

SID & OTTER VALLEY RIDING CLUB

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OPEN SHOW – 13th AUGUST 2017

Sadly we had to cancel the Open Show as pre entries were low and we were clashing with other shows in the area. We will have a rethink about what we do for next year.

AGM – FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2017

This is advance notice that the AGM will be held at Ottery St Mary Cricket Club on Friday 24th November 2017 at 7.30pm. We will also be presenting the annual trophies and there will be a small buffet. The agenda is attached.

Current members can pre book camp 2018 and pay their deposits (refundable up to January 2017) on the night. You are not able to pre book if you cannot come to the AGM, you will need to wait for forms to come out in January. We should have a provisional date for camp by November.

Please let Karen Oakley know if you will be attending on 01404 841686 or email karen.saltbox@gmail.com so we have an idea of numbers for catering and so we can ensure that the prize winners will be there without telling them! We look forward to seeing you there!

TRAINING

We have arranged a number of training sessions for the Autumn as follows. You can book these online via Equo Events – www.equoevents.co.uk. Please make sure you book in good time as places fill up quickly. Dates are as follows:-

- **Sunday 1st October 2017** – Choice of Showjumping or Flatwork training with Ben Van Sommeren at Higher Cobden Farm, Whimble. Groups of 3 or 4 for Showjumping and cost will be £20 per rider/horse. Flatwork will be in pairs and the cost will be £25 per rider/horse.
- **Sunday 8th October 2017** – Flatwork and Franklin Balls training with Ellen Berchner-Nolan at Bicton College (indoor arena). In pairs and cost will be £35 per rider/horse.
- **Sunday 22nd October 2017** – Showjumping training with Ben Van Sommeren at Bicton College (indoor arena). Groups of 3 or 4 and cost will be £25 per rider/horse.
- **Sunday 5th November 2017** – Flatwork training with Abbie Hughes at Bicton College (indoor arena). In pairs and cost will be £30 per rider/horse.
- **Sunday 26th November 2017** – Showjumping training with Ben Van Sommeren at Bicton College (indoor arena). Groups of 3 or 5 and cost will be £25 per rider/horse.

WESTCOUNTRY EQUINE FAIR – QUADRILLE COMPETITION

Cheryl Beer, Cameron Beer, Mercedes Pemberton Finch and Lisa Southwell are representing the Riding Club performing the Quadrille at the Equine Fair at Westpoint **on Saturday 2nd December 2017!**

The costumes, music, etc. add up, so they are planning some fund raising events to help with the cost. Selling bacon baps, tea and coffee, homemade cake, etc. at the training day on **Sunday 1st October 2017**. They will also be holding a raffle and an auction of promises to be held at the AGM. The list of promises will be sent out nearer the time (worth coming to the AGM for!!!)

They will also be running a club social night consisting of wine, cheese and quadrille at Bicton College in October or November so that they can practice the routine. Details on dates and costs will be in the next newsletter.

Bring your friends, husbands and children. We need to make it as realistic as possible to the equine fair with lots of noise, clapping, etc!

We hope you can support them with their fund raising.

TEAMS

Below is a roundup of all the team events from July onwards.

Dressage Qualifier

This was held on Saturday 29th July 2017 at Aldon Showground, Yeovil. We had the following non qualifying teams entered in both the Prelim dressage and Riding Test teams but sadly no Juniors.

Skies – Nicola Bywood (Homebrew), Heidi Rose (Pixie Dust), Millie Pring (Nikita Thibergere), Holly Mingo (Snowglow Jewel). The team finished 4th in the Prelim Dressage with Holly finish in 6th place in her arena. In the Riding test the team finished in 3rd place. Individually Nicky finished 2nd, Heidi was 6th and Millie was 4th. This was good enough to qualify the team for the South Wales and West Riding Club Championships at Hartpury.

Seas – Katie House (Shutterduck), Sam Barnard (Arctic Role), Dani Wills (Greenhill Tuscan Amoretto), Charlotte Radley (Little M). The team put in a great performance but finished just outside the top 6.

Horse Trials Championship

This was held on 4th – 6th August 2017 at Swalcliffe Park and we had a Junior 90 team, Senior 100+ team and a couple of 100 individuals.

Immy Carter and Ardo Z put in a fantastic performance to win her arena in the Senior 100 section! Well done!

In the Junior 100 section Jemima Dart (PBW Mullagh Murphy) also put in a great performance to finish in 9th place in her arena.

The Junior 90 team consisted of Charley Hosking (Macsimus), Poppy Burner (Bertie Bluck), Anna Stillwell (Rosstown Hero) and India John (Ballyhooly) who was totally awesome and finished in 2nd place overall. Individually India had a 1st and a 3rd and took the overall individual championship on Paula Riglar's Zephir and won a beautiful bridle!! Anna also won her arena, Poppy finished in 4th and Charley was 9th in her arena. Brilliant result – well done!

The 100+ team consisted of Di Guest (Primitive Roc), Helen Springett (Midnight Ruby), Harrison Oakley (Shanroe Sentiment) and George Bolt (UC Cavaloon). They finished in 4th place which is a great result and individually Di was 3rd in her arena, which is fantastic!

Well done to everyone – teams and individuals did a great job and the teamwork was first class!

South Wales and West Riding Club Championships at Hartpury

This was held on the 19th August 2017 at Hartpury College and we were able to send a Prelim Dressage team consisting of Millie Pring (Nikita Thibergere), Joanna Lee (Il Marinaio), Nicola Bywood (Homebrew) and Heidi Rose (Pixie Dust). The team was placed 5th out of 24 teams with Millie placed 3rd individually. Jo was placed 9th and Nicky was just outside the top 10.

The Riding test team consisted of the same members and were also placed 5th. Millie was 7th individually and the other 3 team members were just outside the top 10.

We also had a Showjumping team of Sarah Cort (Dromore Dream Lad), Katie House (Shutterduck), Heidi Rose (Pixie Dust) and Jo Lee (Il Marinaio) who finished a very creditable 6th. Katie had a double clear and less

than a pole dropped the team from 3rd place so a very close competition. All in all a great weekend and well done to everyone who competed!

Blenheim Eventers Challenge

Good luck to Cheryl Beer who is competing at Blenheim Horse Trials in the 100 Eventers Challenge riding Carolyn Hepworth's Madam Butterfly!

2018 Area 12 Team Qualifiers

Winter Novice Dressage Qualifier – This is being held on the 8th October 2017 at Kings Sedgemoor EC. If you are interested in being on a team please contact the relevant team co-ordinators - Jo Lee (Seniors) on email: joannalee83@hotmail.com or 07967 789661 or Holly Mingo (Juniors) by email on mandh_mingo@talktalk.net as soon as possible to register your interest.