



# West Surrey Riding Club

*BHS affiliated Riding Club*

## WSRC News & Events



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## Welcome.

**Welcome to the latest edition of the WSRC news and event updates. We have a bumper edition of instruction and events in April and over the coming months!**

We are delighted to announce the use of Slades Farm in Bramley for our Cross Country Training on Sunday, 27 May. Slades Farm is a brand new venue designed by Badminton course designer Eric Winter, with fences from 50cm to 1m+. Further details on this event will be available on our website and FB page in the coming weeks.

## WSRC Open Dressage Good Friday Competition

Big thank you to all those who participated in our open dressage event on Good Friday, 30 March at Merrist Wood. Despite the weather, we had an excellent turnout with 21 teams, 111 entries from 94 competitors!

Congratulations to our winners and gridders:

Intro/Prelim17	Louise Thomson on Do It Now	68.18%
Prelim 12	Ella Styles on Ferdi	68.33%
Prelim 14	Samantha Turner on Rikketik	72.50%
	(Winner of highest percentage of the day)	
Novice 28	Hilary Secker on Pinecroft Blaze	71.25%

Congratulations to Karen Stone on Kit Kat, who achieved the highest percentage by a WSRC member and won the portrait by Samantha Jayne Petrie.

Special thanks goes to our sponsors, Bryony Burt Equine Osteopath, Liphook Equine Hospital, Nicola Elliott Photography and Samantha Jayne Petri. To our Judges; Susie Watson, Yvonne Huber, Jane Hudson and Sue Rowlands; Our Writers; Rosie Swain, Ella Jarvis, Christina Easton, Becky Attridge. Our Stewards; Beth Foley, Louise Hollington, Paula Hynes, Jill Ryan and Veronica Keywood. And to Chris Lee for his time, patience and dedication in capturing the day with some great photos ([www.flickr.com/photos/94569746@N00/collections/72157692009565962/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/94569746@N00/collections/72157692009565962/)). Thank you all, we couldn't run this event without you!

A very big and special thank you goes to **Sarah Mylne** and her team, who did an amazing job coordinating this event. The event also inspired a bake-off with helpers and supporters galvanised by carrot cake and other homemade goodies - thank you it helped greatly in fuelling us against the weather!

### Bridleways request for action.

We have been asked for help in getting a track dedicated as a bridleway. It is located off the Byway Open to all Traffic (BOAT) known as Ride/Smugglers Lane and connects that path with Row/Wellhouse Lane going past a property called Robins Wood. This action has been initiated by a sign recently erected at one end saying 'No Through Road'. Evidence is needed from individual riders who have used this track since 1986.

We would be very grateful if any members who have ridden this path could assist and complete the form below. Also, please feel free to pass this information on to any non-members you know who may have ridden this path since 1986.

Full details including maps are included in the pack attached and a form to complete can be found at <http://www.ncrc.ukme.com/resources/SCC-User-Evidence-Form-Apr-2016.pdf> . The grid reference for the mid-point of the track is TQ0615244121.

Please send the form to to [Maggie.scott@me.com](mailto:Maggie.scott@me.com) or by mail to Maggie Scott, Old Manor Farm, Old Manor Lane, Chilworth GU4 8NE. Any questions, please call Maggie on 01483 562 073.

### Annual WSRC Day Camp.

We are delighted to announce we will be hosting our annual WSRC Day Camp on the **30 June** at Munstead. The camp is a great opportunity for you and your horse to work on flatwork, show jumping and cross country, all in a great venue, creating a relaxed (but purposeful) day.

We will be drawing on a number of local instructors and aiming to have a giggle or two while meeting other club members over a picnic lunch in between sessions. Stay tuned for further event details on our website and FB page.

