

West Surrey Riding Club

BHS affiliated Riding Club

WSRC News & Events

Our quarterly news and events update for September 2019

WHAT A GREAT SUMMER

So, wasn't the summer great?! Not too hot, not too cold and not too rainy. Just right for us equestrians and a vast improvement on last summer when some of us hardly got our equines out at all due to the hard ground, cancelled events and just too damn hot weather!

I am mega proud of the club this year, both committee and members who have really worked hard to make events a success and teams even more successful. We had a great Dressage and showing show on 14 July (subsequently followed by a super Show jumping and showing show on 1st September), with bumper entries and encouraging judges. I need to thank everyone that turned up and special thanks to our sponsors on the day – Sarah Dove, Duncan Howe and Tina Pendle. Having sponsors for our events really helps the promotion of the show and the finances – so we are always appreciative and if anyone owns a company or knows of any possible sponsors please let either myself or Ro Major know. The show was followed by the best ever camp at Munstead! Unfortunately, Romeo threw a 'sickie' so I was grounded but I heard a lot of laughter, encouragement and witnessed an immense amount of fun being had. Our instructors were wonderful and Jenny Tully reckons she has lots of ideas and even more improvements for next year!

The Prelim dressage team also earnt their place at the L&SE champs in October – coming 2nd in the area at Pachesham last month. Well done, and this Team Manager is super excited to be coming to Snowball farm with you! The L&SE Horse Trials 80 cm team also qualified for Snowball and so we will be well represented on 6 October – all spectators welcome! Instruction was quiet, as is often the case in the Summer months as we realise everyone goes away, but Vicki's tiny cross country and Sarah Jane's poles went well and the feedback was great.

Lastly, Julie H hosted our first quiz and first summer BBQ – both had a good turnout and she has more plans for the next quarter and, dare I say it, Christmas!

We currently have the highest membership numbers that the club has enjoyed in recent years — Thank you for joining us, for participating in our events and for showing your support. September is always busy planning for the remainder of the year and if any members have any ideas for the AGM in November — either speakers or events please do contact a member of the committee.

Enjoy the last of the Summer and see you out and about soon!

Julie Johnson - Chairman WSRC

News Items & Reports

Mini Cross Country Saturday 3 July

On Saturday 3rd July we held mini cross country at chase farm. Our instructor was Johanna Burlison Satchel, who provided excellent tuition throughout the morning it was very clear to see everyone's confidence growing and having fun with their horses. Well done to everyone who took part, looking forward to seeing you all at the next mini cross country. (Date to be confirmed)

West Surrey online haygrazers e-riders.

We as a club have recently attempted online dressage. Currently we are in 4th place, well done to everyone who submitted your July and August videos.

It's great fun and a no pressure way to compete, in brief you ride a dressage test, video it and post it online. Then receive your sheet and rosette in the post.

Septembers dressage classes are Intro B, prelim 7, Novice 28 and Elementary 49. The website to register is www.e-riders.co.uk. The classes are only £10 ach and there is a 50% discount code for your first go. The code is "50new". We hope to see lots of members get involved soon. Good luck!

Please contact Vikki Chuter via Facebook or vikkichuter@aol for further details.

Dressage and Showing Show Sunday 14 July

We held our first show of the year at Whipley Manor, the weather was fine and sunny and there were lots of smiling faces. Classes included dressage, showing and a very popular handy pony course.

Results for the showing classes:

Class 4: condition & turnout - 1st Alice Lee

Class 5: In-hand - 1st Nicola Dolby

Class 6: have a go ridden - 1st Helen Kendall

Class 7: coloureds - 1st - Beverley Smith

Class 8: cobs - 1st Valerie Disney

Class 9: Veterans - 1st Vanessa Mayes

Class 10: M&M - 1st Alice Lee

Class 11: riding club horse - 1st Caitlin Fahy

Class 12: Ridden horse - Judith Dunne

Champion - Caitlin Fahy

Reserve Champion - Judith Dunne

Showing classes and Championship kindly sponsored by Duncan Howe and Dressage classes and prizes sponsored by Tina Pendle.

