

# Newsletter July 2004



## Bourne Valley Riding Club

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We are in the midst of the silly season. Club competitions have been coming thick and fast and we have taken part in three Area 17 inter riding club competitions. As you can probably tell there has been loads of planning, loads of organisation and loads of phone calls. All these activities have been punctuated with arguments over stopped cheques from non-members, and countering a threat from a non-member to submit a claim for return for entry fees to the small claims court. Nobody can call it a dull life! LKH.

### **BRC National Horse Trials Championships at Offchurch Bury, Nr Leamington Spa on 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> August**

Exciting news! Our Open Horse Trials team of Tacita Rolls, Kati Cuthbertson, Karen Baxter and Justin Clubley are representing BVRC and Area 17 at the National Horse Trials Championships this weekend. Justin also qualified to ride as an individual on his second horse. The competition is contested as a 3 day event. Sarah Peerless rides in the Novice 2 day Championships as an individual. Good luck to them all.

Read on to see how they qualified.

### **Club News**

Congratulations to Hilary Mayall and her partner on the birth of son Oliver in May.

Congratulations also go to Diana & Andy Burgess and the safe arrival of Ben on 17<sup>th</sup> July.

## **Forthcoming Events**



### **Riding Club Horse Competition postponed until Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September**

As the original date for Riding Club Horse competition coincided with the start of the Olympics and more particularly the preparation for the Olympic 3 day event, I decided to postpone the competition and run it alongside the second Novice Show of the year. Schedule will be sent out shortly.



**Dressage & Show Jumping Show at Knighton Down, Larkhill on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September** (schedule enclosed).

We resume after a short break with our annual show incorporating both dressage and show jumping disciplines (separately not together) at Knighton Down, Larkhill. There are plenty of classes to choose from. Come along and have a go. Eryl is organising this show, her first for the club. Please give her plenty of offers of help setting up the day before and/or help on the day. We would appreciate a call from anyone able to tow trailers/caravans to the site. Eryl Jures Tel: 07812 158112

### **Instruction**

Instruction will resume at the beginning of September.

## **Bridleways**

At a recent BHS (Hants) committee meeting, it became apparent that the Bridleways Sub-committee has been making very positive steps towards improving the off-road access for riders and carriage-drivers, with considerable backing from Hannah Cohen and the Access Department at Stoneleigh.

### **MESSAGE FOR ALL RIDERS, PARTICULARLY HAPPY (OR MORE UNHAPPY) HACKERS.**

Please contribute to improving your off-road riding access by  
Feeding information to the Bridleways Committee.

Contact me or bridleways officers as listed in BHS Yearbook, and Newsletters

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Have you footpaths that could with negotiation become bridleways?  
Do your bridleways need attention to drainage, surfacing or cutting back over-hangs?  
Do your bridleways come to an abrupt end at a main road?

Highways Agency is now improving parapets on some narrow bridges over Motorways and Trunk roads to make them more horse-friendly, in response to our requests.

Crossings over A303 are being discussed as I write.

**The BHS (Hants) committee has just voted limited funds to be spent on bridleway improvements.**



**BVRC Combined Training – Sun 9 May 04.** A HUGE thank you to all those who gave up their time to help at the event – this meant that the day went really smoothly, we got packed up in quick time and most seemed to enjoy themselves. It was helped in no small way by the exceptionally pleasant weather so thanks are due for that too! Loads of entries were taken for all the classes – over 100 in the 5 dressage tests – so we were unable to take show jumping entries on the day for fear of going on until midnight! It was good to see so many BVRC members having success in the classes although the numbers reduce in the more advanced competitions. It makes the organising effort worthwhile when you hear comments from visitors about how well organised it was, how much they enjoyed it and that they would definitely be back at our future events. I was surprised to hear about someone’s disappointment that the dressage scores would not be available until the end of the class – either the scoreboards were not in a prominent enough position against the Secretary’s caravan or there was a misunderstanding and the request was for score-**sheets**! It is quite normal to retain dressage score-sheets until the end of the class to ensure that checks can be made against the actual sheet until the results are published. I owe a particularly big THANK YOU to the Benson family; between them they provided the show jumping course designer, course builder, arena party and dressage steward. Having all been there helping since 9.30 they also all helped to pack and load up the jump trailers – and none of them are even club members!!! **Susie Pool**

