



LEDBURY HUNT PONY CLUB

The end of another month and another newsletter! July, although rather damp has been a great month for the club with success at Area 9 Grassroots eventing and Area 9 Dressage. Also this month we have held two camps, mini and senior with junior camp coming right at the end, this will be included in the August edition.

We are in the process of trying to set up a members committee to help understand what the members would like to see included in the clubs calendar. This is open to all members where we would like them to bring ideas for mounted and dismounted sessions and help with fund raising activities.

With it being the start of the summer holidays there is still plenty of time for our members aged 13-25 to register for the Pony Club YELA scheme. More details can be found at

<https://pcuk.org/join/volunteering/young-equestrian-leaders-award/>

Dates

August

- 7th – Showjumping Training at Gadbury
- 9th – General Rally and Test Training at Gadbury
- 10th – Dressage Team Training with Jo Winfield at Gadbury
- 12th – Mini ODE at Gadbury
- 13th – Open Schooling 11 till 4 at Gadbury
- 16th - Dressage Team Training with Jo Winfield at Gadbury
- 20th – Mini Tri at Gadbury
- 22nd – General Rally and Test Training at Gadbury
- 23rd – Showjumping Training at Moores Farm

Ledbury Hunt
PONY CLUB  **Open XC Schooling**
11am-4pm, Sunday 13 August

at Gadbury, Glos GL19 4PP / W3W wizards.confident.dove

- ★ £20 Adults and non Ledbury PC members
- ★ £15 Ledbury PC members
- ★ £10 Lead rein
- ★ Under 16's MUST be accompanied by an adult
- ★ No booking required, cash on the day

Contact Sophie Jones for queries 07811 378215



Grassroots Eventing at Swalcliffe

This was hosted by the North Cotswold Pony Club. First up were the 80cm riders. We had two teams of four and two individuals entered in this class. There were some great results across the sections with both our teams qualifying for the Champs at Rectory Farm in August. They were placed team 2nd and team 5th. Placings of note go to Sophie C who WON her section, Sophie B was 3rd in the same section (Sophie B was awarded a very impressive 10 for her centre line in her dressage test!). Lexi v-U was 4th in her section. Georgie S had a busy day with two rides. She was 3rd in one of her sections, closely followed by Georgie P in 4th and Seren W in 5th.



In the 70cm section we had three competing, Molly M, Florence D and Lucinda F. Unfortunately, Lucinda had to retire on the cross country after a great clear in the show jumping. Florence and Molly had great cross rounds and were placed 9th and 10th in the same section, both the girls have qualified as individuals for the Championship at Rectory Farm in August.

Area 9 Dressage

Wow what a day for our club. Hosted by the Beaufort Pony Club on the Badminton Estate we had 33 dressage tests from 29 riders and they were all brilliant. From PC70 through to Novice and Open Novice you were all turned out beautifully and supported all your club members.

Results as follows:

Open Novice – Olivia M 4th

Novice – Sec A Felix W-W 7th, Emma- Jane A 8th

Sec B Georgie W 7th, Henny P 9th

Sec C Lucy W 4th (Q), Hattie S 13th

Sec D Milly W 7th, Henny P 8th

Team 6th and 8th

PC80 – Sec A Georgie S 2nd, Lexi v-U 9th, Chloe W 13th

Sec B Isabel T 2nd, Seren W 10th, Isabelle W 12th

Sec C Sophie B 3rd, Jamie O 4th, Jasmine G 7th

Sec D Sophie B 5th, Sophie C 6th, Ollie S 11th

Team 4th, 5th and 7th and all QUALIFIED for Grassroots Championships

PC70 – Sec A Evie C 2nd, Henry B 7th, Alice P 16th

Sec B Isabel E 2nd, Charlotte B 7th, Alice P 13th

Sec C Evie H 7th, Lexi W 17th

Sec D Molly M 6th, Lily H 9th, Tilly J 15th

Team 6th, 7th and 14th – 6th and 7th





Area Tetrathlon

Mini and Tadpole

This event was also hosted by the Beaufort Pony Club, this time at Westonbirt School and Oxstalls Cross Country course. We had three members competing, Molly was flying solo in the minis. She started with a slightly wobbly shoot, but she had a great run, smashing 10 sec off her PB and a consistent swim. In the riding there was an unfortunate dismount, but the great thing with tet is you dust yourself off, jump back on and complete the course in fine style. No individual placing but team 3rd with her mates from the Beaufort.

In the Tadpoles Lily M and Beth H had a great competition. Beth won the shoot with a fabulous top score of 960, following on with really great run and swim scores and a solid ride over a course that proved trickier than it looked. Lily had a strong all-round performance equalling pb's in the swim and shoot and a great clear xc for maximum points. They joined a mixed team to finish 3rd and Lily was 7th individual.

Juniors

We had four members in the junior section, Felix, Tom, Georgie and Seren. It poured with rain pretty much all day Saturday for the shoot, run and swim, but all of them did really well. A strong swim from Seren W, with Georgie A pushing up the difficulty ratio losing her goggles on the dive in! She had a cracking run. Tom had an excellent shoot and run, with Felix getting best swim and a PB on his run. Pressure was on for Sunday for a strong ride performance on a course that had some technical questions and full up 90 jumps.

