



LEDBURY HUNT PONY CLUB

What a glorious month March has been. Sunshine and warmth is a great thing along with the lighter days. This month we had the first Area competition of the year and we got off to a flying start with a win and qualification to the championships in May in Sheffield.

Lessons have continued at Moores and other venues but all looks good for rallies to commence at Gadbury in April. Again, this year we will be hosting the Area Tetrathlon and a lot will need to be done to prepare Gadbury for the event. This all goes to benefitting our members as well so if you can help paint a jump or put our equipment please get in touch.

PC Rule books are available to purchase from Amazon or can be downloaded for free from the PC Resource Hub. For those wanting to compete at Area competitions please make yourself aware of the rules and any changes that have come in.

Dates

April

- 5th Two hour rally open to all at Gadbury
- 13th Road Ride Test run through and test at Gadbury
- 15th XC rally at Ace
- 16th Test Training for C & C+ - Ridden and Care
- 19th Zoom Spurs Training
- 20th Easter Rally at Gadbury
- 22nd Rally at Lincomb
- 23rd Spurs Test and C+, C & D+ Test at Gadbury
- 24th Evening Dressage Series at Gadbury
- 25th Visit to Badminton Stables & Kennels
- 27th Show Jumping Training with Emma Slater at Moores Farm
- 27th Lead rein/novice/nervous/new partnerships rally at Gadbury - 1hr sessions

May

- 1st Evening Dressage Series at Gadbury
- 3rd Show Jumping Training with Emma Slater at Gadbury
- 5th Two Phase Arena Eventing at Hartpur
- 9th Event Training at Gadbury
- 17th/18th Branch Tetrathlon
- 22nd Evening Dressage Series at Gadbury
- 23rd Event Training at Gadbury
- 24th Show Jumping Training with Emma Slater and Picnic Rally at Gadbury
- 26th-28th Camping Camp

Competition and News



Area 9 Quiz

This year's quiz was hosted by the Stroud and Minchinhampton branch. We had two teams in the mini competition and one team in the junior/senior class. In the morning the mini's were up with 17 teams taking part. They had 6 rounds which covered a variety of topics. In the Ledbury Piebald team we had Isabel E, Annabel B, Ella J and Amber H-S and in the Ledbury Chestnuts we had Matilda M, Faye O and Ellen B. The Piebalds were on great form and took the win and qualifying for the final in May in Sheffield.

In the afternoon our junior/senior team was competing, along with 22 other teams! This team was made up of Marissa P, Olivia M, Sophie A and Alice B. They showed great knowledge and team work and were rewarded with 6th place.



Solihull Mounted Games

Our novice mounted games team took a trip to Solihull to compete in the friendly competition. It was a mixed bag of results, but lots learnt and beautiful rosettes along with Easter eggs! Well done to Sophie, Hugo, Annabelle, Rosie and Freja.



Monmouth Area 10 Pony Club Winter Triathlon Series

The third and final competition for the Area 10 winter Tri series was held in Monmouth. Some of our younger members have had a great time taking part and we have seen some brilliant performances.

Beanie Girls

4th Faye O

Tadpole Boys

3rd & BR Oliver B

Junior Boys

7th Ben O

8th Toby M

North Cotswold Arena Eventing Challenge

This was held at the Unicorn Centre in Stow and one of our members Isabel E was competing. In the 80cm she was 7th and in the 90cm she was 2nd.

Winter Tri Championships

We had two members qualify and compete at the Championships held in Grantham. We had Tom R in the open boys class and Bethany H in the minimus girls. Bethany was also selected to be in the Area 9 team for that class.

With all the events happening on the Sunday it was a busy day for them. Tom R was 14th in his class with 29 competing and Bethany was 15th out of 52 competing. The Area 9 team she was a part of was 12th in the class.

Entries are now open for our Branch tetrathlon held in May with triathlon sections for all classes.





Ledbury Hunt Pony Club

LHPC EVENING DRESSAGE SERIES - SAVE THE DATES

GADBURY, GLOS GL19 4PP

24 APRIL
1 MAY
22 MAY
5 JUNE

Schedule to follow, enter via Entrymaster.

Training



This month saw the last session of the Hartpury student led lessons. This has been of great benefit, not just to our members but the students who have been involved. We have been very lucky to have been able to use these facilities again this winter and look forward to being a part of it next winter as well.

Quite a few of our members have been attending the fitness and racing sessions Julie Mansell has been putting on at Martin Jones's. They have been able to use the school and gallops and are keenly preparing their ponies for the Ascot & Cheltenham race days that are coming up. Sessions are now for those attending those events and they have been to Maisemore and Hasfield to prepare on grass.

As of April 1st we will have Gadbury back and most rallies and training will be held there. There is a lot to do to get all the equipment set up and jumps prepared so if you can lend a hand please let Sue Clements know.

