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Blidworth Rascals– Kieran Harby, Samantha Green, Jamie Harby, Lewis Harby

Blidworth Equestrian Riding Club

Newsletter

Double Victory for BERC

Blidworth Equestrian Riding Club had a double victory when they attended the NAF 5 Star Superflex Novice Indoor Show Jumping at Trent Valley for Area 16 Qualifier on Sunday 21st November 2010. The Senior Team, Blidworth Reds, took first place and qualified for the Championship at Hartpury in April 2011.

The team comprised of Kate Beaumont, Fran Tansley, Carol Rudkin and Kathy Huke.

Blidworth Reds went into a jump off against East Midlands Dressage, to finally clinch their 1st place!



Kate Beaumont riding Hatfield Bobby for Blidworth Reds



Fran Tansley riding Scooter for Blidworth Reds

Although the Junior team, Blidworth Rascals, were placed 2nd there was only one second in it! They also qualified for the Championship at Hartpury in April 2011.

The team comprised of Samantha Green, Lewis Harby, Kieran Harby and Jamie Harby.



Kieran Harby riding Bamby from Blidworth Rascals



Carole Rudkin riding Lucky for Blidworth Reds



Kathy Huke riding Woodbridge for Blidworth Reds

Dressage Training Clinics

Blidworth Equestrian Riding Club has full sessions when embarking on Dressage Training clinics with Allison Clarke. They are focused, individual and guaranteed to get the results you require. We have competitions arranged this year and pre-booking is required, the first one scheduled is Sunday 5 June 2011.

Please visit our website at www.blidworthequestrianridingclubs.webs.com for more details.



Abby Coulson riding Mr Fudge

Show Jumping Clinics

Blidworth Equestrian Riding Club enjoys the Show Jumping clinics with Sam York. They are popular, they are fun, and guaranteed to be full.

All of Sam's Show Jumping clinics cater for every level of rider and installs the confidence that we sometimes need.



Show Jump clinic with Sam York – Lauren Issac, Holly Shipley, Michelle Jackson, Nina Swanwick, Natalie Carter



Holly Shipley riding Sorrell at Sam York's SJ clinic

The next Show Jumping clinic for 2011 at Blidworth is Saturday 7 May. Any individual that would like to book, please contact Donna Harding, Secretary on 07767 274568, Members £25, non members £35. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

"A horse which stops dead just before a jump and thus propels it's rider into a graceful arc, provides a splendid excuse for general merriment"
– *Duke of Edinburgh*

What we have scheduled for May/June 2011

Saturday ~ 7th May 2011

SJ Clinic with Sam York, to be held at Blidworth Equestrian.

Maximum of 6 individuals per session. £25 Members, £35 Non Members, pre-booking required. Please phone Donna Harding on 07767 274568 to reserve a place.

Sunday ~ 8th May 2011

Dressage Training Day with Allison Clarke, Grand Prix

Rider/Trainer, to be held at Blidworth Equestrian.

Tests: P4, P14, N30 and E43. Choose the test you want to ride; be coached on the main elements of the test with Allison; ride the test at the end of the session and receive your score sheet.

Dress code ~ smart. Duration ~ 30 minutes. £15 Members, £20 Non Members, pre-booking required. Please phone Donna Harding on 07767 274568 to reserve a place.

Sunday ~ 15th May 2011

Area 16 Qualifier at Eaglemoor EC.

Senior and Junior Style and Show Jumping. Flu vacs and passport need to be in order to take part. **If you are interested, then phone Donna Harding on 07767 274568.**

Friday ~ 20th May 2011

Show Jumping Competition at Blidworth Equestrian

To commence at 5 pm. Beginners 65cm, Novice 80cm, Intermediate 95cm. £7 per entry Members, £9 per entry Non Members. Horses and Ponies jump together. Rosettes to 6th place.

Sunday ~ 22nd May 2011

Le Trek Training Day Sunday 22nd May at Blidworth Equestrian. This will be run by the White Horse Le Trek Group.

Any individual that will be taking part in the Le Trek competition on Saturday 18 June will find this Training Day extremely helpful as it will give you a big insight as to what will be expected of you and your horse. You will take part in the paces and understand how to achieve more points within this section, you will have a go at the obstacles and then we will send you out orienteering, by using your map skills.

Places will be limited and will be on a first come first serve basis.

Times will be given out nearer the date along with an equipment checklist of what will be required for the Training Day. There's one thing it will be fun and very different!

Will encompass paces, obstacles and orienteering.

Cost for Members of Blidworth Equestrian RC or White Horse Le Trek Group £22(Mounted) Non Members £27(Mounted)

Individuals that would like to take part unmounted, cost will be £10 Members £15 Non members

Please contact Donna Harding on 07767 274568 to reserve and book your place.

Sunday ~ 5th June 2011

Unaffiliated Dressage Competition, held at Blidworth Equestrian

Tests: P18, P7, N25 and E42. **Judge tba.** £10 Members, £15 Non Members

Saturday ~ 11th June 2011

XC Clinic ~ water schooling at Osberton with Mark Cavell.

