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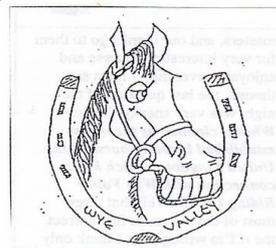
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Hi every one, here we are the vernal equinox (first day of spring). I must admit we have had some lovely weather this last week or so. So nice to be able to get out without the wellies and macs and to see the horses enjoying the sunshine. Lets hope this will be the start of a decent spring and summer.

Later in this newsletter are new training dates at Usk college and with Lizzel at Severn Vale Equestrian Centre and reports on our last two meetings. There is also a report from our Chairperson on her trip to Aachen.

So lets get started.



There have been a few innovations over the last few months, one is from the British Riding Club and is a new Points League for competitors competing in Riding Tests and Style Jumping. The flyer from BRC is attached in PDF, unfortunately when I tried to transfer it to word it didn't make any sense.

There has also been a change in the downgrading of horses

winnings and the details are enclosed later on in the newsletter.

There are also details of a new Regional qualifier and Championship for areas in the South Wales and West of England, details later on in the newsletter.

We also have a list of Dressage and Showjumping show which Peter is running through the coming months.

Details of up coming meetings and training is also included.

## QUOTES FROM A FRIEND

A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.

We never really grow up; we only learn how to act in public.

Hospitality: making your guests feel like they're at home, even if you wish they were.

## **MONTHLY MEETING REPORTS**

### **Meeting 3rd February (Reporter: Peter Buist)**

#### **Talk by Franky Reid-Warrilow on winning a gold medal at the European 2\* Eventing Championships.**

#### **Wednesday 3 February**

Franky started by telling us that her aim had been to get selected for the team for the 2013 championship, but that six weeks before the event she had a schooling fall on a young horse that resulted in her sustaining a fractured pelvis. Her determination to recover saw her competing again six weeks after the accident, but she missed out on a team place. 2014 had been a good year where she was the recipient of the Mark Todd Bridging the Gap scholarship and she won at Weston Park. Plans for 2015 were to step up to 3\* with a trip to Saumur in France. However her best horse Dolley Whisper had a cough in the run up that meant no Saumur.

At about the same time, she had been contacted by the 2\* team who were enquiring what her plans were and if she was not able to complete a 3\* event by August would she like to join the squad for training. In June, Whisper was 4<sup>th</sup> in the 2\* at Barbury and they were selected for the team although Franky was concerned at their lack of training and possibly letting the team down. Following two double day training sessions with the team and with help and advice from trainers Richard Waygood and Jonathan Chapman everyone moved off to the Netherlands in confident mood.

This European Championship is like eventing with individual dressage, cross country and showjumping phases, but it also has a unique team dressage test as the first phase. Franky played a video of the team test as she talked and emphasised the requirement for correct dressing (spacing) between the horses at all times. Team GBR's test was the best and we ended the first day in first place.

The second day was the individual dressage test and Franky was second last to go and knew what score she had to beat and this added to the pressure. She confessed that after the first few movements she glanced up at the scoreboard carrying the live marks to see that so far she was in third, thought "that's not good enough" and really went for it. That paid off as she was the dressage leader and Team GBR were in the lead after day two.

The cross country course was twisty and demanding and in one section there were 13 jumping efforts between the second and third minute markers. Franky's instructions from Richard were "go as fast as you can". Franky completed clear with no time penalties and stayed in the lead individually however the course had taken its toll for some of her team mates and GBR dropped down to 3<sup>rd</sup>.

For showjumping on the final day riders go in reverse order of merit, so Franky would be last and entering the arena knew that she had one fence in hand to make sure of the gold medal. She didn't need it and jumped a perfect clear round to win. The other Team GBR had also jumped well and pulled the team up to win silver with Tyler Cassells finishing in 4<sup>th</sup> and Zoe Wilkinson in 6<sup>th</sup>. Franky illustrated her recount of the championship by showing video clips of her dressage, cross country and show jumping rounds.

