

LEDBURY HUNT PONY CLUB

With January having been a bit quiet, things certainly kicked off in February. There have been triathlons, show jumping and a packed half term with lots of training either mounted or dismounted. The wet weather still continues but you all seem to be making the most of what's on offer. Events are being added all the time to entrymaster so please keep checking so you don't miss anything.

Diary Dates

March

- 2nd – Winter Training at Moores Farm
- 4th - Zoom D & D+ test training
- 7th – Student/Coach led rally at Hartpury College
- 9th – Show jumping training with Emma Slater at Hillview
- 10th - Eventing Training at Burtons Farm
- 11th - Zoom D & D+ test training
- 13th – Polework at Moores Farm
- 17th – Winter Training at Moores Farm
- 18th - Zoom D & D+ test training
- 20th - Flatwork Training with Jo Winfield at Moores Farm
- 23rd - Show Jumping Training with Emma Slater
- 25th – 2 hour Arena Eventing at Lincomb
- 25th - Zoom D & D+ test training
- 30th – Easter Rally and Egg Hunt at Gadbury



Competition & Training News

Beaufort Tri & Tet

This competition is run over two weekends. The first weekend runs as a Triathlon, with the following weekend having the jumping, for those waiting to compete making it a Tetrathlon.

Triathlon

Tadpole – Girls - Bethany H 2nd & BR, Isabel E 9th

Minimus – Girls – Lexi W 13th, Lily M 20th

Junior – Girls – Seren W 6th and Qualified for the Winter Champs

Boys – Thomas H 13th

Senior – Girls – Emma-Jane A 13th, Georgie A 14th

Boys – Tom R 3rd and Qualified for the Winter Champs

Tetrathlon

Tadpole – Girls – Bethany H 2nd, Isabel E 5th and 1400 ride

Minimus – Girls (Novice 70cm) – Lexi W 3rd and 1400 ride, Lily M 9th,
Molly M ride only 1400

Junior – Girls – Seren W 2nd

Malvern & Wyre Forest Pony Club Dressage Bromyard

Intro A – Ben O 4th

Intro B – Evie H 4th, Lily H 5th

Prelim 7 – Evie H 2nd, Lily H 4th

Prelim 14 – Cressie F 1st

Novice 27 – Cressie F 2nd





CVFH Show Jumping at Hartpurv College

We had lots of members competing at this show. Entries were high across all the classes and there were some great rounds. There wasn't any live scoring so sorry if I missed anyone and results only went to 6th place.

Class 1A 50cm Assisted – Olivia C 1st

Class 1B 50cm Unassisted – Isla B 3rd, clears from Greta B and Olivia K
Team 3rd for Isla, Greta, Olivia and Tilly J

Class 2 60cm – Olivia K 4th, Clears for Phoebe B, Lily M, Martha L, Tilly J, Ruben B & Charlotte B

Team 2nd – Isla, Ruben, Olivia and Charlotte

Team 4th – Pheobe, Lily, Martha and Tilly

Class 3 70cm – No individual or team placings but clear for Lucinda F, Lily S, Phoebe B and Martha L, with 4 faults for Bonnie B, Charlotte B and Lily M

Class 4 80cm – Clears for Lucinda F, Georgie S and Bonnie B meant that they, along with Lily S were placed team 2nd.

Class 5 90cm – Clears for Cressie F, Hattie S and Alice R, meat that along with Georgie S they were placed team 3rd.

Class 6 1m – Hattie S 4th, with just a pole for Cressie F.

Croome PC Show Jumping at Hartpurv College

The following weekend the Croome held their show at Hartpurv, with some of our members competing at this show.