### 2018 welcomes a brand new league for BRC volunteers.

The British Riding Club (BRC) has announced the volunteer leagues levels will be defined as follows:

**Club League** - will be for volunteers who help at club activities run under BRC rules.

**Area League** - will be for volunteers who help at area activities run under BRC rules.

**National League** - will be for all volunteers (including team volunteers) who help at Championships only.

Volunteers do not need to be members of a BRC Club to enter the leagues, but for non-members and the National League, volunteers must have signed up to the BRC Volunteers' Club prior to gaining points, which is free to join. Volunteers will need to fill out all details on a card and have it signed by the secretary to confirm the number of hours and the role they undertook. It is the volunteers' responsibility to present the points card and fill it out upon finishing your role to the secretary for confirmation. Points will be allocated as 1 point per hour helped. Once 4 hours have been completed, 0.5 of a point will also be recorded for every half an hour volunteered. Checks will be carried out by BRC HQ to ensure the information provided is correct.

The league will commence on 1 January each year and will finish on 31 December. Point cards will need to be posted or emailed to BRC by the 7 day of every month (except January). Points will not be allocated retrospectively. Rosettes will be awarded to 10th in each league with a sash to first place. A prize for each league will be awarded to first place.

All details, and how to print a points card, are available at [www.bhs.org.uk/enjoy-riding/british-riding-clubs/brc-volunteers/volunteers-league](http://www.bhs.org.uk/enjoy-riding/british-riding-clubs/brc-volunteers/volunteers-league)

## **2018 Grassroots Points League.**

The 2018 BRC Grassroots Points Leagues have now started with two separate leagues; one for 60cm or 70cm show jumping and one for dressage (Walk/Trot and Prelim level). Competitors can gain points at BRC Club organised competitions only. Area Qualifiers and National level competitions will not count.

Monthly score updates will be provided, therefore competitors must return their score card to the BRC head office no later than the 7th of the following month. Results on cards received after this time will not count. The competition will run for ten months from January-October 2018, there will be rosettes down to 10th place, sashes down to 3rd and there will be an overall supreme champion prize for the competitor who has accumulated the most points over the two leagues.

The points cards and the Rules can be found on the BRC website <http://www.bhs.org.uk/enjoy-riding/british-riding-clubs/brc-championships/brc-points-league>. Remember that the points cards must be sent into BRC Head Office no later than the 7th of each month, so that monthly scores can be updated on the BRC website and you will be able to follow the leagues points during the year.

## WSRC Instruction Events.

Please see the outline of our Instruction events over the coming months.

### Sunday 15, April - Pole work with a twist with Sarah Jane Hornsby (Rescheduled from 3 March).

Lockner Livery Stables, Dorking Road, Chilworth, GU4 8RH

To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=262122>

Times:            11:00 – for horses up to 15th  
                      12:00 – for horses 15.1hh – 16hh  
                      13:00 – for horses over 16hh

£15 per session. Max 4 per session

The sessions are divided by horse size as the twist is that Sarah Jane plans to focus on stride length/distance. To do this, she needs groups to be fairly evenly matched with regard to natural stride length. Please book into the session to suit your horse's stride – e.g., if you have a big horse which you know has a small stride then adjust accordingly!

Sarah Jane is a very experienced instructor who specialises in problem horses and in rider confidence building. She has competed in dressage, eventing, showing and carriage driving to a high level, as well as breaking and producing many horses. She particularly enjoys helping riders to overcome confidence and other issues which interfere with their enjoyment of riding. **Please note** there is no parking at Lockner, but spaces may be available at Sample Oak farm (by very kind permission of Mrs. Crittall). Prior arrangement with Katherine Manson is required – contact [katherine.manson@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:katherine.manson@environment-agency.gov.uk)

### Sunday, 22 April - Instructional Dressage with Catriona Moorwood

Heath Cottage, August Lane, Farley Green, Surrey, GU5 9DP

To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=261233>

Times:            11:00    Intro A  
                      12:00    Prelim 7  
                      13:00    Novice 24

£20 per session. Only 2 per session

An opportunity to prepare for the WSRC Dressage Series competition on 29 April, 2018, with popular local instructor and former three day event rider Catriona Moorwood. The flatwork session will provide a series of useful exercises, and incorporate the opportunity



to ride your test, receive feedback, ride it again! Groups for this will be kept to just 2. No parking at the venue but it's only a five minute hack from the Roman Temple car park.

