



Cambridge and District Riding Club

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Ramblings from the chair...

The May Show at Cottenham has just taken place. Sadly the traditional sunshine abandoned us this year, and instead we had rain and a bitter wind. Nonetheless the hardy still turned out in force, and although total entries were down, we still had a successful day. Thanks are due to all those members who helped set up on the Saturday, but especial thanks to all those who stood out in the weather on Sunday to keep the show on the road. We could not have done it without you! The photographer present at the show was www.marstonphotographics.co.uk and some of the results should be up on the club website soon.

The show was also the grand revealing of the new show jumps. I am sure that all of you who saw them will agree that the new course looked rather splendid, and it appeared to jump well. So a massive thank you to everyone who has helped fundraise and to our generous benefactor in allowing this purchase. We are hoping to use them again for a summer show.

Bad weather was causing havoc as I wrote for the last newsletter, as we set off for camp at Waresley Park in February. Rain prevented us using the cross country course, but was unable to dampen our spirits. Fifteen riders gathered for a concentrated weekend of instruction. Waresley provided excellent facilities allround: arenas, jumps, gallops, stabling and housing for the riders. Fantastic camp "mums" kept us well fed at all times, and the company was great. We all came away ready for the oncoming season.

In between the novice showjumpers went to Hartpury and came home Champions! None more deserving than our show jumping team manager Judi. Congratulations all.

Now the summer qualifiers are approaching. Do contact team managers if you want to have a go. New faces on the teams are always welcome – see articles below for more details. For all junior teams please contact Sharron Dyke at least one month before the competition date.

Karen

Cambridge win at Hartpury!

THE NAF NOVICE INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS, HARTPURY, GLOUCS. 2ND APRIL

What a weekend Cambridge had!! First, winning the boat race and then the Senior RC team winning the novice championships!!

We all planned to arrive at Hartpury at approx. 2pm, so we set off at the appropriate times. Jane was coming from Whittlesey with her husband Russ, David with his wife Sue from Gazeley, and Nicola and I from Barton. Sharron and Rachel Dyke came to support us and they arrived at approx. 3.30pm. After settling the horses and having a cup of coffee we all went to walk the course. The jumps were all set off the walls, we had 12 jumps and 15 jumping efforts. The indoor arena is not very big, so it demanded good jumping and concentration, leaving no room for errors! 27 teams started and after the first round, 9 teams were on clear.

The second round was rather more technical (it looked huge to me) but all the horses jumped brilliantly and Cambridge were again clear, forcing a jump-off with Taunton RC. The four of us couldn't believe, that at worst we would be second. Taunton were first to go, their rider had a fast time but had a fence down. David was our first rider to go and as usual his little mare was superb and gave us a clear. Taunton's second rider went clear, in a good time. Then it was my turn, I was elated my little mare also went clear - we were all buzzing!! The third rider from Taunton had had a fence down, and unbeknown to Jane, all she had to do was jump clear, this she did (even though her horse had a slightly sore back), we were ecstatic!! We had WON!!! Nicola and her little horse didn't have to jump. We knew we had a strong team but in our wildest dreams never expected to win.

We celebrated in the evening with chocolates and champagne, as you do!! Poor David and Sue missed out on the champers though, as they had to leave straight away - Sue was judging at Towerlands early Sunday morning.

My thanks go to "my team", Russ, Sue, Sharron and Rachel for making it a truly magical and brilliant weekend.

by Judi Shaw

The winning senior team (pictured on the right) were:

Jane Moon riding Rocky
Nicola Shaw riding Earl Grey
Judi Shaw riding Disney Magic
David Smith riding Private Eye



C&DRC pre-season training camp report

Despite the torrential rain just beforehand the Waresley Park camp went ahead & we arrived on the Friday afternoon and cracked on straightaway with our first (getting to know you) training session in our groups of 5 riders with our instructors Phoebe Buckley, Nat Dixon and Owen Moore.

The XC course was waterlogged but we could still use the all-weather gallops round the park which we made full use of to warm up, cool down and to do some canter work over the weekend. We had 4 training sessions over the weekend with flatwork and lots of jumping making full use of the indoor and outdoor arenas and portable XC fences and showjumps.

The campers stayed in the self contained flats on site, and Mary Groombridge and Sharon Macleod worked tirelessly over the weekend providing an endless supply of hot drinks, cooked breakfasts, lunches afternoon tea etc There was plenty to eat and drink which was much appreciated by the riders as the weather was bit unpredictable and some got really soaked.

