



SPRING NEWSLETTER 2024

Dear Members and Parents

Thank you to those of you who renewed your membership at the end of January (the majority of members) and welcome to our new members - we hope that you have many happy years as part of the Petersfield Pony Club family. If you are a new member don't hesitate to ask any questions that you need to - we all know how it feels when it seems as though everyone else knows what is going on except you!

It was lovely to see some of our members out and doing so well at our Dressage Show a few weeks ago and we could certainly see the benefits of the Dressage League in how well our members did - thank you to Suzy Harrison for all her efforts in organising the Dressage League. Our members did us proud and full details of results are inside the Newsletter but congratulations to everyone who took part. Huge thanks to Julie Gordon, Veronica Morris, Nicola Wright, Rosie Giraudet and their team of judges, writers, stewards, and other helpers who made the day run so smoothly. Once again, this year we had so many positive comments from those taking part about what a well organised Show it was.

As you will see from the attached list of activities our Committee and Organisers have done a great job of arranging an

amazing programme of Rallies over the coming months. There are activities and training to suit every level and in every discipline.

Over the Easter period we have Lead Rein, Mini, Novice and Intermediate Clinics taking place catering for every level of member. Also, at Easter we have our Hunter Trials at Fair Oak, Rogate. This is a big event for us and a great opportunity for our members to take part.

In May we host the Area 13 Prince Philip Cup Qualifiers at Chase Farm and in June is our One Day Event at Coombelands Equestrian, Pulborough. The schedule for this is enclosed and this year the competition will include the Area 13 PC80 Regional Qualifiers.

All of these events involve a huge amount of work and organisation in advance and on the day to ensure they are each a success. They all also require lots of helpers on the day so please do volunteer. It is a fun day out, there are tasks suitable for everyone and you don't have to be horsey!

If you haven't already done so, please get your entries in for Junior and Senior Camp. As you know we have had to change the venue of Senior Camp and it is vital, financially, that we fill the spaces for this year's Camp.

We have run camp before at Littleton Manor; it is a great venue with wonderful facilities including all weather gallops!

We are very excited to see lots of signs of spring, and the clocks changing after the wet dark winter!

Look forward to seeing you all at events over Easter and through the spring and summer.

Happy Easter



Gill and Kate



***Welcome to the following
new members:***

***Abigail Evans
Helena Halsey
Lily-Anne Lambert
Lily Robinson
Georgia Scholes***

**NEW BRANCH WEBSITE:
[Petersfield Pony Club](#)**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO
ALL MEMBERS
10 and UNDER**

If your pony does not have a martingale, make sure you always come to rallies, events etc with a stirrup leather around the pony's neck.

This is for you to hold onto when things do not go right to avoid pulling on your pony's mouth and perhaps to save you from falling off.



SAFETY AT RALLIES

Please can you all make sure that unless you are riding in a lesson, that you only walk (mounted/dismounted), especially when going from your trailer to the lesson. The car park is a potentially dangerous situation with a lot of ponies, children, dogs etc milling around. It is the responsibility of everyone present to ensure that all measures are taken to safeguard both ponies and people at all times. Please be aware of safety.

Air jackets: When an air jacket inflates the sudden noise startles horses in the immediate vicinity thereby causing difficulties for the other members of a ride if used in a group ride in a confined area, e.g., an indoor school or outdoor manège. Air jackets are therefore not encouraged for group rides.

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Your hair must be tied back securely, in a safe manner to reduce the risk of hair being caught and to prevent scalp injuries. A hairnet is therefore recommended.

The wearing of any sort of jewellery when handling or riding a horse/pony is not recommended and if done at any Pony Club activity, is done at the risk of the member/their parent/guardian. However, to stop any risk of injury, necklaces, and bracelets (other than medical bracelets) must be removed, as must larger and more pendulous pieces of jewellery (including those attached to piercings) which create a risk of injury to the body part through which they are secured. For the avoidance of doubt a wristwatch, wedding ring, stock pin worn horizontally and/or a tie clip are permitted. It is recommended that stock pins are removed for cross country.



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members to compete from home or from their own
yard or field by videoing their test.
Please visit the 'Dressage Anywhere' website for
more information:

<http://www.dressageanywhere.com/>

PARENTS & MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: STIRRUPS

Ensure that your stirrups and boots fit correctly.
For very good safety reasons, Pony Club rules
require the following: **"Standard riding or
jodhpur boots with a fairly thin, smooth sole
and a well-defined square cut heel"** and
**"Stirrups should be of the correct size to suit
the rider's boots. There must be 7mm (¼")
clearance on either side of the boot"**.