Annual Day Camp at Munstead Saturday 20th July

WSRC held our very popular day camp at Heath Farm on Saturday 20th July. We had even more people this year with 15 riders and their horses taking part in dressage, show jumping and cross-country lessons. The emphasis of the day was on fun, relaxation and learning and everyone was encouraged to have a go. Riders were divided into 3 groups of similar ability and did a round robin of activities during the day.

Thank you to Anna Stonehill, Hinda Inglis and Kimberley Smith for being such fabulous instructors. The feedback was excellent and everyone agreed that it was a supportive and inspiring environment so no doubt, we will do it again next year.

Hickstead team Show Jumping competition – Sunday 28th July 2019

A Huge congratulations to our amazing show jumping team of Giselle, Karen and Louise for representing WSRC at Hickstead. Giselle had a great 85 cm round with one pole down finishing on 4, followed by Karen jumping an incredible 95 cm clear round followed by Louise and her horsed Simon jumping a confident round with 2 rolled poles, finishing the team on 12.

There were over 60 teams competing on the day and our ladies did extremely well. We are proud of you all and can not wait to see what you achieve for our club next year!

As a team they all did incredibly well and it was fantastic to see so many of our club members turn up to support our team and of course our very generous club photographer Chris recorded some fantastic shots that can be seen on our website.

A big well done team and thank you for choosing to represent WSRC!

WSRC Points League

For those of you not familiar with this, points are awarded to any horse / rider combination who have entered Club closed or open competitions, or represented Club at qualifiers (as team members or individuals). Those representing Club un-mounted (for example, at the Area Quiz) also receive points.

The number of points awarded is 6 for a 1st place, down to 1 for 6th. So, as an example, if someone wins a class & also comes 3rd in another class, they will score 6 for their win plus 4 for their 3rd place, giving them 10 points for that competition.

The Club awards trophies (presented at the AGM each November) for this League as follows:

- The Club Points Shield for the Senior member with the most points at the end of the year
- The Reserve Points award for the runner-up
- The Tom Trophy (kindly donated by Helen Kendall) for the Senior member over 59 years of age
 with the most points over the year
- The Junior Points Trophy for the Junior with the most points over the year.

However, please note trophies will only be awarded to those who have also helped at at least one Club event during the year (which is, after all, a condition of Club membership). If the member leading on points has not helped, the relevant trophy will be awarded to the next eligible member down the points list.

So, below is the top ten from the latest Club points table (as at 28/08/19), which includes events from 01 November 2018 to 31 October 2019 (although the first closed Club dressage series event in October 2018 is included in this table as the series runs into 2019):

Seniors	Juniors
Judith Dunne /Monty's Fortune = 30	Sophie Tack / Tommy = 27
Alice Lee /Goldie = 29	Caitlin Fahy / Moonshine Boy = 27
Tina Pendle / Barracree Brownie = 28	Imogen Tack / Broomhalls Limited Edition = 19
Ro Major / Scooby = 27	Imogen Tack / Henry = 10
Karen Stone / Carlos III = 24	Giselle Stent / Sir Marshall R = 7
Annabel Rigby / Gortruas Golden Romance = 23	

Upcoming Team Events:

Combined Training and Eventer Challenge at Munstead - Sunday, 13th October 2019.

Combined Training team:

We are looking for WSRC members to please represent us in two different events at Munstead show ground.

WSRC members are needed to represent our lovely club in the Combined Training at Munstead. Teams of 4 seniors:

2 x team - prelim & 75cm 2 x team - Novice & 85cm junior team of 4 (same as above)

This is a really fun and well run event at a local venue. You will be asked to ride you Dressage test, followed by a short break before completing a course of show jumps. If you would like to take part please email Jenny Tully on Jennytully2000@yahoo.co.uk



(Emily Riding in the Dressage at Combined Training for WSRC 2018)



Tanya & Tally jumping for WSRC in the Combined Training 2018.

FOTH Eventer Challenge – Munstead 13th October 2019

We are looking for WSRC members to represent us in the FOTH Eventer Challenge at Munstead. Teams of 4 seniors in 80cm, 90cm or 1m. Teams of 4 Juniors in 80cm, 90cm or 1m.

