

STONELEIGH RIDING CLUB TWO DAY EVENT 2023



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**27TH &
28TH MAY
2023**

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STONELEIGH RIDING CLUB NEWSLETTER APRIL 2023

VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A brief message as vice chairman but I am so pleased to be able to start with the amazing news that our chairman, Bud, is now home from hospital following her accident and doing very well along the road of recovery.

Our competitive riders have been out in force, doing really well and having fun as you will see in the various reports below. There are so many people within the club and supporters who give so much to keep both competitions and training happening. We have a busy time coming up for Stoneleigh with the two day event approaching fast and then the dressage qualifier following in early July; we will again need all your amazing help to set up, support and run these events.

Let's hope the rain stops soon and it starts to feel more like spring as we all make plans for the summer season, any questions that anyone has about potentially joining in or doing any part of what we do as Stoneleigh Riding club please do contact any one of the discipline leads or any of the committee and we will always be happy to chat and help. Hopefully we will see lots of you out and about in the coming months.

Many thanks,

Philippa

STONELEIGH 2DE

We NEED YOU! All Riding Club events from instructional rides, Club competitions to Area Qualifiers are organised by volunteers around their own jobs and quite often them competing themselves.

Stoneleigh Riding requests that as a member you abide by the club constitution that states 'every member is required to help or steward in some way at one of the two main events we organise each year'.

We run two main events a year, the Two Day Event in May and the Summer Dressage Qualifier in July.

We are very short of volunteers for the Two Day Event with only a third of members currently putting their name forward to help.

We have committee members who are organising, setting up, and volunteering on the day around competing themselves so please can you step forward and volunteer for the club!

Roles for Two Day:

Saturday 27th

Dressage Stewards – morning or afternoon

Dressage Writers - morning or afternoon

Show jumping – pole pickers

Show Jumping – Collecting Ring Steward

These roles can be in shifts so even a couple of hours can help, if you do 4 or more hours lunch is included, refreshments available all day.

Sunday 28th

All day roles:

XC fence judges

Road Crossing Stewards

Bun Run/refreshments for XC and Roads & Tracks

Score sheet collectors – shifts available

Please respond to Amy Barker with your availability, or if unable to help at the Two Day and have no one to send in your place please let us know and pencil in the 2nd July for the dressage qualifier at Princethorpe.

Amy: amy.barker2@hotmail.co.uk

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Thank you

I just want to say a big thank you to the members and the committee for the trophy that Bud presented me with at the February committee meeting. Really kind of you. I can honestly say that I have thoroughly enjoyed all of my involvement with the club (yes starting back in 1969) The greatest pleasure is to be a part of such a fabulous team, both on the committee and the wider club, working alongside so many people who tirelessly keep the wheels running throughout the year. From instructional rides and talks to competitions and the two day. It is only working as a team that allows us to enjoy our sport to such an extent. So I just want to say a big thank you to everyone who has helped make Stoneleigh Riding Club the club it is today. Together we are amazing.



Wendy Bell

NOVICE WINTER SHOW JUMPING

Congratulations to everyone who competed for Stoneleigh RC at the Area 5 Novice winter show jumping qualifier held at Solihull RC.

We fielded two teams in the 70 cm who were both on great form, finishing in 2nd and 3rd place just losing out on first by a few seconds in the jump off. Our Park team of Katie Frost, Jo Bunyan, Naomi Cross all jumped 3 clear rounds with Margaret just picking up 4 faults in the jump off to take second. Jo Marston, and Wendy Talbot also produced 3 clear rounds in the Village team with Karen Bennett and Vicky Maggs just picking up 4 faults in the jump off to take team third.

Naomi came 2nd individually, with Katie 4th and Jo 6th so fantastic results all round.



KATIE AND ROSS CARUSO

Next up were our 80 cm riders, Bud Jackson, Naomi Cross, Andrew Gloria Jenkins, and Katie Davey who carried 4 faults into the second round where they finished with 3 clears giving them a team total of 4, alongside Solihull but faster times in the jump off gave us a final placing of 4th. Our second 80 cm Di George, Liv McCallum, Karen Bennett and Katie Frost had mixed fortunes, but a super triple clear for Katie to finish in 5th place individually.