<b>Class 1A Prelim 4</b>				<b>Dr</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Sue Fundrey	Fair Enough	*	167
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Alison Morgan	Sailor	*	152
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sorrel Warwick	Avanti Express	*	146
4 <sup>th</sup>	Jana Hromadkova	Shadanta	*	146
5 <sup>th</sup>	Pip Crosby	Jacqui	*	141
6 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah Mountford	Lottie	*	137
<b>Class 2A Prelim 18</b>				
1 <sup>st</sup>	Edward Rolls	Harry		164
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gary Caddy	Folds Paddy		162
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sorrel Warwick	Robbie	*	161
4 <sup>th</sup>	Jill Vallis	Mr Moonlight	*	161
5 <sup>th</sup>	Jane Palmer	Crosslanes Apollo		156
5 <sup>th</sup>	Carole Perren	Charlie	*	156
<b>Class 3 Prelim 10</b>				
1 <sup>st</sup>	Gary Caddy	Folds Paddy		150
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jane Palmer	Crosslanes Apollo		148
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Camilla Hankinson	Buffy		143
4 <sup>th</sup>	Tammy Weal	Jazz	*	141
5 <sup>th</sup>	Danielle Olding	Lucky Split		136
6 <sup>th</sup>	Tammy Weal	Quizz	*	135
<b>Class 4A Novice 21</b>				
1 <sup>st</sup>	Gail Perren	Oliver	*	167
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Keri Prewitt	Lacewood Plane	*	161
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Gemma Morris	Pride of the South		149
4 <sup>th</sup>	Alice Berry	Sophie		144
5 <sup>th</sup>	Clare Heald	Flora	*	144
6 <sup>th</sup>	Carrie Ryan	Drimcong River	*	143
<b>Class 5A Novice 32</b>				
1 <sup>st</sup>	Karen Baxter	Matrix		170
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Christina Wiederkehr-White	Balou Bear	*	162
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Gail Perren	Oliver	*	158
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sally Munday	Spring Memories		158
5 <sup>th</sup>	Carrie Ryan	Drimcong River	*	151
6 <sup>th</sup>	Christina Wiederkehr-White	Megali	*	150
<b>Class 7 2'6" jumping</b>				
1 <sup>st</sup>	Justin Clubley	Campion	*	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Carol Perren	Candy Can Dance	*	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jerry Budgen	Lady Guinevere	*	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Clare Mountain	Maddy		
5 <sup>th</sup>	Mads Southey	Eric	*	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Lindsay Hills	Catalin	*	
<b>Class 8 2'9" jumping</b>				
1 <sup>st</sup>	Roy Southey	Connie	*	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ella Clayton	George	*	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Roy Southey	Oliver Twist	*	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Carole Perren	Charlie	*	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Gary Caddy	Folds Paddy		
6 <sup>th</sup>	Lucy Gildart	Fred	*	

<b>Class 1A+B Prelim 4 + 2'6" jumping</b>						
1 <sup>st</sup>	Sue Fundrey	Fair Enough	*	167	4	163
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sorrel Warwick	Avanti Express	*	146	0	146
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Justin Clubley	Campion	*	134	0	134
4 <sup>th</sup>	Pip Crosby	Jacqui	*	141	8	133
5 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah Mountford	Lottie	*	137	4	133
6 <sup>th</sup>	Emma Smith	Tonto	*	132	4	128
<b>Class 2A+B Prelim 4 + 2'9" jumping</b>						
1 <sup>st</sup>	Gary Caddy	Folds Paddy		162	0	162
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sorrel Warwick	Robbie	*	161	4	157
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Edward Rolls	Harry		164	8	156
4 <sup>th</sup>	Carole Perren	Charlie	*	156	0	156
5 <sup>th</sup>	Alice Berry	Sophie		153	4	149
6 <sup>th</sup>	Roy Southey	Oliver Twist	*	146	0	146
<b>Class 4A+B Novice 21+3' jumping</b>						
1 <sup>st</sup>	Keri Prewitt	Lacewood Plane	*	161	8	153
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gemma Morris	Pride of the South		149	4	145
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Alice Berry	Sophie		144	0	144
4 <sup>th</sup>	Carrie Ryan	Drimcong River	*	143	0	143
5 <sup>th</sup>	Dawn Smith	Alverscot Odin	*	133	0	133
6 <sup>th</sup>	Clare Heald	Flora	*	144	12	132
<b>Class 5A+B Novice 32 + 3'3" jumping</b>						
1 <sup>st</sup>	Karen Baxter	Matrix		170	4	166
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sally Munday	Spring Memories		158	4	154
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Emily Bright	Guinness		149	4	145
4 <sup>th</sup>	Carrie Ryan	Drimcong River	*	151	8	143
5 <sup>th</sup>	Justin Clubley	Mystic Vision	*	142	0	142
6 <sup>th</sup>	Charlie Barton	Larkhill	*	145	4	141
<b>Class 9 3' jumping</b>						
1 <sup>st</sup>	Carrie Ryan	Drimcong River	*			
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Justin Clubley	Mystic Vision	*			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Alice Berry	Sophie				
4 <sup>th</sup>	Pat Robison	Didier	*			
5 <sup>th</sup>	Emma Bowes Crick	Wixstone Olaf				
6 <sup>th</sup>	Dawn Smith	Alvescot Odin	*			
<b>Class 10 3'3" jumping</b>						
1 <sup>st</sup>	Justin Clubley	Mystic Vision	*			
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jane Ward	Oliver	*			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Caroline Primrose	Final Model	*			
4 <sup>th</sup>	Kay Bugden	Lady Guinevere	*			

