

# ***Kings Leaze Riding Club***

## ***Newsletter***

**September 2014**

Coming soon:

Winter Dressage  
Series

**AGM**

Thursday  
13<sup>th</sup> November

**DTM Demo**

Sunday  
27<sup>th</sup> September

**Seminar with  
John Kohnke**

Wednesday  
15<sup>th</sup> October

All the usual  
rallies & training

See  
[www.klrc.co.uk](http://www.klrc.co.uk)  
for a full dairy of  
forthcoming  
events

All KLRC  
schedules are  
available on the  
website

### ***From your Chairman***

What a fabulous summer we have had, let's hope that we don't have a dreadful winter to make up for it!

As usual we have had a busy few months with lots of activities throughout.

We were again invited to provide mounted stewards for the Badminton Horse Trials, and thank you very much to those of you who kindly gave up your time to do this for the club, and doing such a grand job.

We also provided score sheet collectors for the dressage days in the main ring, and I had feedback that you did a wonderful job, so thank you to you also.

We have had lots of dressage events which I will report on in the dressage write up.

As you have probably seen advertised we are having an afternoon and evening at Whatley Manor again. Please do try to come as this is a very enjoyable event.

We are also having a seminar given by an Australian vet who has given over 2500 seminars worldwide. This is to be held at Badminton Village Hall on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October. It does promise to be a very enjoyable and informative evening and I think that we are very fortunate to be asked to host this seminar. More details when they are to hand.

Thank you to all of you who have arranged different events, it does take a lot of time and effort, and it is much appreciated.

Thank you also to those kind people who have allowed us to use their facilities, without your generosity these events could not take place.

Many thanks to all of the hard work and dedication of all of the committee members, it is this that keeps this Club so successful!

***Daphne Smith***

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## **KLRC Summer Dressage Report**

We have had a very busy summer with dressage this year.

At the end of May we had the Dressage Festival at Burrows Court which included qualifiers for Badminton Dressage Championships. This was very well supported, and thank you for all of your support. Thank you to all of those who helped, and to Ian Adsetts for stewarding all day, you do a grand job Ian!

At Burrows Court we also hosted the Area qualifier for Dressage to Music. This was a fun filled day and much enjoyed by all, even the judges, which was a bonus.

Thank you to Nickie Coombs for being secretary for the day and the band of helpers who she recruited, you were all wonderful. I had decided to try my hand and do a Dressage to Music test. Oh dear! Much to the amusement of all, I completely omitted my walk movement, and at the end wondered why I had so much music, so had to improvise with a few walk circles! Needless to say that I didn't get placed but somebody has to amuse the natives!

We then went on to the Summer Dressage Series. As usual this was well supported, thank you to you all. It is such a fun series, very laid back with a super atmosphere. Thank you to Hayley and Andy Godwin for the use of your facilities once again.

Thank you to all judges and helpers who make these events happen.

September is a month off from dressage, but then we start again with the Winter Series at Elmleaze Stud. Hope to see you all there, and thank you for your continued support.

***Daphne Smith***

## Success for the Junior's at West Wilts

We had a good up take on juniors wanting to take part in the Area 9 qualifier for the Hunter trial on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014

We had Libby Poole and Poppy Richardson who took part in the 80cm class.

Libby came 4<sup>th</sup> and qualified for the championships at Swalcliffe and Poppy came 5<sup>th</sup>. Well done to you both and lots of luck to Libby for the final.

In the 90cm was April Joynson who came first and also qualified for the championships, with April storming home with a 12 point lead well done.

In the 100cm class was Alice McGrory and Abbey Read.

Abbey came 1<sup>st</sup> and Alice came 3<sup>rd</sup>. Abbey also qualified for the championships.

***Margaret Read***



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## Junior Dressage to Music

On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June I took part in the Area 9 Dressage to Music qualifier at Burrows Court. It was nice to see more entries in the Junior section this year and I was pleased that I won the Prelim section and came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Novice just missing out qualifying for this too. I'm off to Bury Farm in October can't wait! 😊

***William Collett***

# Senior Jumping Team Reports

The Area 9 Horse Trials were held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 14 at West Wilts Equestrian Centre and it was a seriously hot day!! We thought it was a nice course and everyone who took part to seem to thoroughly enjoy the day.

We forwarded a team in the 90cm section and also had representatives in the individual competitions.

Thank you to:

## 90 cm team

Lydia Fenton and Haughmond Midnite Bertie

Emma Flood and Snow Joke II

Claire Holt and Stanback Lady Jane

Adrian Palmer and Flash Back III

You were just out of the placings in 7<sup>th</sup> place



## 80cm as an individual

Kara Benham and Done & Dusted

## 100cm as an individual

Gemma Read and Blackmore Clover

Jane Humphries and Securius Nieumoed

Samatha Kellett and V Ramzes Z – **who came 5<sup>th</sup>**



The Area 9 Senior Novice show jumping and style competition was held on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July 14 at Leyland Court. We sent forward two individuals for this competition.

Michelle Luckwell and Smoke Signal

Lynn Barratt and Jollie Ollie

Thank you both for representing the club.