The horses stayed in the lovely stables at Waresley Park (where no expense has been spared in the past) and the great expanse of concrete was a welcome sight after our own muddy yards. My horse has never been so clean in February before! All the horses seemed to settle well and knuckle down to the job in hand. Charlotte Bathe popped in on Friday night for G&T's and gave a little talk on preparing the event horse. Owen, Phoebe and Frosty (Little Tiger) did an interesting dressage demo on the Saturday night giving us an insight into the progressive stages of training the event horse to do advanced level dressage.

We went to the local pub, the Duncombe Arms, for dinner on the Saturday night and then got up early again on Sunday for the last training session (so not much partying on Sat for us oldies who were flagging a bit by then) then lunch and awards on the Sunday before going home.

We have had some great feedback from this event and have lots of ideas on how we can change/improve the format, training sessions etc, and although we've considered other venues (too far away, no accommodation etc) the committee decided we should provisionally book Waresley Park again for 18-20th Feb 2011, to ensure we can get in as it's becoming a popular venue. There is plenty of time between now and then for you to give us more feedback and tell us who you would like as instructors, how you would like your camp to be run and so on.

I do hope you are all going well this season and that camp has encouraged you to have a go at the Riding Club area qualifier (Horse Trials teams) on 13th June at Milton Keynes.

By Kerry Simson

Area 7 Summer dressage qualifier

Sunday 25th July 2010 at Wittering Grange Equestrian Centre

If anyone is interested in competing for the club at the summer dressage qualifier please complete the form below and send to Rebecca Seymour, Sherbet Cottage, 131 Main Street, Witchford, Ely, Cambs, CB6 2HP. Please send by 20th June 2010 so that preliminary entries can be sent to Stoneleigh. I will need deposit cheques of £10 per class to be entered (balance to be paid before 25th July 2010). Please make cheques payable to Cambridge and District Riding Club.

If you wish to compete in the music qualifier please return form below with deposit cheque/s by Saturday 5th June. The dressage to music competition will be held on Sunday 27th June 2010 at Liscombe Park Equestrian Centre, Nr Leighton Buzzard.
N.B. Novice and Elementary tests are in 60m arenas.

Juniors please contact Sharron Dyke (Junior Co-ordinator) if you would like to take part in any of the dressage qualifiers.

Tests for 2010 (seniors):

	Team	Horse BD Points
Medium Dressage (individual only)	M61	0 – 299
Open Dressage (Team or individual)	N24	0 – 124
	N28	0 – 124
	N30	0 – 124
	E45	0 – 199
Novice Dressage (team only)	P12	Nil
Senior Pairs	Pairs 4	0 – 124
Riding Test (team or individual)	RT11	0 – 60
	RT13	0 – 124
Senior Novice DTM 0 pts	Novice Freestyle	Nil
Senior Novice DTM 0-24 pts	Novice Freestyle	0 – 124
Senior Elementary DTM	Elementary Freestyle	0 – 199
Senior Pairs DTM	Pairs Freestyle	0 - 124

If you compete as a team member you are automatically entered as an individual.

Name of rider:

Rider Membership Number

Rider BD Group (if applicable):

Contact Number: Email:

Name of Horse (as written on passport):

Number of BD dressage points:

Class/classes you wish to compete at (Please note you cannot ride on the novice open team and open team with the same horse):

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Senior Show and Style Jumping - Area Qualifiers

The 2010 summer qualifiers are being hosted by Rockingham Forest RC, these are to be held at Earls Barton, near Northampton on 18th July. Any seniors who would like to take part in these qualifiers please email or call me. Unregistered horses with previous BSJA winnings can be downgraded, so if you need details of the downgrading system then please get in touch with Judi Shaw (details below) and she can sort it out.

NOVICE

First Round max height 80cm. Second Round max height 85cm. Zero BSJA winnings, other than notional prize money gained in 70cm and 80cm classes held at BS intro shows. Horses may be currently registered with BE but must not have been placed in the first six in any BE Pre-Novice Competition.

INTERMEDIATE

First Round max height 95cm. Second Round max height 1m.
Max £175 BSJA winnings.

OPEN

First Round max height 1.1m. Second Round max height 1.15m.
Max £600 BSJA winnings.

STYLE JUMPING

The course will consist of seven obstacles, including a stile or narrow fence, plenty of "dog legs" and one double, the max height will be 85cm. Riders jump one round and are judged on the style of their riding. Max £175 BSJA winnings.