Our intermediate show jumpers headed off to Solihull RC for the Area 5 Ri-Dry clothing intermediate show jumping qualifier.

Our 90 cm team of Naomi Cross, Marisa Allright, Laura Askew and Katie Davey, finished the first two rounds in joint first place but unluckily rolled a pole in the jump off section to give them a well-deserved third place.

We had just two riders in the 100 cm and they were both on fire, triple clear rounds in very fast times with Rhianne Martin just pipping Marisa Allright to first place by one hundredth of a second.

This should qualify Rhianne for the intermediate championships being held at Onley Grounds Equestrian Centre in April.

Well done Ladies

SEIB NOVICE WINTER CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations 🎉 to our 4 Stoneleigh riders at the BRC Novice winter championships which took place at Arena UK.

First up was Naomi Cross on Chez, jumping in the 70cm class. She completed 3 clear rounds and came 8th on time in the jump off. 🏆🏆🏆.

Next we had Marion Smith on Star in the P12. Scoring 68.8 and coming 10th.



AMY and BEAU

Amy Barker was in the P7 and came a very close 5th. Just being pipped from 4th place by collectives.

Last of the group was Carrie Stevens on Landsbury Dundee in the N28, who did a lovely test but not placed this time.

Looks like you all had a great day and thank you for flying the flag for Stoneleigh



NAOMI and CHEZ



CARRIE and LANDSBURY DUNDEE

INTERMEDIATE DRESSAGE QUALIFIER

We had a good turnout at the Intermediate dressage qualifier at Aston le walls on the 26th march. Stoneleigh members were out in force and in great spirits despite a few mishaps, wind and rain, and some very "lively" ponies. We managed to have 4 teams and some individual entries.

Team results:

Beech team: Liz Cooper, Clare Holmes and Jo Hayward were down to 3 riders but still managed a respectable 26 points

Park team: Alice Bell, Carrie Stevens, Katie Davey and Karen Owens, finished on 20 points

Abbey team: Marion Smith, Rachel Hickman, Naomi Cross and Marisa Allright, finished on 17 points - just out of the ribbons

and our Meadow team: Ema Bayliss, Wendy Talbot, Faye Mckenning and Naomi again, finished on 16 points and came 4th

In the Individuals:

In the P18 Marion Smith was 3rd and Ema Bayliss came 5th

In the N30 Jo Hayward was 5th

In the E42 Naomi Cross was 4th and Karen Owens, making her debut for Stoneleigh, (Big Welcome Karen), coming 6th.

Tina Kazmi our only representative in the Medium came a strong 3rd, and we've just heard that she has a wildcard entry to the Championships at Onley on 22nd April. Congratulations Tina.

Well done everyone and many thanks to Val Malka, Tony Parker and everyone in the office for all their hard work on the day. And a special thank you must go to Bronwyn Adams who saved the day with the loan of her boots, stripped off her feet as she finished her class

COMBINE CHALLENGE QUALIFIER

A huge thank you to Solihull RC who provided a hastily re arranged venue for the combine challenge qualifier, Stoneleigh had two individuals in the 70cm class, sadly Jo Bunyan had to withdraw, but Katie Frost and Ross Caruso produced a lovely double clear picking up just 0.8 time penalties to finish individual third.

Naomi Cross and Chez were our only representatives in the 80cm picking up 4 time penalties in the XC section to finish 5th, they also contested the 90cm but rolled a few poles show jumping to finish just outside the placings.

Rhianne Martin and Marisa Allright rode the 100cm class in difficult conditions both picking up penalties show jumping but within the optimum time to finish 4th and 5th respectively.

DRESSAGE POINTS COMPETITIONS

Sadly due to circumstances beyond our control the last two unaffiliated dressage competitions incorporating Stoneleigh RC points have had to be cancelled.

We are hoping these may take place once Moreton Morrell re opens, we will keep you posted

Tuesday evening Instructional Rides

For those new to the club here are dates and information about Tuesday evening Instructional Rides with Liz Neal. These are usually held at Moreton Morrell in the indoor school but currently are at Lowlands due to The College being temporarily closed. £15.00 a lesson, pay in advance for 4 and get 5th one free. Minimum 48 hours cancellation for refund. Payments in advance either bank transfer reference FIR and your surname, sort code 20 48 08, account number 40842397, or cash in a named envelope.

