

The Herts Hunt Branch of the Pony Club

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HHPC

Short Newsletter

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Membership News

Welcome to our new members: Stacey Money, Victoria Nicholls, Jack Birdsey, Lewis Janes Chew & Teddy Fogden. Welcome back to Megan Robson.

Thank you to all members who have re-joined. To those members who are not rejoining this year we wish all them good luck for the future & they are always welcome back to HHPC.

Total membership is 93.

Jo Fernandes (Membership Secretary)

Committee News

Sadly Kate Michalski who has been a long serving committee member has just stepped down from the committee.

Kate had the bright idea of organising the first 2 day Mini camp at Debbie Fogden's house when there were only 8 children ! From then on she organised the mini camp over the last 4 years as numbers grew to 28. She also sorted out all the Parent helpers rotas at main camp.

Kate was very involved as a organiser at the regular rallies both Summer & Winter. Last summer she had a good idea for the Tuck shop which her daughter Freya ran at the summer rallies. We will all miss you and your family.



Winter PC Dengie Competitions

Congratulations to our members who have qualified for Area12 finals at Addington on 8th March. Dengie Novice show jumping class: Lucinda Alderson - Paddy .

Novice Dressage class : Vicky Smith - Freddie.

Open Dressage class : Stephanie Gibbins - Apollo & Sarah Ridger – Taylor – Half Pint Gold. We wish them best of luck on the 8th at Addington.

HHPC Website

All information about up & coming HHPC rallies & activities is published on the website. There will be lots of other PC shows, ODE, hunter trials etc coming soon. The schedules will be listed in date order & printable. Don't forget that all times for rallies are available a couple of days before for your information.

Half Term Activities

Fun Rally at Ashridge Farm for the younger riders on Sunday 15th February.

Achievement Badge morning - Subject is Rugs & bandages. This is open to members 12 yrs & under. For more info ring Caroline Killin on 01296 661368.

Dressage training with Carol Bennitt is on Thursday 19th .

Family Fun Target shooting competition day on Saturday 28th Feb. Mums, Dads & members aged 6 yrs upwards are encouraged to join in

have a go & maybe win a prize. Contact Caroline on 01296 661368 if you would like to come. Paul Gibbins will give each family a shooting time.



Polocrosse - New Dates

Dates for training & instruction from 1st March to end of April will be on the Polocrosse page. There are several new venues as other PC's in Area 12 are starting up. If you are new to polocrosse & would like to have a go this is a great chance as all are welcome to join in. Contact : Patti Daniels 01525 375880 or Amanda Price 01582 762153 for more help or advice

Members Awards Evening Friday evening 13th March at Pitstone Hall

This year we have a new format which means that doors to the middle hall will be open at 6.15pm for a 6.30pm start. There will be a review of 2008. Then we will have the presentation of Awards, Badges & Annual Trophies, followed by teas, coffees, soft drinks, biscuits & cakes. There will be time to chat to the committee, Janeen & others. Susanna Fraser will have all the HHPG clothing & merchandise available to try on & order / buy. There will be a second hand sales table too. The evening will finish about 8.30pm. For all new members & parents it's an opportunity meet the committee & Janeen our senior instructor. See flyer on www.hertshunt.com

Ferret Racing Fun Night 25th April

Saturday 25th April at Northchurch Social Centre, Bell Lane HP4 3RD. Doors open at 6pm, first race at 6.30pm. 8 races with a break in the middle for supper.

This is a chance to invite all your family & friends out to a Herts Hunt PC fund raising evening. There will a licensed bar & soft drinks on sale.

All tickets sold in advanced only. **Prices:** £10 per adult & young people over 12yrs old. £9 per child (12 yrs & under.) Tickets include a fish & chip supper.

All 32 ferrets need an owner for the evening, to sponsor a ferret it is cost just £5 & you can give him or her name for that race. Maybe your yard would like to spare a ferret !! Tickets will be sold at rallies or purchased from organiser: Mrs Caroline Killin, Alnwick Farm Cottage, Long Marston, Herts, HP23 4RA. Please fill in the form making the cheque payable to "Herts Hunt Pony Club" & including a SAE for return of tickets. This is going to be a brilliant social evening, come & support us. Any more information contact Caroline by email:

bk_zim@yahoo.co.uk Application forms for tickets will be emailed out & available to print off from website.

Dressage Competitions

Dressage Competition on Sunday 17th May at Warehill EQ

This year the schedule will include a Walk & Trot test, Prix Caprilli test No 10, PC Novice Eventing Test 2006, the new PC Area Novice Q test 2009, the new PC Area Q intermediate test 2009, Open Area test 2006. We thought it would be fun to include a dressage to music class for all you keen & adventurous members. **Amber New-Barr (10 yrs)** had her first attempt at the OBH North show on 31st Jan, Bury Farm & came a creditable 7th out of 12 entries. There will an information sheet to explain more about this class on our website. The schedule, tests & more info will be on the website soon.

Pony Club teams & Area 12 qualifiers 2009

Show jumping, Eventing / ODE, Prix Caprilli & Dressage.

Janeen Shepherd will be available at the member's evening on Friday 13th March to talk to members who are interested in joining training squads for any of the above. Please come along on the night & find out more about rules, heights, tests & instruction training we have planned for 2009.

Camp Dates 2009

Senior camp confirmed dates **Mon 29 June – Fri 3 July** at Foxhill Farm, Eydon, Northants. For members 16 yrs & over who have passed their "C" test & are currently working towards "B" / AH test. Deposit form have been emailed out already.

Mini / Junior Camp is from **Monday 27 – Wednesday 29 July**. Full payment forms will be posted out soon.

Main Camp Tuesday 4th – Saturday 8th August at MKEC.

Deposit forms will be posted out very soon.

Please can I remind all members who want to go any of the camps this year. The importance of attending general instruction rallies on a regularly basis. You must be an active member of Herts Hunt PC, there is a limit on numbers for main camp due to the stabling at MKEC. Waiting lists will be kept.

Diane Hunt D.C.