

# WYE VALLEY RIDING CLUB

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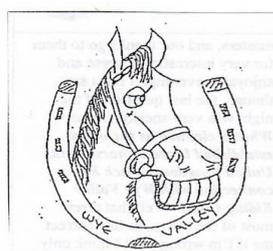
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Well here we are again, Doesn't time fly by, it is now officially Autumn even though the last few days have been really sunny, unfortunately the mornings and evenings have been a bit on the chilly side and as suspected a lot of us have started using the old central heating. Hopefully our four legged friends are taking advantage of the last bit of good weather before the rugs come out of storage again and winter stables duty starts.

I'm told that it is only 85 sleeps until Christmas, blimey it only seems like yesterday that I was taking the decorations So soon I'll be dragging them out again.



**MEMBERSHIP**

It is now the start of the 2015/2016 financial Year and membership fees are now due. The fee for the year is £22.50 and you can either send me a cheque made out to WVRC at Marilyn Kirton, 14 Orchard Avenue, Bulwark, Chepstow Mon. NP16 5RD or send it by BACS to Wye Valley Riding Club Sort Code 522126. Account Number 43520782. Ref Membership. Otherwise you can pay me at the Annual General Meeting

**FORTHCOMING MONTHLY MEETINGS**

**Wednesday 7th October**

Our October meeting will be 'Spook Busting for the Riding Club Horse' with Joanna and Roger Day. This will be held at Usk Equestrian College on Wednesday 7th October starting at 7.30pm. You will need to bring your own chair to sit on.

Entry is free for Wye Valley RC members, and £5 for non members. So if you have friends or family who would like to come then please bring them along.

**QUOTES FROM A FRIEND**

Always borrow money from a pessimist. He won't expect it back

I didn't say it was your fault; I said I was blaming you.

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

Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.

## Monthly Meetings Cont:

### Wednesday 4th November

This will be our club's Annual General Meeting. The venue will be The Anchor in Tintern and will commence at 8.00pm. There will also be a buffet I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible as this is where you can tell us how we are doing and what you would like us to arrange for you by way of instruction shows etc. for the coming year. It is also where we elect committee members for the coming year. We will also be looking to appoint a new Auditor so if there is anyone who knows of a chartered accountant either working or retired, preferably a non riding club member, who would be willing to take on the position, I would be grateful if you could let me know as soon as possible.

Nomination forms for committee are at the end of the newsletter.

### Wednesday 9th December

This will be our Christmas Party at The Star at Llansoy, where we have had our Christmas parties before. We tried to book for the 2nd but unfortunately they were already full, hence the 9th. Start time will be 7.30pm for 8.00pm and will be a three course meal from their Christmas menu which is attached. The cost is £22.95 but as you will see from the menu the choices look delicious. If you would like to join us, partners and friends are welcome, then please send in the menu with your choices and a cheque for cost **by the 26th of November at the latest**. We look forward to seeing lots of you there. Diana will do one of her quizzes and there will also be a raffle, I might even do a quiz myself.

Just as an aside, Pam Davidson and I went to the Star to book the party and decided to stay for lunch. The menu was awesome there was so much choice. We settled for the Garlic Creamed Wild Mushrooms on a toast bed with a leaf garnish, it was to die for, and such a large portion. We then had Beer Battered Cod with home made chips and peas, that was a large portion as well. By the end of it we were completely stuffed but happy. I have to admit the food was great and beautifully cooked and presented. They also have heating in the conservatory now so we won't be cold at the party.

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## MONTHLY MEETING REPORTS

We didn't have a meeting in August as the meeting at Chepstow Racecourse combined the July and August meetings. We did, however, have a fun ride on the 16th August which only three people turned up but they enjoyed themselves and we have to thank Sally Prewett for laying on refreshments at the end of the ride, and for letting the riders start from her and her husband's farm.