These rules together with the requirement not to
wear other unsuitable footwear including boots
and stirrups with interlocking treads, are there to
minimise the risk of the foot becoming caught in
the stirrup in a fall which can cause very serious
injuries. If you are buying new boots check the size
of stirrups with the new boots.

At competitions this is probably the most common
problem picked up by tack checkers. We will be
checking this at our MADs over the winter and will
advise you if your stirrups are the wrong size, but
please also check yourself.

BADGES/TIES/SWEATSHIRTS/JACKETS

These are always kept in stock; please contact me.
If you need The Pony Club Manual of Horsemanship
these can be purchased from Amazon – a must if you
are taking Tests.

Medical Arm Bands are no longer compulsory wear,
but it is still recommended that one is worn.

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WEBSITE

Petersfield Pony Club

Do make use of our website. We put up schedules, our programme and your successes and results plus photos. We shall also be putting up times prior to events and results after them. It is also useful for advertising horses/ponies for loan and sale and buying and selling horse boxes/trailers etc. Other branches run their websites in a similar fashion.

If an event is cancelled for any reason, it will say so on Petersfield Pony Club's Home Page of the website as well as on our Facebook Group.

The Pony Club This is the home page of the Pony Club.

Petersfield Branch is with **Area 13**. Here you will find the Area Calendar which shows schedules for all Area 13 events along with Area Results. Courses. Tests etc.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

BRANCH COMPETITION DATES 2024

- Sun 21 Apr Open Hunter Trials, Fair Oak Cross Country, Rogate
- Sun 19 May Area 13 Prince Philip Cup Qualifiers, Chase Farm
- Sun 2 Jun Open Horse Trials, Coombelands Equestrian, Pulborough
- Sun 8 Sept Open Annual Show, Chase Farm

EASTER CLINICS 2024

- Mon 8 – Tues 9 Apr Mini and Lead Rein Clinics, Stockbridge Farm
- Wed 10 – Thurs 11 Apr Novice and Intermediate Clinics, Stockbridge Farm

CAMPS 2024

- Mon 5 – Fri 9 Aug Junior Camp, Fair Oak Cross Country, Rogate
- Mon 26 – Fri 30 Aug Senior Camp, Boomerang Stables

ANNUAL PARTY & PRIZE GIVING 2024

- Fri 18 Oct Forest Community Centre, Bordon

Dates for
the Diary:

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TEST & ACHIEVEMENT BADGES OBTAINED THROUGH THE WINTER

'D+' Test

Francesca Bracci, Ellie Carter, Charlotte Haynes,
Rosa Hood, Alivia Palmer, Sienna Scholes

'D' Test

Livvy Puddick, Imogen Tivers

'Road Rider' Achievement Badge

Francesca Bracci, Ellie Carter, Charlotte Haynes,
Rosa Hood, Alivia Palmer



'Road Rider' Mini Achievement Badge

Livvy Puddick, Imogen Tivers, Harvey Wilson,
Cordelia Wilson

'Grooming' Mini Achievement Badge

Ottilie Brown, Livvy Puddick, Margot Rice,
Imogen Tivers, Harvey Wilson, Cordelia Wilson

'Leading & Handling' Mini Achievement Badge

Ottilie Brown, Livvy Puddick, Margot Rice,
Imogen Tivers, Ellie Wilson, Harvey Wilson,
Cordelia Wilson

COMPETING AT AREA QUALIFIERS 2024

Area and Regional Championships 2024

WOULD YOU LIKE TO REPRESENT PPC AT THE CHAMPIONSHIPS?

Further details about eligibility and selection are available on our Branch website page.

Regional Grassroots Qualifiers are in Dressage, Showjumping and Eventing at 70cm and 80cm. *The Pony Club Grassroots Regional Championships are an entry level team competition in Dressage, Showjumping and Eventing which are ideal for the more novice Branch and Centre Members.*

They are a perfect stepping stone for anyone looking to compete at The Pony Club Championships in the future!

