

# LEDBURY HUNT PONY CLUB

A busy start to the month with lots of Pony Club competitions that a lot of you have taken part in. The sunshine and nights drawing out mean spring is on its way and it won't be long till we can be back at Gadbury. We are looking forward to a busy year with Area and local branch competitions. If you would like to represent the branch please get in touch with the discipline managers as they are busy organising relevant training. We have our social evening coming up and it would be lovely to see you there if you are able to come.

## Dates

### March

- 7<sup>th</sup> Showjumping Rally at Highnam Court
- 14<sup>th</sup> Mounted Games Practise – The Chase
- 14<sup>th</sup> XC Training at Swalcliffe Park
- 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday Lesson at Moores Farm
- 21<sup>st</sup> Glazydays Pottery painting
- 26<sup>th</sup> Evening Student Led Lessons at Hartpury College
- 28<sup>th</sup> Saturday Lesson at Moores Farm
- 31<sup>st</sup> Arena Eventing Rally at Lincomb

### April

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Test Day for D, D+, C & C+ at Gadbury TBC
- 5<sup>th</sup> Rally & Easter Egg Hunt at Gadbury
- 7<sup>th</sup> Visit to Tweenhills Stud
- 8<sup>th</sup> Eventing Training & XC rally at Ace
- 25<sup>th</sup> Show Jumping Training with Emma Slater

### May

- 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Camping Camp at Gadbury

**Ledbury Hunt Pony Club  
Unaffiliated Evening  
Dressage Series 2026**



Thursday 16th April  
Thursday 30th April  
Thursday 14th May  
Thursday 4th June  
(Championship)



On grass at Gadbury,  
Eldersfield, GL19 4PP

Open to members and non members

**LEDBURY  
PONY CLUB** 

**SOCIAL &  
INFORMATION  
EVENING**

For members, parents and anyone interested in finding out what Pony Club has to offer for riders aged 3-25.

**MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup> • HARTPURY VILLAGE HALL • 6.30 PM**

Come along ask questions and tell us how you would like the club to evolve.

Current members come and find out about and register your interest in this year's area competitions.  
Let us know what activities interest you.

**Light refreshments.**



## News and Results

### Area 9 Postal Shoot

Over the winter months Area 9 hold a postal shoot. This year is was organised by the North Cotswold branch and members sent targets in each month starting in September and running till the end of December.

It isn't just Area 9 branches competing but all PC branches. In the mini girls class there were 26 competitors with Isabel E coming 4<sup>th</sup>. In the junior girls class there were 32 competing with Bella B taking 10<sup>th</sup> and Lexi W joint 11<sup>th</sup>. In the senior girls Seren W was competing against 14 others and she won her class. There was also a team competition and the combined scores of all four girls meant that they won the competition with nearly 40 teams competing!!

### Croome Show Jumping at Hartpury

In the 50cm we had three members competing, Amber H-S, Emily A and Sophie A. All three did great clears with Amber taking 7<sup>th</sup>, Emily 17<sup>th</sup> and Sophie 23<sup>rd</sup>. As a team the girls took 2<sup>nd</sup> place. In the 60cm Amber and Sophie were competing. Both girls went clear again taking 12<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> place.



### LHPC Friendly Quiz Competition at Apperley Village Hall

Our first competition of the year and well done to all that took part and a big thank you to all that helped at the event and organised. There were competitors from the Worcestershire PC, VWH, Malvern, Croome and North Hereford.

In the mini section there were seven teams with four teams from our branch. Our teams took 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> place.

In the junior/senior section there were five teams and our team won the section. All members competing took home rosettes and great prizes from our amazing sponsors.

#### Minis

1<sup>st</sup> Liver Chestnuts – Sophie A, Poppy J & Amber H-S

2<sup>nd</sup> Roans – Estee W, Ella J, Ellie T & Emily W

5<sup>th</sup> Bays – Annabelle B, Milly Y, Connie T & Hugo B

7<sup>th</sup> Palominos – Amelia T, Matilda M, Freja D & Lara T-L

#### Juniors

1<sup>st</sup> – Isabel E, Emily A, Perdrie W & Erica S

## Beaufort Area Winter Tri Series

Hosted by the Beaufort PC, held at Malmesbury a very muddy but competitive competition was held. In the minimus girls class we had two members competing, Bethany H and Isabel E. Bethany had the best shoot with a score of 980 but Isabel wasn't too far behind with a score of 940. Bethany had a good run and swim taking 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Isabel took 13<sup>th</sup>. Bethany had already qualified for the Winter Tri Champs at a previous event. They were both in the same mixed team and were placed 4<sup>th</sup>.