Class 1 70cm – Aimee D 5th – part of mixed team 5th

Class 2 80cm – Georgie P 6th, Ellen A 17th, Aimee D 29th – Team 4th

Class 3 90cm – Georgie P 4th, Ellen A 14th – part of mixed team 2nd



Area 10 Triathlon at Monmouth

Junior Boys – Thomas H 5th, Ben O 6th – part of mixed team 2nd
Beanie Boys – Sebastian A 1st BS & BR
Beanie Girls – Faye O 5th
Beanie mixed team 1st
Minimus Boys – Toby M 2nd, Archie B 5th, Archie A 9th
Minimus Girls – Fliss E 10th
Minimus team 4th
Tadpole Boys – Oliver B 1st BS & BR
Tadpole Girls – Bethany H 1st BR, Isla M 10th
Tadpole team 1st



Friendly Quiz Competition

Quizzes were once a regular competition on the pony club calendar but in recent years they have fallen by the wayside. This year, on the back of all the great pizza and badge sessions that Sue and Jennie have organised it was decided to organise another. Along with Claire Allen and a host of other parents we held one at Staunton & Corse Village Hall. Other clubs sent teams for a warm up for the Area Quiz and our results are as follows:

Minis – Ledbury Chestnuts 1st, Ledbury Pony Mad Ladies 4th & Ledbury Skewbalds 5th

Junior/Senior – Ledbury Dapple Greys 2nd, Ledbury Palominos 3rd

Beetle Drive & Pancake Evening

A lovely social evening, organised by the members committee was held at Bushley Village Hall. It was also used as an opportunity for members and parents to chat to the committee members and discipline managers. It was great to see so many there and thank you to all that helped with the pancakes and ploughman's.



Mounted Games

February saw two mounted games competitions. It was another of the North Herefords friendly competitions at Abberley Court with another successful day for our members. In the lead rein pairs Hugo and Freya were third, competing against children who were not really lead reiners. Emily did her first mounted games competition in the junior novice individuals to win by a mile. In the junior novice pairs Ledbury were super consistent with both pairs getting into the A final. Annabelle and Amber starting the finals in the lead but ending in 3rd place, and Sophie and Rosie taking first place in a fantastic run off at the end!

Solihull Competition

For this competition we joined forces with the West Warwickshire branch of the pony club with one of their members joining our lead rein team and our member, Annabelle joining their junior team. Both teams have built on their experiences over the previous competitions and showed great improvements. The lead rein team were 3rd and the juniors were 4th.



During the half term holidays there were lots of activities on offer for members. We held rallies and training at Moores Farm and Hartpury College, where a student led lesson overseen by Jo Winfield was very well supported. There was training for our tetrathletes, with some gaining their dive certificates. Our racing manager, Julie Mansell was getting some of our members ready for the pony racing held at Cheltenham racecourse in March.



The hunting season is now coming to a close and even in the wet conditions many of you have been out this season. The Cotswold Vale held a children's meet and it was lovely to see so many members out.



At the beginning of the month there was an information evening by Cheltenham Equine Vets on the structure of the lower leg and hoof, and why the way we look after and how we get our ponies fit is so important. The members were able to see a selection of leg bones and a skull. On the next page there are some images from the evening that do show a leg dissection (scroll past if squeamish!)



Barrier Health Spring Championships 2024

The championships were held at Arena UK and consisted of Arena Eventing, Show Jumping and Dressage. We had a few members qualify for the championships but only Hattie S was able to make the trip having qualified in the Novice Dressage and the 1m Show Jumping. Both disciplines were held on the Sunday. In the dressage Hattie was placed 14th out of 31 in her section. For the Show Jumping Hattie had 4 faults in the warm up class, being placed 14th and in the main Championship class Hattie also had 4 faults in the first round. A great experience for a relatively new partnership.



Competitions & Area Training

March

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

April

- 3rd – Area 9 Training with Richard Waygood at Rectory Farm
- 4th – Area 9 Training with Paul Tapner & Jenna Hewitt at Oxstalls
- 4th – Minchinhampton Show Jumping at CCR
- 6th – Area 9 Horse & Pony Care at Lincomb
- 7th – Area 9 Spring Show Jumping at Rectory Farm
- 14th – OBH Team Show Jumping at Unicorn Centre
- 21st – Area Mounted Games at Salters Hill