

LEDBURY HUNT PONY CLUB

When I sit down to put the newsletter together there are some months when I wonder what I will put in it, especially in the winter months. But, by the time I have finished it is always a packed edition and this month is no exception. The month started off very busy with our Christmas Show at Hartpury and has finished with some great rallies at Moores and Hartpury. Even in these rather damp conditions members have still be out taking part in fun shows hosted by other clubs, joining various hunting outings and coming to the various rallies and training.

I hope you all had a great Christmas and have some new goals for 2024.

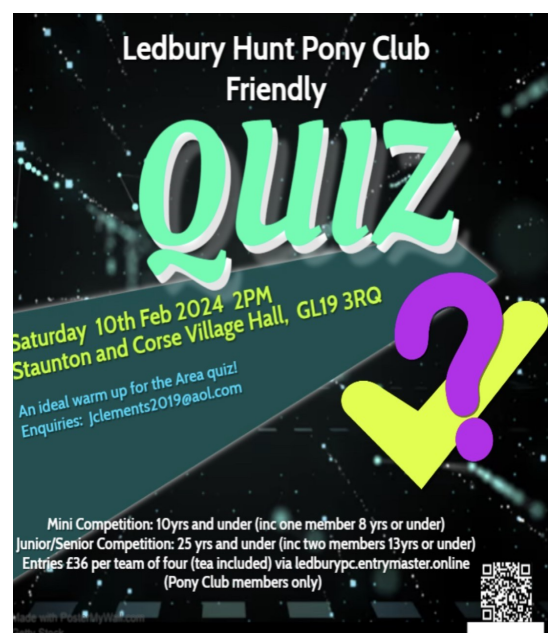
Diary Dates

January

- 4th – XC/Arena Eventing training with Jo Winfield at Rectory
- 6th – Winter lessons for all members at Moores
- 7th - Eventing Training at Burtons Farm, Wellington Heath
- 14th - Zoom B test training
- 17th - Zoom C & C+ test training
- 17th - Grids & Angles Jumping at Moores with Saffron Cresswell
- 21st - Zoom B test training
- 21st - Eventing Training at Burtons Farm, Wellington Heath
- 24th - Zoom C & C+ test training
- 27th - Winter lessons for all members at Moores
- 28th - Zoom B test training
- 31st - Zoom C & C+ test training

February

- 1st - Talk and leg dissection at Apperley Village Hall
- 2nd - Evening Rally at Moores
- 4th - Zoom B test training
- 4th - Winter lessons for all members at Moores
- 8th - Student- Coach led rally at Hartpury
- 12th - Half Term rally at Moores Farm
- 18th - Eventing Training at Burtons Farm
- 19th - Zoom D & D+ test training
- 21st - Dressage with Jo Winfield at Moores
- 24th - Winter lessons for all members at Moores
- 26th - Zoom D & D+ test training



All bookings are to be made via Entrymaster (unless otherwise stated)
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Christmas Show at Hartpury

What a day! Over 250 rounds to fit in to one day and we did it! Thank you to all that helped, whether it was making cakes, setting up, tack checking, stewarding, tea runs and taking down, we really can't do it without you. Our members did us proud with some very competitive rounds and great placings. Credit has to go to the jumping star, Lucinda in her amazing star outfit. Results are as follows:

70cm

3rd Toby B & Best Ledbury
 4th Charlotte B
 11th Isabel E
 12th Lucinda F
 14th Lily S
 15th Seren W
 17th Evie H
 18th Lottie T
 20th Oscar T
 24th Emily W
 26th Aimee D
 27th Bonnie B
 31st Olivia K

80cm

14th Lily S & Best Ledbury
 17th Jasmine G

80cmQ

11th Seren W & Best Ledbury

13th Lottie T
 14th Lucinda F
 15th Oscar T
 18th Georgie S
 34th Ellie H

90cm

4th Alice R & Best Ledbury
 6th Jasmine G

90cmQ

14th Charlotte N & Best Ledbury
 15th Hattie S
 22nd Alice K
 23rd Ellie H

100cmQ

10th Hattie S & Best Ledbury
 17th Alice K
 22nd Charlotte N

Members Christmas Table Top Sale

After the success of their first table top sale the members committee were quick to arrange another to take advantage of the Christmas trade. It was a lovely sell out evening with lots of different stalls from second hand tack to gifts and crafts. There were also refreshments and the ever-popular raffle. From the two events the committee have raised nearly £700 with lots more planned.

Mounted Games

The North Hereford pony club have organised a series of friendly mounted games competitions over the winter months and we were represented at the first by Hugo and Harvey who took 3rd in lead rein pairs with Millie and Darcey who took 4th. The boys took best fancy dress and the girls won best turned out, so lots of great prizes for all! Rosie took a win in the lead rein individual races too. Annabelle and Amber were tied for the win (as a pair) in their first go at games without being led but were unfortunately pipped at the post and ended second.



