

# Over and District Riding Club

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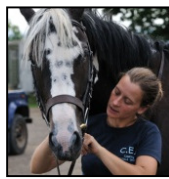
Hello and welcome to our latest newsletter. The AGM has been held and we are pleased to have some new members on the committee and a shuffle round of roles. We have had to say good bye to longstanding member Claire Jones as she leaves the committee to spend more time with her lovely horse Sophie, hopefully we will see her at some of the riding club events in the future! You will soon be receiving your membership renewals so please be sure to sign up again to what will be a great 2014! We have lots of training going on over the winter along with a few social events to set you up for next season.

### Committee

Here is the current committee members; you will see we have a few new faces! We always welcome new members, you don't even have to have a specific role. Come along to our meetings and help shape the club. We are on the lookout for volunteers too so if you can help out please get in touch. It's your club and we need you!



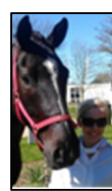
**Chairperson,  
Showjumping & Dressage  
Coordinator:**  
Pippa Corney



**Junior & Trec  
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Michelle Cottee



**Secretary:**  
Sue Rogers



**Treasurer  
& Show Secretary:**  
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**Website:**  
James Turton



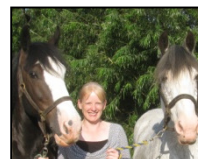
**Vice Chairperson,  
Newsletter &  
Clinic Coordinator:**  
Harriet Turton



**Membership  
Secretary:**  
Rachel Rennie



**Rosettes:**  
Tracy Farrow



**Committee Member:**  
Emma Nelmes

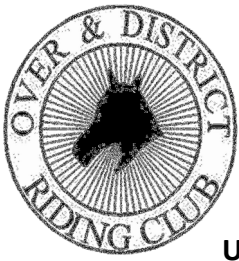
All the committee can be contacted at [odrcenquiries@gmail.com](mailto:odrcenquiries@gmail.com)

### Chairman's report

As we hurtle full speed into winter with shorter days and lots of mud the committee are busy planning events for next year. Reflecting back on the last year we have had lots of events that have been well attended. The two main shows were blessed with fabulous weather. Clinics have been going all year with a number of instructors, and as ever we endeavour to keep member prices as low as possible. New for next year we are going to get some teams together for riding club endurance events keep a look out on the web for details to follow. We are also going to run an area 7 grassroots combined training competition. Grassroots started this year and is proving very popular and a great way to come out and compete in teams and individually. So if you fancy representing your club let us know and we can organize a team from over.

We are soon going to meet to plan our events for next year, if there is anything you would like us to organize please let us know.

Keep warm and safe riding this winter and I look forward to seeing you out and about at clinics or one of our talks we have planned.



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### Up coming events

#### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November ODRC Evening Lecture/Social - Equine Nutrition**

Vanessa MacDonald from Spillers will be back for a talk on Equine Nutrition. This is an excellent opportunity to pick an equine nutritionist's brains as well as receiving individual advice on your horse. There will be tea and cakes and will be great to catch up with other members of the club and hopefully meet some new ones!

Free of charge to members. Non members £2.50 if spaces permit. Contact [harriet.turton@hotmail.com](mailto:harriet.turton@hotmail.com) to book.

**Have you got any ideas for more workshops? Please get in touch and we will see what we can do!!**

#### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December – Natalie Banks Dressage Clinic**

Natalie will be holding some dressage clinics for us at the College of West Anglia Milton Campus, in the indoor school. Natalie is a registered British Dressage trainer and has competed internationally up to Intermediare1. She has a friendly and passionate approach to every combination no matter what level. The price is £25 for members and £35 for non-members. To book please email [harriet.turton@hotmail.com](mailto:harriet.turton@hotmail.com) and state what level you are riding at.

#### **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fair**

At the College of West Anglia -Milton – The Over Riding club will be in attendance so pop by for a chat and a mince pie! Entry to the event is £2 for Adults & free for children, doors open at 7pm. For more details on the event go to...

[www.horsepoo.co.uk](http://www.horsepoo.co.uk)

#### **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Sharon Hunt Jumping Clinic – GREAT CHRISTMAS PRESENT!!!**

We are very lucky to be able to offer an hour and ¼ clinic with Sharon Hunt, Team GB event rider & Olympic medallist. Sharon has a wealth of knowledge and is happy to teach all abilities. The groups will be split into similar groups so please be sure to mention what height you are happy with when booking. The clinics will be held in the indoor school at Rosewood Stud in Chippenham [www.rosewoodstud.co.uk](http://www.rosewoodstud.co.uk). The price is £30 for members and £50 for non-members. To book a place email [Harriet.turton@hotmail.com](mailto:Harriet.turton@hotmail.com)

#### **Wednesday 22nd January – Indoor Equine Car boot Sale**

At the Over Community centre – set up from 6.30pm Doors open at 7pm.

Free to members, £5 for non members – All proceeds goes to our nominated charity. Contact Sue [scr27@cam.ac.uk](mailto:scr27@cam.ac.uk) 07772247673 to book your pitch.

