



## DECEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER No 65

Stoneleigh RC committee would like to thank all their members for their help and support throughout the year and to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy Christmas and prosperous New Year and every success for the 2017 season

Stoneleigh Riding Club  
**Christmas Party**  
Saturday December 10th 2016 at 7pm  
at Stoneleigh Golf Club  
Incorporating Annual Trophy Presentation  
4 course meal and music £25 per person  
To purchase tickets please email Andy at [ruyssevelt@gmail.com](mailto:ruyssevelt@gmail.com)

Don't forget to get your tickets for this year's Christmas party and awards presentation evening, should be a great evening so come and join us if you have not already got your tickets contact Andy, details above.



## Christmas Drill Ride

Warwickshire College, Moreton Morrell  
December 13th at 7.00pm indoor school at Moreton Morrell. Father Christmases, fairies, elves, Christmas trees or just a bit of tinsel. Last year we had some wonderful costumes for horses and riders. I've asked

Liz this year to make it more 'challenging' with lots of changes of leading file etc.

Then we all get a chance to lead riders astray. Guests welcome.

Minimum charge is £10.00, all of which will go to Air Ambulance. Last year we raised over £300.00

Mince pies and drinks, sadly not alcoholic, for spectators and riders. Pre booking essential. Marion [Marismi913@aol.com](mailto:Marismi913@aol.com) 01926 429883, 07813 206356

**CONGRATULATIONS** I would like to congratulate all the competing members of our club for their very successful results throughout the year. The area 5 points awards are calculated from all the qualifier and points competitions run and the final results collated and culminate in the awards evening which was held tonight. We have once again had a number of individuals receiving rosettes and the club has won the highest points in Riders Test, Open Dressage, Festival Challenge, Horse Trials 80 and 90 and 2nd place in Novice and Intermediate SJ amassing an amazing 213 points and so winning the Trophy for the 9th year running. Cherwell Valley were 2nd on 141 points. And Crown 3rd on 118. VERY WELL DONE everyone. We must not forget our thanks to Val and Sue who bully and cajole you into riding in the teams and work very hard sorting the entries and looking after you at the competitions to enable you to achieve these results. The highlights of the year were our intermediate dressage team winning the championships at Bury Farm in May (for the second year running) and then the Open dressage team becoming National Champions at Lincoln – finally getting the coveted green NAF rugs. The individual awards are listed below but a special Congratulations to Naomi Cross who came overall individual 2nd(Connor) and Jo Marsdon overall ind 3rd We shall present our club awards for the Club competitions at Moreton Morrell and all the area 5 events at the Christmas dinner dance on Sat 10th so see you all there! (I promise it won't take too long!)

Wendy B

Jonquil Solt sends her thanks to you all for her Get Well card that many of us signed at the Area 5 AGM. She is now home and making a steady recovery.

### **Area 5 points results 2016**

#### **Individual awards: Stoneleigh results in bold**

Prelim Dressage 1st Lauren Shelley, =2nd Gemma Carmen and Sue Eeley  
4th Catherine Griffiths

Open Dress. 1st **Sue Bullock**, 2nd Tina Kazmi, 3rd **Alex Houldcroft**, =4th **Jess Beards** & Stacey Henderson, 6th Sara Brown.

Riders Test =1st Becky Sharp & Heather Wyles.

Style Jumping 1st Francis Tomkins, 2nd Rachel Punch.

Festival Challenge =1st **Naomi Cross (Connor)** & Heather Wyles

Novice SJ 1st Vicky Hulme 2nd Melanie Hough, 3rd= Tracey Lavelle & Rachel Webster.

Intermediate SJ 1st Lauren Shelley, =2nd Tammy Webster, Juliet White & Zara Heathcote, 5th Rachel Billing.

Open SJ 1st **Clare Boardman**, 2nd Lauren Shelley, 3rd Molly Phillips

Horse trials 80 1st **Jo Marsdon**, 2nd Katie Frost, 3rd **Helen Foster**.