At the end of December there was another friendly competition held at Solihull. Five of our members had an early start to make the journey. Our lead rein team, Freja, Millie, Rosie and Hugo were probably the youngest competitors at the competition. They all rode brilliantly and were 3rd in their heat and in the final and made massive improvement in the caterpillar race. Annabelle was our only member wanting to take part in the junior improver competition so she joined the West Warwickshire team who took the win in the B final. This series is all about the children gaining confidence in the competitive competitions and helping them to move up the levels.

There are regular mounted games training sessions over the winter so please come along and have a go, the competitions are very friendly and they have lots of lovely prizes.



Junior Party

Over 40 of our junior members had a brilliant time at their Christmas party held at Bushley village hall. They enjoyed a disco, games, crafts and food followed by a presentation of awards. Thanks go to Emily Hall and Louise Calverley for organising and all those that helped on the day.

The following won awards at junior party for improvement, enthusiasm and effort, Martha D, Ella J, Toby B, Sophie A, Seth J, Archie M, Estee W, Amber HS, Millie Y, Poppy J, Darcy O, Harvey FS, Emily W, Hugo B



CVFH Triathlon

Open Boys - 1st Tom R

Minimus Boys – Thomas H 2nd

Minimus Girls – Jenny W 4th, Lily M 7th, Molly M 10th

Minimus Team 2nd

Tadpoles Boys – Oliver B 3rd,

Tadpoles Girls – Bethany H 1st

Both in a mixed team for 1st

Beanies – Jasper W 5th



NHHPC Christmas Show

Just before Christmas the North Hereford held a very fun Christmas Show at Bromyard Equestrian. A number of our members supported the show and had a great time, coming home with lots of rosettes, prizes and massive smiles.



Over the Christmas holidays there have been two rallies. The first was held before Christmas at Moores Farm and the other after Christmas, at Hartpury College with Saffron Cresswell teaching. There were over twenty member taking part at each of the rallies and it was lovely to see members from across the membership from lead rein up to our more senior members.

We also hosted a Stage 1 Coaching Course at Moores Farm with Carole Broad. This was a very informative day with some of our members being used for the practical session in the afternoon. Thank you to those who took children and ponies along. Our chief instructor, Heather McLain has been asked to co-ordinate training for these in Area 9 so if any of our older members would like to find out more, please see Heather.



It will not have gone un-noticed that December has been rather damp! We have been lucky that rallies have still gone ahead as we are able to hire amazing facilities such as Moores and Hartpury and most have still gone out competing. There are the dedicated few in the club that enjoy their hunting and even in these wet and muddy conditions they have still managed to get out and enjoy their days! There will be more children's meets and meets where children are welcome. Please contact Jo Watts. Photos curtesy of Angie Lock



I hope you have all enjoyed looking through this edition of the newsletter. Another year of the club is done and now we look forward to 2024. There will be the usual rallies, training and camps, as well as branch, area and championship competitions. It will be great to see members stepping up to new heights and gaining badges and tests. We will be holding an evening in the new year for parents to come along and find out more about what the club offers and for you get involved in if you wish.

January will see the first draw of our new 100 Club. The first draw will take place on January 15th with prizes of £50, £30 and £20 to be won each month. There is still time to purchase your numbers.

Competitions

2024

January

- 7th - Area 9 Training – tbc, Unicorn
- 14th – NHHPC Mounted Games Competition
- 21st -Triathlon, Malvern

February

- 4th - Winter Tri Qualifier - Beaufort
- 4th - Mounted Games National Study Day, Bury Farm
- 4th - Malvern & Wyre Forest Dressage at Bromyard Equestrian
- 8th - Coaching Conference - Confidence is Crucial - On Line
- 10th – Friendly Quiz Competition hosted by Ledbury
- 11th - Area 9 Training – tbc, Unicorn, GL54 1JZ
- 11th - Show Jumping - Cotswold Vale at Hartpury
- 18th - NHHPC Mounted Games Competition
- 25th – Croome Show Jumping at Hartpury College

March

- 3rd – Area 9 Quiz hosted by Malvern PC
- 17th – North Cots Arena Eventing at Unicorn Centre
- 24th – Worcestershire Junior Show Jumping at Gracelands
- 25th – Step 2 Coaching Course at Rectory Farm
- 26th – Cotswold Show Jumping at Unicorn Centre
- 28th – Cotswold Arena Eventing at CCR
- 29th – Area 9 Pony Racing at Cheltenham Racecourse

PONY CLUB 



LEDBURY HUNT PONY CLUB **100 CLUB 2024**

New for 2024, help the club to raise some funds by taking part in our new 100 club.

Membership to the club will cost £30 per number for 12 months or £15 for 6 months.

You choose a number from 1 to 100 and that will be your number for the year (or 6 months). You can purchase multiple numbers.

Every month there will be three prizes and if your number is drawn you could win £50, £30 or £20. The more numbers you have the more chance of winning.

The December draw prizes will increase to £100, £50 and £50.

Numbers will be on sale at the presentation evening and up until the first draw, which will take place on 15th of every month.

You have to be in it to win it!