## One Day Event 6<sup>th</sup> June

This must rate as one of the best events ever. Entries came in steadily and by the close, with one week to go, there were no places available. Inevitably the build up was not without its traumas. Booking dressage judges has been a real nightmare for the whole year. Three days before the event we only had six of the seven judges needed, when one of the six phoned to ask if we really needed her as she wasn't too well. After a bout of my hysterics she relented and agreed to come and judge. The seventh judge was found at the eleventh hour. Pete, husband & PA, inquired if the organisation of the event was becoming more difficult each time we ran it. I recon that there are always the same level of problems, they just change each time. Fence judges were slow in volunteering, but with many phone calls, emails and general pleas for help we got all fences covered with 2 judges apiece. We had additional help, this year, with the XC course. Not only was the course prepared and jumps numbered and flagged but also the course was measured, a job I normally do, trudging round 1.5 mile course several times with my little wheel.

Help was plentiful setting up the day before, the red & white tent went up in record time. Things were eased because the Larkhill crew did the backbreaking job of setting up the Show Jumping ring and laid out the dressage arenas for us.

I was determined not to repeat last year's mistake of accepting too many entries, even so there were over 90 in Class 1 (Intermediate), and nearly 80 in Class 2 (Novice). It was slightly disappointing that less than 20 entered the Open – still, it is big. The first two classes were each subdivided into three sections. BVRC members filled section A of each class.

The day itself ran like a dream. The weather was perfect – dry, not too hot for the competitors and not too cold for the helpers. The only distraction came from the golden flying beetles that landed on us all, often diving down the nearest cleavage and nipping. Each section ran efficiently and to time. After several years we identified the reason the show jumping always ran late. It was not possible to keep to the 2 minute per competitor time schedule when the course was taking nearly 2 minutes to ride! The problem was rectified with a shorter track but still maintaining the same number of fences, and the last fence placed strategically near the ring exit.

The cross country ran smoothly all day, there was the odd loose horse, but the medics and vet were not needed on the course. We received loads of thanks and praise for our efficiency, friendliness and helpfulness. As organiser I receive the plaudits, but this was a real team effort. Well done to all the section heads, Jemma – secretary, Sandra – dressage, Sue & Brenda – show jumping, Pete – cross country, Gill & Maureen – fence judge co-ordinators, Rosie – scoring and all those of you who helped towards the success of the day. Without the 100 helpers it would not be possible to run the event at all.

Congratulations to BVRC Cup winners Carrie Ryan (David Packman Memorial trophy), Janet Burnett (Linda Juniper trophy) and Justin Clubley (Doorsteps trophy). BVRC prizewinners in classes 1 & 2 were further rewarded with prizes generously donated by the Equishop, Wilton.

Class 1A INTERMEDIATE 2'9"-3'			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Carrie Ryan	Drimcong River	Dr,Sj,XC,Time,Total
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Natasha Poole	Skippy Daze	32.7,0,0,-1.6,34.3
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Clare Heald	Flora	36.8,0,0,0,36.8
4 <sup>th</sup>	Georgia Howard	Rupert	33.6,0,0,6.0,39.6
5 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah Neville	Head & Shoulders	31.8,0,0,-8.0,39.8
6 <sup>th</sup>	Pat Robinson	Didier	38.6,0,0,1.6,40.2
7 <sup>th</sup>	Maggie Gill	Honeybridge	35.9,0,0,4.4,40.3
8 <sup>th</sup>	Roy Southey	Connie	40.9,0,0,0,40.9
9 <sup>th</sup>	Alex Hough	Thinking the Mission	43.6,0,0,-0.8,44.4
10 <sup>th</sup>	Roy Southey	Oliver Twist	38.2,4,0,6.4,48.6
			37.3,0,0,-11.6,48.9

