

# *MSRC Spring Newsletter 2018*

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*Dear Member,*

*Is this winter ever going to end? Mud glorious mud, everlasting rain, wind and snow the like of which we have not seen for quite a few years. Competitions and training sessions have had to be cancelled on an unprecedented scale. Although we may have struggled - the horses all seem to be looking really well, so roll on the summer.*

*The Winter Programme that survived has gone well with training being well supported and the Day Camp was full. Our Charity Quiz night was one again a huge success and our thanks go to Carol for again keeping control of a record thirteen noisy teams, Jane, Bev and Sadie for their hard work and of course to Ed and his team in the kitchen for once again supplying an amazing meal. The date - March 1st 2019 - has already been booked for the next one and teams from Long Sutton have already registered their determination to field a better team! The proceeds will go to World Horse Welfare at Glenda Spooner Farm and the Injured Jockeys Fund.*

***We are now looking for TEAM members for the summer qualifiers. We would remind you that Team Managers do not have the time to ring everyone on the membership list and the onus is on YOU to contact them and offer yourself for team selection. Their contact details are given at the end of this newsletter SO PLEASE GET IN TOUCH!!***

***Martin Boreham - HORSE TRIALS / EVENTER'S CHALLENGE***

***Sara Bartlett - SHOW JUMPING***

***Carol Plested - DRESSAGE AND RIDING TEST***

***Please don't think that YOU are not good enough for a team - talk to the Manager!***

*As I write this we have a dressage team travelling to the National Championships for the Novice Winter Dressage at Arena UK at Grantham this weekend. Sadly Jackie Dyer who had qualified as an individual sadly cannot participate as Ava is on the sidelines at the moment, but our team will be represented by Mandie Bown, Jenny Frampton, Kim Forster and Carolyn Edwards. We wish them well.*

*So to the Summer Programme ~ we have training with Gill Longhurst at World Horse Welfare, Amanda Edmonds at Kingfisher, Jumping and pole work clinics at SBEC, Sparkford Hall with Ed Hobbs . There are three day clinics planned with Sue Petty at Kingfisher, a whole day with Gill and Ed at WHW, Cross Country introduction with Ed Hobbs- contact Ed directly. Please book early for all training sessions.*

*On the competition front we have cut back on the summer show jumping days as no one is prepared to run them - so the only jumping competitions will be at the Annual Show on June 10th at Wincanton.*

*There are four dressage days booked, two at Kingfisher and two at KSEC in the afternoons. Alex is now very kindly taking the EQUO entries, but we desperately need **organisers** for the day of the competitions. Alex cannot continue to do everything for the dressage days. Judges will be found and the organiser needs to do all the tasks on the day itself - it is not onerous - but we cannot continue the way things are. Some clubs make helping a condition of membership, we have tried not to go down this route and are hoping that help will be forthcoming.*

*We will also desperately need help for the Annual Show at Wincanton Racecourse on June 10th Please contact Margaret or Marian. A half day would be wonderful - this event does take a huge amount of effort and planning and YOUR help would make all the difference.*

*This year sees us celebrate our 50th anniversary so we have planned a special Supper Night for this occasion. The venue will be the Northover again on Tuesday November 27th and our guest will be John Francome! Details of this event will be available soon. We shall also be looking for nice raffle prizes for that evening.*

*Carolyn Edwards has kindly agreed to take on the membership task from Julia - we are very grateful. We shall be asking you soon to confirm that you are happy for the club to hold your details as part of this new EU legislation concerning data protection (GDPR) which comes into force at the end of May. However, BRC have so far not provided their policy on this.*

*Also a timely reminder that a lot of venues which you may hire privately are now asking for personal accident insurance cover - remember your BRC insurance covers you at BRC events only, and this is third party.*

*We hope you find something to interest you in the Summer Programme ~ we look forward to seeing you out and about soon. Please help us by getting your entries in early for both training and competitions. It would be very useful if when entering training clinics by cheque that you write the date of the relevant clinic on the reverse of the cheque. See if you can spare time to help at one competition! Just a few hours will be appreciated.*

*Safe Riding!*

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Main Club Contacts:

- **Chairman: Ed Hobbs – 07968 628 169**
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Our Team Managers are:

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  - **Show Jumping: Sara Bartlett – 07967 208 778**
  - **Combined Training: *Vacancy open***
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HARTPURY SWWRC - AUGUST 18TH.**