



# LEDBURY HUNT PONY CLUB

Winter training is now in full swing with a variety of lessons/rallies being offered from flatwork and poles to jump training and technique at a variety of venues. The new entry system is up and running. I know that some have mentioned the £1 booking fee and where we can we will absorb it into the costs of the events. Thank you to all those that helped with the clear up at Gadbury, putting all the jumps away and sorting the stringing.

## Dates

### November

- 5<sup>th</sup> – Zoom D+ & B test training
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Mounted Games Training, Tewkesbury
- 8<sup>th</sup> – Zoom C test training
- 9<sup>th</sup> – Show jumping training with Emma Slater at Hill View
- 11<sup>th</sup> - Winter lessons at Moores Farm
- 12<sup>th</sup> - Zoom D+ & B test training
- 15<sup>th</sup> - Evening rally Moores Farm
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Student lessons with Hartpury supervised by Jo Winfield
- 17<sup>th</sup> – Evening polework at Moores Farm
- 18<sup>th</sup> - Presentation Evening at Corse Village Hall
- 19<sup>th</sup> - Winter lessons at Moores Farm
- 19<sup>th</sup> - Zoom D+ & B test training
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - Pizza and Quiz evening at Berrow Village Hall
- 26<sup>th</sup> - Mini Christmas Show at Moores Farm
- 26<sup>th</sup> – Eventing Training at Burtons Farm, Wellington Heath
- 29<sup>th</sup> - Flatwork with Jo Winfield at Moores Farm
- 29<sup>th</sup> – Zoom C test training

### December

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Evening pole session at Moores Farm
- 6<sup>th</sup> - Zoom C test training
- 7<sup>th</sup> - Pizza and Quiz evening at Berrow Village Hall
- 9<sup>th</sup> - Winter lessons at Moores Farm
- 10<sup>th</sup> - Zoom D+ & B test training
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Eventing Training at Burtons Farm, Wellington Heath
- 13<sup>th</sup> - Flatwork with Jo Winfield at Moores Farm
- 14<sup>th</sup> - Student lessons with Hartpury supervised by Jo Winfield
- 17<sup>th</sup> - Winter Christmas lessons at Moores Farm – Fancy Dress optional
- 27<sup>th</sup> - Zoom C test training



### Horse of the Year Show

I am starting this newsletter not with news for members of our club but another club in area 9. Massive congratulations go to the North Hereford Pony Club for winning the Prince Philip Mounted Games final at HOYS. This is a brilliant achievement but made even more special by the fact they have won it two years on the trot.

### Branch Tetrathlon

Normally we would hold our tet in May but due to the wet weather in May it was postponed. Thankfully the weather held off and we were able to run with over 130 entered. Thank you to all that helped get Gadbury ready, it looked amazing.

#### Baby Beanies Dry Tri

In the boys section Freddie T was 2<sup>nd</sup> and Rupert D 6<sup>th</sup>. In the girls section Faye O was 7<sup>th</sup>. There were all in the same mixed team which was 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Big Beanies

In the boys section Oliver B was 1<sup>st</sup> and also had best run and swim. Sebastian A was 10<sup>th</sup> in this class. In the girls section Ella J was 6<sup>th</sup> and Martha D was 7<sup>th</sup>. As a team they took 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

#### Tadpoles

Archie A was 4<sup>th</sup> in the boys section. In the Girls section it was a win for Bethany H taking best run and getting a 1400 ride. Isabel E was 3<sup>rd</sup> with joint best shoot and also a 1400 ride. As a team the three took the win in this class.

#### Novice Minimus

Thomas H was 2<sup>nd</sup> in this class with best shoot, run and swim. In the girls section we had four members competing and all four in the top ten. Lily M was 5<sup>th</sup>, Molly M 6<sup>th</sup>, Evie C 7<sup>th</sup> and Lexi W 9<sup>th</sup>. Their team took 3<sup>rd</sup> place, with Thomas being part of the 2<sup>nd</sup> place team.



## Juniors

Our only junior was Seren W who was 6<sup>th</sup> in a large class. She was part of a mixed team who won their class.

## Open

With Felix and Tom being in their last year of Juniors they decided to have a go on the open class in preparation for next year. This is a step up not just with the jumping to 100cm, but in the shooting moving from 7m to 10m from the targets, an extra minute added to the swim and a longer run distance. Both gave their all with Tom 2<sup>nd</sup> and Felix 3<sup>rd</sup>.



## Malvern PC Show at Bromyard Equestrian

On weekend of the tetrathlon the Malvern Pony Club held a show jumping show at Bromyard Equestrian. Four of our members were entered across the range of classes. Amelia T competed in the tiny cross poles and the 40cm classes where she was 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Ben O competed in 50cm where he was 5<sup>th</sup>, the 60cm where he was 6<sup>th</sup> and the 70cm where he was 5<sup>th</sup>. Also in the 70cm was Mimi V-U who was 4<sup>th</sup> and in the 80cm she was placed 2<sup>nd</sup>. In the 90cm and 1m Alice K was competing and she was placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Very well done to all for coming home with rosettes in all the classes they entered.

