



**STONELEIGH RIDING CLUB TWO DAY EVENT**  
**Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th May 2025**



## **STONELEIGH RIDING CLUB NEWSLETTER**

### **JUNE 2025**

#### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

At the end of the last newsletter, I was hoping that the Two-Day Event, with our new sponsor, would be a huge success and as much fun as usual..... and it was! Mr Grove du Toit, Headmaster of Princethorpe College, stepped in at almost the last minute to sponsor as well as host the event and I have heard lots of complimentary comments about it. Our very very grateful thanks go to Mr du Toit, Rebecca Moreton (Princethorpe representative), Alex Darkes who came back from retirement to lend all his expertise, Ed Robertson (Head Groundsman) and his team of grounds people, the Stoneleigh committee and all the numerous volunteers who gave up their time to ensure that the event ran as smoothly as possible. I am not going to try to mention everyone by name, as I am bound to forget some people but, needless to say, everyone did an amazing job and without them, we could not run the event at all.

During April, the Winter Dressage and Show Jumping Championships took place at Arena UK and, as usual, Stoneleigh had plenty of competitors, coming home with lots of sashes and rosettes between them. Full results have been published on our Facebook page and will be given further on in this newsletter but, suffice to say, congratulations to everyone who took part and particular thanks to Val Malka and Jo Marston who gave up so much of their time to volunteer for the club and to look after all our competitors.

The last weekend in May saw the Arena Eventing Championships at Aston le Walls. Full results will be published later on, but congratulations go to the 70cm team, who came 3rd out of the 21 teams that took part – a brilliant result.

The next event to be organised by Stoneleigh will be the Area 5 Dressage Qualifier which will be held at Warwickshire College, Moreton Morrell on Sunday 22nd June. Details have been circulated, so please do get your entries in and, as always, we will be looking for lots of volunteers to write for dressage judges, steward etc., so please let Naomi Cross know if you are able to help in any way.

Best of luck to everyone at all the various and numerous qualifiers that are coming up in the next couple of months and, whether you compete or not, enjoy your horses and stay safe this summer.

Bud Jackson

**JUST SOME OF THE RESPONSES WE HAVE RECEIVED AFTER THE 2DE.....**

*I would like to thank all of you for welcoming me to one of the highlights of my year - the Stoneleigh Two Day Event. Yet again, you all managed to make it one of the most exciting and well organised events and despite being the only representative of the New Forest Rising Club this year, I felt welcomed and looked after. The courses were beautiful, the stewards and volunteers were professional and friendly. Everything ran like clockwork - as always.*

*I have no doubt that there are scores of helpers behind the scenes who also play a huge part in making this such a great event. Really, thank you to everyone.*

*I hope and believe that we will be back up to our multiple team entries next year. Whatever happens, I will be there.*

*Rest up! You deserve it.*

*Very best wishes*

*Katie Macey*

**Thank you for such a fantastic weekend! We all loved it!!!**

**Issy x**

**Bozeat RC**

*Thank you very much for running a super event. It must take such a lot of hard work.*

*I had a wonderful time and it is so lovely to be able to compete at this beautiful venue.*



*Hope to see you again next year*

*Many thanks*

*Alison*

**I just wanted to write to you to say a huge thank you for a truly wonderful event, it was our first time this year and my daughter absolutely loved it.**

**Thank you to you and the whole team who make it happen.**

**Best wishes**

**Claire**

**Massive thank you to the organisational teams & volunteers for making the Stoneleigh Riding Club 2DE weekend at**

**Princethorpe College such an amazing experience...Scarlett & her pony Iris loved every minute and look forward to returning next year 🐾 During our weekend we based ourselves with Jaynie at Stable & Stay Warwick, what an awesome time we had, brilliant company, fantastic stable for Iris, plus very yummy bacon & egg butties in the morning, the perfect place to stay.**

**Laura Owen**

Amazing weekend at the Stoneleigh Riding Club 2 Day Event hosted by Princethorpe College. Thank you to ALL those who made it happen, Lands Eventing for an amazing course and Princethorpe College for giving Isla and Darcey the opportunity to compete for their amazing school!

