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Newsletter

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New Member

Welcome to Chiria Gonnellie.

Pony Club C Test Exam Passes

Thank You to Katharine Gardener for hosting the first group of members taking their C test exam at Potten End and to Debbie Fogden for hosting the second group of C testers at Horton, they all passed:

Lauren Smith, Sorrel Overy, Kirsty Higgins, Jessica Ho, Liberty Fogden, Cecilia Price, Jimmy Mitchell, Nicholas Hoar, Charlee Jales & Amber Newbury-Barr.

Pony Club C+ Test Exam Passes

Six members took their C+ test on Thursday 28th October: Bex Reeves, Lucy Alderson, Izzie Fernandes & Vicky Smith. All passed the full test. Isabel Price & Pheobe Ward passed the riding section.

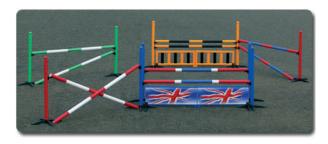
Janeen then organised a second group on Saturday 20th Nov, this was a cold & foggy afternoon for Charlotte Duggan, Jess Pringle & Zoe Thrusz to take their tests, they all passed.

Well done to all members for taking the C+ it is a tough test to pass as riders have to do flatwork, jump a course of SJ & XC fences, demonstrate their practical skills & knowledge of stable management & care of the horse & pony. Thank you to our examiner Vicky Mann, Janeen for organising the ridden & stable management training & test dates, to Hunt family for providing the venue & their horse Barry – for standing patiently for bandaging & grooming section!

All riders from both test C & C+ made a real effort to look smart and turn out their horses & ponies well.

Jump Moving Thanks

This time I offered a £10 voucher to every family that came & helped jump move on **Sunday 10th Oct.** in the hope of getting lots of help. We only just had enough trailers with a couple going back for a second trip. A very big thank you to all parents & members who did turn up: Marilyn & Sarah-Jane Lee, Claire & Lauren Smith, Steve & Bex Reeves, Jo & Mae Smith, Kirsty & Amber Newbury- Barr, Sharon & Kirsty Higgins, Lucy Kearvell, Nicholas Hoar, Paul Gibbins, Sharon, Ellie & Jimmy Mitchell, Susanna Fraser, Claire Alderson, Jo & Chessie Fernandes, Caroline & Rosie Atkins, John, Louise & Diane Hunt.



Handy Pony & Fun Jumping Show

This was held at Warehill on Nov 6^{th} and was a great success with a handy pony course set up in the indoor school from 9.30-11am – fun & games for the young riders. While on the outdoor arena Janeen set up a jumping course starting with clear round from 1ft – 1'6". Moving on to some fun classes including bareback jumping which was really enjoyed by all the riders & spectators.

Thank you to Cathy Chambers who provided the refreshments on the day.

Also a big thank you to the older members & parents that helped & to all the members that came along & supported this event.

We will try & organise another fun show some time February / March.

October Half Term Activities & Competitions

Fred Burgendorff SJ training

Warehill on Saturday 16th October. This was great success with the 13 members who attended . Fred gave good & constructive training sessions.

There is another SJ training clinic on Sunday 12th December for those members who would like to sign up. See special event planner on website.

Handling & grooming achievement badge Was on Monday 25th about 12 members attended this with Janeen as instructor. Everyone passed.

Tuesday 26th Oct – OBH Chiltern PC held their open indoor jumping show at Patchetts EQ. Debbie Fogden entered a team for the novice class. They did really well & were 3rd as a team: Emma Killin, Rosie Atkins, Isabelle & Nicholas Hoar.



Nick, Emma, Isabelle & Rosie

Wednesday 27th Oct – Whaddon Chase PC had their big open show at Addington, this is always very popular with riders coming from all round the area & competing in jumping classes in the outside large arena & the indoor arena. Plus Dengie dressage classes for Novice & Open levels. HHPC had a number of riders competing, with successes indoors & outdoors. International Indoor Arena classes: Our Novice 80cm team came 3rd with only 3 riders: Lucy Alderson, Lily Hubbard & Liberty Fogden. Fantastic result.

Lily Hubbard – Cash & Liberty Fogden & Henry had their 1st attempt at the Novice

Dengie which is 90 – 95cm in height. They both jumped round well with 8 faults.

Tsarin Pike & Kestral competed in the Dengie & 1m classes, just having faults in both. Nice to see Kestral out & about again at the fine age of 21yrs old.

Sarah Taylor – Alfie competed in the 1m & 1.05 – 1.10cm classes.

Outdoor Arena classes:Class 1 Amelia Fogden just had 4 faults & **Joe Hunter** was placed 7th, which was very good as there is always a lot of entries & it's hard to get placed. **Mae Linsell & Pickles** jumped in the 60cm class & just had 4 faults which was brilliant as this is the 1st time the pair have jumped at such a big show.

Sadly we didn't have a team in the 75cm class as Biscuit trod on **Kirsty Higgins** foot the day before & she couldn't get her boot on to ride!. **Teagan Summers** just had 4 faults in that class. Rosie Atkins also competed in the 75cm class & came a credible 8th.

Lucy Alderson & Milo competed in the Novice dengie dressage class & Louise Hunt & Zamira competed in the Open Dengie dressage class. Sadly neither pair were placed, but it was a very good experience riding dressage tests, while riders & ponies were jumping in the opposite arena.

Wednesday 27th Oct was also a chance to practice indoor course jumping rally at Patchetts EQ with Janeen Shepherd. This was very well supported with 17 members attending.