Following questions, Franky said that after the championships she had gone to Blenheim for the CCI\*\*\* and finished in 18<sup>th</sup> place. Future plans were to go to Saumur for the CCI\*\*\* then to Pau for the CCI\*\*\*\* at the end of 2016. For 2017 the target would be Badminton and a place on the senior team for the European Championships. She had just found out that she and Whisper had been included in the pool of riders from which Nations Cup teams would be selected in 2016. She buys horses at 5 years old and produces them herself. Her Mum had bought Whisper from the Netherlands as a 3 year old having seen a video of her jumping. When she arrived Franky was disappointed to see how small she was – just a pony! However size isn't everything. Whisper has had a foal through embryo transfer by Jaguar Mail who is now one and a half years old. Franky was grateful to Riding Clubs for their support and she had enjoyed competing in RC events for Radnorshire RC where her parents had been on the committee.

I think that it's fair to say that Franky is a great ambassador for what can be achieved through Riding Clubs and has a bright eventing future.

Peter Buist

## Meeting 2nd March: (Reporter Julian Holmes)

At the March meeting we were delighted to welcome Emma Jones from the Abbey Veterinary clinic to give a talk on strangles.

Emma began by explaining that strangles is a bacterial disease and not a virus and also placed a large emphasis on the fact that while people can be concerned about the stigma associated with strangles, there is in fact absolutely no link between incidents of strangles and poor welfare and it is relatively common; the Abbey Clinic attends a few outbreaks each year. While it only affects the health of equines it is transferred by quite close contact with for example another horse that is a carrier or by a human or dog that has been in contact with a carrier or has visited a premises where there are cases of strangles.

The signs of strangles are large lymph nodes mainly on the head and neck, a high temperature and the horse appears dull, depressed with a loss of appetite. The condition also irritates the trachea which makes the horse cough. Having said this some horses are not affected much so the severity of the symptoms can vary between individual cases. The condition has an incubation period of 7 to 14 days before the horse shows a rise in temperature.

The bacteria are good at surviving in the environment (although UV light and disinfectant such as Jeyes Fluid does kill them), it is passed through the horses nasal discharge and is transferred through shared mediums such as water troughs, feed dishes and muck heaps – the key point is that it is not air borne.

In terms of managing an outbreak, if you find you have a case of strangles then you should isolate the horse and any others that may be affected for 14 to 21 days and apply strict hygiene procedures; it is vital that everyone in the yard adheres to these hygiene rules. Isolation means keeping the infected animals in a field or building that is at least 10 metres away from the rest of the yard and also any grills between stables should be boarded up. Separate utensils, equipment and water supply are essential and only certain designated individuals should be allowed to look after the isolated horses. The items that are needed are overalls, plastic containers with lids, bin liners, barrier signs and disinfectant.

The action to be taken is to call the vet who will take a swab from the back of the throat and they will test the culture to see if it proves positive for strangles. Emma did point out that there are other methods of checking for strangles such as DNA and blood tests however these can be more difficult to interpret.

Communication is key because all the horses should remain on the yard so it would be advisable therefore that a meeting is conducted with everyone concerned; it is much easier if one veterinary practice deals with a yard outbreak

Emma was keen to put things into perspective and said that most horses are unwell for 2 weeks and then get over it and there is no long lasting damage; a small proportion become very ill and it is only in extreme case (probably 2%) where a fatality occurs as a result of strangles.

In terms of knowing when it is over there should be no clinical signs from any horse for 4 weeks. The problem with strangles is that there are no symptoms in the carrier state so it is important that follow up testing takes place to show that all the horses prove negative; horses that are carriers and show no symptoms can also be treated.

Emma explained the different ways that treatment can take place but at the same time also made the point from the old adage that prevention is always better than cure and this comes down to bio security of separate buckets and grooming kits, the maintenance of written records, isolating and disinfecting all new horses in the yard for at least 2 weeks and also vaccines are now available.

We were very grateful to Emma for giving her time to come and provide a very entertaining and informative presentation on strangles and we look forward to welcoming her back again in the future.

Julian Holmes

## **FORTHCOMING MONTHLY MEETINGS**

### **6th April Meeting**

This will be a talk and dissection of horses leg by Nigel Brown Farrier. The venue is Usk College in Usk and will commence at 7.30pm. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided.

