

# Old Berkeley Hunt Riding Club

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OBHRC

Newsletter

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## OBHRC March 2019 Newsletter

The committee have been busy planning & organising lots of new and interesting events and activities. These will be open to members and non members so please check the website which is regularly updated with monthly event planners for all the dates, events, venues and costs, information about HKC dates & all the schedules for club events and Area 6 competitions.

The BRC Area 6 event & dates calendar is at the bottom of the upcoming Competitions, Events & News section on Home page.

Our OBHRC members' only & open facebook advertises events, clinic group times & results from competitions. If you are OBH member and would like to join the face book page just tick the box.

## Helping Us to Help You

In order to give you - our members more clinics and competitions / events. We need your help & support to run them!

From setting up, meeting and greeting, stewarding, covering first aid at competitions to writing for judges – there's plenty to do.

OBHRC is a friendly club which is run by a small dedicated committee who are all volunteers and we need your help to keep the club running smoothly.

Please consider the events that maybe you don't compete at and volunteer when you can, even if it's only for an hour or two every little helps and in return you will help others & make new friends.

Thank you for supporting OBH riding club.

## Volunteers Needed



## Horse Knowledge Club (HKC)

These are monthly series of friendly evening talks, discussions, demonstrations & visits.

Ride and road safety talk & video evening took place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March. This evening was led by Joanne Crabb who is the BHS & Pony Club instructor & assessor for R&RS exams.

Jo gave a detailed talk, supported by the Pony Club video on how ride safely on the roads, cope with junctions & the importance of wearing hi-visibility clothing which is vital for both rider and horse to be seen clearly while out on the road. Important to have contact details attached to the saddle & on the rider in case they are separated or have an accident.

We heard about different situations that riders & cyclists find while out hacking on the roads.



## Area 6 Competitions in March

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** was the Winter Show Jumping teams & individuals qualifiers at Berkshire College, Burchetts Green, Maidenhead.

We had one team competing in the 80cms class: Ellie Rose, Penny Doyle, Liz Rollinson & Sally Mawer.

The first round was outdoors over 80 cm course all our riders jumped clear. Second round was indoors over 85cm course.

Unfortunately three members had faults, but Sally & Suffolini jumped a double clear in the fastest time overall and were placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the individual competition. Congratulations to Sally who has qualified for the BRC Winter Jumping Championships at Arena UK in late March.

Our two individual riders were Georgina Davies who jumped in the 90cms Class with clear & just 4 faults & Nikki Allen who competed in the 100cm & just had some faults in both rounds.



**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March** – Combined Training qualifier at Rosehill Equestrian, Henley on Thames.

Our team was Ellie Rose and Alison Moody competing in Prelim section & Liz Rollinson & Sally Mawer in the Novice section. No team placings today but everyone had a good day out. Congratulations to Gina Elliott who competed in the Prelim section as an individual and was placed 2<sup>nd</sup> overall.

### **Horse Knowledge Quiz**

Test your equestrian knowledge at our exciting Quiz night on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at Chesham Grammar School, White Hill, Chesham, HP5 1BA

Organiser & Quiz Master is Scilla Lown has been busy putting together lots of questions for the different rounds.

This should be a really fun & entertaining evening out. Teams of 3, with different rounds, semi finals and finals with the winning team being presented with the Quiz Shield. Details and prices of tickets will be on website & facebook next week.

To reserve your tickets Contact: Scilla:  
[scilla.lown@btinternet.com](mailto:scilla.lown@btinternet.com)

### **Monthly Jumping Clinics**

Grid clinic on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February had to be cancelled due to the equine flu outbreak near Bellingdon.

We were able to go ahead with the grid/jumping clinic on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March. Next date is Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April for the jumping clinic with Natasha Pirie Morrell at Chiltern Cottage arena.

Everyone is welcome to come. Natasha will tailor the sessions to what the riders want to achieve. Booking details on April event planner.

This is also a chance to have a jump practice before the working hunter classes at the Showing show on 19<sup>th</sup> April.

### **Open Spring Showing & Working Hunter Show**

Good Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April at the Show field, Hog Lane, Ashley Green, HP 5 3PY.

The schedule is now on our website:

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

We welcome spring woollies, part & full clipped horses and ponies.

Three showing rings running at the same time with In-hand & ridden and working hunter classes

Six Championships for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners in each class. Sashes & amazing rosettes.

The Working Hunter Ring has separate classes for ponies and horses. Starting with very novice combinations - jump sizes from low to give riders the chance to introduce the horses & ponies to rustic jumps, up to bigger fences for the more experienced combinations. New fillers will be added to the WH course this year.



**Addams Catering Showing Trophy** will be awarded at the AGM for the OBHRC member who gains the most points in the showing & working hunter classes during the day.

Thank you very much to all the members and friends who have sponsored classes and Championships at this show.

### **Helpers**

We are still looking for helpers to set up on Thursday evening 18<sup>th</sup> April & at the show on Good Friday please.

Contact: Diane if you can spare a few hours.

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### **Monthly Dressage Clinics**

Gail Allum offers flatwork & dressage lessons every first Saturday of the month at Hill Green Farm, Wigginton. Booking is direct with Gail. All details are on the monthly Event Planners.

### **Dates for your Diaries**

#### **Mounted Treasure Hunt**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May at Shire Lane Farm, Cholesbury, Tring HP23 6NA

Riders will set out in small groups from the front field at Shire Lane, there will be some road work and bridleways through Hastoe Woods, this will be about 5 mile hack round collecting clues along the route.

Schedule & more details on how enter will follow soon.

#### **Open Evening Dressage Competitions.**

Monthly Thursday evening dressage competitions will be starting at our new venue Fullers Hill Farm arenas, Fullers Hill, Amersham, Bucks, HP6 5RQ.

First date is Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

All tests & warming up will take place on arena surfaces.

Schedule to follow soon.

### **AGM AND 70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS EVENING**

The 2018 AGM and awards evening last November were extended to include a celebration of the club's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

About 80 people enjoyed an excellent supper with generously donated produce from Waitrose Ltd. This was followed by the presentations of the Annual Challenge Trophies for members' achievements during the year.

The second part of the evening was the silent and live Charity Auction which raised an amazing £450 in aid of the **Rennie Grove Hospice Care**

The cheque was presented to the Hospice at Chalfont St Giles on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February by Ricky Dutton & Scilla Lown.