Please complete this link: [Regionals Qualifiers](#)

The Qualifiers will be run at the Area Competitions:

- Eventing: PC80 Sunday 2 June | Coombelands Equestrian, Pulborough
- Eventing: PC70 Sunday 9 June | Fair Oak Cross Country, Rogate
- Showjumping: PC70 and PC80 | Sunday 30 June | Crofton Manor Equestrian Centre, Stubbington,
- Dressage: Sunday 14 July | Heath Farm, Munstead

The Championships are held at Rectory Farm Arena, Duntisbourne Abbots, Cirencester, Glos GL7 7JW | Saturday 24 – Monday 26 August 2024

Area Qualifiers in Dressage, Showjumping and Eventing at 90cm, 100cm and 110cm. *Area Competitions are where Pony Club members compete to try to qualify for The Pony Club Championships. There is a competition held in each of the 19 Pony Club Areas and there are various levels to compete at based on ability and eligibility. There are team and individual competitions at 90cm, 100cm and 110cm.*

Please complete this link if you are interested in Team or individual selection. Please choose the level you are most likely to compete at: [Area 13 Qualifiers](#)

The Qualifiers will be run at the Area Competitions:

- Prince Philip Cup (Mounted Games): Sunday 19 May | Chase Farm, Bramshott Chase, Surrey GU26 6DG
- Eventing: Sunday 7 July | Hambleden Estate, nr Henley on Thames
- Dressage: Sunday 14 July | Heath Farm (Munstead), Heath Lane, Godalming, Surrey GU7 1UN
- Showjumping: Sunday 21 July | PC90, PC100 and PC110 | Wellington Riding, Heckfield, Hants RG27 0LJ

The Championships are held at Offchurch Bury, Warwickshire | Fri 9 – Sat 17 Aug 2024

Tetrathlon

- Saturday and Sunday 22/23 June, Iping Cross Country Course, nr Midhurst and Churchers College, Petersfield

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To view the content, you will need to enter your membership number and branch.

➤ Resources: <https://resources.pcuk.org/>



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BLUE CROSS HORSE & PONY CARE COMPETITION

VOLUNTEERS FOR BLUE CROSS COMPETITION NEEDED Wednesday 29 May 24

Are there any members who enjoy testing their knowledge? We need volunteers for this practical Quiz (unmounted) to pit their wits against other Area 13 teams.



Mini: Teams to consist of three members aged 10 years and under on 1 January of the competition year, with one member to be 8 years or under. Questions to be based on the Care section of the 'E', 'D' and easier parts of the 'D+' Efficiency Tests.

Junior: Teams to consist of three members aged 13 years and under on 1 January of the competition year, with one member to be 11 years or under. Questions to be based on the Care section of the 'D', 'D+', 'C' and easier parts of the 'C+' Efficiency Tests.

Senior: Teams to consist of three members aged 25 years and under on 1 January of the competition year, with one member to be 16 years or under. Questions to be based on the Care section of the 'C+', 'B' and 'AH' Efficiency Tests.

Come on all you Camp Troops – this is perfect for you!!


The winners compete at the final at The Pony Club Championships in August.


Teams make their way around different 'stations', each of which will comprise of a different theory or practical based topic. Ten minutes are spent at each 'station', during which time Members are asked a series of questions to be marked by the Assessor.

If you need any further information, give me a ring or email, you can look up sample questions on the Pony Club Website: <https://pcuk.org/bluecross-horse-and-pony-care/>

We will arrange some practice sessions for anyone interested.

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JUNIOR CAMP 2024
Monday 05 to Friday 09 August

Fair Oak Cross Country Course, Rogate

Junior Camp is aimed at members up to 12 years of age and is suitable for all levels, from lead rein upwards. Senior Camp is designed for members from aged 12 upwards but occasionally members of this age choose to come to Junior Camp instead. Members 12 years and above also sometimes choose to attend both Junior and Senior Camp!

Riders will have 4 days of age and capability appropriate flatwork, showjumping and cross country tuition alongside stable management and other fun activities. A friendly competition is held on the last day where our riders and ponies can show off what they have learnt and improved on during the week.

The week will culminate in a musical ride display from each ride for parents, families, and supporters to enjoy.


We hope to see as many of you as possible and will be in touch closer to Camp with further details. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me via rebecca.chant@hotmail.com

Rebecca Chant & Natasha Palmer



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- Gallops
- 2 recently re-surfaced arenas (one with an entire side of mirrors and the other is a huge showjumping school) plus an optional grass arena should we need it.

Senior Camp is suitable for those happy and competent to ride in open spaces and in company, and able to look after their pony. Generally aimed at ages 12+ we can make exceptions, please talk to us.

You should ideally have attended a number of Pony Club Rallies or Trainings so that we are aware of your level and experience.

If you have any queries or would like a chat about what Camp involves, please don't hesitate to contact one of the team.

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Rosie Giraudet

Jan Witherington



WINTER DRESSAGE LEAGUE REPORT
Alivia Palmer

The Winter Dressage League was so friendly.

The best thing about it was seeing my scores improve and having fun with my friends while I was warming up my pony, Goldie.

