck. Finally, it was my turn and I zoomed round, although apparently I got scarily close to the ditch of the trakehner, I just wanted to take a closer look. Anyway, it was a successful day with 3 double clears, Wahoo and qualification to the LSE Championships.

The now traditional team picnic was a huge success not that I was allowed to join in.

LSE Novice Team 6th Place

Basil & Emily Seymour (2nd Individual)

Bailey & Alice Philips

Robin & Sonia Chapman (4th Individual)

Please come & support the West Surrey Team at the LSE Championships at Mattingley, Hants on 25th September.

Robin and Sonia
Horse Trials Team Manager



Past Team Events

West Surrey jumpers triumph at Royal International Horse Show

Despite my despair at the lack of interest in show-jumping within the club, I set off with 3 enthusiastic competitors on Sunday 31st July, to Hickstead for the Riding Clubs team of three competition.

Emma Kampa and Harry had kindly stepped in at the very last minute to be our 'novice' combination jumping the 85cm fences. The course looked innocuous enough, but the wet grass on firm ground caused lots of slip ups (quite literally, but thankfully no-one seriously hurt) and clear rounds were thin on the ground. However Emma rode in her usual determined style and Harry rose to the occasion and cleared all the fences in fine style.

After the first round there were only about a dozen clears out of the 97 entered teams.

Next up for West Surrey was Emily Seymour with Basil. Emily looked slightly less nervous than last year and also rode with determination for another superb clear round over the 95cm course. By this time a small support group had appeared to cheer on the team and sunbathe by the arena. The teams on a zero score were down to a handful.

Last, but not least, was Alice Phillips riding Bailey. Alice had been at Hickstead all week competing successfully in 1.10m amateur classes. So, although only a junior, the 1.05 course was a little bit of a step down for Alice, although she did have the added pressure of keeping the team in contention on her shoulders. Despite his previous exertions Bailey wasn't tired and flew around to achieve our third clear – the crowd went wild!!

Only one other club also finished on a clean sheet, so it was down to a combined time to decide first and second place. All our team members had gone at a sensible pace, bearing in mind the numerous falls we had seen occur on the slippery ground. It ended up being only 3 seconds that denied us the coveted winner's rugs. However the second place rosettes were no less treasured and it was fantastic to see our team take their place in the lap of honour.

Keep an eye out for reports in Local Rider magazine where you should hopefully see our team in all their glory.

The next event on the show-jumping agenda is the team 'friendly' at Elstead Riding Club in November. It may not be quite so glamorous as Hickstead, but the fences are also less daunting, so please give me a call or e-mail if you'd like to compete for the club without the added pressure of being a qualifier. I am very keen for the club to be represented at these local events, so let's get out there and have some fun!

I am also keen to arrange some more training sessions for anyone who wants to 'take their feet off the ground'. How about some practice in a no pressure environment a couple of weeks before our indoor show at Merrist Wood? I can arrange instruction for every level of experience or courage – from poles on the ground to 1m plus - at Thundry Farm in Elstead. If anyone is interested please let me know as I can only



Past Team Events

make firm arrangements if I have sufficient interest. If anyone has other venues/instructors that they prefer please let me know as I'm personally not local to Surrey Heath so I am open to other suggestions.

Jacqui Peterson
SJ Team Manager
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London & South East Dressage Qualifier

After struggling to get a team together, my team of myself & Horatio, Julie Johnson & King's Dragoon, Georgie Nott & Waterford Bay and Harriet Wilks & Santa Cruz headed off to Bookham for the London & South East Dressage Qualifier. It was a scorching hot day, even at 8.30 in the morning, the organisers kindly agreed to allow riders to go without jackets !

All teams were to ride Prelim - first to go was Julie & Goon - who did a lovely test, next to go was Georgie with Waterford Bay ably assisted by Jacqui Peterson - who again perform beautifully in the heat. After a quick dash back to the yard to get my horse and unfortunately due to circumstances beyond my control - I returned to Bookham horseless and had to withdraw. Last to go was our new member Harriet Wilks - with her rather handsome Santa Cruz - who had all the ladies swooning over him. Again they performed a beautiful test to leave the ring with a round of applause from his new fan club!

Sadly the team did not feature in the overall placings but individually in their relevant sections, Julie was 14th, Georgie was just out the placings with 7th and Harriet was 10th. I'm delighted with how everyone performed and hope to see them all at team dressage events over the winter.

