



STONELEIGH RIDING CLUB NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2024 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Christmas has been and gone and we are now into February 2024, with the Area 5 competitions already under way. The results of the Points Show Jumping on 28th January at Moreton Morrell are reported later on and we are now looking forward to the Show Jumping Qualifier at Solihull later this month. Obviously anyone wishing to compete for the club needs to be a current member and, although there have been some complications with the new membership system, these are now being sorted out and we look forward to welcoming new and returning members to all Stoneleigh Riding Club's activities. Don't forget that hats need to be tagged and, where a body protector is required, this needs to have the blue 2018 label, as the purple 2009 label is no longer acceptable. Your horse's vaccinations also need to be up to date in order to compete, so please do check when yours is due.

As well as the Points Show Jumping competition, Moreton Morrell has also continued to host the series of unaffiliated dressage competitions each month, including sections for Stoneleigh riders to gain points for the end of year presentations. These competitions are especially aimed at encouraging riders to try a level higher than they are used to in a calm environment. The full list of area competitions and championships is shown at the end of this newsletter. It is always worth checking the dates, as alterations sometimes have to be made.

Arrangements for the Two Day Event at the end of May at Princethorpe College are continuing apace and we are looking forward to another fantastic event. After the success of last year's introduction of the 70cm sections, we will be putting these on again this year. Don't worry, the 70cm riders will have the dressage, show jumping, a reduced roads and tracks and the cross country, but no steeplechase, giving them a gentle introduction to a full two-day event. The schedule has already been published, but it will be sent separately to Stoneleigh members so that the discount on the entry fee can be applied. Please see below for full details of the event and don't forget that we need loads of volunteers to write, steward or help to set up for the event – many hands make light work!

Whether you want to compete or not, the instructional flat rides, taken by Liz Neale, and the jumping sessions taken by Jo Hayward on alternate Tuesday evenings at Moreton Morrell, are ongoing and very popular with those who take them up. Full details are given later on in this newsletter.

We look forward to seeing lots of members at all the Riding Club activities in 2024. If you are a new member please do introduce yourself to a committee member – we are a friendly lot and want to make sure everyone has what they need! Bud Jackson

MEMBERSHIP 2024

Thank you to everyone who has joined or re-joined Stoneleigh Riding Club for the 2024 season, you have all been extremely patient with the new BRC Sport 80 system which I know has caused a few problems for some members.

If you would like to join Stoneleigh RC please click on this link

<https://britishridingclubs.sport80.com/public/wizard/a/1294/home> and follow the instructions.

If you choose to renew after 1st January 2024 then your membership will renew for a year from the date you re-join.

The following membership levels are available:

New Junior Membership £32 (To have attained their 10th birthday and be under 18)

Renewing junior membership £30 (To have attained their 10th birthday and be under 18)

Non Riding Membership £25

New Senior Membership £38

Renewing Senior Membership £35

There will also be a £1.50 transaction fee when paying.

Please remember if you wish to enter competitions or attend training you MUST be a current member. If you have any problems or queries please email Val Malka membership.stoneleighrc@gmail.com or click on the support button on the link.

We look forward to seeing you all in 2024.

Val Malka Membership Secretary

A message from our PRESIDENT

Congratulations to our riders at the SJ at the week end. A great start to 2024,

The December presentation evening was well attended and demonstrated how hard our riders had worked in 2023 at the Area 5 and qualifier competitions.

The committee all need a big thank you as they worked hard to fill the gap and keep the club on an even keel when Bud was side-lined by her accident. All pulled together and particular thanks to Philippa for taking on the hot seat and all who worked so hard to make the two day , with its addition of a 70cm class a great success.

The club was well represented at area and championships, thanks to our team managers.

The greatest achievement at the end of the season was in my opinion that of our Chairperson, who with dogged determination won the overall point's shield having made a remarkable recovery from her accident

I am sure the addition of acceptance of junior members from January this will be an asset to the club.

I was very surprised and flattered to be awarded the title of President of Stoneleigh RC, and would like to thank the club and the committee for the honour.

In my opinion the Club's greatest asset is that it has a willing, friendly, and hard working committee, good luck to all in 2024.

Wendy Bell



Area 5 Overall Team year

MORETON MORRELL AREA 5 POINTS SHOW JUMPING

Congratulations to all the Stoneleigh RC members who competed at the Area 5 points show jumping qualifier at Moreton Morrell.



The day got off to a brilliant start with our senior 70cm team. Bud Jackson, Stephanie Ainsley and Naomi Cross all jumping clear and Rachel Hickman just picking up an unlucky 4 faults on MRF Archway's first show jumping competition.

Stephanie was also representing the club for the first time going clear on Jo Marston's horse Echrin

to give the club team first and individual 4th for Bud competing in her first show jumping competition for a year, 5th for Naomi and Connor and 6th for Stephanie. Next up was one of our junior members Martha Webb, who although not placed on this occasion gained valuable experience for future events.