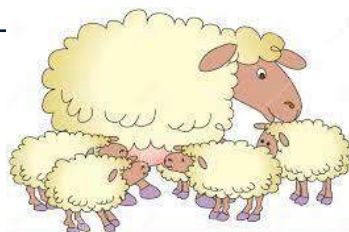
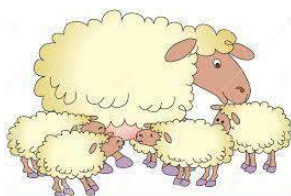
There was no hassle as you don't have to plait your pony or wear competition clothes, you don't even have to take a snack as Suzy gives out carrots for the ponies and sweets for you!

If you are worried about forgetting the test, it doesn't matter as your mum or dad can read it for you.

If you're not really a fan of dressage, you should give it a go anyway as it's very good for your pony and your riding. I didn't think I would get the winning rosette for Walk and Trot, but I did! "



Alivia Palmer | Age 9



WINTER DRESSAGE LEAGUE REPORT

Molly-May Witherington

I have done the Dressage League now for the last three years, and each year I look forward to it.

I used to hate dressage, but I wanted to event, and I needed better marks for my dressage, so I thought it would be a good idea to sign up and do it. It massively improved my dressage for the summer, and it made myself and Johnny Cash get out of the field and kept his competition mind-set.

It is good fun and it's not too serious which makes it relaxed and for those who get nervous about competing this is a great stepping stone towards it, as it makes you more confident for further competitions you want to enter for.

I would highly recommend it if you want to get your horse out in winter and also improve your dressage/groundwork.

It helped me a lot and helped me turn a non-dressage horse into one!

PLUS, it was great fun, and it got my mum out too so she would have a chinwag ...



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SPOND

Welcome to **SPOND!**

Many of you have now joined **SPOND** and are hopefully enjoying being able to see all PPC team events in one place. We would love for all members to use the platform as it's a great way for the PC Committee to gauge interest and have a 2-way communication platform for our Team events.



There are always lots of questions around team events, so it's great way to keep on top of what is happening and those last-minute queries such as "do we need to plait up?!"

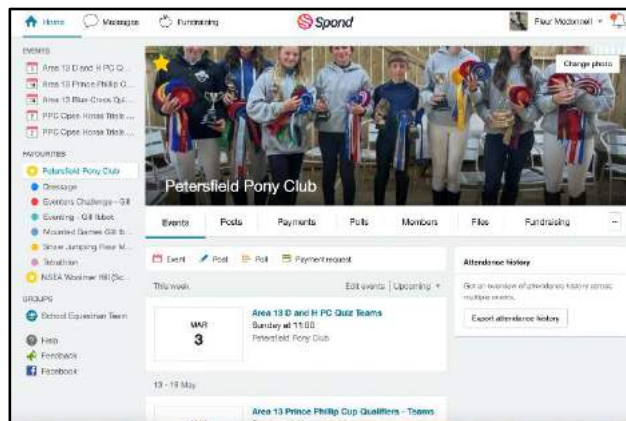
Sometimes we may also use the Poll function to gain your feedback or an easy way to let us know what height you would like to compete at.

Area and Regional qualifiers are also on **SPOND**, with eligibility, google form link and all the details you need.

You can download **SPOND** as an App or just use it on your browser.

The link to join is: <https://group.spond.com/BHWDP>

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PROFILE ON PAST PETERSFIELD PONY CLUB MEMBER

. EVIE DENTON

I joined Petersfield Pony Club on 14 October 2011 with my 11.2hh Welsh A pony called Monty. I knew straight away that showjumping was what I wanted to do, and when I could jump big enough to join an Elaine Wilson Rally, I became obsessed!



A few ponies later and I started getting more serious with a 13hh Welsh C called Archie. He was a great all-rounder, and we were lucky enough to represent Petersfield in eventing, showjumping, dressage, tetrathlon and even mounted games! Archie was happiest showjumping and as a partnership we qualified for Regional and National Pony Club Championships, as individuals and as part of the team. Together we started NSEA showjumping and arena eventing, and British Showjumping.

I returned to Pony Club Champs a few years later on my first horse called Commitment (stable name Nibbles). Nibs taught me quickly and whilst riding him at a BS Academy lesson I was offered a place on a Training Pathway with British Showjumping. Things moved quite quickly, and I was training up to three times a week with the academy coach. Nibbles gave me a taste for jumping bigger, however he was more comfortable at 120cm so a second horse and quickly a third horse were purchased. Buddy and Indigo joined Nibs and we started jumping at international shows and abroad. Unfortunately, a freak accident meant Buddy had to have a year off and Indigo stepped up to be my main horse.



