



FEBRUARY 2008 NEWSLETTER

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We hope you have all been able to access the January Newsletter using our web site. If you are still having problems viewing any part of our website, are delayed in receiving information on training or events, or indeed that you would like a copy of the newsletter sent by post, please let us know.

Membership Renewal – Final Reminder

The deadline for all renewals is the end of March. Could you please ensure that your membership is sent to Claire Shanks, our Membership Secretary by this date. Also please don't forget to add your email address, this helps to cut down on our administration and also allows us to be more efficient in letting you know about our events.

Past Events

AGM Crofton – October

This was a well-attended meeting despite the awful weather that night. Our Chairman, Kate, gave us an insight as to what had happened over the past year and future plans for 2008, Leanne Lacey our treasurer, provided an over-view of our income and expenditure for 2007 resulting in a healthy bank balance. We look forward to holding some exciting events in the coming year. Aly, the junior coordinator reported that this section of our club had almost doubled in members and proudly relayed their achievements. The Best Member points were announced – our congratulations to Karina Bell and her horse Dexter from the Seniors and Justine Gwynne and her pony Kate from the Juniors. Both were both really pleased with their prizes as were those who were lucky in the raffle!

This year we will be keeping a record of member's attendance at all of the events from January through the September a prizes will then be awarded using this information at the AGM in October

Make sure you give your membership number on any entry forms for any of our events throughout the year, and challenge Karina and Justine to become Best Member for 2008!!

Winter In Hand Show - November

This was held at Mayhill Stud. It was possibly a little quieter than on previous years, but there was still a good turnout. The results are detailed on our website. A Big thanks to all who helped on the day, some suffering badly from winter flu, it couldn't have been done without you.

Quiz Night - December

Held at Shedfield at the beginning of December, feed back from everyone who went was brilliant. With the help of one or two drinks and plenty of heckling amongst the 'teams' the eventual winners were 'M & S Team' (Mandy, Marissa, Josh, Kimberley, Heather & Sophie). £90.00 raised on the night was donated to the ILPH

Many thanks to our Quiz Master, Jill Philips. This event will definitely feature again in 2008

Trailer Training - December

At Marwell Activity Centre, held on one of the possibly coldest days of the year!. All who attended agreed it was a very interesting and useful day, some even put names forward to attend again. Watch out for our second date, See 'Diary Dates'.

Junior News

The latest Junior Newsletter is on the web site, and has been sent separately to those without web access or e-mail addresses. If you received your Junior Newsletter by post but do have an e-mail address please let Aly have it.

Coming Events

Winter Dressage Area Qualifier at Sparsholt on 20th January

Your club team members at this area event, were:

Solent Waves

Katie Prandle riding Ernie

Trish Springate riding Flint

Kate Welch riding It's Himself

Lesley Marley riding San Diego

Solent Breezes

Kathy Turner riding Bozley

Kate Harris riding Mr Marlow

Kim McDougall riding Roo's Leap

Julia Carden riding Oakhurst Highlight

We also had a junior team, see Junior news section on the website.

As a reminder, if you have ever ridden for our teams before you know we issue black or white numnahs with SRC logo on for the competition, please can you have a look in your Tack Rooms for any lurking about, we are missing a few! Contact any of the Committee regarding this, thanks.

There will be some further 'Dressage Squad' training throughout March, indoors and outdoors. Again see Website for diary dates.

We have many events, jumping and flat organized for the coming months; check the web site regularly to download entry forms.

Some to look out for:

Jump Cross (cancelled last year due to foot and mouth)

Cross Country Training

Members only Jumping and Dressage Shows

Dressage to music

Solent Riding Club are very lucky this year to be able to hold some training at 'Highbrook Stables' Liss, although this venue is a little further a field than most, we are sure if you go there you will find it very impressive, check out their website. (www.highbrookstables.co.uk) We will also have the expert tuition from their resident trainer, Dominique Park. (www.dominiqueparkdressage.co.uk) See Dates for diary.

