

## WEST KENT (SEVENOAKS) BRANCH OF THE PONY CLUB

Dear Members,

We hope you all enjoyed our busy summer. Details of your achievements, results, and some excellent photos are on our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/West-Kent-Sevenoaks-Pony-Club-page-217574575291043/](http://www.facebook.com/West-Kent-Sevenoaks-Pony-Club-page-217574575291043/)

This newsletter gives you our Autumn programme and lots of dates for 2025 with more to come.

See you all soon !

### AUTUMN PROGRAMME

- Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Oct C Test stable management at Judd Wood Farm, Tonbridge TN118AB 5.15pm  
By invitation only **£10** (Mrs Sollis)
- Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Oct Dressage rally at Westover, Mill Lane Underriver TN15 0SE (morning rally)  
with C.Stryzyk ½ hour individual or 1 hour in a pair - **£17.50** (Mrs Sollis)
- Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Oct Pony Racing Training rally at Mayfield **£30**.email [westkentsevenoaks@pcuk.org](mailto:westkentsevenoaks@pcuk.org) for details.
- Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Oct C Test riding rally at Lockskinners ,Rectory Lane, Chiddingstone  
TN8 7ND. 11am. By invitation only **£30** (Mrs Sollis)
- Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Oct Gridwork rally with S.Richardson at Roughway Farm Arena, Tonbridge TN11 9SN  
From 10am. **£15** (Ms Davison)
- Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Oct C Test stable management at Hawden Cottage Hildenborough TN119BG 3pm  
By invitation only **£10** (Mrs Sollis)
- Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Oct Show Jumping rally at Roughway Farm Arena, Tonbridge TN11 9SN  
From 10am with C.Kruger Fences from 80cms – 1m + **£25** (Mrs Lawson)  
afternoon rally with P.Howe. Fences up to 70cms **£20** (Ms Davison)
- Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Oct Tetrathlon rally, shoot and run training at Fish Pond Farm, Tonbridge TN11 8AA  
3pm. Open to all members, ideal first Tetrathlon rally. **£5** (Mrs Bastable)
- Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Oct Working rally, ride only with J.Bowen at Roughway Farm Arena, Tonbridge TN11 9SN  
Open to all. 10.30am D & D+ Test can be assessed/taken at this rally. **£10** (Mrs Gilman)
- Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Oct C Test riding rally at Lockskinners ,Rectory Lane, Chiddingstone  
TN8 7ND. 11am. By invitation only **£30** (Mrs Sollis)
- Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Oct Winter fun games rally at Hadlow College TN11 0AL 1 – 3pm. Suitable for all  
members including lead rein. **£10** (Mrs Sollis)
- Tues 29<sup>th</sup> Oct Pony Race Day at Lingfield.- email [westkentsevenoaks@pcuk.org](mailto:westkentsevenoaks@pcuk.org) for info.
- Weds 30<sup>th</sup> Oct Cross Country Rally at Lodge Farm, Bramble Reed Lane, Matfield TN12 7ET  
From 12pm. Fences 70 – 90cms **£35** (Mrs Crane)
- Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> Oct Visit to Lingfield Vets TN8 5QS. For members 10yrs and over. **£2** (Mrs Sollis)  
9am – noon. Tour of the practice, theatre, scanner etc and demo in basic lameness,  
wound care and more. Suitable for members taking C Test and above.  
Numbers are limited, so members only please.
- Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Nov C Test at Judd Wood Farm TN11 8AB 2pm. Invitation only. **£15** (Mrs Sollis)
- Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Nov Quiz team rally at Sackville School 6 – 7.30pm. *See attached flyer* (Ms Ray)
- Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov Dressage rally at Hawden Cottage, Hildenborough TN11 9BG from 10am with  
C.Stryzyk ½ hour individual or 1 hour in a pair **£17.50** (Mrs Sollis)
- Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Nov Arena Eventing Rally with A.Ford at Lower Brenchley Farm, Watermans  
Lane, Brenchley TN12 6ND from 1pm. 70cms and above **£20** (Mrs Crane)

- Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Nov Gridwork rally with S.Richardson at Roughway Farm Arena, Tonbridge TN11 9SN  
From 10am. **£15** (Ms Davison)
- Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Nov Working rally with Quiz and cake ! at Judd Wood Farm, Tonbridge TN11 8AB  
1 – 3pm with C.Scott & S.Williams **£10** (Mrs Gilman)
- Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Nov C Test at Judd Wood Farm TN11 8AB 2pm. Invitation only. **£15** (Mrs Sollis)
- Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Nov Tetrathlon rally, shoot and run training at Fish Pond Farm, Tonbridge TN11 8AA  
3pm. Open to all members, ideal first Tetrathlon rally. **£5** (Mrs Bastable)
- Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov Show Jumping & Arena Eventing at Petley Wood TN33 ORE. See notes
- Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Nov Quiz team rally at Sackville School 6 – 7.30pm *See attached flyer* (Ms Ray)
- Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Dec Dressage rally at Hawden Cottage, Hildenborough TN11 9BG from 10am  
with C.Stryzyk ½ hour individual or 1 hour in a pair - **£17.50** (Mrs Sollis)
- Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Dec Indoor Show Jumping at Eaglesfield EC West Yoke, Ash TN15 7HT  
From 10am From 80cms with C.Kruger . from 10am **£30** (Mrs Lawson)  
Up to 70cms with P.Howe, from 1pm **£25** (Ms Davison)
- Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Dec Mounted Games Christmas competition at Hadlow College TN11 0AP  
For all members who have been to a games rally **£10** (Mrs Sollis)
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- Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Jan Dressage rally at Hawden Cottage, Hildenborough TN11 9BG from 10am  
with C.Stryzyk ½ hour individual or 1 hour in a pair - **£17.50** (Mrs Sollis)
- Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Jan Quiz team rally at Sackville School 6 – 7.30pm *See attached flyer* (Ms Ray)
- Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Jan Indoor Show Jumping at Eaglesfield EC West Yoke, Ash TN15 7HT  
Up to 70cms with P.Howe from 1pm **£25** (Ms Davison)
- Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Jan Eventing rally with C.Kruger at Hickstead. AM Fences from 80cms. **£55** (Mrs Crane)
- Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Jan Winter fun games rally at Hadlow College TN11 0AL 1 – 3pm. Suitable for all  
members including lead rein. **£10** (Mrs Sollis)
- Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Jan Quiz team rally at Sackville School 6- 7.30pm *See attached flyer* (Ms Ray)
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- Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb Dressage rally at Hawden Cottage, Hildenborough TN11 9BG from 10am  
with C.Stryzyk ½ hour individual or 1 hour in a pair - **£17.50** (Mrs Sollis)
- Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Feb Show Jumping rally with C.Kruger. More details to follow.....
- Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Feb Dressage competition** at Hadlow. Barrier spring festival qualifier. Details to follow
- Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Feb Working rally, ride only at Roughway Farm Arena Tonbridge TN11 9SN  
Open to all **£10** (Mrs Gilman)
- Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb Winter fun games rally at Hadlow College TN11 0AL 1 – 3pm. Suitable for all  
members including lead rein. **£10** (Mrs Sollis)
- Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Feb Quiz team rally at Sackville School 6 – 7.30pm *See attached flyer* (Ms Ray)
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- Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Mar Dressage rally at Hawden Cottage, Hildenborough TN11 9BG from 10am  
with C.Stryzyk ½ hour individual or 1 hour in a pair - **£17.50** (Mrs Sollis)
- Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Mar AREA Quiz More details to follow .....
- Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Mar Show Jumping rally with C.Kruger. More details to follow.....
- Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Mar Working rally at Judd Wood Farm, Tonbridge TN11 8AB **£10** (Mrs Gilman)
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members including lead rein. **£10** (Mrs Sollis)

## **RALLY NOTES**

All rallies are booked through Horse-Events <https://www.horse-events.co.uk/pony-club-rallies/?pcbc=534f7310-c56c-e911-a9a5-00224800c3e8> **October, November & December** rallies can be booked now. We'll let you know when booking opens for 2025. All rally times will be emailed.

