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GARTH SOUTH PONY CLUB

AUGUST NEWSLETTER

This issue will highlight recent competition results, celebrating the achievements of our members and ponies. It will include details of upcoming rallies, ensuring members are fully prepared for training opportunities ahead. A special feature will spotlight our Pony of the Month, recognising an exceptional pony and partnership. The newsletter will also provide important updates on forthcoming Pony Club competitions, helping members plan and prepare for the season ahead.

PONY CLUB NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

What an incredible Pony Club Championships for Garth South! Our members represented the branch across Tetrathlon, Dressage, Specialised Ability Dressage, Horse & Pony Care and the new Horsemanship Home International at OffchurchBury.

Elin and Ellie kicked things off at the National Tetrathlon Championships. Both produced fantastic performances in a huge Junior Girls class, including shooting and swimming PBs. Elin was the overnight leader after day one and went on to finish an outstanding 7th individually, while the Area 13 team also finished 7th.

There were podium celebrations for Jack and Custard in Specialised Ability Dressage. Jack rode brilliantly to score 72.5% for 2nd place, followed by 66.8% and 3rd place in his PC70 test – an amazing achievement at their first Championships!

Jen and Charlie proudly represented Garth South in Open Dressage and Open Dressage to Music, scoring over 70% in their music test despite Charlie finding the huge Championships atmosphere rather exciting! It was a particularly special occasion for Jen as this was her final Championships as a Garth South member.

We also had two Horse & Pony Care teams competing. Minis Aurelia, Molly and Nia finished 37th overall and 11th newcomer team, while Juniors Daisy, Elin and Ellie came agonisingly close to the prizes, finishing 16th out of 44 teams – just four points from a placing!

Finally, Grace Hughes had the huge honour of representing England in the very first Horsemanship Home International. Grace finished an excellent 9th individually, with England taking 4th place. Grace also competed in the senior Horse & Pony Care final in a mixed team with Silvermere, this was a less experienced team so no placing but Grace did get special mentions in some of the rounds for her extensive knowledge.

From podium finishes and personal bests to first Championships and representing England, it has been a fantastic few weeks for Garth South.

A huge congratulations to all our members, ponies, families, coaches and supporters – we are incredibly proud of you all!

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PONY CLUB REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

What a fantastic weekend at Rectory Farm! Hannah and Finley are extremely proud of everyone.

Darcy and Daisy both jumped two rounds in the 70cm Championship, showing fantastic horsemanship, brilliant riding and perfect manners despite the wet conditions.

Our 80cm team finished 13th out of 27 teams, while the mixed dressage team, including Eloise, finished an incredible 4th out of 32 teams.

A special mention to Darcy and Jupiter, who jumped two fantastic clear rounds to qualify for the 80cm jump-off against some very experienced horses. Despite being last to go, the whole team stayed to support Darcy, creating a really special team moment.

Finally, Daisy and Meadow took on the ODE an amazing first year for these two and it was a great experience.

The girls showed sportsmanship, teamwork, friendship and maturity throughout the weekend, supporting one another, coping with disappointment and celebrating each other's successes.

We are extremely proud of every single one of you! Go Garth South!!

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GARTH SOUTH SHOW AT WELLINGTON INTERNATIONAL

A huge congratulations to all our members who competed at our Branch Show at Wellington International Horse Show! We're incredibly proud of everyone who took part and represented Garth South.

IN HAND

Class 1 – In Hand Veterans Horse or Pony (16yrs+)

Sponsored by McCarthy Holden

1st: Jack Gibbons & Maudlin Bobby

Class 2 – In Hand 148cm & Above

1st: Isabelle O'Carroll & Buzz Lightyear

Class 3 – In Hand Minis Up To 148cm

1st: Jessica Franklin & Ownslet Diamonds-Forever from South Berkshire

Class 4 – In Hand Child Handler (Children 4-18yrs)

1st: Molly Robson-Rowan & Princess Sparkles

In Hand Supreme Champion: Holly O'Carroll & Rushmore Alderman

In Hand Reserve Champion: Jessica Franklin & Ownslet Diamonds-Forver from South Berkshire