Class 1B INTERMEDIATE 2'9"-3'			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Sarah Langley	William Wallace	27.3,4,0,-4,35.3
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jennie Staunton	Harry	27.7,2,0,-6,35.7
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lyndsey Blackburn-Leach	Frog	36.8,0,0,0,36.8
4 <sup>th</sup>	Alison Hues	Sizzle	36.8,0,0,0,36.8
5 <sup>th</sup>	Sara Shimali	Nico	35.9,0,0,-2.0,37.9
6 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Fishenden	Rachels Rocket	36.4,0,0,2.0,38.4
7 <sup>th</sup>	Ruth Anderson	Fools Edition	36.8,0,0,3.2,40.0
8 <sup>th</sup>	Kate Whatley	Trunky Want 2 Burn	32.7,0,0,8.4,41.1
9 <sup>th</sup>	Jan Reeves	Alice Allsorts	38.6,0,0,-4.0,42.6
10 <sup>th</sup>	Anna Scully	Talbots Silver Sky	40.9,0,0,-6.4,47.3

Class 1C INTERMEDIATE 2'9"-3'			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Helen Cole	Silver	24.1,0,0,8.4,32.5
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sarah Osborne	Slightly Fiendish	27.7,0,0,-6.0,33.7
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Davis Thompson	Guinness DT	31.8,4,0,4.4,40.2
4 <sup>th</sup>	Sharon Paul	The Orange Peel	38.6,4,0,2,44.6
5 <sup>th</sup>	Kirstin Young	Cobblers Choice	36.8,0,0,-8.0,44.8
6 <sup>th</sup>	Helen Cole	Silvey	31.4,0,0,13.6,45.0
7 <sup>th</sup>	Sian Sheppard	Morning Glory VI	33.2,7,0,8.4,48.6
8 <sup>th</sup>	Annie Holbeche	Riversdale	42.3,4,0,3.2,49.5
9 <sup>th</sup>	Sara Meader	Quipasso	50.5,0,0,0,50.5
10 <sup>th</sup>	Charlotte Williams	Starlight Express	35.0,15,0,2.0,52.0

Class 3 OPEN 3'4"-3'7"			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Justin Clubley	Mystic Vision	39.2,0,0,0,39.2
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Howard Kirby	Mission Control II	37.5,4,0,1.2,42.7
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mechelle Lake	Iona	37.5,8,0,0,45.5
4 <sup>th</sup>	Katie Cuthbertson	Mr McDuff	48.8,0,0,0,48.8
5 <sup>th</sup>	Justin Clubley	Winnower	45.0,4,0,0,49.0

Class 2A NOVICE 2'6"			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Janet Burnett	Flashlight	34.1,0,0,0.8,34.9
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jan Miles	Iona	44.1,0,0,0,44.1
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Carole Perren	Charlie	33.6,0,0,13.6,47.2
4 <sup>th</sup>	Lesley Jeffery	Harvest Moon	36.8,0,0,15.6,52.4
5 <sup>th</sup>	Sue Fundrey	Fair Enough	35.9,12,0,21.2,69.1
6 <sup>th</sup>	Emma Kemble	William	46.8,0,0,24.8,71.6
7 <sup>th</sup>	Sorrel Warwick	Avanti Express	28.2,0,0,43.6,71.8
8 <sup>th</sup>	Dawn Smith	Alvescot Odin	30.5,0,20,24.8,75.3
9 <sup>th</sup>	Karen Grant	Monet	35.9,4,40,16.8,96.7
10 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah Mountford	Lottie	33.2,0,20,47.6,100.8

Class 2B NOVICE 2'6"			
1 <sup>st</sup>	David Miller	Lincoln	40.9,0,0,-4.0,44.9
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Clare Richards	Poncho	40.0,0,0,5.2,45.2
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rebecca Morgan	Headmore Lowlander	45.0,8,0,0.4,53.4
4 <sup>th</sup>	Davina Harwood-Smart	Master Attraction	50.0,0,0,-4.0,54.0
5 <sup>th</sup>	Selina Payne	Clover's Angel	34.6,0,0,19.6,54.2
6 <sup>th</sup>	Melanie Brown	Cezanne	42.7,4,0,7.6,54.3
7 <sup>th</sup>	Sue Woodbury	Cocoa	57.8,0,0,2.8,54.6
8 <sup>th</sup>	Alec Saxon	Gaisdale	57.3,4,0,-6.4,67.7
9 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Kohn	Tazmin	50.9,0,20,5.6,76.5
10 <sup>th</sup>	Joe Roome	Indy Navarro	49.6,13,0,14,76.6