Indigo and I were selected to jump for GB in 2022 in Austria. This was an incredible experience, and she jumped her socks off for me. The team placed 5th, and I was in the top 25 in the final Grand Prix.

Sadly, more bad luck and Indi sustained a career-ending soft tissue injury. She is now living her best life as a mummy, with her first foal due any day now! Buddy came back to fitness and has jumped some super tracks. We have qualified for BS Nationals at 130cm, and I am reluctant to jump him any bigger than this due to old injury.



I now also have Milly to jump the bigger tracks on and we have just finished a few weeks at the Sunshine Tour in Vejer de la Frontera, Spain. We have competed up to 145cm and will aim for a Nations Cup Team in future years.

I now have 6 horses in total! Buddy, Milly, Indigo, Nibbles, plus Billy who I backed last year as a 4-year-old, and Bella who is older to gain ring experience on.

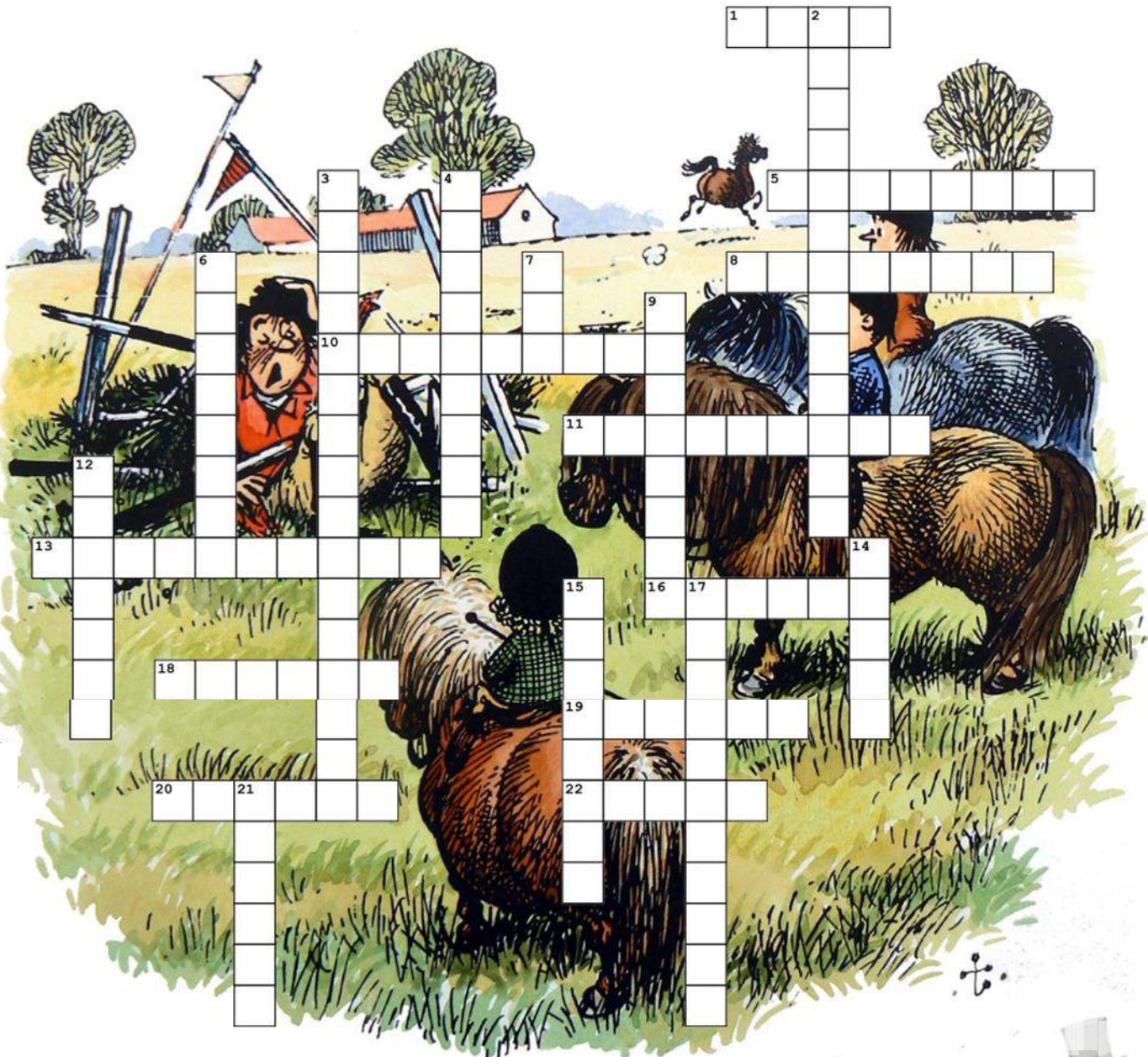
PPC introduced me to all the disciplines and taught me how to look after my pony properly. I made the best friends, and camps were always the highlight of my year. We had excellent instructors who shared their passion and enthusiasm.