Horse Trials 90 1st Karen Arnold, 2nd **Naomi Cross (Connor)** 3rd **Anastasia Choma**, 4th **Lucy Horner**

**Horse Trials 100 =1st Di George & Jo Hayward**, 3rd **Lucy Bell**

**Horse Trials 100+** 1st Rebecca Scotney

Overall Individual: 1st Lauren Shelley FOARG: 2nd **Naomi Cross (Connor)**  
**Stoneleigh**: 3rd **Jo Marston Stoneleigh**: 4th Zara Heathcote Crown: =5th Karen  
Arnold SWRC & Gemma Carmen Rugby.

### **CLUB TEAM RESULTS**

Riders Test: 1st **Stoneleigh** 2nd FOARG:

Prelim Dressage 1st CVRC 2nd Buckingham:

Open Dressage 1st **Stoneleigh** 2nd Buckingham:

Pairs Dressage 1st Atherstone:

Festival Challenge 1st **Stoneleigh** 2nd CVRC:

Style J 1st FOARG, 2nd Rugby:

Novice SJ 1st Buckingham =2nd Solihull & **Stoneleigh**:

Intermediate SJ 1st CVRC 2nd **Stoneleigh**.

Open SJ 1st Solihull:

Horse Trials 80 1st CVRC: 2nd Crown

Horse Trials 90 1st **Stoneleigh** 2nd Crown:

Horse Trials 100 1st **Stoneleigh** =2nd Atherstone & Solihull:

**Overall Senior Teams: 1st Stoneleigh: 2nd CVRC; 3rd Crown: 4th Buckingham:**  
5th Solihull: 6th Atherstone

**\*An important date for your diary\***

### **RIDERS MEETING**

THURSDAY 12th JANUARY 2017

7.30 pm

WESTON UNDER WETHERLEY VILLAGE HALL

Everyone welcome, find out about next year's area 5 competitions and rule changes.

An opportunity to get your hat checked and tagged before competing at Area 5 competitions, and passports checked and updated

Sue and I would just like to thank everyone who has represented the club at Area 5 competitions this year, also all their friends, relatives and helpers who have supported us throughout the season and look forward to seeing you all next year along with any new members who are interested in taking part. If you would like to find out more please join us at the Riders meeting on the 12th January at Weston under Wetherley or contact Sue Gudge (dressage) sue@rockcottage.biz or Val Malka (Show Jumping / Horse Trials) valeriemalka@yahoo.co.uk for further details.



Novice SJ Team, Katherine Brett, Helen Foster, Wendy Bleloch, and Jo Marston

Well a great end to the season for Stoneleigh RC at the Area 5 point's show jumping at Moreton Morrell in October. Team first in the senior novice for Jo Marston, Helen Foster, Katherine Brett, and Wendy Bleloch, with individual 2nd for Katherine and 6th for Helen. Then first again for our intermediate team of Philippa Gibbs, Jenny Cowen, Sally Thatcher, and Joanne Hayward with individual third for Philippa Gibbs and fourth for Jenny Cowen.

Well done everyone, and thank you Wayne Rodwell for a great day.

## UP AND COMING RULE CHANGES

### Thinking of replacing your body protector?

For those of you who may be considering buying a new body protector for Christmas, BRC will be bringing in a new minimum standard from 1<sup>st</sup> January **2018**, all body protectors will have to be Purple label Beta Level 3 standard 2009 or later, **the 2000 version will no longer be acceptable.**



### Novice Winter Dressage Qualifier

Just a quick mention about the Novice Winter Dressage Qualifier which is to be held at Moreton Morrell College on Saturday 11th February. Teams are made up of two Prelim 2 (2016) and two Novice 27 (2007) tests, best of three to count. There is to be a rule change in 2017 regarding eligibility in line with BD but whether this refers to points gained or Bronze/Silver/Gold sections I don't know as yet. However, Preliminary entries need to be with BRC by 20th January so if you are interested please contact me on [sueashow@gmail.com](mailto:sueashow@gmail.com) with correct BD points, Rider Group and section if applicable or with any other queries.

I will send out a more detailed email between Xmas and New Year when I know the full details.

Looking forward to a successful 2017.