Class 2C NOVICE 2'6"			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Kit Thorne	Buckland Falcon	27.3,0,0,0,27.3
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sarah Payne	George	35.5,0,0,-6.4,41.9
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jane Burt	Dee Day	38.2,4,0,0,42.2
4 <sup>th</sup>	Sandra Gordon	Blue Martini	34.1,0,0,11.2,45.3
5 <sup>th</sup>	George Herridge	Lord Fernando	49.6,0,0,-4.4,54.0
6 <sup>th</sup>	Victoria Wybrew	Tequila Sunrise	47.3,0,0,0,47.3
7 <sup>th</sup>	Lucy Broadbridge	Beaufort	34.6,0,20,4.8,59.4
8 <sup>th</sup>	Alan Whitbread	Majestic Star	54.1,8,0,0,62.1
9 <sup>th</sup>	Jane Scarisbrick	Furstead Keira	41.4,0,0,33.2,74.6
10 <sup>th</sup>	Kim Hawkins	Tina	50.5,0,0,28,78.5
6 <sup>th</sup>	Linda Thompson	Steady Eddie	35.0,0,0,16.4,51.4
7 <sup>th</sup>	Helen Vernon	Kreischim	36.3,4,0,11.2,51.5
8 <sup>th</sup>	Anna Bruce	Barney	40.4,0,0,49.0
9 <sup>th</sup>	Hannah Cable	Amber Light	46.3,4,0,4.4,54.7
10 <sup>th</sup>	Cassie Scaife	Paddy	36.7,0,20,4.0,60.7

## **Show Jumping at Lains Farm on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

The longed for rain didn't materialise until we were setting up for the show – enough to interfere with our preparations but not enough to make a difference to the hard ground. Entries were on the low side, and the ground was a deterrent to anyone thinking on making a late entry. It was a good days competition though. Our new found course builder, Rob Benson, got a bit over enthusiastic and used all fourteen fences in the first round of the first two classes. Being a bit slow on the uptake, it was a while before I realised what had happened. It took all of my persuasive powers to convince Rob that eleven fences were more than enough for the remaining classes. Apologies to those of you who thought you were riding in a jumping derby! The rain returned in torrents during the afternoon, soaking the competitors awaiting their jump off round, stopped and restarted in time to soak all the helpers clearing up. Well done to all concerned.

<b>Class 1 2'3"</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Roy Southey	Ballydante	BV
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Joanna Pearson	Oliver	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Karen Grant	Leo	BV
4 <sup>th</sup>	Naomi Taylor	Lucky Jim	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Pip Crosby	Jacqui	BV
<b>Class 2 2'6"</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mads Southey	Eric	BV
2 <sup>nd</sup>	G Price	Red Pepper	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Karen Fieldsend	Sea Breeze	BV
4 <sup>th</sup>	Roy Southey	Ballydante	BV
5 <sup>th</sup>	Joanna Pearson	Oliver	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Janet Burnett	Flashlight	BV

<b>Class 3 2'9"</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Hannah Cable	Amber Light	BV
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hannah Cable	Rusty Light	BV
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dawn Smith	Alverstoke Odin	BV
<b>Class 4 3'</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Sarah Meader	Guispasso	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dawn Smith	Alverstoke Odin	BV
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mandy Atkinson-Willes	Dublin	BV
<b>Class 5 3'3"</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Tacita Rolls	Kilmartin Jimmy	BV
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jessica Kingsley-Jones	Little Nell	BV
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Karen Fieldsend	Hullabaloo	BV

## **Area 17 Novice, Intermediate & Open Show Jumping Qualifier 25<sup>th</sup> June at the Dorset Showground**

The return to The Dorset Showground in East Stour was in very different weather & ground conditions from last August's baking temperatures and concrete ground. The weather conditions were just about perfect for the majority of the day, warm & sunny with a good breeze and not too hot. The well tended arenas had benefited from the torrential rain that had alluded us prior to our own show jumping the previous weekend. The welcome introduction of the Intermediate qualify at 3' & 3'3" added a new dimension to the qualifier. BVRC were able to field one Novice and one Intermediate team but the two individuals in the Open competition fell by the wayside due to lameness & illness.