RIDDEN

Class 5 – Lead Rein

Sponsored by Derriford Care & Respite Home in Fleet

1st: Elin Crockford & Frosty

Class 6 – First Ridden

Sponsored by G Crockford Farm Services

1st: Olivia Taylerson & Brockie, representing Bisley & Sandown Chase PC

Class 7 – Best Pony Club Pony or Horse

Sponsored by G Crockford Farm Services

1st: Holly O'Carroll & Rushmore Alderman

Class 8 – Ridden Prettiest Mare & Handsomest Gelding

Sponsored by Downlight Electrical

Mare: 1st Otto Morgan & Toffee

Gelding: 1st Maggie Jones & Woody

Ridden Supreme Champion: Olivia Taylerson & Brockie, representing Bisley & Sandown Chase PC

Ridden Reserve Champion: Elin Crockford & Frosty

Class 9 – Ridden Cob

1st: Charley Rochfort & Woody

Class 10 – Fancy Dress

Sponsored by Moor Place Gallops

Supreme Champion: Molly Lloyd & Kilgobbin Molly

Reserve Champion: Fíadh Corry-Pope & Buddy

GARTH SOUTH SHOW AT WELLINGTON INTERNATIONAL

SHOWJUMPING

Class 11 – 20/30cm Showjumping

Sponsored by Corinne Bracken

1st: Evelyn Bejta & Alvin

Class 12 – 30/40cm Showjumping

Sponsored by Corinne Bracken

1st: Molly Lloyd & Kilgobbin Molly

Class 13 – 40/50cm Showjumping

Sponsored by Corinne Bracken

1st: Emily Taplin & Polly, representing Staff College & Sandhurst PC

Class 14 – 50/60cm Showjumping

Sponsored by Corinne Bracken

1st: Evangeline Hybbinette & Bentley

Class 15 – 60/70cm Showjumping

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1st: Evangeline Hybbinette & Bentley

Class 16 – 70/80cm Showjumping

Sponsored by Corinne Bracken

1st: Holly O'Carroll

Class 17 – 80/90cm Showjumping

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1st: Isabelle O'Carroll & Buzz Lightyear

Class 18 – 90/100cm Showjumping

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1st: Isabelle O'Carroll & Buzz Lightyear

WELL DONE TO ALL OUR MEMBERS!

A fantastic day of competition with some brilliant results across the In Hand, Ridden and Showjumping classes. Congratulations to everyone who took part, and a huge thank you to all our sponsors and everyone who helped make the Branch Show such a success. Thank you so much to all our volunteers who make these shows happen, if you'd like to get involved at our branch show within the Newbury Show please get in contact. Also a huge thank you to Wellington International Horse Trials for letting us have our show there again this year.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

A huge thank you to all of our wonderful sponsors for supporting our Branch Show and helping to make the day such a success.

McCarthy Holden

Derriford Care & Respite Home in Fleet

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Moor Place Gallops

Corinne Bracken

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UPCOMING RALLIES

We have a great programme of rallies coming up, offering training opportunities for members at all stages. With all the excitement of organising camps, we will be looking to get some more rallies in diary from September through to December so keep an eye out for announcements

SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER

Gymnastic Gridwork & Fun Balance

📍 Wellington Riding

🕒 4:00–6:00pm

With Josh Hawksworth in the Duke's Hall Arena. Open to all levels, grouped according to entries.

WEDNESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER

C/C+/B Test Training – Pony Care

📍 Bournefield Farm

🕒 6:30–7:30pm

Pony Care session covering the C/C+/B test syllabi. Open to all Pony Club members. Minimum age 10.

SATURDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

Garth South Autumn Show at The Newbury Show 2026

📍 Newbury Showground

🕒 8:30am–6:30pm

Open to Pony Club members and non-members, with in-hand, ridden, showing, fancy dress, clear round and showjumping classes.



SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

Cross Country Rally

📍 Tweseldown Racecourse

🕒 1:00–5:00pm

1½-hour XC rally with Chief Instructor Hannah Lesjaemiers. Group jumping heights must be specified on entry.

WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

Tetrathlon Training

📍 Bournefield Farm

🕒 6:00pm

Shooting coaching with Matt Rees. Members must be 8 years or above to shoot.

WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

C/C+/B Test Training – Pony Care

📍 Bournefield Farm

🕒 6:30–7:30pm

Pony Care session covering the C/C+/B test syllabi. Open to all Pony Club members. Minimum age 10.

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PONY OF THE MONTH



This month's Pony of the Month is Molly Lloyd's Dolly!

Molly only got Dolly in April after many months of searching for the right pony. Having been so lucky the previous year to ride a friend's pony, also called Dolly, there was a lot to live up to, but we think it is safe to say that this Dolly has certainly made her mark!

Found all the way up in Teesside, Molly and Dolly took things slowly to begin with, spending time getting to know each other and building their partnership. Since then, they have had a fantastic summer out and about, with Dolly taking everything in her stride.

Their summer highlight came at the Garth South Show at Wellington International Horse Trials, where Dolly turned her hoof to showing, fancy dress and showjumping. Molly had been desperate to win a sash with Dolly, and they went above and beyond, winning the Fancy Dress Supreme Championship dressed as a chicken, as well as taking 1st place in the 30cm Showjumping. This was alongside an impressive three second-place finishes!

Dolly came from a showjumping home rather than a Pony Club background, making it even more impressive how she has looked after Molly in every situation, from her very first Pony Club rally to tackling big showjumping arenas such as Aintree.

Dolly has shown herself to be a truly special pony, always looking after Molly and taking every new challenge in her stride. Their partnership has gone from strength to strength in just a few short months, and we are delighted to name Dolly as this month's Pony of the Month.

Congratulations Molly and Dolly, Molly's very own unicorn! 🦄



GARTH SOUTH PONY CLUB SHOW

at the Newbury Show

★ SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 2026 ★

★ A fantastic day of in hand, ridden and jumping classes for all ages and abilities! ★

Fun for
EVERYONE
from MINI
to SENIOR!



APPROXIMATE CLASS TIMETABLE

SHOWING – ARENA 2

Entry Fee – PC Members £12
Non PC Member £15

Class 1 – In Hand Veteran	08.30 am
Class 2 – In Hand 148cm & Above	Not Before 09.00 am
Class 3 – In Hand Minis Up To 148cm	Not Before 09.30 am
Class 4 – Child Handler	Not Before 10.00 am
In Hand Championship	Not Before 10.30 am
Class 5 – Lead Rein Pony	Not Before 10.45 am
Class 6 – First Ridden Pony	Not Before 11.15 am
Class 7 – Best Pony Club Pony or Horse	Not Before 11.45 am
Children Ridden Championship	Not Before 12.15 pm
Class 8 – Ridden Veteran	Not Before 12.30 pm
Class 9 – Ridden Cob	Not Before 1.15 pm
Class 10 – Ridden Hunter	Not Before 1.45 pm
Ridden Championship	Not Before 2.15 pm
Class 11 – Prettiest Mare	Not Before 2.30 pm
Class 12 – Handsomest Gelding	Not Before 3.00 pm
Class 13 – Fancy Dress	Not Before 3.30 pm
Class 14 – Thorough & Part Bred	Not Before 4.00 pm
Class 15 – Arab & Part Bred	Not Before 4.30 pm
Class 16 – Spanish & Part Bred	Not Before 5.00 pm
Ridden Championship	Not Before 5.30 pm

FUN CLEAR ROUND JUMPING – ARENA 3

Entry Fee – PC Members £8
Non PC Member £10

Class 17 – Cross Poles to 30cm	Not Before 08.30
Class 18 – 30cm	Not Before 09.30
Class 19 – 40cm	Not Before 10.30
Class 20 – 50cm	Not Before 11.30
Class 21 – 60cm	Not Before 12.30
Class 22 – 70cm	Not Before 13.30
Class 23 – 80cm	Not Before 14.30
Class 24 – 90cm	Not Before 15.30
Class 25 – 100cm	Not Before 16.30

SHOWJUMPING – ARENA 4

Entry Fee – PC Members £8
Non PC Member £10

PC60	Not Before 08.30
PC70	Not Before 09.30
PC80	Not Before 10.30
PC90	Not Before 11.30
PC100	Not Before 12.30
120cm class	Not Before 13.30

★ ALL WELCOME!

Open to Pony Club members
and non-members.
A great day out for the whole family –
come and join the fun!



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