Marion Smith, 9 Savages Close, Bishops Tachbrook, CV33 9RL. Booking forms to this address or emailed.

marismi913@gmail.com 07813 206356

Please mark on chart which rides you wish to attend, paid and free

As you can see 18th July is pencilled in for our annual Evening Dressage and BBQ. Details will follow. Hard to remember, as we slosh around in mud, that last year's was cancelled due to high temperatures.

Tuesday Evening Instructional Rides 2023

APRIL	11th	25 th	
MAY	9th	23 rd	
JUNE	6th	20th	
JULY	4th	18 th Evening Dressage and BBQ	

Name

Address

Email

Emergency contact name and number

I have paid £..... by transfer or cash

Enjoy Easter. Hope to see you at 2DE. We still need lots of helpers: on Sunday for cross country jump judges and Saturday stewarding and writing for dressage. Part of a day is ok. Gentle reminder that when you joined you agreed to help at least once a year. It can even be fun!!

Tuesday evening Show Jump sessions

These have moved to Lowlands Equestrian Centre (CV35 7AX) for the next few sessions whilst Moreton Morrell is on lockdown.

Sessions run at;

- 6.15pm
- 7pm
- 7.45pm group if we have enough interest.

These sessions are taken by UKCC level 3 coach Jo Hayward and are relaxed, flexible sessions working on confidence and technique.

Please contact Jo if you would like further details or to join; jo.stoneleighrc@gmail.com or 07875 660650

£15 a session or block book 4 sessions to get your 5th free.

The jump sessions run alternate weeks to flat work so the next block of dates are: 4th April, 18th April, 2nd May (potentially back at MM from here on), 16th May, 30th May, 13th June, 27th June, 11th July, 25th July Break until 15th August when restart fortnightly.

NEW HAT RULE FOR 2023

From 1st January 2023, BRC will no longer be accepting the following 2 hat standards and therefore all hats will need to be re-tagged.

In order to ensure riders are wearing the most up to date riding hats, please note that from the 1st January 2023, the following hat standards will no longer be accepted, due to the age of hats made to these standards:

1. PAS O15 1998
2. SNELL 2001

A new pink hat tag will be required for BE, PC and BRC competitions from 1st January 2023.

NEW BACK PROTECTOR STANDARDS

If you are planning on getting a new back protector for next season, as from 1st January 2024, the purple label beta level 3 2009 standard will no longer be acceptable.

From 1 January 2024 BRC will no longer accept the 2009 Purple labels

All back protectors will need to be Beta level 3 blue label 2018 or after

WHIP RULES

The use of the whip must be for an appropriate reason, at an appropriate time, on the correct area of the horse and with the appropriate level of response.

Appropriate Reason: The whip must only be used as an aid to support the natural aids in encouraging the pony/horse forward, or to help the rider to encourage the pony/ horse in the right direction. For example, it may be used down the shoulder to keep a horse straight on the approach to a fence. It must never be used to vent a rider's temper; any use for such a reason is automatically excessive.

Appropriate Time: As an aid, the appropriate time is when the pony/horse is reluctant to go forward under natural aids i.e. seat and legs. Its use, for instance, after a refusal when a pony/horse has turned away, is excessive. Its use after elimination is excessive. Right area of the horse: As an aid to go forward the whip may be used down the shoulder or behind the rider's leg. The use of a whip on a pony's/ horse's head or neck is always excessive use.

Appropriate Level of Response: the whip should never be used more than three times during any incident; and if the pony/horse is marked by the whip (skin broken or a welt) its use is excessive. (The rider is expected to know if the pony/horse has sensitive skin and must use the whip accordingly). The arm should never be raised above the shoulder whilst using the whip. The whip should always be carried and used in the backhand (handle pointed upwards) position and never in the forehand position (handle pointed downwards).

Misuse of a whip: If, in the opinion of the judge/official, a whip is misused/overused the rider may face up to 25 penalties or disqualification at the discretion of the Official Steward. Correct Incorrect

Dropping a whip: Whips may not be picked up if dropped, with the exception of Horse Trials see HT1.10.