## Dressage Spring Qualifier at Burrows Court

Hosted by the Berkeley South Pony Club there were qualifying classes from Grassroots up to Novice. We had three members entered to compete but sadly Lucy W was unable to go due to lorry issues. Hattie S and Georgie S did compete and they were both in the Novice class. Hattie also did the warm up test, which she won. There were 19 competing in their class, with Hattie going 1<sup>st</sup> and Georgie 3<sup>rd</sup>. They certainly set a target for the rest to follow but could not beat with Hattie getting 74.5% for 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Georgie 75.2% for the win. Georgie also won a lesson with Jo Lees. Both have now qualified for the Spring Championships in February next year.



## Table Top Sale

Our members committee organised their first event, a table top sale at Hartpury Village Hall. It was a great evening with all tables being sold and a range of goods on offer from gifts, crafts and second hand tack. The members were in charge of collecting money, serving and selling refreshments and manning the second hand stall. For their first event they got off to a great start and raised over £300. They have now organised another sale, details below. If any other members would like to get involved please contact Jen Clements.

## Equestrian, Craft & Gift Fair

Ledbury Hunt  
Members  
Committee



**Friday 8  
December  
6.30-8pm**

Hartpury Village Hall  
GL19 3BJ



- ★ Equestrian, crafts, Christmas gifts, second hand items & more
- ★ Sellers £10 per table
- ★ Entry £2 per adult, 16 & under free
- ★ Refreshments, cake sale & raffle
- ★ Sellers set up from 5.30pm
- ★ Doors open 6.30pm

To book call or message  
Jen 07891 688218.



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## Test Rally

A test day was organised for the end of October and thankfully the weather held for it to take place. We had members taking D+, C and C+ tests. Taking their C+ was Lexi V-U and Georgie P along with some members for other clubs. Georgie was only taking the ride section of the test which she passed, with Lexi taking the full test along with the visiting members who all passed. Passing their C test was Ben O, Mimi V-U and Izzy T, with Lexi W passing her D+ test. Over the winter there will be online zoom sessions for those wanting to prepare for D tests up to B.



## Pony Racing Authority Training Day at Craddock

Six of our members, Molly M, Bethany R, Oscar T, Olivia K, Isla B and Archie B took part in the PRA training day. These training days are designed to give an insight into racing and what is required to take part in a race day. Not only do the children ride but they also do dismounted fitness sessions, look into nutrition, they are guided as to what tack they need and race day procedures and etiquette. They get to then ride in a group before having a spin up the gallops. The members that successfully complete the day and are seen to be safe are then able to enter race days in the 2024 season.



October has seen a variety of lesson/rallies. Sessions were held at CCR, show jumping at Hill View and Moores Farm, general rallies at Moores and the start of sessions at Hartpury College where training is taken by the students under the watchful eye of Jo Winfield. In November there will be the start of the weekend Moores lessons and evening sessions. There is a great deal of variety open to all members of all ages and abilities.

In the November newsletter I was hoping to include spooky pictures from the Halloween trail but sadly the weather beat us and the ground was too soggy for vehicles. The bonfire which was due to take place on 4th is being postponed due to the weather and will hopefully take place on Friday 10th. There are lots of team and individual events coming up, please get your entries in and you will be placed into teams by the organisers.

## Competition and Area Dates

### November

- 4<sup>th</sup> - Show Jumping, Croome PC at Hartpury
- 5<sup>th</sup> - Area 9 Training with Caroline Moore at Unicorn
- 12<sup>th</sup> - Show Jumping, Wyre Forest PC at Kings EC
- 19<sup>th</sup> - Spring Festival Arena Eventing – Worces PC, Allens Hill
- 21<sup>st</sup> - Feeding across tests C - AH zoom
- 26<sup>th</sup> – LHPC Mini Show Jumping, Moore's Farm

### December

- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Area 9 Training with Christie Wright at Unicorn
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - LHPC Spring Festival Show Jumping at Hartpury
- 29<sup>th</sup> - Show Jumping, OBH at Unicorn

### 2024

#### January

- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Eventers Challenge, Heythrop at Unicorn
- 7<sup>th</sup> - Area 9 Training – tbc, Unicorn
- 21<sup>st</sup> - Triathlon, Malvern

#### February

- 4<sup>th</sup> - Winter Tri Qualifier - Beaufort
- 4<sup>th</sup> - Mounted Games National Study Day, Bury Farm Equestrian
- 8<sup>th</sup> - Coaching Conference - Confidence is Crucial On Line
- 11<sup>th</sup> - Area 9 Training – tbc, Unicorn, GL54 1JZ
- 11<sup>th</sup> - Show Jumping - Cotswold Vale at Hartpury

Entries are coming in thick and fast for both our Christmas Shows. The mini show at Moores Farm is on 26th November, with classes from poles on the ground up to 60cm, as well as fancy dress and handy pony. Please get your entries in.

The Hartpury show is on 3rd December with classes from 70cm up to 110cm including qualifying classes for the Spring Barrier Health Championships next year. This show is already full with a large waitlist so it will be a long and busy day! If there are members and parents who can give up a few hours to help with pole picking, stewarding, giving out refreshments please let me know, any help even just for an hour is gratefully received.

