

# NEWSLETTER

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## WELCOME

Welcome to the July issue of your Newsletter. We've got lots going on and lots to report. Please keep checking our website if you can for the latest reports and show schedules:

[gdrc.org.uk](http://gdrc.org.uk)



## THIS ISSUE

- 36th Annual Open Show
- Country Show (and a Fun Show!)
- Helpers needed - Friday 18th July
- Results

## THE THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL OPEN SHOW

Very soon, on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2008, we will be holding our popular Annual Open Show at Castle Goring, near Worthing. If, perchance you've not been there before turn left just past the Coach & Horses pub, heading Westwards on the A27. The showground is a lovely, spacious field providing lots of room for parking and warming up.

There are 47 classes ranging from fun classes such as 'Most Handsome Gelding' (husbands not included!) to Large Working Hunter. Ponies are well catered for with a new Mountain & Moorland Working Hunter Pony Class, plus Class 10 is a Riding Pony of the Year Qualifier. Show schedules are available at most equestrian outlets as well as on the GDRC website.

If anyone can spare an hour on the evening of Friday 18th July, your help would be much appreciated. Please phone Julie Cundy on 01903 773082 or email her on [juliecundy@talktalk.net](mailto:juliecundy@talktalk.net)

## COUNTRY SHOW



Julie Cundy is taking a lead role in organising the Country Show on Sunday 17th August. We've caught up with her plans via the internet:

*"The show is now going to be a Fun Day and will take place at Castle Goring. We are at present arranging a schedule, which we hope will be out very soon. Following the successful dog show last year, we will be holding a further dog show, and possibly dog-agility (see pic), and if anyone is interested dog or horse gymkhana games. Possibly a Fancy Dress competition and also a Handy Pony (which is great fun and ANYONE can take part!). We will also be holding a clear round cross country, which will be a super intro before the more serious stuff at Titnore in September – September 7<sup>th</sup> to be exact (with BHS Qualifier) and 28<sup>th</sup> September (Dates for your diary)." And don't forget the*

Eventers' Challenge on 12<sup>th</sup> October! The easiest way to express your interest in any of the classes Julie has mentioned would be to email her at [juliecundy@talktalk.net](mailto:juliecundy@talktalk.net)

## FLATWORK & GRIDWORK CLINICS

We are arranging a series of clinics; some will be at Ferring Indoor School in the evening (possibly a Monday). Another set of clinics will be held at The Dover Sand School (Outdoors) on either a Saturday or Sunday. Both will have qualified instructors. If you let Janet Shears have your details and tell her whether you would like to go to Ferring or the Dover. Janet can be contacted on 07988 502833 (and she promises she'll be on the email soon too!) Julie Cundy is arranging the Dover sessions, and would like to know which day is best e.g. Sat or Sun, also morning or afternoons. Please phone 01903 773082 or email Julie. As soon as she has a few names she can arrange the sessions. There is parking at both venues, if you cannot hack there.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

20th July: Open Showing Show

17th August: Country Show

7th September: Hunter Trial  
(BHS Qualifier)

28th September: Hunter Trial

12th October: Eventers' Challenge

### Clear Round Jumping Evenings...

...will take place at Titnore Lane, starting about 5.30pm on the following Wednesdays:

30th July

13th August

£3 per round for members, £4 non-members.

## AREA 13 SHOW-JUMPING QUALIFIERS – 21ST JUNE 2008

*(See our GDRC website for the full results - again, there's too much for one Newsletter!)*

Highlights included:

- Sarah Parkes and Barney coming 1st as an Individual Senior.
- Kayleigh Francis and Max achieving a Double Clear in the London & South East Team Qualifier (Team placing was 6th)

Congratulations to all Riding Club members who took part and, of course, Jim Lee for setting the courses as well as organising and supporting everyone on the day.

Next year, we may have a team for the Style Jumping which was won by Horsham Riding Club this year. If this is something you would be interested in taking part in, please join the club or renew your membership next year and let Club Secretary, Janet Shears know.

## AREA 13 DRESSAGE QUALIFIERS – 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2008



The Essential Burger Van, Judges' Tent, Lunch Tent & Score Tent

*(See our GDRC website for the full report - it's too long for one newsletter!)*

Perfect weather and an ideal setting for the Area 13 Qualifiers were organised by Rudgwick Riding Club. Getting there was a bit of an adventure as Kirdford was beyond the recognition of most sat-nav systems and the local signs were a little ambiguous but we arrived safe and sound. There was a large car parking area, spacious warm-up field plus the actual dressage arenas were beautifully presented with newly mown stripes and decorative flower pots.

Congratulations to all Riding Club members who took part and, of course, Janet Shears for organising and supporting us on the day.

## THE THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SHOW-JUMPING SHOW – 22ND JUNE 2008

Once again we were blessed with lovely weather. The Team Show-Jumping held on Saturday had good weather and it held out on the Sunday as well. The sun was shining and there was a nice breeze to keep those pesky flies away. Said breeze also kept Jim and his assistant on their toes as the planks on one of the jumps kept blowing over! Speaking of which, we had new fillers sponsored by Adrian Baker Construction Ltd who supplied a new Showjump for the club- see blurry photo below. (If you have a better one please send to Editor.)



*(See the GDRC website for Jim's report and full details of all the classes)*



**EDITOR'S NOTE...** This newsletter has been put together at a very busy time of the year by me, Jennifer Cranford. Therefore, if you notice any mistakes, omissions, etc, please let me know and I'll correct them straightaway! Please tell me about any item you would like included in further issues. We can do GDRC show reports, photos, results, events, news. Please feel free to contact me on 01903 267737 or 07905 370198 or email [jennifer\\_cranford@hotmail.com](mailto:jennifer_cranford@hotmail.com).