Anyone interested in jumping, please contact Judi before 23rd June by email at j.shaw@canddrc.org.uk or call her on 07702 891119 before 9pm.

Hickstead team jumping 2010

This year the BHS RC team jumping championship will be held on the 1st Aug at the RIHS.

This is a show jumping competition for teams of three riders. Teams to be made up of one novice horse and rider combination (not to have won more than £100 BSJA); one intermediate horse and rider combination (not to have won more than £175 BSJA); one open horse and rider combination (not to have won more than £300 BSJA)).

Novice horses to jump 85cm; intermediate 95cm; open 1.05m. All riders scores to count. One round against the clock, Table A4. Competitors placed on faults and time.

Anyone interested, contact Judi at j.shaw@canddrc.org.uk before 25th June. Alternatively, call Judi on 07702 891119 before 9pm.

BRC Combined Competition

This new contest consists of a riding test followed by a style jumping round. The Area 7 qualifier took place at the May show. Sadly there were not many entrants but C&DRC will be sending a senior and junior competitor to the finals at Aston le Walls at the beginning of June. Good luck to Cindy Wells and Cornelius Fudge, and to Rachel Dyke with Tom Diamond.

Don't forget the diary is updated every month on the CDRC website:

www.CandDRC.org.uk

Cross Country fence judges required

Can anyone help judge at the area one day event at Milton Keynes on Sunday June 13th? Fence judges are promised a good picnic (and an entertaining day out) in return for their time. Inexperienced people are welcome and will be fully instructed and supported on a simple fence. This event takes a huge number of volunteers, and each club needs to send a number of helpers to allow it to run. If you can assist, and be there to support the C&DRC teams, please contact Karen Froud, Mary Groombridge or Sharron Dyke. Thank you.

BRC Endurance

BRC and Endurance GB have got together to raise the profile of Club level Endurance and the new Qualifier and Championship format is up and running for this year. The nearest, local qualifying ride is on 13th June at Wimpole, so Clubs should get busy!!

The main website for the series has just been launched, and will be updated continually – see: www.rcteamevent.endurancegb.co.uk

If anyone needs help or advice, please contact Helen Gipson, Secretary Cromwell Group Endurance GB, Huntingdon & District RC on 01487 822170 or email helen_chelwood@hotmail.com

Remember to update your membership details!

Please can all members remember to let Nettie know of any change in contact details immediately so that our club database can be kept up to date. If we have the wrong contact details for you, you may miss out on important information. As well as address changes this includes changes in email address, home phone number and mobile phone number.

Info via email to Nettie as secretary@canddrc.org.uk is best if at all possible. Otherwise see your committee contact details which will have been sent to you already. Please don't expect other riding club members to tell Nettie on your behalf, even if you have given them your new contact details for some other reason! Thank you for your co-operation ☺

Dressage saddle for sale

For Sale: 17½" Frank Baines Capriole Dressage Saddle
Narrow/medium fit, brown leather. In good condition, very comfortable, sadly does not fit new horse. £300 phone Anna on 07796 524830.

Fenning Farm new ownership

Fenning Farm Equestrian Centre is now under new ownership. Ros and Ashley Blackmore have moved up from Kent and took over the centre in February. They have huge plans for the centre, including upgrading the warm up arena surface and cafe, and intend to run a variety of affiliated and unaffiliated dressage, showjumping, arena XC, clinics and schooling days. Show dates and the first clinic dates are on the website, www.fenningfarm.co.uk – and check out Fenning Farm Equestrian Centre on Facebook too! The fantastic facilities there are all available to hire, with discounts available to Cambridge and District RC members and for block bookings. Contact Ros on 01353 727109 or 07711 739300 or email ros@black-more.com for details.

Ros Blackmore is also a freelance instructor and NLP Master Coach who loves to work with people on building confidence and improving overall performance. So much of what we do with our riding comes from inside our heads, and



getting control of that is key to enjoying our riding. A keen competitor who has evented up to CCI* level she has a good understanding of the balancing act that is required for the amateur rider and their horses. The photo is her competing at Stratford Hills in 2009.

Michelle White, of Chips 4 Tack, says: "I cannot believe the progress that my horse and I have made in just a few jumping sessions with Ros. She is a fantastic trainer and the facilities at Fenning Farm are excellent."

Earith dressage show

Samantha and Vicky Impey are organising a local grass roots Dressage Show on 20th June at New Farm in Earith. This is open to everyone, but is mainly aimed at those who may not have access to transport, or those who want to do some dressage without the stress of a larger show.