Sadly we loss a couple of combinations due to lameness and illness, so our senior 80cm team were reduced to just Bud, and Naomi this time riding Harberwain Cherokee, who both picked up just 4 faults to leave them just outside the placings. Abi Braine was our sole contender in the junior 80cm posted the only clear round in the Congratulations to all the Stoneleigh RC members who competed at the Area 5 points show jumping qualifier at Moreton Morrell on Sunday.



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Our 100 cm team were again depleted due to illness bot Chloe produced a super clear round on Savalas to take 2nd place, with Jo Hayward on Jubilee Prince 3rd with 4 faults. Jo also contested the 105 cm finishing in 2nd place.

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DRESSAGE POINTS COMPETITIONS

We are pleased to announce that our point's dressage competitions incorporated within Moreton Morrell's unaffiliated dressage competitions are continuing, these are especially aimed at our grass roots riders and gain points towards awards at our end of year presentation evening.

Entries are currently open for 17th February see the link below

Unaffiliated Dressage at

Warwickshire College
2023 - 24

Next Stoneleigh RC points dressage on 17th February 2024

Please click on the link to enter

https://horsemonkey.com/equestrian_event/53807

Other dates for your diary are

March 30th 2024

April 7th 2024

Flat Rides

What greater recommendation can we have than two riders contacting me to say, 'really enjoyed last night's ride'. And they were on different rides and had different reasons for enjoying themselves. If you haven't attended a lesson do come and join in. It's such a chance to help young or spooky horses to get used to riding in a group and coping with indoor school. You are welcome to attend on foot to see what happens or try us as a guest. For those new to the club, the Tuesday evening Instructional Rides are with Liz Neal. Liz is very safety conscious. They are held at Moreton Morrell in the indoor school £15.00 a lesson but pay in advance for 5 and get 6th one free. The first ride is usually at 6.15pm and the second 7.00. Minimum 48 hours cancellation for refund. marismi913@gmail.com 07813 206356

Here's the test. Get 1 to 5 correct and you're in!



To aid my efficiency, so sadly lacking, if you wish to join an I R please let me have this information.

1. Your name and phone number
2. An emergency contact number
3. How you are paying i.e. cash/transfer
4. How much you have paid
5. Dates on which you hope to come

Feb 6th, 20th

March 5th, 19th

April 2nd, 16th, 30th

May 14th, 28th

June 11th, 25th

July 9th, 23rd

Anything 'special' like earliest/latest you can get to ride. Info on email or back of envelope will do as long as your name is on it.

Payment is to

Stoneleigh Riding Club

Ref FIR and your surname

Sort code 20 48 08

Account number 40842397

If you pay cash correct money in named envelope please.

SHOW JUMP TRAINING

As we head into February we have done a month of sessions incorporating our junior members, and it's been great to see them joining in.

We generally run two sessions, 6pm jumping up to 80cm and 6:45pm predominately seniors, jumping 90cm plus. So far this has been working well but as always I'm happy to receive feedback, please just drop me an email.

If numbers warrant I am happy to put on a third session at 7:30pm (seniors) which will be pole work. Please email me if you would be interested in this option.

2024 Dates: 13th Feb, 27th Feb, 12th Mar, 26th Mar, 9th Apr, 23rd Apr

Book a block of 5 and get your 6th free, credits to be booked via the link below and then email to confirm which sessions you'd like to join.

Payment link: <https://www.myridinglife.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=445359>

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to email me; jo.stoneleighrc@gmail.com



TUESDAY EVENING SHOW JUMP TRAINING

Moreton Morrell from 6pm

Fortnightly sessions with UKCC level 3 coach Jo Hayward

Relaxed, flexible sessions working on confidence and technique.

For more information email Jo: jo.stoneleighrc@gmail.com

NEW BACK PROTECTOR STANDARDS

2024 Body Protector Update

A body protector is mandatory in all cross-country competitions/training (where fixed fences are used).

A BETA Level 3 displaying a Blue 2018 Label must be worn where a body protector is mandatory. From 1 Jan 2024, the BETA 2009 Purple Label will no longer be accepted. The ONLY exception to this requirement is that the Exo Body Cages will continue to be accepted, provided they have a BETA Level 3 Purple 2000 Label.

If a rider chooses to wear an airbag style body protector for cross-country it must be worn over a BETA Level 3 2018 Blue Label body protector. Hybrid Air-jackets and air jackets incorporated into a blouson style jacket are permitted. Where body protectors are not mandatory i.e. dressage/show jumping the rider may wear any level/standard body protector.