Now is a good time to thank everyone involved – all the volunteers, parents and Committee Members who made it all possible, and made Pony Club days the best!



PONY QUIZ

FIRST 5 CORRECT CROSSWORDS WHATSAPP'd TO GILL WILL WIN A **PRIZE!**
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Across

1. Hair along neck (4)
5. Used for transport (5, 3)
8. Some horses are this colour (8)
10. Always wear one of these (6, 3)
11. A breed of horse (9)
13. Horse highway (10)
16. A horse's home (6)
18. Top speed on a horse or pony (6)
19. Name of Penelope's Thelwell pony (6)
20. What you sit on (6)
22. An area for dressage (5)

Down

2. Hampshire based pony breed (3, 6, 4)
3. Horse race in Liverpool (3, 5, 8)
4. Annual British equestrian event (9)
6. Famous pony cartoonist (8)
7. Keeps them warm and dry (3)
9. A place for your feet (8)
12. Fits shoes (7)
14. Used for steering (5)
15. A riding event for young riders (8)
17. British association for your riders (3, 4, 4)
21. Circular markings, most often on greys (6)

ARENA EVENTING

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Arena Eventing Rallies proved very popular again this year, with most full to capacity; we do hope you enjoyed them!

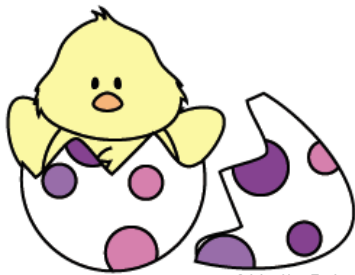
It is such a great way to practice and gain experience over tricky cross country fences or to just give cross country a try in the safety of an arena.

We went to Hickstead, Castle Copse and Wellington Riding (sadly weather meant Pyecombe was cancelled). All offer a great variety of fences and a brilliant chance to practice through the water too.

We will be starting again in October, so do look out for the Rallies on PPCs Facebook page and Entrymaster.



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The Forest Community Centre hosts a wide variety of community groups and clubs for both children and adults throughout the week. We have a number of rooms of various sizes right up to the main hall to hire and offer photocopying, email and fax services.

Our large sports/function hall is ideal for private parties and celebrations as well as corporate training and seminars.

The Forest Community Centre is also home to East Hampshire District Country – Community Transport

Please call us for further details of our activity or to book for a function



DRESSAGE REPORT

Julie Gordon



Petersfield Pony Club held their Annual Dressage Show on Sunday 25 February 2024 at Priory Equestrian, Frensham.

We would like to thank everyone who volunteered at the event; it is impossible to run events without your support!

Very well done to all members who represented PPC; you were all beautifully turned out and many congratulations to all who were in the ribbons 🏆🏆🏆🏆🏆



Class 1: PC Walk & Trot Dressage Test 2022

Petersfield Dancing Vivas were placed **SECOND**.

Isla Wilson | Arqueiro, Alivia Palmer | Trefriw Golden Flute, Charlotte Haynes | Aggie A La Folie and Ellie Carter | FM Pixie

Section A

2nd Charlotte Hayes | Aggie A La Folie and Best Petersfield Member

3rd Rebecca Puddick | Bilbo

6th Isla Wilson | Arqueiro

Section B

9th Agatha Howard | Norah and Best Petersfield Member



Class 2: Preliminary PC70 Dressage Test 2022

Petersfield Flying Changes were placed **THIRD**. Charlotte Haynes | Aggie A La Folie, Rebecca Puddick | Bilbo, Ellie Carter | FM Pixie and Bella Deadman | Charlie

Section A

6th Rebecca Puddick | Bilbo and Best Petersfield Member

Section B

5th Ellie Carter | FM Pixie

6th Bella Deadman | Charlie

Class 3: PC Grassroots Dressage Test 2018

Petersfield Pirouettes were placed **FIRST**. Bella Forster | Midnight Rebel, Flo Hood | Lenny, Sophia Monk | Bertie and Trinity Clement | N'ice Lass