Venues – SRC are always on the look out to try new venues and indeed trainers. Do you have a favourite venue or do you know of one you would like us to try, or you have a favourite trainer or want us to ask your regular trainer if they would like to teach for SCR, contact any of the Committee who organizes the training, any ideas welcome.

As with any of the events or shows, we do have a 'refund policy'. Unfortunately we can not refund monies unless supported by a valid Doctors or Vet's certificate, although some cases will be at the committee's discretion, we can issue 'credit notes' against another event. In any case at least 24 hours notice would be appreciated, although we accept this can't be helped if your Lorry won't start on the day!!

Dates for Diary

2nd February – Indoor Grid work at Mayhill Stud with Mark Hallion – Contact Emily Payne

8th February - Robert Pickles Clinic at Mayhill Stud – contact Jane Porter

1st March - Indoor Gridwork at Mayhill Stud with Mark Hallion – contact Emily Payne

14th March – Robert Pickles Clinic at Mayhill Stud – Contact Jane Porter

19th April – Area 17 Hunter Trials at Rockbourne run by South Wilts RC. Emily can provide any information on this event.

22nd June – Area 17 Show Jumping at Mayhill Stud to be run by Solent Riding Club. Any members willing to lend a hand and help us with this event would be greatly appreciated. Contact any Committee member.

6th or 13th July – Area 17 Horse Trails run by Bourne Valley RC at Lark Hill. Contact Emily for information.

2nd – 6th July – Stockland Lovell Riding Holiday. Although fully booked, there is a waiting list. Contact Kate Bartlett.

27th July – Area 17 Dressage run by Shillingstone RC at Shillingstone in Dorset. Emily for information.

3rd August – Solent RC Annual Show held at the Hampshire Show Ground Botley. Any members not competing, again, your help would be gratefully accepted. Contact any committee Member.

At time of writing, there are still places available for the grid work sessions at Mayhill Stud with Mark Hallion. £11.00 per session.

Send cheques made payable to SRC to:

Emily Payne

62 Locks Road

Locks Heath

Southampton

Hants

SO31 6NR or contact Emily direct (see end of Newsletter)

15th March – Trailer Training

By popular demand a second training course has been arranged for Saturday 15th April at Marwell. The course will last for 3 hours and will cost each person attending £25.00. Instruction will be geared to those attending and their specific requirements - reversing, hitching up, how to drive safely with your horse and maintenance will be just some of the topics covered. If you already have a trailer please bring along (empty!) to the session and if you haven't don't worry as there will be plenty of opportunity for you to practice and have a go.

Please send your details and any special requests to Jane Porter along with your cheque for £25 made payable to Solent Riding Club.

Indoor Jumping Training at Crofton Equestrian Centre with Marissa Hunter

Wednesday 13 February 2008 Polework

Monday 25 February 2008 2'

Monday 10 March 2008 2'3

Monday 17 March 2008 2'6

Time: 7.00 – 8.00 pm

Cost: £15.00

Contact Hazel Craik

These sessions will take a maximum of 4 horses, so please return your slip early to avoid disappointment. (Can be found on Website)

DRESSAGE CLINICS WITH DOMINIQUE PARSONS

HIGHBROOK STABLES, LYSS PLACE, HAWKLEY ROAD, WEST LISS

Saturday 8th March, 5th April, 3rd May 2008

Times as follows:

9.00- 10.00

10.15 – 11.15

11.30 – 12.30

13.00 – 14.00

Cost will be £20 per person

Contact Lesley Marley

Winter league show jumping show on Saturday 23 February.

Sparsholt

Contact Kate Bartlett for further information

Dressage Squad Training with Nikki Cross.

Venues still to be sorted out.

15th March

11th April

16th May We anticipate starting at about 3.00pm and carrying on into the evening.

More details next month or Contact Kate Bartlett.

Download all entry forms on Website.

