

# Old Berkeley Hunt Riding Club

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OBHRC

Newsletter

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## **Welcome to the OBHRC**

July & August have been a slightly quieter month in the Club's diary this year.

## **Summer Evening Dressage Series**

Thanks to the longer daylight hours at this time of the year, we have been able to offer four classes for the July & August dates.

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July** was a great success with 26 entries overall in the classes.

It was nice to see a few more members competing and enjoying the chance to experience dressage competitions in a friendly atmosphere.

Thank you to Julia Catling for judging all the classes, Liz O'Donnell for writing and Diana Taylor & Caroline Craddock for scoring.

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August** was our final evening dressage competition at Fullers Hill Farm. We had 34 entries across the four classes.

Thank you very much to Jill Elstob for judging all the classes; she has been a long standing Judge and supporter of the riding club. Thanks also go to Lindsay Rose for dressage writing & stewarding during the evening & Charlotte for scoring and collecting dressage sheets.

A very special thanks you to Caroline Craddock who has organised & been the Secretary for all four dressage evening competitions this year. She also did the important job of adding up score sheeting for everyone & presenting rosettes to winners.

We are grateful to Deborah Sanders and her team for allowing the club to hold these dressage competitions at Amersham Dressage this summer. It has been great for riders to compete on their nice arenas.

See all the result on the Event page at the website: [www.obhrc.org.uk](http://www.obhrc.org.uk) or on OBHRC member's & open Facebook pages.



## **Horse Knowledge Club (HKC)**

A series of friendly evening talks, visits and demonstrations, to learn, more, discuss & share ideas.

**Equine Facilitated Learning** led by Lindsay Corrigan on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July.

Lindsay is a chartered psychologist who uses horses in her leadership teamwork coaching, which helps to build a connection between humans & horse.

### **Report by Anne Jermey**

12 members attended this evening practical session with Lindsay who started by explaining more about the connections that can be made between humans & horses.

She asked us all what we hoped to gain from the evening & hoped we would have more understanding of communications needed between our horses and us.

I volunteered to start with a pony called Apollo, Lindsay took the lead rope off his head collar, stepping away & effectively 'handing him over to me'. First of all he chose to look away, I faltered but then I invited Apollo to walk round the field together side-by-side in directions I wanted to go to my amazement he followed. I was elated that he was happy to leave the other ponies and accompany me alone. He also obligingly turned corners, weaved through a bending course & walk through gaps if I changed sides & this was all without a lead rope on.

Everyone took it in turn at guiding a pony around obstacles in the paddock. These exercises included a line of discs to bend through, jump stands to form a narrow gap, LeTrec S bend of poles to walk along side by side & finish with four poles set as square for the pony to stand alone in with handler outside the box.

Lindsay divided us up into small groups & we worked with a pony as a team, going round the obstacle course again. With help from Lindsay I persuaded our pony to step backwards this gave me a feeling of achievement and pride.

A big thanks you to Lindsay for such a fun & informative session.

Also thanks to Antonia for providing the ponies for the evening at Orchard Leigh.



**HKC** autumn dates and talks for September, October & November will be on the website very soon.

## **BRC Area 6 Qualifier Competitions**

### **Summer Show Jumping report. Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July at BCA**

Lynne Wilson competed on Nicky Water's young pony Bella. They did really well with just 4 faults in the first round & clear in the second round, finishing 8<sup>th</sup> out of 25 riders.



In the 80cm class we had a team of four comprised of Ellie Rose, Alison Moody, Harriet Goslett & Sally Mawer.

The whole team jumped clear in the first round. The second round was bigger & slightly more technical course against. Sadly everyone had a few faults with Sally Mawer finishing on 4 faults and in 8<sup>th</sup> position individually at the end of the class.

### **BRC Area 6 autumn / Winter Qualifiers**

The Arena Eventing Qualifier at Cherwell Competition Centre, Mill Lane, Oxford, and OX3 0QG is on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September. Classes for team & individuals include: 70cm, 80cm, 90cm, and 100cm.

The schedule is on the website under Events. Please contact Team Manager: Nicky Waters: [nicky.waters@talk21.com](mailto:nicky.waters@talk21.com) if you would like to compete either as a team member or as individual.

This was a brilliant competition last year with riders first jumping a number of show jumps & then straight on to the XC fences. There was also a water splash to ride through in the middle of XC course.

There is an **ARENA EVENTING** competition being held at Cherwell on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August, this is a good opportunity jumps round a similar course before the Area 6 competition. Website; [www.cherwellcompetition.com](http://www.cherwellcompetition.com)



**Area 6 winters intermediate Dressage competition will hopefully be in October & the Winter Novice Dressage in December. Dates and Venues TBA.**

### **September Jumping Clinic**

**New date:** Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September Jumping Clinic with Natasha Pirie Morrell will be at Milesfield Farm, Hale Lane, St Leonards, HP23 6LH

Group & individual lessons from 1pm – 5pm. Everyone is welcome to join these clinics from those riders who want to start jumping very small up to the experienced riders. Natasha is a very experienced trainer who teaches riders of all abilities and is happy to accommodate everyone. We will group riders accordingly. Costs - 2 riders sharing 45 minutes - £29 or 3 riders sharing 1 hour - £29

Individual lesson are 45 minutes and cost £45. Contact Diane to reserve a place by text: 07836 608921, drop her a Facebook message or email [dianehunt@ymail.com](mailto:dianehunt@ymail.com).

All payment made via OBHRC online banking: Sort code: 30-92-77.

A/C No: 01474131 Account: Old Berkeley Hunt Riding Club.

Reference: SJ clinic + your own Surname



### **Important date for your Diary**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November - AGM,**  
Presentation of Awards & Social evening –

The old Berkeley Hunt Riding Club has several ways of keeping in touch with our members and friends.

The Website: [www.obhrc.org.uk](http://www.obhrc.org.uk) .

Regular emails to members with News and upcoming dates on events.

Open Facebook page, which anyone can look at.

***Old Berkeley Hunt Riding Club members only Facebook page*** which members can join, simply by searching the heading words in italics & **click Join.**