In the junior girls class we had three members competing, Molly, Lexi and Jenny. All three had great shoot scores and strong runs in very muddy conditions. Molly just pipped Lexi to take 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> with Molly qualifying for the Winter Tri Championships. Jenny took 13<sup>th</sup> and as a team they were 3<sup>rd</sup>.

In the senior girls we had Emma-Jane, Seren and Molly competing. Molly is in her first season of competing at triathlons and is doing a great job against some very seasoned competitors. Emma-Jane had a great competition taking 5<sup>th</sup> place and qualifying for the Winter Tri Champs with Seren just behind in 6<sup>th</sup> place and Molly taking 16<sup>th</sup>. As a team they were placed 2<sup>nd</sup>.



## Beaufort Tet

Held at Rectory Farm this is a continuation from the previous weekends triathlon. For those wanting to do the jumping section their scores from the previous weekend are brought forward and the ride scores added.

In the minimus girls Isabel E was competing. She did a great round taking a maximum 1400 points and 5<sup>th</sup> place. In the junior girls class Molly and Lexi were competing round a tough 90cm track. Molly took 3<sup>rd</sup> place and Lexi 7<sup>th</sup>. For the senior section Seren went forward in 1<sup>st</sup> place and took the win after a great round over the tough 1m track.



## CVFH Show Jumping at Hartpury

Another weekend of show jumping at Hartpury, this time run by the Cotswold Vale Pony Club. We had members competing in nearly all the classes and all had great rounds.

### 50cm

10<sup>th</sup> Amber H-S  
15<sup>th</sup> Sophie A  
Mixed Team 5<sup>th</sup>

### 60cm

7<sup>th</sup> Tilly J\*\*  
21<sup>st</sup> Sophie A\*  
23<sup>rd</sup> Eleanor H\*\*  
27<sup>th</sup> Amber H-S\*\*  
\*Mixed Team 1<sup>st</sup>  
\*\*Team 4<sup>th</sup>

### 70cm

5<sup>th</sup> Martha D  
25<sup>th</sup> Isla B  
38<sup>th</sup> Tilly J  
Team 7<sup>th</sup>

### 80cm

10<sup>th</sup> Isla B  
25<sup>th</sup> Lily S

### 90cm

11<sup>th</sup> Lily S  
MT 2<sup>nd</sup>



## Area 9 Performance Day

Thanks to Pauline Williams we were able to hosted an Area 9 Ready to Perform day at Hartpury - what a great day, led by Dr Jo Winfield, delivered by fabulous Hartpury experts and participated in by our 15 of our A9 eventers and tetrathletes. They learnt about managing the rider mind - between and within phases, managing rider fuel, in training, performance and recovery as well as fitness, heart rates, balance, straightness whilst on board, and what they can do in off-horse training to strengthen and develop agility. Sleep is key! Well done all those thinking about their own athletic development as well as their horse's!

February half term was a busy one. Just a week but one packed with branch activities! There was a rally at Moores, mounted games practices and a great day camp at Hartpury College.



## Solihull Mounted Games Competition

Our junior mounted games team had a fabulous day at Solihull with so much progress being made. The team nearly made the A final out of 3 (had to run off for the 4th qualifying place) but ended up in the B final and again had to run off to decide 2nd/3rd place. Some brilliant riding, accurate handovers and the vaults in the stepping stones race were super impressive!

They are looking like having a great season together and what was really nice was the judge and the commentator both commenting on Ledbury's progress over the years and how nice it was to see the team doing so well - they helped/support us several years ago so lovely that they remembered us. They gave us some more useful pointers today which was also very handy!

Well done Annabelle, Amber, Anna, Sophie and Jemima. Big thank you to other PC families for letting members borrow your awesome ponies, and to all the parents, riders and ponies for their hard work.

Upcoming training bookable online, open to all.

