



# West Surrey Riding Club

*BHS affiliated Riding Club*

Newsletter

September 2013

## **CHAIRMANS MESSAGE**

The sun had his hat on this summer – yippee!! And we made the most of it with a busy schedule of Club instruction and team events, including a very creditable performance at Bookham for the dressage teams and well attended clinics with Richard Mackay, Ali Cookson, Sebastien Poirier and Alison Ure. Lisa Fahy has been amazing at managing to coordinate all this activity as well as competing for the club herself.

The Summer show was a great day out and thank you to all those who helped on the day – without you we would not be able to run these events. More information on this later in the newsletter.

We have broken the 100 mark on our membership which is a fantastic achievement for the club and gives great encouragement to the Committee that we are on the right track with our programme of events both instructional and social.

We have two new Committee members to welcome since our last Newsletter – Caroline Holsten who has taken over organising social events and Vicky Palmer who we welcome back as the Dressage Team Manager. I am a great believer that bringing in new committee members adds fresh thinking to the club so please be prepared for our upcoming AGM and if you have time and could contribute (don't be backwards in coming forwards) do make yourself know to someone on the committee. Old Chinese proverb - many hands make light work!!!!

I am sure you will all agree we owe a big thank you to Lyn Roberts, Helen Kendall, Erica Laurence and their team for the Summer Dressage Series which has now concluded (results later in the newsletter). All those who entered had a great time and it is such a good way to build confidence in competing and meet other club members in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Lastly, don't forget that the AGM is coming up soon so hold the date – November 11<sup>th</sup>. We are currently looking at venues as it was a bit cosy in the Drummond last year and if we are lucky enough to get another high profile speaker (watch this space!) we will need a bigger room! Sadly I won't be able to join you at the meeting as I will have already gone off to New Zealand for a new phase in my life. It has been a pleasure to be a member of West Surrey Riding Club for the past 15 years - I have got so much pleasure from being a member and it has been a privilege to give something back in the past 2 years as Chairman. I leave knowing the Club is in good heart and look forward to hearing great things in the next few years.

That's all from me, but please follow the Facebook page for lots more chat and up to date information on the club and its members!

Vicki Glynn

## New Members

We would like to welcome all new members to the West Surrey Riding Club. We are looking forward to seeing you at our events; please ensure you introduce yourselves as we are a very friendly club. If you are not already a member and use Facebook I would strongly recommend you join our Facebook group as it's a great way to know what's going on and interact with other members. Additionally, don't forget the riding clubs website.

[www.westsurreyridingclub.co.uk](http://www.westsurreyridingclub.co.uk)

Welcome to:

Rosie Swain,                      Joseph Edwards,

Lois Edwards,                      Hannah Ebling,

Gill Newton,                      Helen Pittick,

Charlotte Williams              Christine Russell.

Look out on Facebook / email for a special prize to be awarded by lucky dip to celebrate reaching a membership of 100+ !!!

## OPEN SHOW

We were so lucky with the weather and there was a great turnout. Lots of thanks must go to Cass and Ro for all their hard work in putting this show together. Also thank you to all the members who helped set up the day before, steward/help on the day and put away afterwards - lots of hands make light work. Look forward to seeing you all next year and hopefully more members.

## Results:

Ridden Champion              Jack Holder on Pippins Toby

Reserve Ridden                  Harriet Fettes on Splash

In Hand Champion              Samantha O'Leary on Parlando

Reserve in Hand                  Emma Rhodes on Dylan

## Dressage Results

Name	Horse	Test	Score	%	Place
Abbi Norris	Chance	Prelim 14	168	70	1st
Karla Butler	Miss Bossy Boots	Intro A	160	69.56	2nd
Karla Butler	Miss Bossy Boots	Prelim 14	166	69.16	3rd
Caitlin Fahy	Marbon Martell	Intro A	152	66.86	4th
Veronica Keywood	Heidi	Intro A	153	66.52	5th
Judith Dunne	Seahorse Point	Prelim 14	159	66.25	6th



## INSTRUCTION

### Saturday 28th September

The first WSRC 'Learn, Laugh and Lunch' day camp will take place Saturday 28th September at Chase Farm in Hindhead. This full day instructional clinic and social event is aimed at all abilities of riders. The emphasis is on a fun Club day with a chance to try all 3 disciplines - dressage, show jumping and XC in small groups of 4 to 6 riders grouped by ability. The day will start with a fun flatwork session followed by a show jumping/pole work session after some refreshments. The instructors are Hinda Inglis, Sally Ede and Lisa Hamilton. The lunch is a 'bring a dish' format so everyone attending needs to make and bring something to share and enjoy on the day. After lunch it is off to the xc session (all levels catered for, the course is suitable for complete beginners too) or a goal setting session (if there is enough interest). The day costs £51 for the 3 sessions and the venue hire. Please note that this event is only open to members. If you would like to take part please get in touch by e mailing [Carolinet@gmx.net](mailto:Carolinet@gmx.net) or commenting on FB. We are running a waiting list so please do contact Caroline if you would like to go.