As this goes to press the next competition we are putting a team forward for is Blenheim Riding Club Challenge – so good luck to the team!!

If you would like to represent the club in any team jumping events please use the form on the website to register your interest. It will soon be the start off the winter series again and we will be looking for a novice jumping team December time so keep an eye on our posts on FB and the website.

***Sarah Palmer***

## CAR BOOT

The Car Boot was a fun afternoon the sun shone and there was a bit off a party going on .... I managed to come home with more items than I went up there with but I am very pleased with my new treasures. Thank you to Daphne for hosting. Picture of Kay Webb with some rather unusual items for sale.



***Sarah Palmer***

## ONLY 2 Olympia tickets left

For Sunday 22 December. Tickets are £46 + coach which will be about £15  
For further details contact Jenny Lomas

## Senior Dressage Report

This summer we competed in a qualifier at Rabson Manor with a lot of our original team members being over qualified for the prelim tests we had to select some new team members and horses, Sarah Palmer and her young horse Yogi did a super test once we managed to get the bridle to fit most of it was just held together with tape but it worked.

Adrian Palmer rode his new horse which is big but Adrian managed to keep it together and they did a nice test.

Gill Penberth a new team member rode a lovely consistent test but sadly the team did not get placed but they are ones to watch out for in the future.

The open team came home with plenty of prizes Imogen Morgan coming 4th in her arena with a brilliant test even though the judge needs to go to Specsavers or even learn the test.

Gillian Bennett had a real tricky time on Dermot who was not playing ball on this occasion (I think it is the Irish in him) but they did manage an interesting test. Kay Webb was 3rd in her arena doing a lovely test especially riding at a higher level now.

Claire Jackson had to do an elementary test and good boy Sid did a wonderful test just the reader needs sacking as I let them down a bit whoops!

So the open team were a close 3rd overall.

Well done to you all and thank you for all the time you spend training and competing for Kings Leaze.

A big thank you to Nikki Hand our dressage trainer.

We are always looking for new team members to represent the club so if anyone is interested please contact **Hayley Godwin**

# Summer Clear Round Jumping

For the second year running we have been fortunate enough to have a set of show jumps, located at Alderton Grove Farm for use of the club for rallies, clear round competitions and private use. These jumps are a great asset to the club and have helped many members get started and progress with their jumping.

We started with an afternoon of repairs and setting up with the help from many members (and non members). Special thanks need to go to Adrian Palmer, Alex Miller, Sam Tilley and my long suffering husband, Rob Coombs for repairing every wing and cutting any damage of the ends of all the poles. All who helped were rewarded with hotdogs and beer or soft drinks!



We have held 2 very successful clear round competitions which have been very popular from the tiny tots lead rein jumping to the older more competitive members, we aim to cater for all abilities. We have also held several Lucy Dixon individual SJ a course rallies which have also proved very popular and I know many members have hired the course for their own use ( to book contact Daphne Smith, 01249 782465. Cost £5 per horse). We are hoping to fit one more Clear Round in before Autumn so please keep an eye on facebook and the website for more details.



A huge thank you to Tim and Daphne Smith for donating the paddock for our use and letting us invade the farm for the clear round competitions. Also thank you to Ian Addsets for donating the jumps for the club use and to all the members who have helped set up, organising and helping with the competitions. We will be looking for volunteers to help put the jumps away as the weather turns so keep an eye on facebook and email. This is a good opportunity to help your club if you have not already done so this year.

***For further information contact Nickie Coombs***  
***[Robandnickie@btinternet.com](mailto:Robandnickie@btinternet.com), 07796 990204***



## ***CONGRATULATIONS***

Well done to KLRC members Liz Harding on Moviestar and Nuala Dunne on Mr Delicious for winning their classes at the Pet Plan Area Festival at Burrows Court and also April Joynsons for being awarded the Badminton Grassroots training Bursary.



## KLRC Residential Camp at Pontispool July 18-20 2014



What a brilliant weekend at camp. 29 horses and riders turned up for camp at Pontispool late Friday morning. After all horses were settled in to their stables, it was time to get camp started....first things first....Lunch. Amazing grub at Pontispool, major highlight.

Friday afternoon all riders mounted and in their various groups they headed out for their first rally. The facilities at Pontispool are amazing. The arenas are large with a beautiful surface, and they recently extended the school to include cross country steps and a water jump, which was great to go for a paddle after our SJ and dressage rallies!

The Cross Country course proved to be perfect for all abilities and enjoyed by all. Each group venturing out for a 2 hour rally out on the course. Next year we hope to organise the rallies so there is the possibility of using the XC twice in the weekend if people would like.

Saturday was jam packed, a dressage rally in the morning, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> rally in the afternoon. Sarah from Spillers was also available to weigh your horse on the horse weighbridge and give advice on feeding and supplements.

Our instructors this year were Lucy Dixon, Tom Buckland, Di Sealey and Sian Brown. They all did a marvellous job encouraging, guiding and wiping us into shape.

