

# Malvern Hills Riding Club Newsletter

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## Malvern Hills Riding Club

**Chairman:** Lin Harber

**Secretary:** Clare Chapman

**Membership:** Iris Ellis

**Team Co-ordinators:** Cindie Bunce, Eve Powell

**Committee Members:** Louise Calverley, Andrea Terry, Tricia Nassau-Williams



# Mercian and Area Team Competition Roundup 2008

## Mercian Hunter Trials, Cleeve Prior

These were held on 8 June at Cleeve Prior, near Evesham. Our Novice team, consisting of Rob Mealing, Clare Chapman and Rachel Ryder were 5th and Emma Mealing was 6th as junior individual with dad Rob 5th in the individual competition.

## Area Horse Trials, Broadway

Held on 15 June at the British Eventing course at Broadway, the Club was well represented with two Novice and an Open team. The Novice Team of Louise Calverley, Eve Powell, Tina Price and Steph Woolley were placed 4th, with Eve Powell 6th individually on Eric. Tina won her Novice section and qualified for BRC Championships at Offchurch. In the Open team Cindie Bunce had a double clear show jumping and cross country and Nicola Jones won the open class and qualified for Offchurch with the exceptional Temperament.

## Mercian Combined Training, Bissel Wood

These were held on 22 June and riding for the Club in the 2'3 team were Eve Powell, Rob Mealing, Di Simmonds and Camilla Tracey came 6th with Di 5th as an individual in the dressage.

The 2'9 team were placed 2nd and consisted of Janet Schooling, Lisa and David Drinkwater. Janet was 3rd in the individual dressage and 2nd individual in the show jumping and Lisa was 2nd in the novice individual dressage.



Anna Chapman & Inca



Eve Powell & Eric



Louise Calverley & Mac

## Summer Show, Malvern 26 May

Despite some atrocious weather conditions, the show was well attended and many of our members were successful:

- Charlotte Darrell and Moonlight Dancer – 5th in the 2'3 Novice Ponies Show Jumping
- Sarah Medcalf and Larry Might – 4th in the 2'6 Novice Ponies Show Jumping
- Caroline Bates and Sgt. Pepper – 4th in the 2'6 Novice Horses Show Jumping
- Anna Chapman and Inca – 2nd in the 2'9 and 3'0 Show Jumping
- Margaret Boyd and Ragamuffin – 1st in the 3'3 Show Jumping and 4th in the Working Hunter over 15hh.
- Camilla Tracey and Oliver – 2nd in the Ridden M&M Large Breeds and 1st in the Working M&M.
- Emma Morris and Alfie – 5th in the Ridden Coloured.

The Club also entered a team in the Mercian Showing competition consisting of Emma Morris, Rosie Clare, Linda Kemp & Nikki Kohl and although they weren't placed as a team, Linda Kemp and Sky Blue were 8th in the Riding Club Horse / Pony. Congratulations!

## Member Spotlight: Nicola Jones & Temperament

Our new regular feature will introduce different members of the Club; following her stunning success at the recent Horse Trials Championships at Offchurch, our first member under the spotlight is Nicola Jones and her horse Temperament (Tabboo).

Nic has been a member of the Club for about 4 years, and is a qualified paramedic based in Tewkesbury. She's been riding for about 18 years, loves eventing and has competed up to 2\* level. Tabboo is an 8 yr old Dutch warmblood who Nic has had since he was a 4 year old, and has apparently been trying to keep him in the field ever since, with all fencing at home 7ft high! Tabboo has been to the Championships at Offchurch for the last 3 years, and has progressed through the eventing ranks doing his first Intermediate this year. With BSJA winnings and having qualified for the Open Team show jumping at the National Championships at Lincoln, there's no stopping Nic and Tabboo!

## Area Show Jumping, Malvern

This was the first time we have hosted this event as a Club, held on 27 July and it was a great success! With 13 novice, 10 intermediate, 5 open and 8 style jumping teams, as well as individual competitors, it was an extremely busy (and very hot!) day. See the website for full results. Many thanks to all those who gave up their time to help set up beforehand and helped on the day – it is always greatly appreciated!

## British Riding Club Horse Trials Championships, Offchurch

Held on 10 Aug, this was culmination of all the Area horse trials competitions held this season. Having qualified at Broadway in June, the Club was represented by Nicola Jones in the Open and Tina Price in the Novice. Big congratulations to Nic, who was 2nd in the Open competition – a fantastic achievement!

Congratulations and thanks to everyone who has ridden for the Club this year! If you are interested in competing for the Club, at any level, please speak to Cindie or Eve.



## Clinics

We have arranged new Clinic dates for the Autumn, to be held at Sandbourne indoor school. Places are limited to 5 people per session so please contact Lin Harber as soon as possible if you would like to participate (tel. 01684 592795 or email lyn@lynharber.wanadoo.co.uk). Costs are still to be confirmed – please check with Lin when booking. More clinics will be arranged for after Christmas, so if you can't make these, there will be other opportunities! If you can spare some time to help out at the clinics, please contact Lin as soon as possible.

- **16, 23 & 30 September: Indoor XC with Jane Davis**
  - 7.00-8.00pm: 2'6 max.
  - 8.00-9.00om : 2'6 plus
- **October: Show Jumping with Brian Smith (dates tbc)**
  - 6.30-7.30: 2'6 max.
  - 7.30-8.30: 3' max.
- **November: Flatwork with Jo Winfield (dates tbc)**

## New Logo

The more observant amongst you will have noticed we have a new logo for the Club, soon to be seen on jumps, banners, saddle cloths, clothing....you name it! We hope you like it.

# Forthcoming Events

## 5 Parish Fun Ride – 21 September

Starting field along A38, next to Premier Lodge, Twigworth. Contact Mrs R Elliot, Wintons Barn, Wallsworth, Sandhurst, Glos, GL2 9PA, 01452 731708

Pre booked	On the day
Adults £13	£16
Under 16's £7	£9

## AGM Friday 24 October

This will again be at the Hunters Inn, Longdon, from 7.30pm. As well as hearing about what the Club has been up to this year, it's your chance to have a say on any ideas for the Club. There will be plenty of food (and possibly a few drinks too!), a raffle and of course the famous Chapman Quiz! We look forward to seeing you there. An invitation will follow shortly - we look forward to seeing you there.

## Table Top Sale Friday 14 November

To be held at Welland Village Hall from 7-9pm. Tables for sellers are £10, with doors open at 6pm for setup. Admission will be £1 per person, with children free and refreshments will be available. Please come along and support the Club – either have a table and clear out some of those endless horsey bits you never use, or round up some friends and search out bargains for the Winter! To book a table please contact Eve **07793 822294** or Louise **07970 644878**.

## Don't Forget

If we don't have your email address, send it to louisecalverley@hotmail.com and we can add it to our database to make sure we can get information out to you as quickly as possible! If you have anything you'd like included in the next newsletter please email Louise on the same email address.

## Basil Moss

It is with regret we advise of the recent death of Basil Moss. For many years Basil has kindly loaned his ground adjacent to the Three Counties Showground for our Annual Summer Show and also this year for the Area Show Jumping Competition. Lin Harber represented the Riding Club at his funeral; our thoughts are with Mrs Moss and family.