The tests are Intro A, Prelim 7, Prelim 18 and Novice 27. There are rosettes to 6th place, sashes for the winners, and we have had some very generous sponsorship for prizes. There will be a photographer, light refreshments will be available, and a First Aider on site.

Samantha can be contacted at simpey@live.co.uk for more details.

May Show – Showing and Jumping Results

Pre Novice Show Jumping

1st Pony Lottie Casey – Malley
 1st Horse Tia Mc Crindle – Dewie

Novice Show Jumping

1st Pony Sophie Howse – Banner
 2nd Pony Ellie Stringer – Kelso Dancer
 3rd Pony Lauren Howse – Dilly
 1st Horse Tia McCrindle – Dewie

Open Novice Show Jumping

1st Pony Sophie Howse – Wickford Cariad
 2nd Pony Emily Peat – Miss Flair
 3rd Pony Georgia Molloy – Kira Kutaki
 1st Horse Victoria Allin – Frenchie
 2nd Horse Olivia Mahear – Nado
 3rd Horse Linda Tallitt – Chadwick

Intermediate Show Jumping

1st Pony Sophie Howse – Wickford Cariad
 1st Horse Rachel Dyke – Tom Diamond
 2nd Horse Eloise Porcari – Kapriool
 3rd Horse Claire Pearce – Miss Goldsmith

Open Show Jumping

1st Pony Caroline Howard – Tommy the Dream Machine
 1st Horse Eloise Porcari – Kapriool
 2nd Horse Rachel Dyke – Tom Diamond

Nursery Novice Working Hunter

1st Clara Bailey – Silver Sprite
 2nd Ellie Lawrence – Jumping Jack Flash

Novice Working Hunter Pony

1st Katie Lee – Farriers Find (Reserve Champion)
 2nd Elli Lawrence – Jumping Jack Flash
 3rd Emma Butler – Mister Benjamin

Novice Working Hunter Horse

1st Amy Lee – Harry XI (Champion)
 2nd Alex Crowhurst – Willow
 3rd N Sleep – Churchill

Open Working Hunter Horse/Pony

1st Chelsea Pearson – Mac the Knife
 2nd Clara Bailey – Silver Sprite

Leading Rein Pony

1st Lara Sclater – Hafdra Tallog
 2nd Sophie Willis – Templedruid Jadette
 3rd Charlotte Wombwell – Woodie

First Ridden Pony

1st Olivia Bass – Milton
 2nd Shona McNeela – Topsy

RC/PC Pony

1st Adele Rand – Prince
 2nd Kirsty Morgan – Anger Management
 3rd Fiona Stocker – Serendipity

Ridden M&M

- 1st Rebecca Welch – Holly Brook Mandarin
- 2nd Adele Rand – Prince
- 3rd J Jocelyn – Whitmore Olympia

Family Horse/Pony

- 1st Maddie Cartledge – Irish Dancer (Reserve Champion)
- 2nd Charlotte Wombwell – Woodie
- 3rd Charlotte Peet – Woody

Ridden Veteran Pony

- 1st J Jocelyn – Whitmore Olympia (Champion)
- 2nd Freya Cartledge – Nutsey
- 3rd Harvey – Gailey

In Hand Best Condition

- 1st Charlotte Peat – Handy Boy

In Hand Youngstock

- 1st Claire Elbrow – Rhydgwillim Darlene
- 2nd G Marsh – Noddy Vyse Diamond Star
- 3rd Sarah Wright –

In Hand Mountain and Moorland

- 1st Jackie Willis – Temple Druid Jadette
- 2nd Claire Elbrow – Rhydgwillim Darlene
- 3rd Alicia Sclater – Hadra Tallog

In Hand Coloured

- 1st Shelley Nash – My Way
- 2nd Julie Taylor – Summer Solstice

In Hand Driving Type

- 1st Kirsty Jackson – Gemstone Pearl
- 2nd G Marsh – Noddy Vyse Diamond Star
- 3rd Claire Elbrow – Rusty

In Hand Veteran Horse

- 1st Charlotte Kiddy – Handy Boy
- 2nd Jackie Willis – Pudsey Bear

Ridden Hunter

- 1st Christina Matthews-Brown – Master Lugana (Champion)
- 2nd Izzy Picton-Turberville – Jack Frost II (Reserve Champion)
- 3rd Amy Lee – Harry XI

Riding Horse

- 1st Christina Matthews-Brown – Master Lugana
- 2nd Emma Clarke – Amar Golden Surprise
- 3rd Izzy Picton Turberville – Jack Frost II

Riding Club Horse

- 1st Izzy Picton-Turberville – Jack Frost II
- 2nd Gemma Phillips – Poetic Pride

Ridden Coloured/Odd Coloured

- 1st Emma Childs – Aero
- 2nd Shelley Nash – My Way
- 3rd Kirsty Morgan – Anger Management

Ridden Veteran

- 1st Vicky Lee – William Supreme

Family Horse

- 1st Tia McCrindle – Dewie
- 2nd Alex Crowhurst – Willow

Rider wanted – no mucking out!