If you would like to represent your club at dressage - please don't feel you have to be called Anky or have a horse called Totilas - as long as you can commit to attending on the day and if you qualify, can attend the championship - all are welcome.

Keep an eye out for dressage team events coming up over the winter.

Carol Cannon
Dressage Team Manager



Past Events

Versatile Horse Competition at Blackheath.

We all had a good day on Sunday 4th at the Pavilion Field in Blackheath and the results and photos are now up on the website to view. The weather could have been kinder as it lulled us into a false sense of security by being beautiful first thing. But then the rain came down - or rather across - the field by midday which was a shame, but us rufty tufty lot carried on regardless. The feedback from our competitors was good even though we had less entries than last year and sadly very few West Surrey entries so hopefully we will be able to run it again next year if Ro can stand the stress!

Our grateful thanks to John and Mary Crittall for use of their lovely field and also to all our helpers who made it possible and who kept going through some pretty soggy weather - I just hope you are all dried out by now!! Also our congratulations to our class winners, Joseph Edwards and Charlie in Class 1, Anna Harrington and Kizzy in Class 2 and Stacey Collins and Peace of Mind in Class 3.

Ro and Cass

Results

In-hand

1st	Joseph Edwards	Charlie
2nd	Julie Hazelwood	Tynbryn Trooper
3rd	Katherine Manson	Whizz
4th	Catherine Edwards	Romeo
5th	Niki	Gypsy
6th	Melanie Gash	Alfin

Novice

1st	Anna Harrington	Kizzy
2nd	Christina Davis	Blackberry
3rd	Christina Davis	Bramble
4th	Sophie Cleden	Indi
5th	Emma Sewell	Edward
6th	Jane Mccalla	Travis

Open

1st	Stacey Collins	Peace of Mind
2nd	Donna SKinsley	Charmer
3rd	Gail Brownrigg	Limelight
4th	Tomi Constantini	Shamrock
5th	Diana Stewart	Louis
6th	Suzie Walker	Wotton Superman



Past Events

Summer Dressage Series 31st July 2011

W&T BD Intro A

Name	Horse	Score	%	Posn	Pts
Erica Laurence	Finnin	136	59.1%	1st	6
Briar Jones	Horatio	127	55.2%	2nd	5
Becky Andrews	Piper	118	51.3%	3rd	4
Eva Heywood	Mr C	160	69.5%	H/C	-

Prelim 10

Name	Horse	Score	%	Posn	Pts
Lynn Roberts	Moon Shadow	141	64.09	=1st	-
Eva Heywood	Mr C	141	64.09	=1st	6
Rebecca Rice	Cooly Lux Good	141	64.09	=1st	-
Lynn Roberts	Busta Groove	136	61.18	4th	-
Natalie Tomsett	Malibu	120	54.54	=5th	-
Becky Andrews	Piper	120	54.54	=5th	5
Lara Nicolls	Storm	110	50	-	-

Novice 20/Elementary 44

Name	Horse	Score	%	Posn	Pts
Lisa Fahy	Salviano	150	72.27	1st	6
Lisa Fahy*	Salviano	153	61/2	2nd	5
Rebecca Rice	Cooley Lux Good	148	59/2	3rd	-

*Elementary



Past Events

21st August 2011

W&T BD Intro B

Name	Horse	Score	%	Posn	Pts
Rebecca Rice	Kilnhanger Jim	159	69.1%	1st	N/A
Briar Jones	Horatio	140	60.9%	2nd	6
Erica Laurence	Finnin	139	60.4%	3rd	5
Louise Curtis	Jazz	123	53.5%	4th	N/A
Ro Major	Squishy	121	52.6%	5th	4
Becky Andrews	Piper	144	62.6%	H/C	
Amy Mapp	Heidi	143	62.2%	H/C	

Prelim 18 Section A

Name	Horse	Score	%	Posn	Pts
Carol Cannon	Horatio	162	67.5%	1st	6
Becky Andrews	Piper	157	65.4%	2nd	5
Angela Wood	India	150	62.5%	3rd	N/A
Jill Ryan	Annie	128	53.3%	4th	4

Prelim 18 Section B

Name	Horse	Score	%	Posn	Pts
Judith Dunne	Biscuit	170	70.8%	1st	6
Julie Johnson	Guinness	167	69.6%	2nd	5
Rachael Mapp	Calista	154	64.2%	3rd	4

