

NEWSLETTER



FEBRUARY 2010



DRESSAGE

9th JANUARY 2010

Following Committee discussions regarding the RFRC Dressage show held on 9th January, it has been agreed that, as a **one-off gesture of goodwill** for those people who were unable to attend, no payment will be taken.

Please be aware that this does **not** set a precedent for any future RFRC events so, unless an event is cancelled by RFRC, entry fees will not be waved or carried over to a future event.

Anybody wishing to enter any future Winter Dressage shows should send another entry form along with their entry fee, as all cheques for 9th January will be cancelled and will not be carried forward.

TEAM TALK MEETING

February 11th 7.30pm at Cranford Hall

This will be a very informal meeting to allow members to discuss what's involved when competing at BRC events, and answer queries you may have. It will be a good opportunity to meet Ben Franklin and other member who have experience at BRC events.

If you would like to attend **please phone or text Antonia McKinnon-Wood on 07854 323626**, to confirm your attendance to that sufficient refreshments are available.

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All the very latest news and info is updated on the website as it happens. www.rfrc.org

RFRC SHOW DATES 2010

Dates for RFRC events for 2010 have now been provisionally set, pending availability confirmation of Earls Barton showground. The dates agreed are detailed below and will be confirmed by the time the next newsletter is produced.

Schedules for all events are being worked on currently, and will be made available in plenty of time before each event.

SHOW

Dressage & Show Jumping
Arena Eventing
Evening Show Jumping
Evening Dressage
Evening Show Jumping
Evening Dressage
Summer Show & Show Jumping
Evening Show Jumping
Evening Dressage
Combined Training & Dressage
Le Trec
Dressage & Show Jumping
Championship
Hunter Trial

DATE

Sunday 25th April
Sunday 10th May
Wednesday 19th May
Wednesday 26th May
Wednesday 9th June
Wednesday 16th June
Sunday 27th June
Wednesday 7th July
Wednesday 21st July
Sunday 1st August
Sunday 8th August
Sunday 15th August

Sunday 26th September

All the above events will take place at our Earls Barton showground with the exception of Le Trec, to take place in Ringstead, and the Hunter Trial which will be held at Carlton once again.

Please note that the Summer Show will not include any dressage classes this year as a result of limited entries, however, the Combined Training will be held on a Sunday and will include pure dressage classes as well.

New for 2010, will be a Show Jumping Championship show, with no qualifying criteria, more details to follow. As a result of the limited entries at last year's Dressage Championship, this, together with the Show Jumping Championship, will be held much earlier this year, in August.

Any further updates or changes will be notified as soon as is practical.

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PRE-ENTRY FEES

With immediate effect, please ensure that when you pay your entry fees with a pre-entry form, i.e. dressage/combined training etc, one cheque for each event is provided. When a member pays for multiple shows with one cheque, it causes difficulties when one of the show is not attended or cancelled by RFRC.

This is also the case where 2 different disciplines are held on the same day. So this year, combined training will be running alongside dressage, it is vital that a separate entry form and separate cheques are sent for each event.

CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT

This year's quiz will take place on Monday 22nd February at Ringstead Working Mens Club, 7.30pm for 8pm start. £10 for teams of 4 or £2.50 per person. John Ryan has kindly agreed to be the Quiz Master this year and all proceeds from the evening will be donated to his nominated charity, the Meningitis Trust.

There will be prizes up to 3rd place, and the highest placed team, with at least 2 RFRC members, in the equestrian round will be awarded the RFRC Quiz Cup. A raffle will also be held and proceeds given to the Meningitis Trust.

Booking a table is essential due to the limited space available so please book with Carol Stanley 01933 388908 or 07872303632

EASTER BINGO

The annual infamous Easter Bingo evening has been planned for Monday 30th March at Raunds Football Club at 7.30pm. This is a good fun evening for all the family, young and old. The bar will be open and you could win some chocolate to nibble during the evening as well!

HELPERS

Thank you to Rebecca Rogers and Sue Buckland who helped at the Dressage Saturday 9th January. Thank you also to the Judges, Vicky Lamb, Sue Turney and Ruth Court and the members of the committee.

I am currently looking for people to help with the Winter Dressage Series at Moulton College. Please get in touch if you are interested in helping at this. Stewards, writers and scorers required.

Saturday 6th February 2010

Saturday 20th March 2010

These will count as help in the new membership year.

HELPERS

It is a lot more straightforward to know exactly how many helpers you require and what time with Showjumping. For Dressage it is more difficult because we do not know exact numbers and times until the entries are in and the times allocated. We have lots of shows coming up which we will issue the dates for soon, please get in touch to let me know which you would like to volunteer for

Thankyou

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AREA

AREA QUALIFIER DATES

Any dates now confirmed for BRC area qualifiers and championships are now on the website and on the RFRC Events Calendar. Dressage & horse trials tests have been listed on the events calendar for your ease.

FLU VACCINATION INFORMATION

The BRC vaccination database is now becoming out of date, with a new year of vaccination boosters to be added to the database. Karen Fround will be at the novice SJ qualifier on Feb 20th all day and will be taking updates there. If you need to update your vaccination information and will not be attending this qualifier, please contact Ben Franklin or Antonia McKinnon-Wood who will pass the information on for you.

Holding this data does significantly ease checks on show days and allows declarations to be performed much more rapidly.

TEAM MANAGERS' REQUIREMENTS

Ben, the new senior team manager, has spent time with Antonia to go over what's involved in the team manager role. As a result of their discussions, they have agreed that there needs to be some directives for members, as follows;

- No entries will be taken without the correct remittance & entry form.
- Entries should be made in advance, deadline 4 weeks before event
- Entry fees should be paid by cheque, and each event requires a separate cheque to help correct book keeping.
- Flu vaccinations should be up to date, and copies sent to the relevant team manager.

If you are able, please attend the Team Talk meeting on 11th February, so that you can meet Ben and enable him to put faces to names! Following the meeting both Ben and Antonia will be reviewing the current RFRC process around teams to encourage new team competitors.

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NEXT AREA QUALIFIER

The next qualifier, following the winter show jumping this month, will be dressage on 23rd May at Wittering, followed by the Horse Trials on 13th June at Milton Keynes. Full details of both these qualifiers will be available in the next newsletter and booking forms posted on the website by March.

Why not consider taking part at an AREA BRC qualifier this year, it's easier than you think!

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

Brown Ideal GP Saddle for sale. Medium fit (Was fitted to 16 HH TB) Including Stirrups, leathers and leather girth. **£300**

Please contact **Elaine 07977 869454**

FOR SALE

Ariat down-filled black jacket, size XL. In excellent condition, worn only a few times. **£15**

Mountain Horse Grace blue casual riding jacket, size XL. Worn once, in excellent condition, super warm riding jacket. **£20**

Helly Hanson down-filled reversible blue/light grey jacket, size L. A very warm jacket suitable for yard, skiing and outdoor pursuits. **£10**

Pikeur Princess riding breeches. Beige, size 48 (UK 16), suede knee. **£7**

Cavallo Cyrano riding breeches. Burgundy check with full suede seat in burgundy. Size 32 (UK16) **£7 per pair (TWO PAIRS)**

Treehouse Sporting Colours XC sweatshirt, navy with red stars. Size XL. Worn once. **£5**

Salamo pure sheepskin numnah GP/jumping style. Natural sheepskin with white quilting. Brand new, unused. £55 rrp, **£25**

Please contact **Caroline 07786 030892**

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