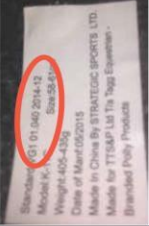

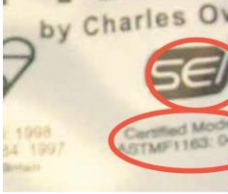










2024 HAT STANDARDS



BHS Approved Centres and BHS Assessments Hat Rules 2024 v1

Hats must meet ALL of the requirements of ONE of the following rows:

	Standard and Date	Quality Assurance Mark	Examples
1	PAS 015 (2011)	AND MUST HAVE BSI Kitemark  Or Inspec IC Mark 	
2	VG1 01.040 (2014-12)	AND MUST HAVE BSI Kitemark  Or Inspec IC Mark 	   
3	ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards)	AND MUST HAVE SEI mark 	  
4	SNELL E2016	AND MUST HAVE Official SNELL label and number 	
5	AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards)	AND MUST HAVE SAI Global mark 	
6	EN1384: 2023	AND MUST HAVE BSI Kitemark  Or Inspec IC Mark 	

"Jockey Skull" of an even round or elliptical shape with a

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Only a Jockey skull of an elliptical or round shape with a smooth or slightly abrasive surface, having no peak or peak type extensions may be worn for any XC activity. Noticeable protuberances above the eyes or to the front, not greater than 5mm, smooth and rounded in nature are permitted. A removable hat cover with a light flexible peak may be used. HEAD CAMS: When hats are tested against the requirements of a standard, they are done so with no extra additions on the hat i.e. with no head cam attached. Therefore, it is currently not known how the addition of a protuberance such as a head cam, affects how the hat would respond during an impact. Therefore, the use of HEAD CAMS are not recommended at any Approved Centre activity. This includes use on the head, chest, bridle or any other part of the horse or rider. HEAD CAMS or any recording devices are not permitted for use during BHS Assessments.

STONELEIGH 2DE

SRC 2 Day volunteers needed! Plans for the two day event are all starting to come together and now we are starting to get some people coming forward to volunteer. Thank you so much anyone who has already sent me details, we really are grateful.

Please if you can spare a day or just a few hours we would really appreciate whatever you can offer Friday afternoon 24th May set up.

Saturday 25th May Dressage and Show jumping.

Sunday 26th May fence judging, XC hospitality, R & T crossing stewards.

If you are able to help on any of these days please contact

Amy Butler amy.barker2@hotmail.co.uk for Friday and Saturday

Or Val Malka valeriemalka@yahoo.co.uk for Sunday



STONELEIGH RC 2DE SPONSORSHIP

Are you, or do you know a business that maybe interested in supporting this year's event through one of our sponsorship packages!?

For as little as £25 you can sponsor a XC fence, supply commentary notes to be used throughout the day, be included in the event program and linked on this page.

With over 150 competitors, their supporters and our team of volunteers your name has the opportunity to reach a number of new clients.

Further details on this package and others can be found here;

<https://issuu.com/libratemequitem/docs/sponsorship>

Or if you are interested in sponsoring this event please fill out the online form below;

<https://forms.gle/knUTS5qRifZQEtfm9>

Alternatively drop Jo a message at: jo.stoneleighrc@gmail.com

DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATIONS...

Congratulations to Amy Barker, Olivia McCullough who have qualified for the Intro dressage Championships on the 9th March at Bury Farm. Amy is riding her daughter's pony, Amber in the Intro B, and Olivia has qualified for both the P1 and the P2 on Rebel Rua (previously known as unnamed Artie).

Laura Askew has qualified for the DTM championships, which is being held on the same day on her Baloubooy, in the Novice with point's class.

We have also received an email from BRC with invitations to the Novice winter champs. This is being held on Saturday 6th April at Arena UK near Grantham.

Amy Barker on Beau, and Naomi Cross on Chez both qualified in the P7.

Olivia McCullough on Rebel Rua has qualified for the P12.

Laura Askew on Baloubooy, and Joanne Hayward on The Kossak both qualified for the N24

Our Meadow Novice team got a wildcard entry for the team event, comprising of Beth Rapson in the P7, Bud Jackson in the P12, Hannah Wolverson in the N24 and Naomi Cross on Connor in the N27

Congratulations everyone. Very exciting 🎉

AREA 5 PROGRAMME & NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024

DATE		EVENT	VENUE
Sun 25 Feb 2024	Q	Junior and Senior 70 cm, 80cm, 90cm Mixed 100 & 105cm SJ qualifier	Solihull
8 – 10 March 2024	C	Dressage To Music / Quadrille / Intro Championships	Bury Farm Equestrian,
16 March 2024	Q	Intermediate Dressage Qualifier	Weston Lawns
6 – 7 April 2024	C	Winter Novice SJ and dressage championships	Arena UK
Sat 13 April 2024	Q	Combined Training	Solihull RC
27 – 28 April 2024	C	Winter Intermediate Dressage & Show jumping Championships	Arena UK
5 May 2024	Q	Combined Challenge	Solihull RC
25– 26 May 2024	P	2DE	Princethorpe
31 May – 2 June	C	Arena Eventing Championships	Washbrook Farm,
23 June 2024	Q	Junior / Senior Horse Trials	Solihull RC
7 July 2024	Q	Junior / Senior dressage & RT	Moreton Morrell
27 July 2024	Q	Junior / Senior Style & SJ	Solihull RC
2 – 4 Aug 2024	C	National Horse Trials Championships	Swalcliffe Park Equestrian,
31 Aug – 1 Sept 2024	C	National Championships	Lincolnshire Showground,
5 – 6 Oct 2024 TBC	C	National Combined Championships	Washbrook Farm, Aston le Walls