

## January

Date	Event	Suitable for	Venue	Description
Tuesday 6th January	Horse and Pony Care - First Aid, illnesses and Diseases	Suitable for test levels E - B	Well Cottage	<p>Join us for a Horse and Pony Care Rally focused on Equine First Aid, Common Illnesses, and Diseases.</p> <p>Members will learn essential skills for recognising early signs of illness, responding to emergencies, and maintaining overall horse health and wellbeing.</p> <p>Topics covered...</p> <p><b>* E - D Level</b> - Basic horse health care covering wound treatment, illness recognition, routine checks, stable hygiene, and key prevention measures like vaccinations and parasite control.</p> <p><b>* D+ - C Level</b> - Advanced horse health care, including serious first aid, broader illness recognition and management, vital-sign monitoring, treatment of common health issues, strong prevention practices, understanding when veterinary care is needed, and managing chronic conditions.</p> <p><b>* C+ - B Level</b> - Advanced equine health care involving serious first aid, in-depth illness and infectious disease management, chronic condition care, detailed parasite control, comprehensive monitoring of health and vital signs, advanced hoof and dental care, and strong preventative measures including vaccinations, deworming, and environmental management.</p>
Saturday 10th January	Showjumping Rally - Jump Off practice	Suitable for everyone jumping Cross Poles upwards	Attington Stud	<p>This Showjumping Rally will concentrate on Jump Off practice, helping riders refine their course-riding strategies, develop quick decision-making skills, and enhance overall performance under timed conditions.</p>
Saturday 17th January	Dressage Rally	Suitable for all abilities riding off the lead rein	Attington Stud	<p>This Dressage Working Rally will focus on progressive flatwork training to refine movements, improve rider position, and build stronger horse-rider communication for future tests and competitions.</p>
Sunday 18th January	Horse and Pony Care - Bits and bridles	Suitable for test levels E - B	Well Cottage	<p>This Horse and Pony Care session will cover Bits and Bridles, exploring how different designs influence control, comfort, and communication between horse and rider. Members will also learn correct fitting and maintenance techniques.</p> <p>Topics covered...</p> <p><b>* E - D Level</b> - Basic understanding of common bits and bridles, including identifying simple snaffle bits, recognising correct fit, and knowing basic parts and purposes.</p> <p><b>* D+ - C Level</b> - Intermediate knowledge of bits and bridles, including understanding how different snaffles and mild leverage bits work, fitting and adjusting various bridles, and choosing appropriate options for different horses.</p> <p><b>* C+ - B Level</b> - Advanced understanding of bits and bridles, including the function and action of a wide range of snaffles, leverage and double bits, evaluating fit and suitability for individual horses, and making informed decisions to support performance and comfort.</p>
Sunday 18th January	AGM	Everyone	Henley Rugby Club	<p>The Annual General Meeting (AGM) provides an opportunity to review the year's activities, present reports, elect committee members, and outline plans for the coming year. All members are encouraged to attend.</p>
Sunday 25th January	Woodland Hunt Showjumping Competition	Those jumping 40cm - 110cm	BCA	<p>A fun and friendly Pony Club Showjumping Competition, open to all Pony Club members! This event also forms part of the Area 12 Winter Showjumping League, giving riders a great opportunity to gain experience and earn league points.</p>