### SEPTEMBER MEETING

This was meant to be a table top sale but unfortunately we couldn't find a venue so this has been postponed until the 26th October at St Arvans Village Hall. Tables will be £5 and we will be providing tea, coffee and cake at a small charge. Entrance is free. For further details contact Karen at Ride and Stride phone 01291627072 or on e.mail [karen@rideandstride.co.uk](mailto:karen@rideandstride.co.uk)

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## SHOW REPORTS

### Super Show Jumping Sunday on 27 September 2015.

The club ran it's second show jumping show of the year at Howick thanks to the generosity of the Jenkins family.

The clear round jumping was very popular and we had horses who had never seen a course of coloured jumps popping round like old hands and others who needed a little help to start with beginning to get the idea by the time they finished. We ran classes from 70 to 100cm and I did not meet one person who was not pleased with what they had done and all this in a glorious setting on a lovely sunny day!

My thanks go to the team who helped set up and run the show and to the many hands that stayed and helped clear up afterwards. What a team effort.

## Results

### Class 1

1st Janet Peters and Tess  
2nd Tina Beverley-Jones and Owen  
3rd Bronwen Daniel and Coco  
4th Coral Morris and Levi  
5th Alison Jones-Griffiths and Paddy

### Class 2

1st Coral Morris and Benjamine Bunny  
2nd Judith Powell and Lan Garth Spectrum  
3rd Bronwen Daniel and Coco  
4th Gaye Nicholas and Kings Pride  
5th Judith Powell and Lan Garth Anna  
6th Maddy Mouldsley and Terimon Player

### Class 3

1st Gaye Nicholas and Kings Pride  
2nd Coral Morris and Benjamine Bunny  
3rd Max Edwards and Rosie  
4th Bronwen Daniel and Coco  
5th Maddy Mouldsley and Terimon Player

### Class 4

1st Max Edwards and Rosie.

Peter Buist

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## Team GBR win team silver and individual gold at European Championships

The British eventing team sponsored by British Riding Clubs won team silver and individual gold at the CIC\*\* European Championships recently. The individual gold medal winner was none other than Vale of Arrow member and Area 15 sponsored rider Franky Reid-Warriow riding her own Dolley Whisper. All riders on the team are BRC members. The team was selected from almost 130 applicants and gradually whittled down to the team of six plus two individuals over a two year period while undergoing extensive training, funded by BRC, from team trainers Richard Waygood and Jonathan Chapman.

This is a unique competition of four phases, a team of six dressage test, an individual dressage test, then cross country and finally show jumping. The 2015 championships was hosted by the Netherlands. Britain got off to a flying start in the team championship, leading after the team dressage and maintaining that lead after individual dressage. However some blips on the cross country and very impressive rounds from the German riders saw us drop back to third going into the final show jumping. Clear rounds from Franky and Tyler Cassells with Grandslam from East Cheshire Combined Training Group over a track that caused lots of problems pulled the team up into the silver medal position. Franky was supreme throughout in the individual championship, leading after dressage, going clear cross country inside the time and adding nothing to her score in the showjumping to finish on her dressage score.

This was a very successful championship for Team GBR and extends our record of taking team and individual medals in the last four championships. Grateful thanks go to BRC for their funding of the training programme and to our other sponsors; Equilibrium Products, Luc Childeric Saddles, Mirrors for Training and to the companies that support Team GBR; NAF, Toggi, Land Rover and Griffin Nuumed.

Peter Buist  
Chef de Mission

## 2016 BRC Championship Dates

Competition	Date	Venue
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 <b>TBC</b>	Bury Farm Equestrian Village; New Bury Farm, Mill Road, Slapton, Bucks. <b>LU7 9BT</b>
Quadrille Final	<b>TBC</b>	<b>TBC</b>

## TRAINING

Lizzel Winter training Sessions

16th October

13th November

At Severnvale Equestrian Centre. Sessions are £22.50. To secure a place contact Lindsey Gaunt on 07855097292 or e.mail: [lindsey.gaunt@googlemail.com](mailto:lindsey.gaunt@googlemail.com)