<b>Novice Team:</b>	Maggie Gill	Honeybridge	<b>Intermediate Team:</b>	Georgia Howard	Rupert the Red
	Emma Smith	Tonto		Briony Tarlton	Little Henry II
	Millie Brotherhood	Rapidash		Kerry Wilson	Foxbay
	Carole Perren	Charlie		Karen Fieldsend	Hullabaloo

The ever popular Novice team competition was hotly contested by fourteen teams. The first round course at 2'6" looked very inviting and deceptively easy. Maggie got the team off to a good start with stylish clear round. Emma followed with a very good round unluckily tipping one fence on a related distance from the second double. Millie was jumping a nice clear round until her horse, true to his name, took off across the arena, very nearly unseating her. Regaining control the pair finished the course without further incident. Although not incurring any jumping faults as such, the detour round the ring incurred 4 faults for a technical refusal and a bucket of time penalties. Carol suffered the same fate as Emma, just tipping the fence after making up too much ground following the double. The team ended the first round on a score of 8 faults, with a little to make up on the 6 teams with a zero score. The second round saw the track changed giving a more imposing course raised to 2'9". Although 3" doesn't sound much, it had quite a big impact with plenty of faults abounding. Our team, consistent throughout had 4 fault `it is. All jumped well but each just had a single fence down. At least Millie and Rapidash redeemed themselves, with no behavioural lapses. Carol was unlucky, and along with all the fourth team members and had to endure a torrential downpour, which not only soaked horse and rider but made conditions slippery. Our resultant second round total of twelve faults was not quite good enough for us to be in the ribbons. The Meon and Chilworth teams came through the second round unscathed and jumped off to decide the victor and qualifier – the Meon taking the honours for the umpteenth time.

The intermediate team were faced with a substantial 3' course in the huge undulating main arena. The twelve fences caused plenty of problems for the eight teams taking part. Georgia jumped a nice clear round, but a loss of way gave her a technical refusal. Briony tipped a couple of fences, Kerry had a refusal at a rustic fence, one she thought probably the easiest on the course, and Karen had one fence down. A first round score of 8 faults meant the team were still in contention because no team finished on a zero score. With the course changed and raised to 3'3" there was all to play for. This was not to be as each team member had two or three fences down over the testing course. The IOW team came away clear winners, but even they could manage to jump clear. Our team finished a creditable fifth place and came away with some pretty ribbons.

The Open team competition at 3'6" and 3'9" was reduced to a dual between two teams, one of whom only had three members. Several clubs entered one or two individuals into the competition. A competition at this height requires serious show jumpers and is not a suitable for the feint hearted.

Well done to all our team members for doing us proud.

## **Dressage – West Woodhay, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2004**

Having the opportunity to ride at West Woodhay, instead of fully organising the event, was welcome this year. The setting there is beautiful and although we weren't in our usual field, the surroundings were calm and peaceful – ideal for dressage. We didn't have an overly busy day and having struggled to put the awning on the caravan the day before - in anticipation of the downpours promised for Sunday - the rain didn't emerge until we were packing up – typical! All seemed to run smoothly and it was great to see some happy faces when the results were done (not to mention one competitor leaping and screaming back to her lorry, rosette in hand, thrilled with her horse's performance in it's first Novice test!). Thanks to June for her secretarial help and all those that helped on and before the day.

**Class 1A – Prelim 10**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Jess Kingsley-Jones	Little Nell	148	BV
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nicola Cook	Sleepy Time	143	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Louisa Clark	Silva Brook	134	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Stacey Bennett	Cyril	129	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Heather Rapley	Blossom	129	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Dunford	Jester	123	BV

**Class 2 – Prelim 18**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Pip Crosby	Jacqui	153	BV
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Karen Nicholson	Khalid	152	BV
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Carol Dunford	Jester	146	BV
4 <sup>th</sup> =	Carole Glover	Welsh Gold	144	BV
4 <sup>th</sup> =	Heather Rapley	Blossom	144	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Jess Kingsley-Jones	Little Nell	143	BV

**Class 4 – Novice 24**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Kate Rapley	Sangari Rose	166	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Emma Aldridge	Magic	162	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lucy Butler	Oscar	161	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Aby Latham	Nibeley Warriar	160	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Wendy Morris	Jazz	157	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Alison Morgan	Sailor	156	BV

**Class 6 – Elem 51**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Chantal Hutton	Irco Smartie Pants	183	BV
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Katherine Fowler	Charles Town Bay	180	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kate Rapley	Sangari Rose	179	

**Class 1B – Prelim 10**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Charlotte Opperman	Marble	148	BV
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sarah Mountford	Let's Dance	146	BV
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Carole Glover	Welsh Gold	144	BV
4 <sup>th</sup>	Pip Crosby	Jacqui	133	BV
5 <sup>th</sup>	Julie Newman	Dublin	129	BV
6 <sup>th</sup>	Karen Nicholson	Khalid	126	BV

**Class 3 – Prelim 17**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Daniela John	Little Big Ben	161	BV
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Alison Morgan	Sailor	157	BV
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wendy Morris	Jazz	155	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Nicola Cook	Sleepy Time	154	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Carole Glover	Welsh Gold	153	BV
6 <sup>th</sup>	Julie Newman	Dublin	151	BV