Thank you Jen Blades for the report



## Area 10 Winter Tri Series (event 2 of 3)

Held in Monmouth we had members competing in nearly all age ranges.

### Tadpole Girls

12th Faye O

### Junior Girls

2nd Jenny W

### Junior Boys

4th Ben O

### Open Girls

5th Molly L

This month's newsletter is a great example of all the different disciplines on offer and as the seasons change there will be even more to report on with eventing, polocrosse. There are other disciplines on offer such as polo and endurance that the Pony Club endorse so if your child would like to get involved then please ask! The qualifiers for the Pony Club showing series with the final at Your Horse Live will be starting soon and there are the dismounted activities such as the quiz, horse & pony care and triathlons.

If you want to get more involved with the branch please get in touch. I have nearly finished the parents rota which will be circulated soon!

### Competition & Area Training Dates

#### March

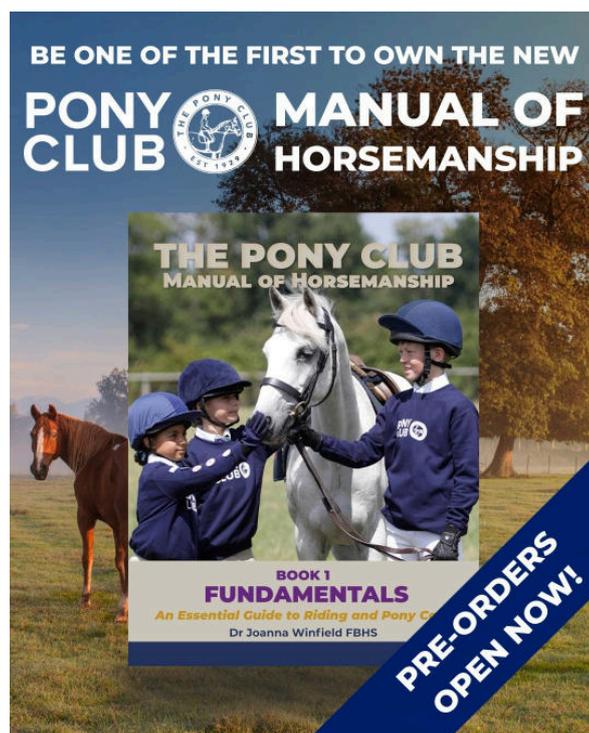
- 1<sup>st</sup> Area Quiz hosted by Minchinhampton & Stroud
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Dressage Training with Jo Lees at Abbey Dressage
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Winter Triathlon Championships at Grantham
- 22<sup>nd</sup> North Cotswold Arena Events at Unicorn
- 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> Spring Championships at Addington

#### April

- 1<sup>st</sup> Heythrop Show Jumping at Unicorn
- 1<sup>st</sup> North Hereford Show Jumping at Bromyard
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Pony Racing at Cheltenham
- 5<sup>th</sup> Wyre Forest Show Jumping at Bromyard
- 9<sup>th</sup> Minchinhampton Show Jumping at CCR
- 10<sup>th</sup> Area Horse & Pony Care Andoversford
- 11<sup>th</sup> OBH Show Jumping at Unicorn
- 11<sup>th</sup> Minchinhampton Triathlon at Dean Close
- 12<sup>th</sup> Area Mounted Games
- 16<sup>th</sup> LHPC Evening Dressage at Gadbury
- 19<sup>th</sup> Malvern PC Spring Show at Hill View
- 19<sup>th</sup> Quiz Final at Loughborough University
- 26<sup>th</sup> Elms School Tet & Tri
- 30<sup>th</sup> LHPC Evening Dressage at Gadbury

#### May

- 4<sup>th</sup> LHPC Two Phase at Hartpury
- 14<sup>th</sup> LHPC Evening Dressage at Gadbury
- 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> LHPC Branch Tetrathlon
- 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> Mounted Games Friendly at Three Counties
- 24<sup>th</sup> Area 9 Show Jumping at Rectory Farm
- 30<sup>th</sup> Area Show Jumping at Moreton Showground
- 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> Junior Home International Tetrathlon



For our budding artists there is still time to enter the Pony Club Thelwell drawing competition, follow the link for details on how to enter <https://pcuk.org/thelwellartcompetition/>