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BOURNE VALLEY RIDING CLUB.

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Several interesting Club events have taken place since the last Newsletter.

On August 25th. the first team to represent the Club took part in The One Day Event area trial at Horley where they finished third against strong opposition. Congratulations to the team, who were Miss Knox, Mrs Moir and Miss White. The committee have decided that half the entrance fees will be paid out of Club funds when an official team is representing the Club in competitive events.

Congratulations also to the following members who passed their Grade I Riding Club test on September 29th:- Mr & Mrs Hart, Miss Jeffreys, Miss Knox, Sqn. Ldr. Martyn, Major Pilling and Mrs Skelton. Unfortunately there was not time to take Grade II that day but we hope to make arrangements for this sometime next spring. Arrangements will also be made for Grade I members who were unable to come on the 29th or for those who failed and would like to take the test again, if they will give their names to the Hon. Secs. by the end of the year as we have to book an examiner several months in advance.

Many thanks to Mr Hart for his time and enthusiasm in organising what is believed to be the first mounted orienteering event in Britain on September 22nd. Five teams took part and found their way ~~xxxxx~~ with the aid of a map and compass across part of Salisbury Plain, checking in at various points on the way. Major Pilling's team were the winners, doing the round trip of about 12 miles in just under 2 Hours. A team from the Ringwood & District R.C. were second and Mrs Hart's team third.

The Club's first Hunter Trials took place at Pntom Mewsey on October 13th. This was a great success with good entries for the Novice and Riding Club classes but only 8 riders competed in the Open. Our very grateful thanks are due to Mr Packman who worked very hard to build the ~~xxxxx~~ 18 jump course in a short space of time, to Mrs Skelton for allowing us to hold the trials on her land and to the hard working ~~xxxxx~~ team, Mrs Appleton, Mrs Moir, Mr Packman and Miss White who did all the organising. Thanks also to all the people, members and non members, who helped on the day.

The winners were:-

Novice Class	1st	Miss Kent	Open Class	1st	Miss Lambert
	2nd	Mrs J. Harris		2nd	Miss A. Paris
	3rd	Miss Thomas		3rd	Miss A Knox
Riding Club Class	1st	Miss F. McKaig	(North Hambledon R.C.)		
	2nd	Miss F. Farrell	(Bourne Valley R.C. winner of special prize jointly with Miss L. Frank)		
	3rd	Miss Kent			

A Rules sub-committee has been formed, consisting of Major Pilling, Mr Hart and Miss Bush, as it was felt that some alterations are needed to our original Rules. The proposed amendments will be sent to members in due course and will be put to the vote at the A.G.M. in May.

You may have read in your local paper that a Sports Council has been set up in Andover. This Council deals with all sports and is quite separate from the Liaison Committee which I mentioned in the July Newsletter. The B.H.S. feel that equine sports should not be left out when local Sports Councils are formed and so Mr Packman has agreed to represent the Club on the Andover Council and has been elected onto the executive committee.