Individual placings:

1st Trinity Clement | N'ice Lass and Best Petersfield Member

2nd Sophia Monk | Bertie

4th Flo Hood | Lenny

6th Bella Forster | Midnight Rebel

Class 4: PC Novice Dressage Test 2020

Petersfield Piaffes were placed **FIRST**. Sophia Monk | Bertie, Trinity Clement | N'ice Lass and Freya Hood | Rossamhill Jim

Individual placings:

=2nd Sophia Monk | Bertie and Trinity Clement | N'ice Lass plus = Best Petersfield Member

5th Freya Hood | Rossamhill Jim

Great Results! 🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳



HORSE TRIALS

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The Horse Trial season will soon be starting again so make the most of all the Dressage and Showjumping Rallies we have arranged to brush up your skills.

The Area and Grassroots Qualifiers are in June and July for PC70, PC80, PC90, PC100 and PC110 so get those dates in your diary and let me know if you would like to be considered for the teams.

Pony Club Events

- Sun 28 April – ODE | Bisley & Sandown Chase
- Sun 5 May - Hunter Trials | Crawley & Horsham Hunt (South)
- Mon 6 May - Introduction to Eventing | Vine
- Sun 19 May - Open Hunter Trials | Wokingham
- Sun 28 May - Mini ODE | Lord Leconfield Hunt
- **Sun 2 June - ODE 80/90/100 Coombelands, Petersfield**
- Sun 9 June – ODE | Chiddingfold
- Sun 7 July - Area 13 Horse Trials Qualifiers | The Henley Showground

Here is a link to the Pony Club Eventing Rule Book for any questions you may have.

<https://resources.pcuk.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Rulebook-Eventing-2024-Final-Web-v050124.pdf>

Cheryl Noble will be arranging some dates for Area/Regional Eventing training sessions. If you are interested, please contact Cheryl: cherylnoble@gmail.com or 07775 816017.





MOUNTED GAMES

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Mounted Games Rallies will continue with the kind permission of Jenny Wilson and also joint practices at Chiddingfold Pony Club.

Additional rally sessions may be added according to demand and hopefully so we can have teams at the Area 13 Qualifiers on Sunday 21 May 2023.

If you would like to be notified of these additional rallies, please contact Penny Ibbott on penny.ibbott.15@gmail.com; she will add you to the WhatsApp group.



Mounted Games is a team sport that combines a love of ponies and friends with various races. Teams of four or five riders and ponies take part in a series of exciting and exhilarating races at all levels.

Often run on grass or all-weather surfaces, Mounted Games is an adaptation of Gymkhana and is great fun for you, your pony, and your team. You can develop skills such as improving accuracy, agility, concentration, speed, hand to eye-coordination, teamwork and sportsmanship whilst having lots of fun playing some imaginative games.

All ponies and riders are welcome to have a go from beginner to more experienced, there is room for everyone.

It's a lot of fun and there are many friendly competitions to practice your skills.



POLOCROSSE

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Check out the website: <https://pcuk.org/polocrosse/>

Polocrosse provides the Pony Club with a team competition requiring courage, determination, and all-round riding ability on the part of the rider and careful and systematic training of the pony.

It encourages a higher standard of riding through the Pony Club and to stimulate among the future generation a greater interest in riding as a sport and as a recreation. It is suitable for ordinary children on ordinary ponies and encourages a strong and unselfish team spirit.



PONY RACING

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All fixtures, entry details and results can be found: <https://pcuk.org/pony-racing/>

What is Pony Racing?

Pony racing mirrors the Horse Racing you see on the television. Held on licenced racecourses across the UK (such as Ascot and Cheltenham), pony racing allows Pony Club members to experience the thrill and experience of racing - but on ponies!

Members wishing to give Pony Racing a go must be aged 9 years on 1 January (in the current calendar year) and can race up until the day of their 17th birthday.

The ponies taking part must be aged between 5 and 20 years old and be fit and sound to race. They must also measure no more than 148cm.

The Pony Club works closely with The Pony Racing Authority (PRA), pony racing's governing body, to provide young people with opportunities to race in point-to-point and the Racecourse Series.

It's great fun for the children and adults.

Again, please contact Nicola as above if you would like to know anything and she would be more than happy to help





SHOWJUMPING REPORT Elodie Ashby Rudd



PONY CLUB SPRING FESTIVAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The first step to Champs was to qualify! Lola Daw and I were the only Petersfield members riding – sadly others had had to pull out.