## **Dress Code at Rallies**

At mounted rallies please wear beige/cream or dark coloured jodhpurs, jodhpur boots or riding boots, and either a red WKS polo shirt - sweatshirt – jacket OR a shirt and pony club tie, badge, a hacking jacket (you may wear a black/navy jacket if you don't have a hacking jacket) and a black/navy/brown hat cover (without a pom-pom !). Hair tied back please. Numnah/saddlecloths may be white, black, brown or navy. Please remember – No Earrings and your tack should be plain and clean ! Also it is compulsory for chinstraps to be done up correctly when mounted. If you have any questions regarding dress the rally organiser will be happy to answer your queries.

**PARENTS – Please remember not to instruct, encourage or reprimand your child whilst they are with their instructor and please remind them to thank their instructor too.**

**And please don't forget your poop scoop so we leave everywhere clean & tidy – Thank you**

## **SHOW JUMPING & ARENA EVENTING COMPETITION – SAT 23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER**

Instead of the usual dressage and show jumping show, this year we are holding a show jumping and arena eventing competition at Petley Wood E.C. nr Battle (on the A21) TN33 0RE.

SJ classes from cross poles to 60cm, then arena eventing from 70cm - 1m, and it's a good opportunity to practise ahead of the Barrier Spring Festival Arena Eventing qualifier at Hadlow on 30 November. We'll send you all a schedule as soon as it's ready.

## **The Barrier Spring Festival**

The Barrier Spring Festival is a competition series for dressage, show jumping and arena eventing, with the final taking place at Addington Equestrian Centre on 1st & 2nd March 2025. Members can qualify via the Area competitions

30 Nov - Arena eventing qualifier at Hadlow (70, 80, 90 and 100cm)

8 Dec - SJ qualifier at Merrist Wood (80, 90, 100 and 110cm)

16 Feb - Dressage qualifier at Hadlow (Grassroots PC80, Nov, Int & Open)

## **EVENTING**

Many congratulations to everyone who has represented us out eventing so far this year, especially Darcy Rook who won the Open PC Championships. It's hunter trial season now - here are some dates for your diaries. If you want to compete at a PC event you must first have been to a rally on the pony you want to take to the competition, and you must let me know in advance if you are entering an event. [sarafrane@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarafrane@yahoo.co.uk)

22 September - Hunter trials at Walton-on-the-Hill (Mid Surrey PC). 45cm - 80 (including lead rein). Enter before 18 Sept at <https://myridinglife.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=482685>

29 September - Hunter trials at East Bysshe (OSBPC) - see schedule attached - 65-90cm, pairs and individuals. Enter on Horse Events: <https://www.horse-events.co.uk/horse-events/old-surrey-burstow-pc-hunter-trial-20240929/>

6 October - Hunter trials at Walton-on-the-Hill (Mid Surrey PC). 45cm - 80 (including lead rein). Enter before 2 Oct at <https://myridinglife.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=482687>

20<sup>th</sup> October – Hunter Trial at Walton-on-the-Hill (Mid Surrey PC)

30<sup>th</sup> Nov – Barrier Spring Festival Arena Eventing qualifier at Hadlow (E.Kent) 70 – 100cms

20<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – Area Eventing at Brightling

## **DRESSAGE**

On 16<sup>th</sup> Feb we are running a qualifying round for the Barrier Spring Festival at Hadlow College. The Barrier Dressage championship is on 1<sup>st</sup> March, so probably your last chance to qualify ! We'll send all members a schedule as soon as it's ready.

Upcoming competition dates.

Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Nov at Sands Farm (Surrey Union)

Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Jan at Sands Farm Barrier spring festival qualifier (Surrey Union)

Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Feb at Hadlow College Barrier spring festival qualifier (West Kent (Sevenoaks))

Sat 1<sup>st</sup> March. Barrier spring festival Dressage championship

Schedules are on the hosting branch websites. Please contact Emma Sollis -

[dc.westkentsevenoaks@pcuk.org](mailto:dc.westkentsevenoaks@pcuk.org) before you enter. Good luck

## **MOUNTED GAMES**

There are some Mounted Games pairs competitions at Bodiam suitable for anyone who has attended a Friday Night Rally. Dates - 13<sup>th</sup> Oct - 17<sup>th</sup> Nov- 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. (East Sussex Pony Club) Schedules are on the hosting branch website and please let Emma Sollis know if you are entering.