*Amazing weekend taking part in the Stoneleigh Riding Club Two Day Event at Princethorpe College. Huge thanks to all the organisers and volunteers for providing such a lovely event. It really is one of a kind and just so much fun - hopefully we will see you again next year!*

Hazel Davenport

Thank you for a fabulous 2 days at Princethorpe it was such fun. Big thank you to everyone involved all the volunteers organisers and sponsors

**Volunteers** are a pivotal part of all equestrian events and the Two Day Event is no different!

From the volunteer organising committee from Stoneleigh Riding Club and Princethorpe College, to the stewards, dressage writers, tack checkers, pole pickers, fence judges, phase A, B, C, D start & finish teams, bun run team, car parkers the list of people who willingly give up their time to help make this event run successfully is endless!

So at the start of [#VolunteerWeek](#) we'd like to give a shout out and extend a massive thank you to you all!!



Another successful 2DE has been and gone - phew it's more than a two day event for the organisers! Again I had a great time helping in my usual jobs but still met some faces I knew and a lot more new ones. The welcome you get when you arrive to help and then you are looked after throughout whatever job you do, even a cream tea on Friday dressage set up day!

The amount of work and organisation to put on this 2DE is on-going all year (it's started already with next year's dates in the diary - 22nd and 23rd May 2026) the dates are in my diary so the more of us that reserves these dates the easier it is to run. Even the SRC riders who entered still found time to help which is amazing. Well done everybody, toooo many jobs and people to list!

Cheers Bronwyn

## **Morton Morrell Dressage Qualifier**

Thanks again to every single volunteer who gave up their time for the two day event, as you know we run two events a year and that was the first one.

We urgently need volunteers to help at the SRC Dressage Qualifier at Moreton Morrell College on Sunday 22nd June.

If you can help please contact Naomi Cross email: [naomi.cross1780@btinternet.com](mailto:naomi.cross1780@btinternet.com)

Just as a polite reminder – when you joined Stoneleigh Riding club you agreed to abide by the club constitution:

SRC Constitution, please see point 8.3...

- Every member will be expected to help or steward in some way at one of the two main events we organise each year, the Stoneleigh RC 2DE (End of May bank holiday) and / or the Area 5 summer dressage qualifier (June / July)

## **Flat Rides**

### Instructional/Flat Rides

We usually have 2 full rides, occasionally 3, starting at 6.00 or 6.15. We are so lucky to have Liz Neal instructing. Popularity proves how good she is. Lovely to have a loyal core of riders made up of regulars, returnees and some new members.

If you are not a member but would like to 'try' us, you can come to two rides. Pretty sure you'll want to join so you can come for more.

These Tuesday evening Instructional Rides are held at Moreton Morrell in the indoor school. £15.00 a lesson but pay in advance for 5 and get 6th one free. Bargain. Minimum 48 hours cancellation for refund.

We have a break in August, resuming in September. Dates below

### Dates 2025

10<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> June  
8<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> July  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> Sep  
14<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> Oct  
11<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> Nov  
9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec



Here's how to pay

<https://www.myridinglife.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=485989>

Marion Smith [marismi913@gmail.com](mailto:marismi913@gmail.com)



## JUNIOR TRAINING

Junior training is run at Morton Morrell in the indoor school. We run a WhatsApp group to keep everyone up to date, please drop me an email on Amy.barker2@hotmail.co.uk or text 07599858212 if you would like an invite to the WhatsApp group. Guests are always welcome if you wanted to bring a friend to try out our flatwork sessions.

Thanks

Amy

Link for booking sessions <https://www.myridinglife.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=485990>



### Stoneleigh Riding Club Tuesday evening Jump & polework sessions



Fortnightly sessions at Moreton Morrell in the covered arena.

When numbers permit we run a polework session, Jump session and polework towards jumping.

5:15pm Polework

6pm Jump

6:45pm Polework towards jumping

Groups are sent out on the Friday or Saturday before to confirm times.

If you'd like adding to the distribution list please drop me an email.

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.



If you have any questions please do not hesitate to email me; [jo.stoneleighrc@gmail.com](mailto:jo.stoneleighrc@gmail.com)

## SHOW JUMP TRAINING

Dates for 2025

3rd & 17th June, 1st & 15th July, then there will be a short break with re-start date to be confirmed.

A few reminders: Sessions taken by UKCC level 3 Coach Jo Hayward.

We do need at least 3 in a group to run the session.

I try to keep groups to between 3 and 5 but on occasion will we have a group of 6 for an hour, as two groups of 3 isn't viable.

All sessions will potentially be mixed Senior and Junior.

We require 48 hours' notice of cancellation for a refund for that session.