Sue

### Flat Rides

*After the Christmas and New Year festivities I'm sure you'll all be ready for early 2017 preparation. And where better to start than the Tuesday flat rides. They are fortnightly beginning on 3rd January. Payment is £15.00 a ride in advance. Pay for 4 lessons and the 5th is free.*

#### *Dates*

3rd,	17th	31st January
14th,	28th February	
7th,	21st March	
4th,	18th April	

*Cheques payable to Stoneleigh Riding Club*

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## **SJ Training**

Evening SJ training continues every other Monday at Moreton Morrell College. On behalf of the whole club, we'd like to thank Fran Penn for her help and support over the last three years. Fran has now handed the reins over to Jo Hayward. Jo is a long standing member and supporter of Stoneleigh and competes regularly in all of our teams. Jo is currently a qualified UKCC Level 2 coach and has completed the training and preparing for the assessment for Level 3.

SJ training consists of two one-hour sessions in small groups at 6.30 and 7.30 pm in the covered arena at Moreton Morrell. All levels are catered for and all members are welcome!

Come and join us - the sessions are fun and informative, the horses get a good workout and importantly in the winter, it's in the dry!

We have a few spaces available on Monday 5th December, and then we restart in the New Year on Monday 9th January. To book a place, or for more information, please contact Jenny Cowen: [jennycowen1@gmail.com](mailto:jennycowen1@gmail.com) or 07834 068601.

## **Do You Know Your Horse's weight?**

If you don't maybe you should have attended Weight-Watchers for horses.

Many, many, thanks to Gemma Carmen from Spring Paddocks Vets who, using photographic examples, had us assessing if horses were a healthy weight. She then explained how easily we might miss signs, fool ourselves, and as a result have a laminitic horse. Rarely are our horses undernourished.

The following week several horses were weighed then assessed on the BSC and if you don't know what that means you should've been at the talk! Gemma talked to each owner about dietary requirements of their horses relative to their work.

Gemma suggested another weigh-in evening in the spring when the grass is so good.

Thank you very much Gemma. It's lovely to meet a vet who knows what's best for horses but realises we humans have limitations.

## **STONELEIGH RIDING CLUB MERCHANDISE**

**\*NEW\*NEW\* NEW\* XC BASE LAYERS** – Navy with Cambridge blue club logo and lettering, ideal Christmas present £20 with £2.50 postage, unisex sizes ES,



*S/M (38-40), L/XL (46-48) XXL (50 -52). They are supposed to be skin-tight, so People should go up a size if in doubt.*

*Contact Annie Choma at [anniechoma@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:anniechoma@hotmail.co.uk) for more info.*

Gilets in the club colours with Stoneleigh RC logo £36.85

Contact Sue Bullock [suebullock1@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:suebullock1@hotmail.co.uk)

Sweat shirts are now available in our club colours with the SRC logo, £18.00 each, available in XS; S; M; L; XL.

Polo shirts available classic or fitted with the SRC logo 11.00 each, wash well!

Waterproof jackets by special order.

Contact Wendy Bell [wendybell@outlook.com](mailto:wendybell@outlook.com)

Hats silks in the club colours Navy / Cambridge blue £6 each

Contact Val Malka [valeriemalka@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:valeriemalka@yahoo.co.uk)

### **Stoneleigh Riding Club Saddlecloths.**

White with Stoneleigh Logo on both sides as pictured.

Full size, Dressage or GP, £27 (cheque payable to Stoneleigh Riding Club)

Or you can supply your own clean saddlecloth to be embroidered with the logo  
For £8 a side.

Jo Hayward is happy to take orders and will arrange delivery

If you would like further details email Jo – [bericote13@gmail.com](mailto:bericote13@gmail.com)

**Would you or your club members be prepared to get a little bit mucky to help us launch the biggest equestrian social challenge campaign ever, to raise vital money for injured riders in the UK?**

Riders like Me and the Mark Davies Injured Riders Fund have come together to create the Dirt Angels Challenge. Remember the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge? Well, on December 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 we are launching a uniquely equestrian version, asking riders to lay themselves in some mud or muck to create an angel in the dirt. Kind of like a snow angel, but lots muddier!

They then dedicate this angel to the person who has been their angel in their equestrian life, film it all, pop it on social media and nominate 3 friends to do the same. If they complete the challenge we are then asking for a £3 donation to the Mark Davies Injured Riders Fund via our [website](#) or [facebook](#) page, to help those who have been injured whilst riding or handling horses.