## February

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Sunday 1st February	<b>Spring Festival Area 12 Showjumping Qualifier</b>			
Tuesday 3rd February	Horse and Pony Care - Turnout of Horse and Rider	Suitable for test levels E to C+	Well Cottage	<p>Horse and Pony Care Rally focuses on the Turnout of Horse and Rider. Learn how to present both horse and rider to the highest standard. We'll also be asking for volunteers to help create video content to showcase turnout tips and examples.</p> <p>Topics covered...</p> <p><b>* E - D Level</b> - Basic understanding of clean, safe, and tidy turnout for both horse and rider, including simple grooming, correctly fitting basic tack, and wearing appropriate riding clothing.</p> <p><b>* D+ - C Level</b> - Improved turnout skills, including presenting a well-groomed horse, correctly fitted and adjusted tack, neat rider appearance, and awareness of discipline-appropriate turnout standards.</p> <p><b>* C+ - B Level</b> - Advanced turnout knowledge, focusing on high-standard horse presentation, discipline-specific tack and equipment choices, immaculate grooming and rider attire, and preparing both horse and rider to meet formal competition or inspection expectations.</p>
Sunday 8th February	Working rally - Pony swapping	Suitable for members from D+ to B	Attington Stud	<p>Get ready for some fun at our Pony Swapping Rally! Riders will have the chance to ride different ponies, helping them develop adaptability, balance, and confidence while learning how to adjust their riding style to suit each pony. Great for older members working towards their B test in the future too.</p> <p>Woodland Hunt reserves the right to assess the suitability of both the member and pony before this session and may refuse entry if it is felt that they are not ready or prepared.</p>
Saturday 14th February	Working rally - Valentines Day drill ride training	Suitable for all ages and abilities	Dorney Court Stables	<p>Celebrate Valentine's Day in the saddle at our Working Rally – Drill Ride Training! Riders will work together in pairs and groups to practice precision, timing, and teamwork in a fun, themed session.</p>
Monday 16th February	Horse and Pony Care - Feeding including weighbridge	Suitable for test levels E to B	BCA	<p>This Horse and Pony Care session will cover Feeding and Nutrition, with a hands-on opportunity to use the weighbridge.</p> <p>Members will learn how to assess condition, calculate feed quantities, and understand the importance of correct nutrition for health and performance.</p> <p>Topics covered...</p> <p><b>* E - D Level</b> - Basic understanding of feeding, including knowing common feed types, providing clean water, simple rationing, and recognising why weighing feed and monitoring weight is important.</p> <p><b>* D+ - C Level</b> - Intermediate feeding knowledge, including balancing simple rations, understanding forage vs. concentrates, using a weighbridge or weight tape accurately, and adjusting feed based on workload and condition.</p> <p><b>* C+ - B Level</b> - Advanced feeding skills, including formulating appropriate diets for different needs, interpreting weighbridge data, managing weight-related issues, and applying nutritional principles to maintain optimal health and performance.</p>
Monday 16th February	Master class with Caroline Hawkins	Suitable to those who have passed their C+ test and above	Attington Stud	<p>This Pony Club Masterclass, led by Caroline Hawkins, will focus on Biometrics, giving members the opportunity to understand how to measure and analyse rider and horse movement to optimise training and performance.</p>
Wednesday 18th February	Working Rally - Pole work	Suitable for all ages and abilities	BCA	<p>Enhance your riding skills at our Pole work Working Rally! Riders will work on stride control, accuracy, and confidence over poles in a fun and supportive environment.</p>
Sunday 22nd February	Arena XC Rally	Suitable for those jumping 70cm +	Attington Stud	<p>Get ready for some fun at our Arena XC Rally! Riders will navigate a range of jumps and natural-style obstacles, improving balance, timing, and confidence in a supportive setting.</p>

## March

Date	Event	Suitable for	Venue	Description
Sunday 1st March	<b>Dodson and Horrell Pony Club Quiz Qualifier</b>			
Saturday 7th March	Showjumping Clinic -Sharon Quant	Suitable for those jumping 80cm +	April Farm	<p>This Specialist Showjumping Clinic, led by Sharon Quant, provides riders with expert guidance on technique, course strategy, and performance development over jumps. Part of the session will be conducted dismounted to enhance understanding of line, pace, and approach.</p> <p>The session will be 3 hours (one group, morning and the second group, afternoon).</p> <p>Group one jumping height 80+ Group two jumping height 90+</p>
Sunday 8th March	Horse and Pony Care - Equipment Safety	Suitable for test levels E to B	Well Cottage	<p>This Horse and Pony Care session will focus on Equipment Safety, including inspection, maintenance, and correct usage of tack and riding gear to promote safety and comfort for horse and rider.</p> <p>Topics covered...</p> <p>* <b>E - D Level</b> - Basic awareness of equipment safety, including checking tack for obvious wear, ensuring simple items fit correctly, and using equipment in a safe and appropriate way.</p> <p>* <b>D+ - C Level</b> - Intermediate understanding of equipment safety, including identifying subtle signs of damage or poor fit, maintaining tack properly, and ensuring all riding and yard equipment is correctly used and stored.</p> <p>* <b>C+ - B Level</b> - Advanced equipment safety knowledge, including evaluating the condition and suitability of a wide range of tack and yard equipment, recognising safety risks before they develop, and ensuring high standards of maintenance, fit, and correct usage.</p>
Saturday 14th March	Arena Eventing Rally	Suitable for those 50cm and upwards	BCA	Our Arena Eventing Rally gives riders the chance to practice dressage, jumping, and cross-country skills in a fun, supportive arena setting.
Sunday 22nd March	Woodland Hunt Hack	Everyone - will begrouped on abilities and independence levels	BCA	Hop into spring with our Easter Woodland Hunt Hack! Riders will enjoy a fun, safe ride through woodland trails with an Easter-themed twist and festive activities along the way.
Tuesday 24th March	Horse and Pony Care - Worm Control	Suitable for test levels E to B	Well Cottage	<p>Join us for a Horse and Pony Care Rally focused on Worm Control, learning how to protect your horse's health through effective parasite management.</p> <p>Topics covered...</p> <p>* <b>E - D Level</b> - Basic understanding of worm control, including recognising the need for regular worming, knowing what wormers are, and understanding simple stable and pasture hygiene.</p> <p>* <b>D+ - C Level</b> - Intermediate knowledge of worm control, including understanding targeted worming, recognising signs of worm burden, collecting faecal samples when required, and applying good pasture-management practices.</p> <p>* <b>C+ - B Level</b> - Advanced worm-control knowledge, including interpreting faecal egg count results, understanding parasite lifecycles, developing an effective worm-management plan, and adjusting strategies based on season, horse type, and risk factors.</p>
Saturday 28th - Monday 30th March	<b>Spring Festival - Addington Manor Equestrian Centre</b>			