Payment link: <https://www.myridinglife.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=485991>

You can book for each session individually (£15 + booking fee) or a block of 5 (£75 + booking fee) which gives you an extra session free - 6 credits.

Session credits can roll over if you need to skip a week and don't have to be taken in a row.

Any questions, or to be added to the distribution list please do not hesitate to contact me on [Jo.stoneleighrc.co.uk](mailto:Jo.stoneleighrc.co.uk)

Jo Hayward SRC Training Officer

## WINTER BRC SJ CHAMPIONSHIPS

A windy but sun drenched weekend at the BRC winter showjumping championships at Arena UK for our Stoneleigh riders.

On Saturday our 70 cm team of Stephanie Ainslie, Jo Bunyan, Katie Frost and Karen Bennett performed brilliantly with triple clear rounds from Jo and Stephanie but not quite quick enough to put them in the placings, Katie and Alfie picked up just 8 faults in the first round going clear in the second round, and Karen also picked up a few penalties to leave them 17th in the team section.

Katie Frost was again in action in the 80 cm this time riding Ross Caruso and had an unlucky pole at the last to drop them out of the placings.

Sunday saw the return of Ross Caruso this time ridden by Robin Fortune in the 90 cm, who also had an unlucky pole in the second round.

Last up were our 100 cm team, an unfortunate dismount for Chloe Collins Stockil, when they were both jumping so well, was followed by Joanne Hayward riding a beautiful first round but just rolled a pole to finish on 4 faults, having ridden a super second round indoors to go clear. Our last two riders Rhianne Martin had mixed fortunes, with BBB Rockin Rosie not feeling it today and Robin this time on Monarts Carrick Diamond retiring having picked up a few penalties.

Not our day today, but well done to everyone who competed, many thanks to Jo Bunyan who acted as team volunteer for our 70 cm team and Val Malka as our 100 cm team volunteer.

## Winter Dressage Championships

Stoneleigh competed 3 days at the BRC Winter Dressage Championships and have come back covered in rosettes and sashes 😊.

On Friday we had 2 teams competing in the Novice dressage. Our Beech team; Katie Frost, Marion Smith, Mia Allison and Olivia McCullough came 3rd. Katie Frost on Currabawn Alfie was first in her Intro section so came away with 2 sashes ! and Olivia McCullough was 7th in the Prelim. Our Abbey team; Mandy Howells, Jo Fountaine, Karen Arlott and Hannah Wolverson came 19th which is still impressive when we consider this was a national event and there were 35 teams competing. Jo was also 9th in her prelim section. so well done ladies.



Katie Frost





*Amy, Marion, Olivia and Katie*

On Saturday we had one team in the Intro dressage; Amy Barker, Marion Smith, Katie Frost and Olivia McCullough, they upped their game from Friday and came in 2nd, so back on the podium for more sashes. That's 3 for Katie now!! Marion Smith was 4th in her prelim, Katie Frost 6th in the Intro and Olivia McCullough 6th in her prelim, Olivia was also 4th in the P1 as an individual.

We also had some other individual riders on Saturday. Bud Jackson came 5th in the P2, Daisy Beards came 2nd in the N3 and 3rd in the P3 and Sue Bullock came 9th in the Medium. We also had

a representative in the DTM, Vanessa Jensen competed in the Elementary section

Sunday was the juniors day. Alice Butler was our sole representative competing on Amber in the prelim 1, not placed this time in a large class but hopefully enjoyed the ride in the sunshine.

So a pretty successful weekend. I hope you are all very proud of yourselves.

## ARENA EVENTING CHAMPIONSHIPS



*Barney showing off his sashes and rosettes*

Huge congratulations to our 70 cm riders at the Arena Eventing championships at Aston le Walls.

An early start for Bud Jackson, but totally worth it as she went clear in 226.85 secs (optimum time 227 secs) and held the lead until towards the end when she was pipped by .07secs into second place.

Next up was Jo Bunyan, who again was clear just picking up a few time penalties, her daughter Mair just clipped the joker to add 6 penalties to her time faults. Last to go was Katie Frost just knocking a

fence in the SJ section and the joker. Great results all round with our team finishing in a well-deserved 3rd place, so sashes for everyone!!

Mixed fortunes for our 90 cm team at the Arena Eventing championships, brilliant double clear round from Hannah Wolverson on Callista Clover just picking up a couple of time penalties to drop her out of the placings. Our other team members Andrew Jenkins, Nicola Wyldbore-Smith and Chloe Stockil Collins all rode well but had mixed fortunes in the XC phase.