Seren chose today at Area Qualifiers to step up to 90 for the first time and had a storming round. Tom, Felix and George all had strong clears with 1400 rides.

As a team they were fabulous supporting each other and the other Area 9 competitors. Proudly they all qualified as individuals for Pony Club Championships AND they qualified as a Mixed Team. Tom won the Junior Boys section, being awarded a huge Trophy for Best Area 9 Junior Boy. Last won by Ledbury in 2014 and 2015 by Arthur Townend.

Thank you to Julie Mansell & Heather Westgate for the reports.



Area Horse Trials

Area Horse Trials were due to be hosted by the Heythrop Pony Club at Upton House. This is for the 90cm and above eventing qualifying for the main championships at Offchurch Bury in August. Sadly, the weather was against us and due to strong winds and heavy rain the event had to be cancelled. We had five members entered for the competition. This then led to a decision from headquarters for those that could to re route to Tweseldown the following weekend. Three of our members were already entered for Area Tet and the other two were unable to go. Priority was given to those that went to Tweseldown but with clear cross country rounds at Tet Georgie, Tom and Felix will be at main champs not just for Tet but eventing as well.



Mini Camp

Held slightly earlier this year mini camp was enjoyed by nearly 20 of our youngest members at Gadbury. There was a slight alteration to the timetable when the weather tried to throw its worst at us but great fun was had on the Saturday afternoon in the dry of Berrow Village hall. Members attending enjoyed a variety of sessions with mounted and dismounted tuition and games with great demonstrations and tuition from our polo-crosse manager, Matt Hale and his partner Hayley Marsh.





Senior Camp

Held right at the start of the summer holidays, 29 members enjoyed four days at Lincomb using all their amazing facilities. Wendy Grimsby put on another fun packed camp with great tuition and lots of dismounted activities. On the first evening the children got to try laser shooting with Bernie Moss. A lot of our members are familiar with Bernie as he takes the shooting for our tetrathlon competitors and then they played a game of rounders. The second evening the rain came but this did not dampen spirits with a brilliant team task master game organised by Jane Austin and Andy Owen. On the last evening the children were taken to Upton Warren to let off steam and have a good wash on the water inflatables, always an activity enjoyed by young and old! Thanks has to go to all the instructors and the helpers who kept the children and other helpers fed, watered and looked after over camp.







Junior Zones Mounted Games

Our junior mounted games team were awarded a wild card to compete at the zones competition at Stanford Hall in Leicestershire. It was an extremely soggy day but the Ledbury team, made up of Isla, Isabel, Bonnie, Beth and Tilly, with An-nabelle as reserve fought a great battle but unfortunately weren't quite up there to compete for the big points. They were all absolutely amazing and didn't moan once about being stood out in the rain for several hours, handling slippery equipment and trying to get on with wet stirrups etc- they, and their ponies, did us proud. Thanks go especially to Esther Bowness and Jen Clements for their training and organisation, but also to all the parents and grandparents who turn up every time for all the extra training sessions, and who also all stood in the rain all day!!!



British Eventing

One of our senior members was selected for the BE Youth Championships at Bishop Burton in the BE under 18's 100. With a sub 30 dressage and just a few time penalties cross country Olivia finished individual 11th place. She was part of the central team and with her score being counted it helped the team to a brilliant 2nd place. Very well done Olivia.

In next months newsletter there will be reports from Junior Camp, the main Pony Club Championships at Offchurch Bury, the Grassroots Championships at Rectory Farm as well as our mini one day event and mini dry tri.

Please send in any news and pictures which you would like included.

Dates For Your Diary

August

- 5th - 6th Senior Regional Tet, Aylesford, Melton Mowbray
- 11th - 19th Main Pony Club Championships - Offchurch Bury, CV33 9AW
- 12th - Mini ODE – Ledbury, Gadbury, GL19 4PP
- 13th - Mini Eventing Challenge Qualifier – Heythrop, Swalcliffe, OX15 5E
- 20th - Mini Triathlon – Ledbury, Gadbury, GL19 4PP
- 21st - B Test Rectory Farm, GL7 7JW
- 26th - 28th - Regional Championships, Rectory Farm, GL7 7JW

September

- 4th - AH test Rectory Farm, GL7 7JW
- 10th - Area 9 Show, Rectory Farm, GL7 7JW
- 17th – ODE, Beaufort, Shipton Moyne
- 17th - Mini Eventing Challenge Championship – Heythrop, Swalcliffe
- 30th - Arena Eventer Challenge - North Cotswold, Unicorn, GL54 1JZ

Ledbury Hunt

Hound Exercise

- Saturday 5th August – The Brainge, Putley
- Saturday 12th August – New Pools Farm, Tirley
- Saturday 19th August – Cowhills, Upton-upon-Severn
- Saturday 26th August – The Farm, Bosbury



Horses £25 per adult, £20 per child. Bikes £5

To include hot dogs and squash afterwards
4.30pm move off

Payments to: Ledbury Hunt
Sort code: 30-95-41
Account number: 00769106
Reference: Name and Venue

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