April will see quite a few training and test days, don't forget to get booked in via entrymaster.

Pony Club SEIB Search For A Star

What to expect in SEIB Search for a Star

Your Horse Live Qualifying Classes

Pony Club Open

Pony Club Open competitors complete a go round in walk, trot and canter.

Competitors are brought into line.

Competitors are invited out of line to perform the Pony Club Open set show.

Ponies are not stripped in this class but are asked out of line, stood up and then walk away and trot back in hand for the conformation judge.

Competitors will be requested to remount before the placings are decided

www.seib.co.uk/competitions

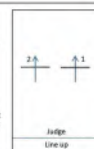
Set Shows

For Class 1 (Working Pony), Class 2 (Working Horse) and Pony Club Classes: 10 (Leading Rein Pony), 11 (First Ridden) and 12 (Open Horse or Pony), there will be a set show.

CLASS 1 AND CLASS 2

Come out of line and halt in front of the judge, once they have acknowledged you and told you to move on to:

1. Set off on right rein in trot
2. Change rein in trot pick up center left
3. Jump fence 1 away from judge
4. Change rein
5. Canter right and jump fence 2 again away from the judge
6. Canter to trot keeping on right rein and halt salute in an appropriate place and trot back into line.



Total possible score 100; split as below

Fence 1 (for jump & way of going)	10
Fence 2 (for jump & way of going)	10
Style	40
Conformation	40

Penalty
Refusal = 0 points
Knock down = 5 points deducted for the jump

CLASS 10



1. Walk away from judge
2. Pick up trot and track right
3. Change rein in trot
4. Walk the halt on centre line
5. Proceed in trot and track left - go in front of judge
6. Gradually come back to walk and halt approximately half way down the area. Salute the judge

CLASS 11



1. Walk away from judge
2. Pick up trot and track right
3. Change rein in trot
4. Pick up canter
5. Change rein - simple change of leg through trot
6. Come back to trot, walk and then halt and salute the judge

CLASS 12



1. Walk away from judge
2. Pick up trot and track right
3. Change rein in trot
4. Pick up canter
5. Change rein - simple change of leg through trot
6. Come back to trot, walk and then halt and salute the judge

Pony Club Search for a Star Open classes require competitors to complete a set show. In this class competitors are expected to canter on the go-round.

There are qualifiers held at Hartpury College on 13th April and at Stoneleigh Park on 25th May. For more information go to www.showingscenes.com

At the end of March a dismounted social was organised with 15-20 members having a great time roller skating.



Competition & Area Training Dates

April

- 5th Triathlon Area 9 Qualifier
- 6th North Hereford Show jumping at Bromyard
- 8th Heythrop Show Jumping at Unicorn Centre
- 10th OBH Show Jumping at Unicorn Centre
- 12th Area 9 Horse & Pony Care at Andoversford
- 13th Area 9 Spring Show Jumping at Rectory Farm
- 15th B & Lunge Test at Rectory Farm
- 16th Area 9 XC Training at Boomerang
- 18th Area 9 Pony Racing at Cheltenham Racecourse
- 24th Minchinhampton Show Jumping at CCR
- 24th Evening Dressage Series at Gadbury

May

- 1st Evening Dressage Series at Gadbury
- 4th Quiz Final at Sheffield Wednesday Football Ground
- 4th Area Mounted Games
- 5th Two Phase Arena Eventing at Hartpury
- 17th/18th Branch Tetrathlon
- 17th/18th Mounted Games Friendly Competition at Three Counties
- 22nd Evening Dressage Series at Gadbury
- 31st Area Show Jumping at Moreton Showground

June

- 5th Evening Dressage Series at Gadbury
- 7th Ledbury Summer Show at Gadbury
- 7th North Hereford Mounted Games Friendly at Abbey Dore
- 8th Elm tetrathlon
- 8th Beaufort Mini ODE at Tresham
- 8th North Hereford Team Show Jumping on grass, Gwatkin Cider Festival, HR2 0AL
- 15th Beaufort Pony Show at Bowdown
- 15th PC Team Show Jumping at Royal Three Counties Show
- 22nd LHPC Mini Two Phase at Gadbury
- 28th/29th Mini International Tetrathlon at Oxstalls
- 29th PC 110 Qualifier for Wellington at Howick BE

Are you looking to try something new with your pony or horse?

Then why not try **Polocrosse**?

A team sport, using the fundamentals of flatwork, that is a lot of fun!

We are offering a free introduction to polocrosse for all ages and abilities. Join us on foot or bring your pony/horse. All racquets and balls are provided, plus cake!

20 APRIL AT 12.30
LONGDOLE ARENA, BIRDLIP, GL4 8LF

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