Paddy – 16.2hh 8yr old Grey ID/TB Gelding, pictured on the right.

Experienced confident rider needed as he can be green, but he has a laid back nature and enjoys having fun. Will do for any RC activities, enjoys jumping, but needs to get fit. At private yard near Parsons Drove, Cambs, with manège and good hacking. If interested contact Suzanne Muckley on 07733330947 or suzannemuckley@hotmail.com

Did you spot Nicola?

The latest 'Rider' magazine should have arrived in the post this week – C&DRC SJ teams feature in it, along with photos. In fact Nicola (Niki) Shaw is in it four times in total – did you spot them all?



FBHS Carole Broad clinic

Ever wanted a lesson with a top BHS instructor?

BHS East has brought some of the top level of BHS instructors to the East of England in a series of 6 training days, these days are aimed at any rider from grass roots, everyday riders, to aspiring competition riders to students and instructors. The ridden sessions are just under the hour and cost just £25 so they expect to sell out fast!

The Cambridgeshire day is on the 24th of May at Manor Farm EC. Sessions start at 1.30pm and go on until 8pm.

Carole Broad, who is an experienced coach with expertise in training competition riders in all disciplines, is taking the clinics. So if you're into dressage, show jumping or eventing, or just want to improve your horses way of going these clinics are for you!

These part- BHS funded training clinics are open to all levels of rider, from the grass roots every day rider, aspiring competition riders, to students and instructors, all are welcome to book a place and take part.

There are a limited number of places on the clinics, and these are on a first come basis so please book early.

Spectators are free so bring your friends!

Further details and an entry form can be obtained from Carolyn Belcher on 01480 880388 or email carolynbelcher200@yahoo.co.uk

What do you think of the newsletter?

Please send articles, photos, adverts etc for the newsletter to Cindy Wells at newsletter@canddrc.org.uk and let us know what you think of the newsletter, diary, website etc. We love to hear from as many members as possible.



C&DRC RINGSTEAD HOLIDAY Courtyard Farm, Ringstead, Norfolk

Saturday 24th – Friday 30th July 2010 (6 nights)

Courtyard Farm is about three miles from Holme beach by the shortest route. The farm has numerous tracks and nearly all the field margins can be ridden on which gives tremendous scope for really good hacking, without road work, and also joins up with the Peddars Way. It is also easy to go across country cutting out most of the roads to get to the beach. It is ideal for young horses as they can be hacked around the farm without going on the roads at all. Most of the verges are wide and the drivers seem to be much better at slowing down for horses than in Cambridgeshire. Burnham Market cross country course is within half an hour's drive.

There are eight stables and three fields available to us. The bunk barn has two dormitories that sleep twelve people, as well as having a kitchen, communal room, showers and loos. Ringstead charges are the same as last year. The cost is £102 for six nights for one person with one horse. Dogs are charged extra, at £1 per head per night. Dogs are welcome on the farm, but have to be kept on a lead/under control because of the game. They are allowed to run freely in the camping field but are not allowed in the barn. There are two kennels with runs near the stables or they can sleep in your tent, lorry etc.

It may also be possible to organise cross country training with Emily Lochore over Burnham Market cross country course if people are interested. Please ask if interested, I can find out availability and prices.

If you would like to come - please send a **DEPOSIT of £45.00 by 1st JUNE 2010** to Cindy Wells (address as per contacts list, or you can email Cindy at c.wells@canddrc.org.uk)

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Booking form for C&DRC Ringstead Holiday — July 24th to 30th 2010

Name:		
I enclose my deposit for £45.00 for 24 th – 30 th July 2010		
I require a stable for my horse	Yes / No	
I require a field for my horse	Yes / No	
I would like to sleep in the barn	Yes / No	
I will be sleeping in my horse box / tent	Using barn facilities	Yes / No
I will be bringing a dog or dogs	Yes / No	Number:
I would like to go to Burnham Market XC course	Yes/No	
If yes — for cross country schooling / cross country instruction		