### **Friday, 27 April - Flatwork with Ali Cookson (regs close 19 April)**

East Whitley Farm, Shamley Green, Guildford, GU5 0TE

To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=261235>

Times:	09:30 Individual	11:00 Individual
	10:00 Individual	11:30 Individual
	10:30 Pair	12:00 Pair

Individual half hour - £35

Pair half hour - £25 pp

Due to popular demand, the return of individual and pair flatwork sessions with Ali Cookson. The flatwork session will be tailored to you and your horse's level, and will provide a series of useful exercises for you to practice at home. For the pair sessions, come with a friend or be prepared to work alongside the needs and wishes of the other participant. Plenty of parking at the venue.

### **Saturday, 5 May - Group Show Jumping - Fiona Breach (regs close 20 April)**

Mayor House Farm Livery Stables, Farley Heath Road, Albury, GU5 0SR

To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=261236>

Times:	11:00	'Bottom hole'- 45cm for first timers/new horse/nervous
	12:00	50-60 cm
	13:00	60-75 cm

£15 pp. Max 3 per group

This clinic is primarily aimed at confidence building for those starting out jumping, or with a new mount, and for those wanting to get back into jumping. All are welcome. Please ensure that you sign up for the session best matched to your requirements!

### **Sunday, 6 May - Instructional Dressage - Catriona Moorwood**

Heath Cottage, August Lane, Farley Green, Surrey GU5 9DP

To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=261234>

Times:	11:00	Intro B
	12:00	Prelim 14
	13:00	Novice 27

£20 per session. Only 2 per session

An opportunity to prepare for the Dressage Series Championship competition on Sunday 20 May, with popular local instructor and former three day event rider Catriona Moorwood. The flatwork session will provide a series of useful exercises, and incorporate the opportunity to ride your test, receive feedback, ride it again! Groups for this will be kept to just 2. No parking at the venue but it's only a five minute hack from the Roman Temple car park.

### **Saturday, 12 May - Lateral Work Clinic with Hinda Inglis (regs close 4 May)**

Whitley Manor Farm, Palmer's Cross, Bramley, GU5 0LL

To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=261238>

Times:	11:00 Individual half hour	12:00 Group hour - up to 4 max
	11:30 Individual half hour	13:00 Pair 45 minutes

Individual half hour - £30

Pair 45 minutes - £30pp

Group hour - £15pp

The second in a planned series of Progressive Lateral Work Clinics to run throughout the year, focusing on teaching the horse and rider how to introduce lateral work from turn on the forehand and leg yielding to half pass zigzags and pirouettes - let's start those in walk! These clinics will help you and your horse with suppleness, engagement, self carriage and impulsion. For all levels from Novice to Advanced.

### **Friday, 18 May - Flatwork with Ali Cookson (regs close 11 May)**

East Whitley Farm, Shamley Green, Guildford, GU5 0TE

Further details to follow.

Times:	09:30 Individual	11:00 Individual
	10:00 Individual	11:30 Individual
	10:30 Pair	12:00 Pair

Individual half hour - £35

Pair half hour - £25 pp

The flatwork session will be tailored to you and your horse's level, and will provide a series of useful exercises for you to practice at home. For the pair sessions, come with a friend or be prepared to work alongside the needs and wishes of the other participant. Plenty of parking at the venue.

### Sunday, 27 May - Cross Country Training with Sarah Jane Hornsby

Slades Farm, Thorncombe Street, Bramley, Surrey GU5 0LT

Further details to follow.

A great all round training day with sessions to suit first time or nervous riders and/or horses as well as those wanting to build on their existing experience in a new environment.

### Friday, 15 June - Flatwork with Ali Cookson (regs close 8 June)

East Whitley Farm, Shamley Green, Guildford, GU5 0TE

Further details to follow.

Times:	09:30 Individual	11:00 Individual
	10:00 Individual	11:30 Individual
	10:30 Pair	12:00 Pair

Individual half hour - £35

Pair half hour - £25 pp

Overview as before.