### **4th May**

We are still arranging a speaker for this meeting and we will let you have the details shortly by newsflash.

### **28th June ( Provisional )**

We are arranging a night at the race with Chepstow Racecourse. It will be a private box with food as we did last year which was very successful. Further details to follow shortly by newsflash.

### **22nd July**

We will be setting up the arenas at Howick Farm ready for the dressage qualifier which takes place on the 24th July. If anyone can spare some time on the evening of the 22nd we will be there from 6.00pm, any help would be appreciated.

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### **Changes to Downgrading of Horses Winnings. BRC Rules Book 2016**

#### **G6.2: Downgrading of winnings**

Horses may be downgraded by 12 BD points, 3 BE points and 50 BS points for each calendar year that they remain unregistered in the appropriate discipline. Riders may calculate this for themselves without the need to apply for downgrading with BRC, and those horses that then meet the eligibility requirements for the riders chosen level of competition may be entered with no need to make a formal application to BRC.

Horses who have met this criteria may still be registered, but should any further winnings be gained (excluding BD Quest Points, BD points gained at Prelim level, BE Foundation Points or BS points gained in 70/80cm intro class or any club classes) then the horses full winnings will be reactivated for BRC eligibility purposes.

Riders of horses who do not meet eligibility requirements for their chosen level of competition may still apply to BRC for their case to be considered on an individual basis by the downgrading panel.

BRC do not recognise downgrades approved by other organisations, and those riders with horses who have been downgraded elsewhere and who are unable to meet eligibility requirements by applying the points deductions above will still need to apply to BRC.

Please note that downgrade applications presented with a specific qualifier in mind need to have been approved by the close of preliminary entry to comply with eligibility rules.

**Riders 2000 and Southerndown Riding Clubs are proud to be hosting a succession**

**of training clinics throughout 2016 for all members of British Riding Clubs Area 15**

**To be held at PENCOED COLLEGE :**

**FLATWORK with SHELLY HARRIS**

**SHOWJUMPING with NATALIE PASSMORE**

**DATES: Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April, Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

**(final date to be confirmed)**

**COSTS: AREA 15 MEMBERS = £22:00 Per person for 45 minute session 2 in group for flatwork, and £22 per person for 60 minutes 4(max) in a group for show jumping, (private lessons by separate arrangement if possible) The sessions will be aimed at all levels from the novice rider up to the more experienced competitor. Bookings will be taken on a first come first served basis with a waiting list being held for any cancellations. A discount of £4 is offered to all members booking both show jumping and flatwork on the same day.**

***IF SPACES ALLOW, NON AREA 15 MEMBERS CAN TAKE PART AT AN EXTRA COST OF £3:00 PER SESSION***

**Booking form attached**

## **Forthcoming Shows**

### **Wye Valley Riding Club Competition Programme 2016.**

#### **Open Spring Dressage Show on Sunday 17 April**

Held in conjunction with Coleg Gwent at Usk College. Tests range from Intro (a walk and trot only test) right up to Medium so there is something for everyone. Entry fee for WVRC members is discounted to £7 per test which is exceptionally good value. A copy of the schedule can be downloaded from the WVRC web site [www.wyevalleyrc.co.uk](http://www.wyevalleyrc.co.uk) .

#### **Evening Dressage Show on Wednesday 25 May**

Open to members and friends and held at Howick. Range of tests and will include a Riding Test so that riders can gain points in the BRC Points League.

#### **Evening Show Jumping on Wednesday 22 June**

Open to members and friends and held at Howick. The evening will start with a low clear round jumping and the course will be encouraging for young and inexperienced horses.

#### **Evening Dressage Show on Wednesday 13 July**

Open to members and friends and held at Howick. This will be a great opportunity to use the show as the warm up for the Area Dressage Qualifier to be held at Howick on 24 July.

#### **Area 15 Dressage Qualifier on Sunday 24 July**

WVRC are once again hosting this event at Howick. As well as the qualifying classes there will be a number of non-qualifier options.

#### **Super Sunday Show Jumping Show on Sunday 25 September**

Held at Howick, this will start with low clear round jumping followed by a number of classes to make it a fun packed day for everyone.