Friday 29th Oct – Mandy Day our Dressage specialist came to Warehill to give flatwork & dressage training to 7 members while Marie keen taught 9 riders mounted games indoors.

Sunday 31st Oct – XC instruction day at MKEC. The day started out wet & windy, but



in true pony club spirit nearly all riders turned up & enjoyed some good jumping over the various XC fences at MK. Jane

Hussell & Janeen kept going despite wet feet & cold hands. (27 members in all) At the end of the day the sun shone!!

Members Recent Successes

Kirsty Higgins – Bisciut & Danni Watts & Mouse won the pairs at the Flamsted PC Hunter Trials Sunday 17th Oct, there were 30 pairs in total!!

Lauren Smith has only owned What's up Wotsit (Wotti) for 4 weeks & they won the Prelim 7 class at Caddington RC Oct dressage competition show at Warehill.

Good Spotty Wotti!!

Lorna Chambers & Sean came 3rd & qualified for the 90cm Amateurs Cometition at Patchetts recently

Zoe Thrusz was 2nd & qualified for the Open PC Dengie Show Jumping competition Sophie Gibbs was 1st & Lily Hubbard was 2nd in the Open jumping Chiltern & Thames qualifier at Patchetts Eq on 14th November, they both qualified for the Winter Championships.

Chiltern & Thames Summer Dressage Championship was held at Patchetts EQ on Saturday 6th November. **Jessica Ho & Louise Hunt had both qualified** for the Restricted Prelim & Novice classes. **Jessica & Taffy** competed in the junior sections & did very well with a 2nd place in the Prelim 14, 1st place in Novice 28 & a 4th place in the music class.

Louise & Zamira competed in the adult sections in both Prelim & Novice classes. The standard was tough as the judges were looking for strong tests. Louise has only had Zamira since June & managed to qualify at the first C&T qualifier entered at Bury Farm. The pair were = 5^{th} in the Prelim 14 class & = 9^{th} in Novice 28 test.

If anyone would like they name mentioned in the newsletters for a success or achievement or story please send me an email:hhpcdc@yahoo.co.uk with details.

Important Message from Branch Secretary

Please I ask every parent to book their daughter / son on to rallies, training sessions or activities via the event planner only & not directly with the organiser. Printable copies are always on www.hertshunt.com.

The more notice you can give the better groups can be planned with instructors & venues. If you have to attend at short notice – You must contact me as well as the organiser. Your daughter / son's name must be on my list before any rally / activity for insurance & safety reasons. A cheque needs to be sent preferably before attending, or immediately afterwards.

Otherwise you can accumulate scary debts. We would like to keep every thing simple for both parents, instructors & the committee. Many thanks in advance.

Claire Alderson <u>aldersons@gmail.com</u>

Membership Renewals

We would like cut down on postage & printing costs this year, this means the membership form for 2011 will be on our website ready to print off. Jo Fernandes is our membership secretary & all forms & cheques must be sent to her please. Jo's address is half way down the form in the middle. Please can I encourage all parents who pay tax to fill out the **Gift Aid** section & write & sign the cheque. This gives HHPC some extra revenue.

All renewal memberships run out on 31st
December & must be paid up before the 31st
January as this is when your insurance cover ceases, it is compulsory for any member wanting to compete in Area competitions to return their membership forms by 30th January 2011.



The Committee & I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our members & their families for supporting the rallies, activities, camps & competitions that we have arranged during this year & hope you will renew your membership & carry on supporting Herts Hunt PC as we continue to organise new & interesting rallies, training with different instructors for Dressage, SJ, XC & polocrosse, plus pony days, activities, achievement badges, camps & competitions for 2011.

Ferret Race Night Saturday 5th March

This will be held at Northchurch Social Centre, Bell Lane, Berkhamsted, Herts. This is our big Fundraising Evening & we need members, parents, grand parents & all your friends to come & support this evening. The money raised goes towards useful training equipment for the club, subsidising instructors & venues to reduce rally fees. So it's really important to get lots & lots of support for this evening. This is a fun evening – with ferret races, prizes to winners & supper included in ticket price.

We are looking for Race Sponsors - if anyone has a business & would like to sponsor a race – please contact Organiser: Caroline Killin for more information about the sponsor package.

Bk_zim@yahoo.co.uk

More info will be out just after Christmas.



Diary Dates from other PC's

December 19th – OBH South indoor SJ show at Patchetts Eq

Dec 29th - Flamstead PC Open indoor SJ open at Patchetts EQ

December 31st - Grafton PC open indoor SJ at MKEC.

January 29th – OBH North dressage competition including dengie Q at Bury Farm. February 23th – Bicester & Warden open show at Addington

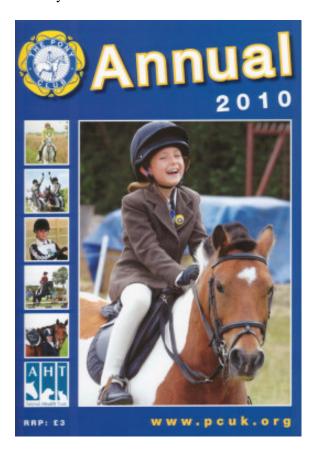
February 25th – VAH indoor SJ at Patchetts Eq

February 27th South Oxford Hunt South PC open SJ at BCA

Schedules are on website for printing as they become available.

Pony Club Annual 2010

I have the new Pony Club Annual & will bring them to the rallies. There is one for each member, it has lots of interesting photos & info in this year.



HHPC Website

This is where we display all the information about rallies & activities, times, venues,



cancellations, important info, Event planners, Newsletters, Members successes, updates, schedules for other PC etc.

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