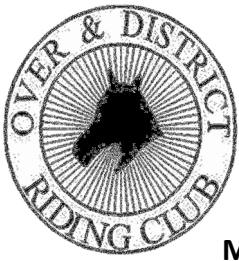
#### **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February – Sharon Hunt Jumping Clinic**

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#### **TBC 2014 ODRC Evening Lecture/Social – Equine Fire & Rescue**

#### **TBC 2014 Spillers Weighbridge clinic**

Due to the popularity of this clinic last time, we will be organising another clinic with Vanessa. A great opportunity to assess your horses weight & feeding regime for the New Year!



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### Membership

Your membership forms will be coming round shortly so please support us for another year. As you will see from the rest of the newsletter we have lots going on, if that's not enough to entice you here a few benefits of joining a the club:

- Special 'members' rates for all our competitions and clinics.
- Non-competitive activities such as workshops and social events
- Regular newsletter available on our website
- 10% discount at Heather Lewin Saddlery
- Reduced rates for British Dressage winter membership for more information go to [www.britishdressage.co.uk/membership](http://www.britishdressage.co.uk/membership)
- Receive a 'New Member' discount form British showjumping, worth over £100 see <http://www.britishshowjumping.co.uk/membership/New-Member-Discounts> for more information.
- You can use your British Riding Club Membership Card to receive discounts from companies such as Farmkey, Jump4Joy, McArdle Equestrian, eqimat, Kate Negus Saddlery, rugwash and fine fettle. Along with discounts for BHS Membership, Horse and Horse & Hound subscriptions. Go to <http://www.bhs.org.uk/enjoy-riding/british-riding-clubs/joining-a-brc> to find out more.
- Receive the British riding club magazine 'A quarterly instalment of news, information and articles exclusively for BRC members.'

### Member Adverts

Members can advertise on the website, the newsletter and our facebook page free of charge, please email your add to [odrcenquiries@gmail.com](mailto:odrcenquiries@gmail.com) and we will get it on there!

#### **Leather Work:**

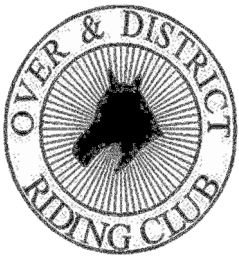
Contact Caroline Mitchell if you need any repairs or custom made leather work:

Phone: 01480 831240 or email: [caroline.mitchell@papworth.nhs.uk](mailto:caroline.mitchell@papworth.nhs.uk)

#### **Forever Living Products:**

Made from the Aloe Vera plants the Forever Living products include drinks, skincare, wound care, lip balms, makeup and even animal products. For more information or to purchase the products please email [harriet.turton@hotmail.com](mailto:harriet.turton@hotmail.com)

Is there anything you would like to see? Any clinics, demos or competitions? We welcome your feedback so please get in touch.



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**Would you like to have a go at Endurance ?**

**If so – Over Riding Club wants you!!!!**

Endurance GB is offering, for the fifth year, a Team Endurance Event to affiliated Riding Clubs on a national scale, including Scotland and Ireland. This year's event is once again being sponsored by KBIS who will be donating prize money totalling £ 600.

Riding Clubs are invited to enter endurance teams of three to six combinations into any number of qualifying rides of 30 to 35km. Each combination in a team must be declared to the national organisers before they enter the qualifiers. The top 20 teams throughout the country will be offered a place in the final which is to be held at the British Horse Feeds Red Dragon Festival of Endurance on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2014. Stabling, camping and corralling facilities will be available at the venue on the Royal Welsh Showground, Builth, Wells.

**So if you can go for a hack for 2 ½ hours, why not join the team.** Have fun, let your horse take confidence from experienced others and get access to some superb countryside. All with the opportunity of getting to ride at some of the top endurance events in the UK, with the ultimate aim of riding the superb hills and moorland of unspoilt Wales. Endurance is one of the fastest growing equine disciplines in the UK and is very well supported in the Eastern Region. The local qualifying rides are as follows :

30 March, Thetford Forest

18 May, Tilton on the Hill, Leics

15 June, Wimpole Estate, near Cambridge

21 & 22 June, North Norfolk, Ringstead, near Hunstanton

12 July, Keysoe, Beds

14 August, Provost Lodge, Northants

Any pony/horse can take part and you do not need any specialised tack or equipment. There are no age restrictions on riders. At each ride your horse will be vetted before you commence, this takes the format of a simple heart rate check and a trot up. Then it's half an hour to tack up and get to the start. The rides will be about 2 ½ hours long and a combination of open land, bridleways and some road work. On completion we wash our horses down, refresh both them and ourselves before representing to the vets again for a final check of the heart rate and trot up to ensure all finish sound.

If you would like to learn more about joining the team please contact Susan Durman to discuss further. Entries for each event close 2 weeks before the ride.

Susan Durman tel 01487 208495 (home) 0750 394 5251 (mobile) or

email [susan\\_durman@hotmail.com](mailto:susan_durman@hotmail.com)

This event has its own dedicated website where you can follow all the qualifiers and keep up to date with the news and results so far <http://www.rcteamevent.endurancegb.co.uk>

This is a fun, team event, come along and enjoy the world of endurance riding.