Novice 27/Ele 42

Name	Horse	Score	%	Posn	Pts
Helen Kendall*	Tom	212	66.3%	1st	6
Helen Kendall	Tom	184	65.7%	2nd	5






*Elementary



Instruction

Venue Etiquette






WSRC is fortunate to have access to some wonderful venues for our instruction programme, some of which are small private yards, unused to the arrival of hoards of new WSRC faces/animals! There are a few simple things we would ask everyone taking part in our instruction to adhere to, to make sure we remain welcome at our venues:

-  please only WALK your horse when at other venues - especially in private yards - unless you are in the school/training area. Please do not trot or canter your horses outside of these areas, so we can avoid upsetting other animals at the venues
-  if your horse leaves droppings, please make every attempt to clear up after them – most venues will have shovels/skips/forks available for your use please don't assume that someone will clear up after your horse in the school - at the end of a lesson, please make sure the school is left clean
-  if you plan to bring spectators along please check with the organiser that this is OK with the venue
-  please check with the venue organiser if dogs are allowed, and if so all dogs should always be kept on leads at all times and any mess left should be removed.
-  absolutely no smoking at any of the venues - by you or your spectators/visitors.

Booking Instruction

Each training clinic will now be organised by an individual member of the Committee, so please contact the person named under the entry, using the contact details given. This may mean contacting several different people for different clinics.

Please also note that these individuals will receive the cheques for individual clinics, so please make sure you send the correct money to the correct person!

-  As previously, all requests for bookings will be allocated in strict order of them being received. Places are only secured on receipt of money. Places must be confirmed within 5 days, by sending your cheques for each that session. *(Please note the paragraph above about who to send cheques to, as we cannot take responsibility if you send it to the wrong person!).*
-  Cheques should be made payable to WSRC.
-  Please note that due to the high demand for instruction your place WILL NOT be held without a cheque.
-  If the instruction is already full do leave your details with the organiser. Waiting lists are held and you will be contacted if a space becomes available.
-  If you find that you aren't able to take part in a lesson that you've booked please let the organiser know as soon as possible. The more notice you give the more chance there is of us finding someone to take your place. If we can't find someone to take your place your cheque will be cashed.



Instruction


Flatwork Instruction

Catriona Moorwood, Heath Cottage, Farley Green


Dates: Sunday 9 October and Sunday 6 November
Times: Morning sessions, by arrangement between 10.00 and 12.00
Cost: £ 17 per (single) person or £ 12 each for a shared session

Back by popular demand! Two opportunities to benefit from Catriona's extensive experience and know-how. Remember, even if you already have a regular trainer, its always helpful to get a fresh view of how you're progressing.

On offer this time is a choice of either:

 a flatwork lesson focussing on general areas where both you and your horse can improve. If you have a particular subject or problem you want to work on, let Julie know what it is when you book so she can pass that on to Catriona,

OR

 for the 6 November session, practising one of the dressage tests being used for the Area dressage competition the following week.

These can be individual sessions, each 30 minutes long, or 45 minute sessions for 2 riders together. Again, let Julie know which you want when you book so she can best organise Catriona's time.

Bookings to: Julie Rowley (01372 – 377172 or julierowley@btinternet.com).
Cheques to: Payable to West Surrey Riding Club and sent to “Elstowe”, River Lane, Fetcham, Surrey KT22 9RJ.

Please note – in the event of extreme weather (either rain or frost) in the 2 days before each Sunday, please check with Julie whether these sessions will still go ahead – Catriona's school is lovely, & she wants to keep it that way if she can!



Carrot Corner

BRIDLEWAYS REPORT

Downslink Bridleway 655

When we responded to the consultation on the Rights of Way Improvement Plan back in September 2006 we put forward a request for the construction of a connection between the Downslink Bridleway 566 and Bridleway 270 where they intersect at TQ 0235 4275 which is near our old show field at Rooks Farm. At present it is only walkers who can easily cross from BW 566 to BW270 because there are only steps.

It has been flagged up that nothing has been done about this so I am going to chase it up again.

Bridleway 330a Wonersh Parish near Lords Hill Area

Although work to prevent flooding has reportedly been carried out on this path it is still reported to be boggy and impassable so I will investigate.