All our events aim to be friendly and welcoming and are a great place to start if you are new to competing as a rider or if you are starting to introduce a new young horse to parties. The proceeds made from last year's shows are being re-invested so you will see a couple of new jump additions to our jump set.

Points towards the Dressage and Show Jumping Trophies will also be awarded at these shows to WVRC members.

## **TRAINING**

Laura Jones-Griffiths has arranged some training dates at Usk College. Details are in the attached flyer.

### **Training**

Here are the new dates for flatwork training with Lizzel Winters at Severnvale Equestrian Centre. Lessons are in groups of 4 for one hour, and the cost is £22.50. Lessons start at 1pm and 2pm on each date.

To book please email or ring Lindsey with the dates and your preferred time [lindsey.gaunt@googlemail.com](mailto:lindsey.gaunt@googlemail.com) or 01291 680065. or 07855097292

Tuesday April 5th

Friday May 13th

Friday June 24th

Wednesday July 6th

Monday July 25th

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## **BRC Grassroots Cross Country Training Opportunity in our area. Date 27th May 2016**

**The Venue:** Sapey Cross Country SatNav Post Code HR7 4QA to Wolferlow

**Trainer:** Nick Gauntlett FBHS

**BRC Member Cost:** £25 per person

BRC has launched an exclusive new training initiative aimed at the true grass roots BRC member. The days are designed for riders who have never really had a go at cross country riding but would relish the opportunity to learn how to participate correctly with instruction from some of the best trainers in the country. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis and riders will be grouped according to ability with each session having a maximum of 5 riders and any jumps used on the day will be a maximum of 65/75cm. All of the dates and venues can be found on the training pages of the BRC website along with a promotional poster with additional information. Riders can download the booking form from the website. Once completed, the booking form must be sent to BRC Head Office with a cheque for the full amount (cheques will be returned to unsuccessful applicants).

### **Combinations are not eligible for this training if:**

- 1) They have entered a BRC Qualifier with a Cross Country element at any height.
- 2) Completed any BE event.

A link to our website to download a booking form is below

<http://www.bhs.org.uk/enjoy-riding/british-riding-clubs/brc-assessments-and-training>

The flyer is attached

## Details of the New Regional Championships 2016

South Wales and West of England Riding Clubs Championships 2016 (Version 2)

Hartpury EC, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August

The competition will be team only, but with individual placings on the day. It will be for teams of riders who have not qualified for the National Championships at Lincoln. Run under BRC rules, but with specific rules for this event. (See draft rules). Teams may be Juniors or Seniors, but will be judged together. (We may be able to have e.g. "best junior" award). Teams may have paid prelim entries to BRC, or may be NQ/Area Championship teams. Horses should only do up to 3 of the 4 disciplines. (Horse welfare plus logistics)

Classes and numbers to qualify

### Riding Test

All team members will ride the Prelim Riding Test. This accommodates the fact that Juniors do not ride the Novice Test at qualifiers. (This could be reviewed in the event of no Junior teams attending) We have introduced a "handicap" system for horses with over 60 BD points)

**2 teams per Area (10 teams, 20 riders per arena)**

### Prelim Dressage (P14)

Teams will be from the Senior Prelim Dressage, or the Junior Dressage qualifier. The Junior rider who rode Novice at the qualifier will be eligible to compete, but with a "handicap" if they have BD points. (See rules)

**4 teams per Area (20 teams, 4x20 riders per section)**

It will be possible to have some flexibility, e.g. 1 RT and 5 dressage, or 3 of each. We could also have wild card places if an Area does not fill its quota.

### Style Jumping

This will run at the start of the day. 2 riders to jump 75cm, 2 riders to jump 80cm. (Changed from 85cm to accommodate the 80cm jumping which follows).

**2 teams per Area (10 teams, 20 riders at 75cm, 20 at 80cm)**

### Novice Show Jumping

Round 1 80cm, Round 2 85cm.

There will not be a 3<sup>rd</sup> round team Jump-off, times of clears in R2 will be used for all placings. Individual double clears will jump off.

**4 teams per Area (80 riders)**

As with the dressage, there is room for some flexibility around the total of 6 teams per Area, and the wild card option.