This is a really fun and well run event at a local venue. In teams of 4 at the same height you will be asked to jump 7-10 show jumps followed immediately onto the XC course to complete 15-25 XC jumps at the same height. The course is timed and the top 3 scores count as your team final mark. If you would like to take part please email Jenny Tully on jennytully2000@yahoo.co.uk

We are looking forward to cheering WSRC along at Munstead!



Tina & Dolly competing in the 80cm FOTH Eventer Challenge for WSRC 2018

Dressage series

Its nearly time for the dressage series at Kilnhanger . Dates are 20 October , 17 November and 15 December . Entries will open nearer the time. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Instruction Update

Cross Country Clinic with Anna Stonehill

Date: 28 September from 9.30

Venue: Munstead Heath Farm, Heath Lane, Godalming

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Groups commencing at 9.30. Please state which height you are schooling over when entering. Sessions approx. 1.5 hours. £45 per rider including course hire. Disclaimer to be completed at venue. at

About Anna

Anna has evented for over 20 years up to advanced level. Anna enjoys teaching all levels and getting the best out of horse and rider.

Instructional Dressage with Catriona Moorwood

Dates: Sunday 13 October, Sunday 10 November and Sunday 15 December

Venue: Heath Cottage.

Session Details:

An opportunity to practice your test prior to Dressage series the following week.

Please state which test you wish to practice in your session.

13 October : 10:30-11:30, 11:30-12:30, 12:30-13:30

10 November : Ditto **15 December** : Ditto

Sessions commence at 10:30 1 hour for 2 riders.

Times maybe adjusted so groups run consecutively

Cost: £20 per rider.

Sarah-Jane Hornsby - MOT Clinic

Dates: Saturday 26 October and Saturday 23 November

Venue: Lockner Stable. Chilworth

Session details:

10:30-11:30

11:30-12:30

12:30-13:30

Times maybe adjust so groups run consecutively

Cost: £20 per rider

4 maximum in group.

This is a two-part clinic. First session is to work on a self identified issue, which will be assessed and exercises explained to address and improve the issue. Issues may be such as falling out through the shoulder or not striking off on correct lead in canter. The second session will follow up allowing time to practice exercises.

Treasure Hunt

We are planning a Treasure hunt in October – details to follow

How To Book Instruction

Bookings to be made online via MyRidingLife on our <u>website</u> (preferred method) or by cheque/post.

http://www.equineaffairs.com/RemoteLocationEventList.aspx?SecretaryID=208070&Type=RunBy Secretary&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.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Area team quiz - coming soon!

What: quiz for teams of 3 members from BRC Area 11 (Surrey) Riding Clubs.

When: Monday 11 November 2019, usually 8.00 start.

Where: The Watermill, Dorking (does great food!).

For more details, check the "schedule" to be posted soon on www.brcarea11.org.uk

Let Julie C or Cathy know if you're interested in taking part. It's a fun evening, with Prizes too!

Look out for our further events — details to follow.

COMPETITION DATES FOR 2019

We will be looking for teams for the following competitions - if you are interested please contact Jenny Tully, Samantha Petri or Julie Johnson

Winter Qualifiers: Arena Eventing - 29 September at Cherwell Comp Centre, Oxford - with Area 6 (Team Manager Sam Petri)

FOH Challenge - 13 October at Heath Farm, Munster - organiser Area 11 (Team Manager Sam Petri)

L&SE Championships – 6 October – at Snowball Farm (Team Managers: Jenny Tully & Julie Johnson)

Intro Dressage 19 October at Priory EC, Farnham – (Team Manager Julie Johnson)

Novice SJ - 9 Feb 2020 at Sands Farm - organiser Abinger Hammer – (Team Manager Jenny Tully)

BRITISH RIDING CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP DATES 2019

Competition	Date	Venue
Dressage to Music & Quadrille Selection Trial	TBC 27 – 29 September	Bury Farm Equestrian Village, New Bury Farm, Mill Road,
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

27 October 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 please visit www.westsurreyridingclub.co.uk