Pitch Hill Area, Ewhurst

Local riders are finding that the intense use of this area by cyclists is making horse riding dangerous. At this stage I am not sure what can be done about this but I will raise it with the Rights of Way Department.

Bridleway 252 nr Lockner Holt

I have reported to the Rights of Way Department the loose and broken wire fencing that borders the bridleway.

Surrey County Council Reports

I have the following documents which I can supply electronically to anyone who wants one.



Minutes of the West Surrey Countryside Access and Rights of Way Forum of 8 February 2011



Surrey County Council Rights of Way and Countryside Access Annual Report 2010-11

Permissive Bridleway East Shalford Lane to Halfpenny Lane (passing through Manor Farm and Little Halfpenny Farm) Guildford

This path, which has been a permissive bridleway for some years, is the subject of a current application by the BHS to upgrade it to a public bridleway. The application has been around some time and it has already been through one public examination which failed to get it upgraded. The club has been asked if we know of anyone who might have ridden this path before 1984/5. If you do have this experience please would you contact me. (I am assuming that the BHS is only looking for people who have not previously told the BHS about riding this path)

Katherine Manson
Bridleways Committee Member



Carrot Corner

Points Table as at 1st September 2011

Name	Horse	Total
Helen Kendal	Tom	42
Kathy Newlands	Red	29
Julie Rowley	Bob	27
Julie Johnson	Kings Dragoon	26
Judith Dunne	Biscuit	24
Anthea Dickenson	Cleo	23
Emily Wiggins	Bazel Brown	19
Christina Davis	Bramble	17
Dawn Chappel	Piper	17
Eva Heywood	Mr C	17
Natalie Mendelssohn	Rusper	16
Cass Lillington	Tigger	15
Marilynn Dunham	Pandora	15
Becky Andrews	Piper	13
Briar Jones	Horatio	11
Erica Laurence	Finnin	11
Lisa Fahy	Salviano	11
Christina Davis	Berry	10
Alice Phillips	Bailey V	10
Sonia Chapman	Robin	10
Julie Johnson	Guinness	9
Carol Cannon	Horatio	8
Cathy Hughes	Jamie	7
Emma Kampa	Harry	7

Jill Ryan	Annie	6
Lara Nichols	Fancy Pants	6
Nicola Mendelssohn	Rusper	6
Sylvia Laney	Serena	6
Zoe Frost	Daisy	6
Jacqui Peterson	Rajahan	5
Jane Shorney	Ziggy	5
Margy Harvey	Jester	5
Erica Laurence	Garrison Jim	4
Erica Laurence	Darcy	4
Jo Farrington	Sprout	4
Rachael Mapp	Callie	4
Rachel Noon	Jazz	4
Ro Major	Squishy	4
Katherine Manson	Whizz	4
Ro Major	Aston	3
Catherine Edwards	Romeo	3
Carole Scobling	Little Richie	2
Erica Laurence	Little Richie	2
Georgia Nott	Waterford Bay	2
Harriett Wilks	Santa Cruz	2
Louise Farrant	Rondo	2
Sarah Matthews	Piper	2
Sylvia Laney	Gemini	1

HELP JUMPS WANTED!!

Little Locker Stables need some poles/jump stands/wings etc
Does anybody have any unwanted jumps lying around that are
surplus to requirements?

Any condition/colour/type etc although should be serviceable.

Can collect and willing to pay or maybe somebody would
consider a loan!!

Contact Jill Ryan on 07774 921732



What's on

Listed below are some events planned from **September** onwards

Date	Event	Location
September		
25th Sept	L&SE Championships	Mattingley
October		
9 Oct	Catriona Moorwood, Flatwork Instruction	Heath Cottage, Farley Green
23 Oct	L&SE Dressage to Music Championships	Sands Farm, Warnham
November		
6 Nov	Catriona Moorwood, Flatwork Instruction	Heath Cottage, Farley Green
13 Nov	Area Team SJ	Elstead Club Field
18 Nov	AGM	The Drummond, Albury

Annual General Meeting



The Drummond, Albury

14 November 2011

8.00 for 8.30



Food available (but allow time to eat it before the meeting as table space may be limited!)

Come and collect your Club trophies!

Plus a glass of wine on arrival - just don't bring your horse

Please let Cathy know if you're intending to come along (01483 - 770943), to give us a rough idea of numbers to expect.



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Responsibility

Bridleways

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