DRESSAGE TO MUSIC

On 26th May Area 17 hold their regional Dressage to Music competition, it is usually held at Sparsholt and we have in the past entered individuals to represent the club. If you are interested in representing the club in this discipline then please contact Jane Porter either by email or telephone (see committee details).

The following classes are held:

Juniors (Alison Burgess will be handling this separately so please contact her direct)

Seniors Novice

Seniors Pairs

Training is planned over the months leading up to the competition but you should be aware that a lot of preparation is required by those taking part so it's not for the faint hearted! Jane will "fill" you in on what you need to do to prepare for the training and help point you in the right direction.

Other events in the Area

Crime Prevention Evening & Talk 6th February 2008

Sponsored by Winchester Riding Club, Colden Common Community Centre, St Vigor Way, Colden Common

Winchester, Hants, SO21 1UU

7.30 – 10pm Entry: Free

Speakers: *Malcolm Morley from Stable Close Veterinary Practice "micro chipping horses and Suspicious injuries to horses" and Equine Liaison Officer PC Trish Attwood, Hampshire Constabulary will speak on Equestrian Crime Prevention.*

Tack marking will be available from 7.30pm talk will start at 8pm

5 May 2008 Hampshire Horsewatch Spring Show,

Ford Farm, Brockenhurst Schedules will be ready early 08.

Horse & Pony Association Race Night Saturday 23rd Feb 2008

Come along and have some fun The louder you shout the faster your horse will gallop. Betting is optional, but could make your evening even better if you win.

*At Southsea Golf Club, Burrfields Rd, Portsmouth, PO3 5JJ
1st race 7.30pm 14yrs & over £10.00 per head to include a hot buffet
Contact :- Corrie Preston Tel: 07824 390883
62 Gains Rd, Southsea, PO4 0PL Cheques made payable to PHPA
Please enclose SAE for your tickets*

Committee Member Contacts

Chairman – Kate Bartlett

Dressage Teams/training
Club Merchandise
Riding Holiday.
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Secretary – Emily Payne

Club Teams, Hunter Trials, Horse Trials, Cross Country
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Membership Secretary – Claire Shanks

Any issues regarding membership
Tel: 01489 481726

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Health & Safety at events and shows. Also some training sessions.
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Keeping the Club Members up to date of events past, present & future.
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Entries for Annual show date
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Treasurer and Website - Leanne Lacey

The Bank Balance (Very important!), In Hand Show, contents for website
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Junior Section Co-ordinator – Aly Burgess

All Junior training and teams

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Training Sessions - Jane Porter

Most Flat Work lessons and some miscellaneous training

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Show Jumping - Hazel Craik

For Teams and Training

Tel: 07718 902775

Judges/Trainers - Diane McHale

Organizing judges & trainers for shows & events

Tel: 07810406068

Any of the committee members can be contacted via the SRC website if you do not have their individual email addresses.

So there listed is all our hardworking committee, although we do have particular jobs to do, please feel free to contact any of us at all for anything:

SRC would like to welcome our new members:-

Millie Brice, Gaynor Burnell-Fraser, Milli Carrereas, Chontal, Grace, Sarah Howard, Olivia Humphrey, Cheryl Johns, Dorren Marlow, Alexa Mason, Jennifer Ann Mewes, Susan Murray, Jill Norman, Natalie Powell, Tessa Prior, Sam Rudgeley, Anna Rudgeley, Pat Shuff, Sarah Jane Tuffery, Lesley Tuffery, James Wild, Faith Ella Wood.

We hope to meet you soon at our events.

And Finally

.....Horses don't help themselves to your cash, though they are very good at helping you spend it!!

News flash !

The Solent Waves Team came 5th at the Dressage 20th January. Everybody rode very well and everyone achieved over 60%. Trish Springate came 6th in her arena and Katie Prandle came 3rd, both riding Prelim 12. It was a very pleasing result after everybody's hard work. Well done. Full update next month.