### QUALIFYING

We suggest that Areas will hold the regional qualifiers alongside their national qualifiers at their summer qualifying competitions for Dressage/RT and SJ/Style. The Area can allow Clubs that wish to qualify their team/s for Lincoln pay their preliminary entries to BRC as usual and the local fee to the organising club. Those that don't, for whatever reason (don't wish to travel to Lincoln, extra "novice" teams who are having a go etc.) just pay their entry fee to the organising club.

Teams that qualify for the National Championships do not also qualify for the Regionals. Those places at the Regionals are taken by lower placed teams on the day. Teams may include individuals who have qualified, but may not use individual qualifiers as reserves in their team.

# SOUTH WALES AND WEST OF ENGLAND RIDING CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP (SWWRC) RULES 2016

## 1. GENERAL RULES

Where not specified, rules for the qualifiers and final to be as per the current British Riding Clubs Rule Book unless agreement is reached by the SWWRC Representatives Committee. It is up to the individual Clubs to bring these rules to the notice of competitors.

For 2016, all teams will qualify via the Area Summer Dressage and Show jumping qualifiers. Each area may choose to allow teams to enter for the Regional Championship only, without submitting prelim entries to BRC for the national Championships.

**At all SWWRC qualifiers and championships 'protective headwear' (as defined in the current BRC Official Rules) must show a visible BRC 'hat tag'.**

All competitions at qualifiers and the final will be for teams of four with the best three scores to count. Teams may be Junior or Senior, but there will be no differentiation between juniors and seniors at the championship. Each Area is free to select between Junior and Senior teams in a way which suits their entry numbers. The championship will run with 4 disciplines: Riding Test, Prelim Dressage, Style Jumping and Novice Show Jumping. **Horses are limited to three of the four competitions at the championship.**

In the event of any horse or rider at the championship being found to be ineligible, the whole Team will be disqualified.

It is a condition of entry that each Club qualifying for the final agrees to provide **one helper per team**. Full contact details of each helper (name, address, e-mail and telephone numbers) must be given on the appropriate form. Helpers must be prepared to assist in any discipline as required. They will be notified as to the time when they will be required. Clubs not producing the necessary number of helpers may not be allowed to compete.

Notifications of the full results of Qualifiers to be made by the Area Secretary or Competition Organiser **IMMEDIATELY** after the qualifier. Qualifying teams will be given a qualification card and entry form on the day of the qualifier, which must be sent to the Secretary at the address on the inside front cover of the schedule.

In the event of the Championships being cancelled a percentage of the entry fees will be kept to cover administrative and cancellation costs

The entry fees for the Championships will be determined by the organising committee and set out in the championship schedule.

Protests or complaints to be made in writing to the organiser accompanied by a deposit of £20.00. Protests must be made no later than 30 minutes after the incident which gave rise to that protest, 30 minutes after the results have been published or, in the case of protests against qualification of horse or rider, 60 minutes after the start of the class. Committee to deal with the objection at the finals will consist of at least three Area Chairmen or their nominated representatives plus the steward of the event concerned and their decision will be final. The deposit will be forfeited unless the protest is upheld or it was decided that there were good and reasonable grounds for lodging the protest.

Teams are allowed a maximum of 2 substitutions of horses and/or riders at the championships. All substitutes must be eligible on the date of the Championships .

Teams who have qualified for the BRC National Championships at Lincoln are not eligible for the regional championship in the relevant discipline, but may include riders who have qualified individually. Substitute horse/rider combinations **may not have qualified** for the National Championships in that discipline. (It is recognised that some riders/teams attending the Regional Championship may be called up as reserves for Lincoln. In this instance they will not be deemed ineligible)

The number of Teams qualifying for the final from each Area will be :

<u><b>RIDING TEST</b></u>	<u><b>DRESSAGE</b></u>	<u><b>STYLE JUMPING</b></u>	<u><b>SHOW JUMPING</b></u>
2	4	2	4

If a Team qualifying for the final is unable to take part, the next placed Team may go through. If the Area concerned is unable to provide the additional Team, the space will be offered to the Area with the greatest number of teams in the qualifier. FOR THIS REASON, FAILURE TO NOTIFY WITHDRAWAL BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES MAY DEBAR THE CLUB FROM COMPETING IN THAT DISCIPLINE AT THE CHAMPIONSHIPS THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

**PRIZES AT THE CHAMPIONSHIPS** Rosettes to the first six teams in Riding Test and Style Jumping and the first 10 teams in Dressage and Show Jumping and to the first 10 individuals in each arena in each discipline. Sashes and prizes in kind to winning teams and individuals.