[Dc.westkentsevenoaks@pcuk.org](mailto:Dc.westkentsevenoaks@pcuk.org)

## **SHOW JUMPING**

We are pleased to continue monthly show jumping and gridwork rallies with a range of excellent instructors. They are aimed at helping pony and rider, at all levels, improve and have fun.

Please remember that all members must be seen at a rally before they compete for the first time.

Competition dates:

12th Oct – Duckhurst (Tickham)

12th Oct – Golden Cross (Southdown Hunt East)

29th Oct – Felbridge (Crawley & Horsham)

8<sup>th</sup> Dec – Merrist Wood Barrier spring festival qualifier (Cobham & Wimbledon)

23<sup>rd</sup> March - Sands Farm (Cobham & Wimbledon)

Schedules are on the hosting branch websites, but please ALWAYS contact Vic Davison

([vix\\_davison@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:vix_davison@hotmail.co.uk) for competitions up to 70cms) or Kate Lawson

([katetamblyn@btinternet.com](mailto:katetamblyn@btinternet.com) for comps 80cms and over) before you enter. If you want to be on a show jumping mailing list for competitions, please email Vic or Kate. Good luck.

## **TETRATHLON**

We are very proud of our tetrathlete Marcus Cook who is part of the UK boys first team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at the international championships and 2<sup>nd</sup> at the national champs. Individually, Marcus came 8<sup>th</sup> in Eire, 5<sup>th</sup> in N.I and 9<sup>th</sup> in England and 4<sup>th</sup> at the PC champs.

We have a Tetrathlon shoot and run rally on 13<sup>th</sup> Oct & 17<sup>th</sup> Nov, equipment is provided, please wear long trousers and trainers. It is essential to do a shoot training rally before you compete.

Triathlon competition dates (no riding at Triathlons)

29<sup>th</sup> Sept at Crowborough (Eridge)

20<sup>th</sup> Oct at Sutton Valance (Ashford Valley)

24<sup>th</sup> Nov at Walton on the Hill (Mid Surrey)

There will be further dates in Jan and Feb. Schedules are on the hosting branch websites.

Please let me know if you are entering. Good luck. Jane [juddwoodfarm@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:juddwoodfarm@hotmail.co.uk)

## **COMPETITIONS**

Anyone wishing to compete must first have attended a rally/camp on the pony they want to compete on. If you have a new pony or we haven't seen you before, please come to a rally. This is a PC rule and safety requirement.

## **HUNTING**

If you are interested in Hunting or would like more information please email [westkentsevenoaks@pcuk.org](mailto:westkentsevenoaks@pcuk.org)

## **PAYPAL**

When you use Paypal – [westkentpc@gmail.com](mailto:westkentpc@gmail.com) to pay for clothing, late rallies, entries etc please use “friends & family” and give an itemised reference. This helps us to allocate the amounts correctly. If you are paying for a competition entry you must send a copy of your Paypal receipt to the WKS team organiser, without this you will not be included in our entry. Thank you

## **CAMPS 2025**

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> July – Fri 25<sup>th</sup> July Senior Camp (for members 12yrs and older)

Mon 28<sup>th</sup> July – Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> July Junior Camp (for members 8 – 11yrs)

Tues 29<sup>th</sup> and Weds 30<sup>th</sup> July Mini Camp (for members not ready for Junior camp)

## **PARENTS**

A huge thank you to all the parents who help out at rallies and events.

If you are able to help at our **Petley Wood show on Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov** or our **Dressage competition on Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Feb** please email [sarafrane@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarafrane@yahoo.co.uk). Roles include arena stewards, gate monitors and pole pickers/arena party. Full training will be given and you'll be fed and watered!

We are all volunteers and rely on parents to get involved to enable us to offer our members lots of varied activities. If you can offer more help, or would like to become more involved in a particular discipline, please contact any committee member. We would love to hear from you and we all have great fun working together to make this branch a success.