Duration 1.5 hours. £15 Members, £20 Non Members, pre-booking required. Please phone Donna Harding on 07767 274568 to reserve a place.

Sunday ~ 12th June 2011

SJ Clinic with Sam York, to be held at Blidworth Equestrian.

Maximum of 6 individuals per session. £25 Members, £35 Non Members, pre-booking required. Please phone Donna Harding on 07767 274568 to reserve a place.

Sunday ~ 12th June 2011

Area 16 Qualifier at Sheepgate EC.

Senior and Junior Dressage and Dressage to music. **If you are interested, then phone Donna Harding on 07767 274568.**

Saturday ~ 18th June

Le Trek Competition, to be held at Blidworth Equestrian.

Will be organised by the White Horse TREC Group, (Link to be found on the Links page).

Sunday ~ 19th June 2011

Area 16 Qualifier ~ Horse Trials at Eland Lodge.

Seniors/Juniors Teams of 4 ~ Novice/Intermediate/Open. Flu vacs and passport need to be in order to take part. **If you are interested, then phone Donna Harding on 07767 274568.**

What did we achieve in 2010

Our achievements in 2010 grew, looking at just a few:

Winners at Hickstead, teams of 3 Show Jumping out of 98 Clubs!



Kate Beaumont, Francesca Tansley and Amelia Murray

2nd at Eland Lodge - Area 16 Qualifier – One Day Event, qualified for Aston-le-Walls.

Carol Rudkin, Abby Coulson, Kate Beaumont and Francesca Tansley.

Le Trek –

1st at Pairs - Amelia Murray and Kate Beaumont

8th at Pairs - Fiona Roberts and Alyson Gilbert

4th at Orienteering - Josie Shanahan

Dressage was great, gaining a 2nd and 6th at Elementary with Abby Coulson and Tracey Lovegrove, 3rd and 4th at Medium with Abby Coulson and Tracey Lovegrove and 2nd in Novice with Angela Jackson; all gained at Sheepgate, Area 16 Qualifier.



The most important value to us as a Club, is the friendliness and camaraderie between all its Members.

The Club provides Clinics throughout the year in Dressage, Show Jumping and Cross Country. The Trainers we use are only the best, which are Sam York for Show Jumping, Allison Clarke for Dressage, who is a Grand Prix Rider/Trainer, and Mark Cavell for Cross Country.

We enter all Area Qualifiers across all disciplines for Area 16, and anyone who is interested in joining us, please phone Donna Harding on 07767 274568 and let her know. The more teams the better!

Stop Press

Blidworth Equestrian Riding club held their first Friday night Show Jumping competition on Friday 15 April 2011. It was a great night, full of fun and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Thank you to everyone who attended.

Results for Friday 15 April

Beginners – 65cm

1st – Holly Shipley riding Sorrell

2nd – Nina Swanick riding Una's Diamond

3rd – Kim Charlton riding Happy

Joint 4th

Kathleen Hazeldine riding Bally Nimbus

Heidi Townroe riding Lemmie

Laura Longstaff riding Platinum Playboy

Novice 85cm

1st - Holly Shipley riding Sorrell

2nd – Laura Longstaff riding Platinum Playboy

3rd – Nina Swanick riding Una's Diamond

4th – Carol Rudkin riding Just One Look

5th – Kathleen Hazeldine riding Bally Nimbus

Other Show Jumping Competition dates are Friday May 20th, Friday 22nd July, Friday 19th August and Friday 14 October – see above schedule.

Membership

Renewal due May

Please remember Membership for the club is due in May 2011, there will be no changes to the amount, £20 for Senior Member, for the year £10 for Juniors (up to the age of 17.5) for the year. Subscriptions will need to be in by end of May, latest 2011. By becoming a member of Blidworth Equestrian Riding Club offers many benefits and also gets you involved in your local riding club, by becoming a member you can:

- Have the opportunity to compete and represent the club as an individual or team member at Area Qualifiers across all disciplines in SJ, XC, Horse Trials or Dressage
- Reduced entry fees at all club events
- Receive the quarterly British Riding Club magazine
- Receive British Riding Club discounts (a full list on their website)
- Enjoy being part of a club and make new friends

Please send cheques made payable to Blidworth Equestrian Riding Club, F.A.O. Donna Harding, please could you send to my home address which will be easier for me to organise and sort. My address is: The Granary, 4, High Oakham Grange, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, NG18 5AR.

Volunteers needed

It is a condition of entry for Qualifiers that we send at least one volunteer to either fence judge, steward or assist in any way. Please give some thought to helping the Club – or if you know of any friends or family who you like to get involved, please get in touch with Donna.

It may be hard work, but great fun and a good way to make friends and perhaps start on the path of competing.

The only requirement is willingness and a sense of humour, (and sometimes your own pen)!



We now have on sale sweatshirts with our logo of Blidworth Equestrian Riding Club and Gilets, cost £20, any individual that would like to purchase any of our merchandise please contact Donna Harding on 07767 274568.