**Class 5 – Novice 33**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Chantal Hutton	Irco Smartie Pants	204	BV
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Alex O'Sullivan	Jasper	202	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kate Rapley	Sangari Rose	190	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Daniela John	Little Big Ben	187	BV
5 <sup>th</sup>	Aby Latham	Nibeley Warriar	186	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Zoe Sherlock	Geronimo	174	BV

**Area 17 Novice & Open Team Horse Trials Qualifier, Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July at West Wilts EC**

Fortunately the torrential rain that was falling when we left home didn't follow us to West Wilts EC and held off throughout the day. Last year's searing heat staid away too, which was rendered conditions perfect for a busy and long day's competition. Three Novice and one Open team and one Open individual were entered to represent BVRC. It was a condition of entry to supply 3 helpers per team, so BVRC were out in force.

**NOVICE TEAMS****White 8th**

Carol Perren  
Paula Mitchell  
Mandy Atkinson-Willes  
Alison Cameron

Charlie  
Teddy  
Dublin

**Yellow 9th**

Janet Burnett  
Emma Smith  
Briony Tarlton  
Kerry Wilson

Flashlight  
Tonto  
Little Henry  
Foxbay

**Blue 5th**

Jess Kingsley-Jones  
Maggie Gill  
Carrie Ryan  
Sarah Peerless

Little Nell  
Honeybridge  
Drimcong River  
Folkin Philomel

**Open Team**

Justin Clubley  
Kati Cuthbertson  
Tacita Rolls

Mystic Vision  
Mr McDuff  
Kilmartin Jimmy

**Open Individual**

Justin Clubley  
Winnower

Nineteen teams were contesting three qualifying places. The team members were divided between two dressage arenas (with 40 competitors in each). With three hours between the first dressage and first show jumping, there was time to watch nearly every team member do their dressage before stationing myself in an elevated position where the Show Jumping and a large part of the Cross Country could be viewed. The Novice was an extremely strong competition. The Show Jumping course had very little influence with the vast majority of riders jumping clear. The beautifully built Cross Country course also caused very few problems, with almost three quarters finishing with no jumping penalties. Several of those with penalties incurred them by pilot error, choosing an inviting brush instead of the flagged narrow, angled style last fence. The winners were those with good dressage and good judgement of cross country pace, which, without a watch, only comes with experience. Well done to all our Novice team members who all had thoroughly enjoyable rides and did us proud, the majority finishing between 10<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> places. Our teams finished fifth, eighth and ninth. Special mention should be made of Sarah Peerless and Folkin Pholomel (Milly) who finished third in their section just behind to two Meon riders from the winning team. Milly has not jumped since his last appearance at the National HT Champs in 1999 and Sarah only started riding him the week before the event. So thrilled were they both to be in action that they clocked one of the fastest times of the day and with an excellent dressage secured an individual qualifying place at this years' Championships (Milly's fourth or fifth appearance).

The Open team competition was a different kettle of fish. Such is the level of this competition (BE Novice) that ours was the only club to field a team and we only had three riders. It sounds straightforward. We obviously were going to the Championships, there was just a matter of completing the course. With so many eliminations in the Novice due to errors of course on the Cross Country, it was by no means certain that we were off to the Championships. The team didn't let us down. With two team members safely home apparently without jumping penalties, there were some nervous moments when Tacita experienced steering problems. This was out of sight and being relayed by the commentator, who promptly went quiet leaving us chewing our fingernails. Tacita came

back into view still on the course and finished without further incident. The team had booked their ticket. Justin and Mystic Vision were overall winners and with Winnower as highest placed individual they are all off to the Championships.

Many thanks to our Cross Country start team and everyone else who helped on the day so that our riders could compete.

### **Area17 Dressage Qualifier on 27<sup>th</sup> July at Mayhill Stud**

The Dressage qualifier came a bit too soon after the Horse Trials for our liking. Quite a bit of juggling took place to try to fill places in two Open and a Novice team. Try as we may we couldn't achieve this aim. The Open team members each rode a different test; Novices 21, 24 & 32 and Elementary 51, whilst the Novice team members all rode Prelim 18. We also had two entries in the individual Medium test and one pair.