### Sunday 13th October

Sebastien Poirier is a French professional Show Jumper based at Norwood Farm in Cobham. Sebastien is currently a UK Accredited Coach Level 2 with the BSJA and is training towards his UK Level 3. His teaching style focuses primarily on the rider position, whilst also placing importance on flatwork, to enhance and improve the horse and his way of going. His positive way of teaching encourages all rider levels to gain confidence.

Please use booking form on the website under instruction and state which height you wish to do! Cost of 1 hr group of 3 lesson £17 each (if only two will be £25 each - we just want to cover the cost of the lesson)

### Future instruction

I am awaiting to hear back from our instructors but hope to have some SJ, Dressage and XC dates for you soon. These will be held at various venues and some mid-week and others at weekends to hopefully appeal to as many members as possible! Do look further down this page to see our past events to give you an idea of what instruction I put on for you. Regards Lisa

There will be more instructions additional to these so please do keep an eye on our website and Facebook page.

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### **SOME OF OUR INSTRUCTORS:**

**Richard Mackay**



**Ali Cookson**



**Fiona Breach**



**Sebastien Poirier**



**Alison Ure**



## SUMMER DRESSAGE RESULTS:

Congratulations to this year's Champions of the Summer Series and to all those who took part. Kilnhanger is a very relaxed place to run the competitions and there is always an opportunity to get to know other members and exchange ideas.

We also thank our judges who turn up year after year, happy to help and encourage us to improve our riding skills with their comments and support.

### **Champions of the WSRC Summer Dressage Series 2013**

#### **Walk and Trot Intro**

**Champion: Helen Steers Hamlet (14 pts.)**

**Reserve Champion: Susan Mckenzie Bruno (11 pts.)**

#### **Prelim**

**Champion: Rebecca Attridge Woodland Thea (16 pts.)**

**Reserve Champion: Erica Laurence Finnin's Rainbow (14 pts.)**

#### **Novice/Elementary**

**Champion: Helen Kendall Tom (16pts.)**

**Reserve Champion: Judith Dunne Seahorse Point (15pts.)**

There will be information about the Winter Series posted on Facebook and the website soon.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2013**

**7.30 FOR 8PM START**

**VENUE TO BE CONFIRMED SHORTLY**

<b>WSRC DIARY 2013/4</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>
28 September	Chase Farm, Hindhead	WSRC Learn and Laugh Camp
5-6 October 2013	Bury Farm	National DTM Championships
6 October 2013	Heath Farm	LSE Championships
13 October	Norwood Farm, Chobham	WSRC Sepastien Poirier SJ lessons
20 October 2013	Sands Farm	LSE DTM Championships
10 November 2013	Elstead RC field	SJ Team Friendly
<b>11 November 2013</b>	<b>TBA</b>	<b>WSRC AGM</b>
17 November 2013	Merrist Wood	NCRC National Winter Dressage Qualifier
18 November 2013	The Watermill, Dorking	Area 11 Quiz
18 April 2014 (Good Friday)	Merrist Wood	WSRC Open Dressage
TBA	Sands Farm	Abinger RC - Nat Winter SJ Qualifier
TBA	Sands Farm	Chipstead RC - RWHS SJ Qualifier

## Committee

Vicki Glynn	(Chairman)
Ro Major	(Treasurer)
Cass Lillington	(Secretary)
Briar Jones	(Newsletter)
Lisa Fahy	(Instruction/ Facebook/ Website)
Caroline Holsten	(Social)
Pat Murphy	(Horse Trials. SJ Teams)
Erica Laurence	(Trophies, Points)
Katherine Manson	(Bridleways)
Vicky Palmer	(Dressage. SJ Teams)
Julie Rowley	(Membership)

### Appointees

Cathy Hughes	Area representative
Helen Kendall	Closed Dressage Series / Child Protection
Kathy Merrick	Horse Welfare