Entertainment off the horse was also provided, after dinner with various glasses of liquid we all sat down to relax and enjoy a talk from Kara a KLRC member discussing first aid and first response to various horsey accidents which could our willing victim Lizzi Poole, Kara demonstrated various procedures. *Pictured Lizzi being rolled on to her side, but with potential back injury!*



This was then followed by some brain testing Pub Quiz questions from Elizabeth Webster, some of us were clutching at brain cells!

Saturday night was awards and games. Choosing the award winners was really hard, everyone had done so well and achieved so much. But in the end we had 5 rider and horse combinations, awarding them with Carrots and Chocolates.

Then it was time for the evening games, Can you make a bridle out of Strawberry laces? Followed by wrapping two friends up in toilet roll to look like a pantomime horse? Needless to say I haven't laughed that hard in a long time....some of the bridles were genius, even including plaited brow bands!

Sunday morning and it's time for the members last rally. For me it was off to Show Jumping, and Sonic and I had great fun. I was so pleased after thinking I wouldn't leave the ground, I managed a whole round of Show Jumps, Sonics just hoping they are higher next year!

One of the highlights for me was seeing the Youngsters group returning from XC on the Sunday morning with big smiles all round. All on youngsters of which some had only started jumping in the last few weeks they had taken on the xc course by storm and tackled all fences possible, the brush fence out of the water didn't stop any of them!

It was a blast, everyone had enjoyed a brilliant weekend, now it was time for the journey home and to give our horses a well earnt day off and pampering at home. The horses had been brilliant, working so hard, but I know they had enjoyed every minute.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped to organise and support camp this year, especially Elizabeth Webster and Lizzi Donaldson. To all the camp members who made it such a brilliant weekend, and what an exceptional clear up clean down operation they also carried out at the end.

Exciting News - We have managed to secure dates for next year at Pontispool.....so a date for your diary **17-19 July 2015 KLRC Residential Camp Pontispool.**

**Hope to see you all again next year**

**Bex**



### Camp member Comments

*Returned from camp today after only 2 nights away with my pony and feeling like I have had a really good holiday!*

*Friday pm, all day Saturday, and Sunday am of nothing but horsey things with like minded friendly people has been a nice treat. I have been trying to think what the best bits where, but I have to say I enjoyed all of it.*

*Great facility, instructors were fun, excellent food, good accommodation and stabling.*

*Thank you to the team of organisers Bek Casewell, Lizzy Poole and Elizabeth Webster who ensured we were well looked after and entertained both on and off our horses. Really looking forward to next year.*

*Louise Fry*

*Such a great weekend. Boris and I got so much out of it, the food and accommodation were just perfect, the tuition was excellent and the facilities were exceptional.*

*Lisa Farrell*





# **Seminar with John Kohnke**

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

at Badminton Village Hall, Badminton

8pm start

John is a veterinary surgeon from Australia and has presented over 2500 seminars worldwide, and has also published nearly 3000 articles on horse health in magazines.

Popular topics are – training for strength and impulsion, lower back soreness, joint problems in dressage horses and managing fear and hesitation etc.

John will be pleased to help and discuss with you any issues which you may have with your horse.

The cost for this evening is £6 per person or £8 for a family of two.

Ploughmans Supper will be provided.

Please contact Daphne Smith on 07977937506 to book your seat or email on [border.line@virgin.net](mailto:border.line@virgin.net)

We will post further details once they are available.

**In aid of Kings Leaze Riding Club**  
**Hobby Horse Race Night**

DIDMARTON VILLAGE HALL  
DIDMARTON

**Friday 21st November 2014**

Doors open 7.30pm

**First race 7.45pm**

**Come and have a fun night out**

Ploughman's Supper  
including tea, coffee and soft drinks

**BRING YOUR OWN BOOZE**

Tickets £7.00 per adult £3.50 per child

Please send cheques to Daphne Smith  
for tickets





## **ALICIA HAWKER DEMO**

On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July members from the riding club attended an evening with Alicia Hawker. Alicia introduced us to two of her horses that she is competing on this year and showed us some of her training technics both on the flat and also jumping. We were lucky to have both of Alicia trainers Polly Williamson and Rhian Jones who talked us through the ridden sessions.

Two of our junior members Alice McGory and Libby Poole brought their ponies along and Alicia helped them with their jumping – well done them both.

Thank you to Alicia and her team for making it such an enjoyable evening.

## **KLRC AGM**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

**at**

**Badminton Village Hall, Badminton**

**Starting at 7.30pm (prompt)**

**Everyone welcome**

# **Kingsleaze Riding Club**

Are pleased to announce by popular request a second

Lecture/Demo by List 1 Judge

**Lindsay Jenkins**

**Freestyle Dressage to Music**

on

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September 10am - 1pm**

at

**Badminton Indoor School**

By kind permission of Her Grace The Duchess of Beaufort

**This is a wonderful opportunity to find out what is required in a freestyle test and how to fit the music to your horse and their paces**

**Tickets £12 to include a ploughmans lunch**

(please bring a folding chair)

Please make cheques payable to **Kingsleaze Riding Club** and send to

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