#### **ELIGIBILITY -**

**ALL DISCIPLINES as per the current BRITISH RIDING CLUBS RULE BOOK EXCEPT**

Competitors must be members of a BHS affiliated Riding Club within Areas 9, 12, 15, 18 or 19.

Official membership numbers must be included on all entry forms.

Any qualifications obtained after the closing of prelim entries in each Area will not debar the competitor from taking part in the Championships. This date will apply whether or not the team has made BRC Prelim entries.

### **3) STYLE JUMPING**

This will run as per the BRC Style jumping rules, except that 2 riders will jump at 75cm and 2 at 80cm. This is to accommodate the Novice Show Jumping which follows in the same arena, so that no horses have jumped higher than 80cm prior to the competition.

### **4) SHOW JUMPING**

The maximum height of the jumps will be 0.80m in the first round and 0.85m in the second round at both qualifier and Championships. The first two fences should not be set at maximum height. There should be one double at the qualifier. At the Championships the course may have two doubles.

Each team will jump two rounds with the best three scores in each round to count for the team total. If a team member is eliminated in the first round they are permitted to compete in the second round. If two or more team members are eliminated in the first round the team is eliminated and those who have been eliminated cannot jump in the second round. The remaining team members can go forward into the second round as individuals at the championships.

In the event of equality after the two rounds in the team competition, all placings **including first place** will be determined by the aggregate times of the three scoring members of the tying teams in the second round. (i.e. there will not be a 3<sup>rd</sup> round jump-off for teams)

Team members will also compete as individuals at the championship. In the event of equality for first place after the two rounds in the individual competition, the individuals concerned will be required to jump off over a shortened course against the clock. Equality for minor placings will be determined by the time taken by the individual in the second round.

### **5) DRESSAGE**

The Test will be Prelim 14(2006). Tests may not be commanded at the Championships. Dress and tack as per BRC rules.

In the case of Junior Teams only, the horse which entered the Novice test at the qualifier will be eligible to compete. However if their horse has BD points at Novice they will be handicapped 1 percentage point for every 41 points (up to 41 – 1%, 42-82 -2%, 83-124-3%)

### **6) RIDING TEST**

A) The Test will be **BRC Prelim Riding Test (2014) for all riders.**

B) In Senior Teams, where riders qualified riding the Novice RT, horses with more than 60 BD points will have a 1 percentage point handicap.

**2016 BRC Championship Dates**

<b>Competition</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Novice Winter Championships	9 - 10 April	The College Equestrian Centre, Church Road, Keysoe, Bedford, <b>MK44 2JP</b>
Intermediate Winter Championships	30 April – 1 May	Bury Farm Equestrian Village; New Bury Farm, Mill Road, Slapton, Bucks. <b>LU7 9BT</b>
Festival of the Horse	4 – 5 June	Washbrook Farm, Aston-le-Walls, Daventry, Northamptonshire. <b>NN11 6RT</b>
Horse Trials	5 - 7 August	Swalcliffe Park Equestrian, Grange Farm, Swalcliffe, Banbury, Oxon. <b>OX15 5EX</b>
National Championships	10 - 11 September	Lincolnshire Showground, Grange-de-Lings, Lincoln, Lincolnshire. <b>LN2 2NA</b>
Dressage to Music & Quadrille Selection Trial	30 Sept - 2 October	Bury Farm Equestrian Village; New Bury Farm, Mill Road, Slapton, Bucks. <b>LU7 9BT</b>
Quadrille Final	20th - 22nd October	Held with the "British All Stars Nationals "at Bury Farm as above

## FLOWERS FOR THE FIRST DAY OF SPRING