It was a typically very early start to get to the Qualifier, but it was worth it. This was the first time Elvis had been out this year, so he was very excited! In the 1m I was confident that I had a chance of qualifying – Elvis had been going so well over the winter. During my round I was very determined – and was very lucky it all played out to my advantage. I managed to come **THIRD** giving me a place at Champs.

Walking the course for the 1.10m was a very funny experience. Lola was also doing the same heights as me – and when walking the course, we spent most of the time nervously laughing due to how big it was. After an energetic warm up, Elvis was on fire – he pulled me round the course, and I was very lucky to again qualify as I somehow came **FIFTH!**

Preparing for Champs was stressful. Excitingly Lola was able to come with me, so we chatted and planned a lot. We both have GCSEs this year, so this was going to be a ‘working’ away show! Your GCSE year means a lot of work - having to balance organising for a stay away show, riding and work is challenging – I can’t wait for the end of my exams! We collected Lola after school, and headed up on very busy roads for a very long (4 hour) journey – chatting and listening to music all the way! We arrived at Arena UK at around 8.00 pm on the Friday night. There was a great buzz, with lots of lorries and trailers all parked, and arriving during the evening. The stables were close to the lorry park, and we settled Elvis into his stable and organised all the kit for the morning.

It was very exciting waking up on the first morning. Having fed a very sleepy Elvis, Lola and I took a cup of tea and went to watch other classes going on. We didn’t stop talking about horses the entire time. My class started at 5.00 pm at night! This meant I had mountains of time to worry about it, whilst also having to do too much work! The atmosphere for the entire weekend was so upbeat and fun with lots of horsey chatter. Having fed Elvis and hand walked him, Lola and I went to go start plaiting him – and found him flat out asleep – totally relaxed in his stable. We left him to snooze – went and got on with some work.

Soon it was time to compete. We got him ready. The first class was in fact the 110cm warm up class. The sun was setting, it was magical as we walked down. As Elvis and I can both get quite nervous in new atmospheres we decided to do the warm-up class for the 1.10m as well as doing the main class. As my class was the only class going on there was a lot of people watching. Before leaving for Champs, I had talked to my coach, and we had decided to only do the first 6 fences in the 1.10m warm up class as there was a lot of riding still to do. This meant that I retired after fence 6 which got some confused looks as Elvis really stepped up and jumped a really lovely round.

The pressure was on for the 1.10m Grand Prix. Elvis jumped out of his skin but unfortunately the nerves got to me meaning I had a pole. I was so happy to even get there in the first place though.

The next day it was again a very long wait till my class - as I was again the last class of the day. Thankfully however it started at 3.00 pm instead of 5.00 pm. I again decided to do the warm up class however this time it was for the 1m. We both decided that this round we wanted to go quickly. This showed with a very fast and clear round to come **SECOND**. Moving on from the warmup class and some more waiting around it was time for the 1m champs. I was determined to do well in this class and Elvis produced a very classy clear in the first round. The jump off was very competitive, he went brilliantly but an unlucky pole meant we didn’t place.

I loved the experience – and it was so fun to have Lola there too.



TETRATHLON & TRIATHLON Trinity Clement

On Saturday 17 February, I competed in the Area 13 Winter Triathlon Qualifier in Newbury.

Pony Club Triathlon consists of swimming, running, and shooting. I have just moved up from Juniors to Open, which means I am now competing against 15-25 year olds.



I have to shoot turning targets from 10m, swim as far as I can in 3 minutes and run 1500m.

I started off with a decent shoot for my second competition over 10m, of 840 out of 1000. This was then followed by my swim where I got 10 lengths 4m. I was in first place by this point with just the run left to go. I then won the cross country run with a reasonable time, this gave me Best Run to go with Best Swim and Best Shoot in my age group and kept me in first place overall, qualifying me for the Winter Tri Finals in March.

On Saturday 23 March, we travelled up to Grantham in Lincolnshire so we would be there ready for an early start at the Winter Triathlon Finals on Sunday 24 March.

I started off with the shoot, where I scored a disappointing 780, leaving me in 39th position, but I looked forward to the other two elements. Up next, I had the run, which is held on a proper running track, where I came 5th in the fastest heat with a time of 5.36. It was slightly off my PB, but this pulled me up to 16th place. Finally, I had the swim; I was really looking forward to this. I PB'd with 10 lengths 8 metres which I was really pleased with considering there were no dive blocks, and the swim was after the run, so I was already feeling tired.



I placed **FIFTH** in the end which was pleasing considering I'm a first year Open/Intermediate, and three of the ladies above me were in their late teens and early twenties.