CORRECT

INCORRECT

DRESS CODE RULE CHANGE

Jodhpurs and Breeches: White, cream, beige, *navy, or black* breeches or jodhpurs may be worn.

Which Studs!?

“When and what Studs should I use in Competition”?

Studs are generally used by riders in slippery conditions and on wet grass. Studs are not as crucial in heavy, sticky ground as naturally the ‘cut’ in the ground affords a natural traction. The use of studs is to help the horse to stay balanced and confident into fences especially on cross country courses, although they are also very useful when doing a dressage test or show jumping on grass when the ground in the summer is hard and we have just had a shower of rain leaving the top very slippery.

There are different types of studs which can be pointed and thin or more rounded and thicker. The small and medium sized studs with the pointed ends are normally used to penetrate the ground when hard and the grass wet and the medium or large dome or bulked studs are best for grip in soft wet ground. You would need to talk to your Farrier to have the holes put into your horses’ shoes which can be, in general, one or two in each shoe. (Some top riders opt for more)

I personally would have 2 in each, as then you have the option at the time of the competition and condition of the ground to opt for either a single stud or 2. If you go for 2 in each foot remember that the horse needs to be ‘balanced’ for the best grip, and a more thicker and flatter stud (a road stud) on the inside with the pointed stud on the outside can help ensure less damage to the horse should it strike into itself and help on turns and avoid the back end from slipping on the corners. Please always take into consideration the length of the pointed stud if using on the front, as horses/ponies need some form of freedom on landing (slight slide forward) a sudden ‘jolt’ from a pointed stud could cause a jar to the leg in an abrupt landing and this in turn could cause leg problems in the future. If going cross country always wear boots for the horse, as again it can help protect the leg.

The majority of studs are ‘screw’ types although there are new systems such as the Pro-Fit System which is thread less. These are quicker to fit and not so back destroying!!??

My advice would be to clean and plug your stud holes the night before the competition as I can guarantee that while in the field your horse has wedged the smallest of stones into your stud holes and there is nothing more exhausting and infuriating than trying to get it out (a Farriers’ nail does work wonders though !!) Use either the rubber plugs or oil soaked cotton wool – both easy to remove at the Event.

Never travel your horse in studs as he can lose his balance in the journey and again could strike into itself causing considerable damage to the leg. Always remove the studs as soon as you can after the competition – you don’t want one through your foot!!?

There are Stud Kits which you can purchase from your local supplier and these normally carry all that you need including 4 variations (pointed thick and thin and both types of Road Studs) together with the Spanner and Tap to help screw in the studs and normally a small amount of Rubbers to plug the hole.

AREA 5 PROGRAMME & NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023

		DATE	VENUE
1 – 2 April 2023	C	Winter Novice SJ and dressage championships	Arena UK, Allington Lane, Allington, Grantham, NG32 2EF
15 April 2023	Q	Combined Training	Solihull RC
22 – 23 April 2023	C	Winter Intermediate Dressage & Show jumping	Onley Grounds Equestrian Complex, Willoughby, Rugby CV23 8AJ
20 – 21 May 2023	C	Combined Championships (formally FOTH)	Washbrook Farm, Aston-le-Walls, Daventry, Northamptonshire. NN11 6RT
27 – 28 May 2023	P	2DE	Princethorpe
10 June 2023	Q	DTM	Moreton Morrell
18 June 2023	Q	Junior / Senior Horse Trials	Moreton Morrell
25 June 2023	Q	Intro Dressage Qualifier	Moreton Morrell
2 July 2023	Q	Junior / Senior dressage & RT	Princethorpe
30 July 2023	Q	Junior / Senior Style & SJ	Solihull RC
4 – 6 Aug 23	C	National Horse Trials	Swalcliffe Park Equestrian, Grange Farm, , Oxon. OX15 5EX
2 – 3 Sept 23	C	National Championships	Lincolnshire Showground, Grange-de-Lings, Lincoln, Lincolnshire. LN2 2NAC
TBC	C	Dressage To Music / Quadrille / INTRO	Bury Farm Equestrian, Slapton, Bucks, LU7 9BT