Joanne Hayward was our only representative in the 100 and again picked up a few penalties on XC, and the joker fence caught many out.



*Katie, Jo, Mair, and Bud*

Congratulations to everyone who represented the club, it's a great achievement to qualify for the championships and I am sure you will all be back to fight another day. Many thanks to Hannah Wolverson and especially Chloe who stepped into the team at short notice.

### **COMBINED TRAINING QUALIFIER**

Great day at the combined training qualifier for Stoneleigh RC at Solihull RC.

Our team of Margaret Hughes on Wolferlow St Joe in the P1 / 60cm, Bud Jackson on Barneys Turn in the P2 / 70cm, Jo Bunyan on Cashelbay Lucky Duke in P2 / 60cm and Karen Bennett on Silvesters Jubilee in the N2 / 70cm finished first with Margaret 3rd individually, Bud 4th, Jo 5th and Karen 5th. Also competing individually was Katie Frost finishing 9th.

Next up were our open teams along with a few individuals, who were also in good form, our Abbey team

Leasal Chapple-Hyam competing for Stoneleigh for the first time, Hannah Wolverson, Daisy Beards and Vanessa Jensen took 1st place in the team event, with individual first for Daisy, 3rd for Hannah, and individual 2nd for Rachel Hickman.

Other members competing were Shelly Plyming representing Stoneleigh for the first time, Lucy Talbot, Nicola Wyldbore-Smith and Robin Fortune making up our Park team along with Molly Ellis, and Katie Frost as individuals, and although not placed everyone rode extremely well.

Fantastic results all round and we look forward to the championships at the end of September at Aston le Walls

### **COMBINED CHALLENGE QUALIFIER**

Stoneleigh riders were out again at Solihull RC this time for the Combined Challenge qualifier. A great course which this year incorporated the water as well.

First to compete was Katie Frost and Currabawn Alfie, who were clear in both the SJ and XC sections and within the time to finish second, as the winner was part of the winning team Katie should qualify for the championships at Aston le Walls in September. Katie also contested the 80cm class but had a SJ down to drop her out of the placings.

In the 90cm, Andrew Jenkins, Jo Hayward and Daisy Beards all went double clear just picking up a few time penalties, Nicola Wyldbore Smith completed the team just collecting some SJ faults and time penalties to leave them in second place. Fingers crossed for a wild card to the championships.

In the 100cm Rhianne Martin had an unlucky SJ to drop her out of the placings, but a great day for everyone, well done.

### **STONELEIGH RC 2DE**

Although an extremely busy weekend for many of our members trying to juggle competing alongside volunteering we had some great results in many of the sections.

Bud Jackson was our sole representative in the 70cm finishing sixth with a dressage score of 28.5 and a few time penalties XC. Our 90 cm team of Andrew Jenkins, Chloe Collins Stockil, Izzy Grice and Lucy Talbot all performed well to take fifth place in the team competition with individual 10<sup>th</sup> and best Stoneleigh RC member for Chloe.

Nicola Wyldbore Smith contested the short format 90 cm where they added just a few time penalties to their dressage score and show jumping penalties to take first place.

Last to go was Lucy Bell Rouse finishing on her dressage score to take 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 100cm.

Well done everyone.



Alignment  
Balance  
Strength

## Stoneleigh Riding Club Mechanical Horse Clinic



Rider alignment clinic on  
Charlie the mechanical  
horse at Lowlands Equestrian  
Centre with UKCC Level 3  
Coach Jo Hayward.

30 minute session  
Wed 18<sup>th</sup> June  
4pm - 6pm  
£30



Scan for booking link

If you have any questions please  
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Half hour sessions available at 4pm, 4:30pm, 5pm & 5:30pm later sessions maybe possible if enough interest, email Jo if you have any questions; [jo.stoneleighrc@gmail.com](mailto:jo.stoneleighrc@gmail.com)

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### AREA 5 PROGRAMME & NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

DATE		EVENT
22 June 25	Q	Junior / Senior dressage
5 July 25	Q	Junior / Senior Horse Trials
27 July 25	Q	Junior / Senior SJ
TBC	C	National Horse Trials
30 – 31 Aug 25	C	National Championships
27 - 28 Sept 25	C	Combined Championships (formally FOTH)