## Event & Instruction Dates

### APRIL

- Sun 8**      **Lateral Work Clinic with Hinda Inglis (FULL)**  
Whitley Manor Farm, Palmer's Cross, Bramley, GU5 0LL
- Sat 14**      **An intro to equine nutrition talk and demo with Fiona Watkins**  
Lockner Livery Stables, Dorking Road, Chilworth GU4 8RH  
To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=257279>
- Sun 15**      **Pole work with a twist with Sarah Jane Hornsby**  
Lockner Livery Stables, Dorking Road, Chilworth, GU4 8RH  
To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=262122>
- Sun 22**      **Instructional Dressage with Catriona Moorwood (regs close 19 April)**  
Heath Cottage, August Lane, Farley Green, Surrey, GU5 9DP  
To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=261233>
- Fri 27**      **Flatwork with Ali Cookson (regs close 19 April)**  
East Whitley Farm, Shamley Green, Guildford GU5 0TE  
To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=261235>



**Sun 29**      **WSRC Members Only Winter Dressage Series (regs close 25 April)**  
Kilnhanger Stables, Farley Heath Road, Farley Heath, Surrey GU5 9EW  
To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=262944>

## MAY

**Sat 5**      **SJ instruction with Fiona Breach (regs close 2 May)**  
Mayor House Farm Livery Stables, Farley Heath Road, Albury, GU5 0SR  
To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=261236>

**Sun 6**      **Instructional Dressage with Catriona Moorwood (regs close 3 May)**  
Heath Cottage, August Lane, Farley Green, Surrey GU5 9DP  
To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=261234>

**Sat 12**      **Lateral Work Clinic with Hinda Inglis (regs close 4 May)**  
Whipley Manor Farm, Palmer's Cross, Bramley, GU5 0LL  
To register: <https://www.equineaffairs.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=261238>

**Sun 13**      **National Show & Style Jumping, Elstead RC**

**Fri 18**      **Flatwork with Ali Cookson (regs close 11 May)**  
East Whipley Farm, Shamley Green, Guildford GU5 0TE  
Further details to follow.

**Sun 20**      **WSRC Members Only Winter Dressage Championship Show**  
Kilnhanger Stables, Farley Heath Road, Farley Heath, Surrey GU5 9EW  
Further details to follow.

**Sun 27**      **Cross Country Schooling with Sarah Jane Hornsby**  
Slades Farm, Thorncombe Street, Bramley, Surrey GU5 0LT  
Further details to follow.

## JUNE

**Sat 2**      **National & L&SE Horse Trials, Coombelands (with Area 10)**

**Fri 15**      **Flatwork with Ali Cookson (regs close 8 June)**  
East Whipley Farm, Shamley Green, Guildford, GU5 0TE  
Further details to follow.

**Sat 16**      **L&SE Show-jumping, Bookham RC**

**Sat 30**      **WSRC Day Camp**  
Munstead, Heath Ln, Godalming GU7  
Further details to follow.

## Useful links

New Body Protector Rules for 2018 from 1 January 2018.<http://www.elsteadridingclub.co.uk/Schedules/2018%20BRC%20BP%20STANDARDS.PDF>

Riding Hat Standards & Tagging for 2018: For more info on the 2018 hat standards for BRC/BE/PC:<http://www.elsteadridingclub.co.uk/Schedules/2018%20BRC%20Hat%20Tagging%20Guide%20for%20Competitors%20v1.pdf>

For horse riding routes around the Surrey Hills visit <http://www.surreyhills.org/route/horse-riding/>. It gives details of parking, length and difficulty of route and photographs with written directions.

## 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 – from the increasingly popular Trec to interactive lecture demonstrations, instruction and team competitions. 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.

### The West Surrey Riding Club Committee

Julie Johnson	Chair/Dressage team manager
Jenny Tully	Show Jumping team manager
Cathy Hughes	Secretary/Area liaison
Pam Wilson	Instruction/Training
Jo Stiles	Newsletter/Communications/Dressage
Rebecca Attridge	Membership
Ro Major	Treasurer
Katherine Manson	Bridleways

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