Could you possibly help us launch this campaign? We would love you and your members to take part and create some Dirt Angels to share on your social media pages. Would you be up for it? Find out how to get involved in our video below. Maybe you could also help us by sharing the campaign with your members on your social media pages, via email or on your website or blog?

We would be so grateful for anything you could do to help us, and so would the injured riders out there who desperately need our help to rebuild their lives.

### **AREA 5 PROGRAMME & NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017**

<b>DATE</b>		<b>EVENT</b>	<b>VENUE</b>
<b>SAT 28 Jan 2017</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Indoor Show Jumping</b>	<b>Moreton Morrell</b>
<b>SAT 4 Feb 2017</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>Junior Winter Dressage</b>	<b>Moreton Morrell</b>
<b>SAT 11 Feb 2017</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>Senior Novice Winter Dressage</b>	<b>Moreton Morrell</b>
<b>SAT 18 Feb 2017</b>	<b>Q</b> <b>Q</b>	<b>Junior Novice Indoor Show Jumping</b> <b>Junior Intermediate Show Jumping</b>	<b>Solihull</b>

	P	<b>Junior &amp; Senior Open Show Jumping</b>	
<b>SUN 19 Feb 2017</b>	Q Q	<b>Senior Novice Indoor Show Jumping Senior Intermediate Show Jumping</b>	<b>Solihull</b>
<b>SAT 11 Mar 2017</b>	Q	<b>Junior Winter Intermediate Dressage</b>	<b>Moreton Morrell</b>
<b>SUN 12 Mar 2017</b>	Q	<b>Senior Winter Intermediate Dressage</b>	<b>Moreton Morrell</b>
<b>26 March 2017</b>	Q	<b>NAF FOTH Junior &amp; Senior Festival Challenge</b>	<b>Swalcliffe</b>
<b>1 – 2 April 2017</b>	C	<b>Novice Indoor SJ and Winter Dressage</b>	<b>The College</b>
<b>SUN 9 April 2017</b>	Q	<b>NAF Junior &amp; Senior Festival CT</b>	<b>Solihull</b>
<b>28 - 30 April 2017</b>	C	<b>Winter Intermediate Dressage &amp; SJ</b>	<b>Bury Farm</b>
<b>SUN 7 May 2017</b>	P	<b>Horse Trials 80cm, 90cm,100cm</b>	<b>Moreton Morrell</b>
<b>20 / 21 May 2017</b>	C	<b>Festival of the Horse</b>	<b>Aston-le-Walls</b>
<b>27 / 28May 2017</b>	P	<b>Two Day Event</b>	<b>Princethorpe</b>
<b>SUN 18 June 2017</b>	Q	<b>Junior &amp; Senior Horse Trials</b>	<b>Solihull</b>
<b>SAT 1 July 2017</b>	Q	<b>NAF Junior Dressage / Riders Test</b>	<b>Princethorpe</b>
<b>SUN 2 July 2017</b>	Q	<b>NAF Senior Dressage / Riding Test</b>	<b>Princethorpe</b>
<b>SUN 23 July 2017</b>	Q	<b>Junior &amp; Senior Dressage To Music</b>	<b>Moreton Morrell</b>
<b>SAT 29 July 2017</b>	Q	<b>NAF Junior Show &amp; Style Jumping</b>	<b>Solihull</b>
<b>SUN 30 July 2017</b>	Q	<b>NAF Senior Show &amp; Style Jumping</b>	<b>Solihull</b>
<b>4- 6 Aug 2017</b>	C	<b>National Horse Trials</b>	<b>Swalcliffe Park</b>
<b>2 – 3Sept 2017</b>	C	<b>National Championships</b>	<b>Lincoln</b>
<b>SUN 24 Sept 2017</b>	P	<b>Horse Trials 80cm, 90cm,100cm</b>	<b>Moreton Morrell</b>
<b>29 Sept – 1 Oct</b>	C	<b>Dressage To Music/Quadrille</b>	<b>Bury Farm</b>
<b>TBA</b>	P	<b>Indoor Show Jumping</b>	<b>Moreton Morrell</b>

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