#### **Open**

##### **Blue 7<sup>th</sup>**

N21	Gail Perren	Oliver	7 <sup>th</sup>
N24	Carrie Ryan	Drimcong River	12 <sup>th</sup>
N32	Elizabeth Peerless	Bo 'de Hei'	3 <sup>rd</sup>
E51	Angela Cardiff	Ascention Day	8 <sup>th</sup>

##### **White**

Liz Potter	Folkin Clarity	12 <sup>th</sup>
Sarah Peerless	Nirvana Bliss	7 <sup>th</sup>
Tracy Page	Longstock Goldsmith	7 <sup>th</sup>
Andrea Baxter	Master Drum	16 <sup>th</sup>

#### **Novice**

Charlotte Opperman	Marble	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Kerry Wilson	Foxbay	18 <sup>th</sup>
Liz Davies	Flora	19 <sup>th</sup>

#### **Medium Individual**

Angela Cardiff	Ascention Day	4 <sup>th</sup>
Liz Potter	Folkin Philomel	

#### **Pairs**

Liz Davies	Flora	4 <sup>th</sup>
Tracy Page	Longstock Goldsmith	

The event was very well organised by the Solent Riding Club, their first (and probably last) attempt at running an area qualifier. Dressage judges proved to be a problem with one pulling out on Friday afternoon. This caused an organisational headache as several times had to be revamped to accommodate the replacement. It was a pity the arenas weren't flatter, one or two were particularly bad, sloping right away on one side, or in one corner. It was unfortunate that the problem was made worse by very slippery ground, which had not been the case at a show run on the same site two weeks earlier. Although one can say it was the same for everyone, some horses coped better than others. Riders from other clubs were heard to remark that normally they only rode on a surface!

Under these conditions the teams did very well. Particularly Elizabeth Peerles 3<sup>rd</sup> in her arena and just missing qualification by one mark, and 2<sup>nd</sup> placed Charlotte Opperman in the Novice Team.

Tracy and Liz enjoyed riding in the pairs class almost as much as the spectators enjoyed watching. Highly commended for their choreography when using the same routine to finish second in the Dressage to Music qualifier in May, the routine didn't meet with the same approval by the judge of the day. It is always open to interpretation, but she felt not enough of the routine was ridden as a pair. Tracy and Liz found it a very worthwhile experience. Tracy said it was the most fun she had had doing dressage for a long time. Thanks go to Sandra & Rosie for supplying the requisite help on the day.

I'm sure everyone involved in teams this year will want to thank Paula for her tireless efforts in getting all the right people, with the correct qualification, and valid flu vac certificates in the right places at the right time – no mean feat!

This year we have entered twelve teams and several individuals in area qualifying competitions in all the disciplines. Over thirty club members took part. Well done.

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### AUGUST

- 6-8** BRC National Horse Trials Championships  
**25<sup>th</sup>** RAPC Novice & Open Horse Trials at Knighton Down, Larkhill  
Adult classes  
**29<sup>th</sup>** Ampport Horse Show  
**29<sup>th</sup>** Hursley PC Horse Trials, Rockbourne  
**29<sup>th</sup>** Gorley Vale RC Show at Folds Farm, Godshillwood, Nr Fordingbridge

*Offchurch Bury, Nr Leamington Spa*

*Sae: Angela Cooper, Ivy Cottage, Redenham, Andover, Hants*

*Sae: Mrs M Hale, Ampport Riding Centre, Furzedown Lane, Ampport, Hants SP11 8BE  
Sae: Mr D Chamberlain, Pembroke Farm, Maurys Lane, West Wellow, Romsey, Hants SO51 6DB  
Sae: Daphne Jones, ! the Shallows, Woodgreen Road, Breamore, Fordingbridge, Hants SP6 2AG*

### SEPTEMBER

- 5<sup>th</sup>** BVRC Dressage and Show Jumping, Larkhill  
**11<sup>th</sup>** BRC National Championships  
**19<sup>th</sup>** Ampport Horse Show  
**19<sup>th</sup>** Solent Riding Club Dressage @ Mayhill Stud, Droxford.  
**19<sup>th</sup>** Meon RC Hunter Trial at Arbor Trees Farm, West Meon  
**25<sup>th</sup>** BVRC Novice & Riding Club Horse Show at Ampport Riding Centre  
**26<sup>th</sup>** Chilworth Riding Club Hunter Trials @ Dene Farm, Nether Wallop  
**26<sup>th</sup>** Army & RA Hunter Trials at Knighton Down, Larkhill  
**26<sup>th</sup>** Mark Davies Injured Riders Fund and New Forest Hunt Sponsored Ride at New Park farm, Brockenhurst

*Eryl Jures Tel: 07812 158112*

*Lincolnshire Showground*

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Sae: Major Steve McCauley 01980 845922 (work)*

*Sae: C Hughes, 23 Old Priory Close, Hamble, Southampton, SO31 4QP Tel: 02380 456821*

### OCTOBER

- 2-3** BRC National Championships Dressage to Music  
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