

# NEWSLETTER



# NOVEMBER 2011



## AGM

TUESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
RAUNDS FOOTBALL CLUB - 7.30pm start

### AGENDA

2011 Committee Reports  
Election of 2012 Committee  
Guest Speaker  
Trophy Presentations  
Raffle  
Close

***NB. The Guest Speaker should be Tim Stockdale, however, due to Tim's recent riding accident he may not be able to attend after all.***

***Please check the website for confirmation of who this year's Guest Speaker will be as full details will be made available on the News Page.***

*Bar open all evening*

***Get a discount on your membership fee if you join or renew at the AGM!***

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## Chairman's Chat

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Well I can't believe it is November already and the clocks have gone back (well they will have by the time you read this) Horrid dark mornings and dark evenings, muddy horses, muddy wellies etc. At least we have Christmas to start to look forward to.

November marks the end of the RFRC membership year and our AGM on 29<sup>th</sup> November at Raunds Football Club. You may have heard that our star speaker Tim Stockdale has had a horrid accident. The committee are working hard to find a possible replacement speaker. Watch the website for news.

Our Winter Dressage series at Moulton College starts soon and we also have the Area Qualifier on 26<sup>th</sup> November at Keysoe. Antonia cannot take any more entries for the Area qualifier as I understand it, unless you wish to put yourself forward as a reserve. We all know how horses can go lame or whatever at the last minute, God forbid.

A reminder that we do need new people on the committee as we are losing several valued committee members who have given many years of service to RFRC. It is time for them to take a well earned rest, but I'm sure we will still see them at RFRC events.

I look forward to seeing you all at the AGM, come and say hello to me. And please let the committee know what you want from your Riding Club.

You can also contact me on 01933 666163 or 07792644693. I'm not very good with e mails but you can contact me on email through Rosemary on *rosebatten@aol.com*.

Roger

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*All the very latest news and information is updated on the website as it happens. [www.rfrc.org.uk](http://www.rfrc.org.uk)*

## MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership fees for 2011 are as follows;

Single (senior & junior)	<b>£25.00</b>
Additional Family Member 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>£20.00</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>£18.00</b>
Non-Riding Member	<b>£13.00</b>

## MEMBERSHIP YEAR

From next year, all Riding Club membership terms will be standardised throughout the UK and will run from 1<sup>st</sup> January each year to 31<sup>st</sup> December. As a result, for this year only your membership term will run from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2011 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012. Thereafter, all membership will need renewing from 1<sup>st</sup> January each year.

## AGM MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNT

Again this year, RFRC will be offering a **£2.00** discount to anyone who joins or renews their membership at the AGM. Please be aware that, like previous years, this £2.00 discount is *only* available at the AGM, if your membership has already been renewed by this time, or you are unable to attend the AGM, unfortunately the full membership fee will be applied.

## MEMBER POINTS

Please remember that the Member Points table available on the website, has not yet been fully completed. With the AGM taking place this month, the Points Table will not be updated until the Trophy Awards have taken place.

If any member feels there is a problem with the points currently showing on the website, please contact Julie Thompson to discuss it further. However, points allocated for the final Dressage Show and the Summer Show will definitely not be finalised.

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## COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Don't forget there will be a number of opportunities for new people to join the RFRC Committee this year.

If you would like to join the 'Team' let us know, either by email or by contacting any current members of the committee.

## WINTER DRESSAGE

The first dressage show of the Winter Series takes place this month; ***Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November***. Don't forget that you must have renewed your membership for 2012 to be eligible for RFRC Members discounted entry fees.

Don't forget our fantastic competition where all entrants will be automatically entered, taking place over all 5 dressage events. The winning prize is;

***"a 2 night break away for you and a friend to take your horses and ride on the beach!"***

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## HELPERS

Why not get your 'volunteer' session done and out of the way for 2012 and help out at one of the 5 dressage shows at Moulton College?

***4 people*** will be needed for each show, the first show is on;

***Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November, from 11.30am until finish.***

If you would like to get your help session done and out of the way for 2012, get in touch with Lynda!

***Lynda Carnihan*** – Telephone or text on ***07943 069639***

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# AREA

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## WINTER DRESSAGE QUALIFIER Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November

Those of you who are competing at this dressage qualifier should have already submitted your entry form. If you have not yet paid your entry fees, please do so as soon as possible, *before* the event takes place.

**£21 per rider in Team of 4**  
**£28 per rider in Team of 3**  
**£10 per rider for Warm Up tests**

Good luck to all members taking part, results will be available to view on the website and in the next newsletter.

## WINTER NOVICE SHOW JUMPING QUALIFIER **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2012, Keysoe Equestrian Centre**

### **SENIOR & JUNIOR TEAMS** ***THIS IS A TEAM EVENT ONLY - TEAMS OF 4***

Each team member will be required to jump two rounds.

**ROUND ONE            80cm**  
**ROUND TWO           85cm**

**Entry fee – to be confirmed**

If more than 2 Team Members are eliminated in the first round, the entire Team will be eliminated and cannot jump in the second round. A Jump-Off will only be required if, after both rounds, 2 or more teams are on the same score. In this case, the tied teams only will be required to jump-off which may include jumps higher than 85cm.

Teams who qualify will go on to compete at the Championships to be held in Hartpury on 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> April 2012.

***No horse should compete in both the Senior and Junior Teams.  
No horse to have been placed 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> at BE Pre-Novice or have BSJA  
winnings.***

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I am attending a National Executive Meeting at Stoneleigh on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November. Here I will learn of any new rules for 2012 and I will pass them on to you as soon as I can. Looking through the proposals there doesn't seem to be any major changes other than Hat tagging WILL TAKE PLACE AT Area events next year and that Body Protectors must have been manufactured after the year 2000.

Also it is almost certain that a Grass roots Hunter Trial will take place in 2012 with direct entry and no need to qualify. More details when I get them but this will be over a 70cm and an 80cm course as before I don't have any more details so watch the newsletter and website.

I also have an Area 7 Liaison committee meeting at the end of November so please let me know of anything you would like discussing.

See you at our AGM, Happy riding.  
Rosemary

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