

# ***Kings Leaze Riding Club***

## ***Newsletter***

**January 2017**

Coming soon:

Winter Dressage  
Series

**TREASURE  
HUNT**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April  
2017

All the usual  
rallies & training

See  
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forthcoming  
events

All KLRC  
schedules are  
available on the  
website

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

Nearly another year gone, where does the time go? Let us hope that the spring comes around quickly, as the winter makes hard work for horse owners!

All of our rallies have been well attended, and we have catered for all abilities of riders. We plan to carry on with these rallies, and may be the addition of a new trainer starting after the New Year.

The Fashion Show hosted by KLRC and presented by Wadswick Country Store was a huge success, resulting in a full house!

I would like to thank the Duke and Duchess of Beaufort for allowing us to use the Old Hall in Badminton House, it was the most superb backdrop for this event, so thank you so much to them.

Our commentator, Mike Tucker was fantastic, and as always, did a fantastic job, so thank you Mike.

Our lighting man was Tim Sage, a local farmer, and point to point enthusiast, so thanks go to him also.

Hayley Godwin organised the canapes, with Lynne Hamilton putting on a marvelous spread, and with the help of Bridget Cross also. Huge thanks to them.

The wine was provided for us by June Godwin of the Sherston Wine Company, thank you June. So all in all a very local event.

I think that the hardest work was done by Carolyn Barton of Wadswick Country Store, along with her daughter and members of her staff. They provided us with a tremendous display of clothing which just kept coming for the whole evening. The models were all fantastic, half of them provided by Carolyn and the other half by members of our club, so thank you to all of you for putting on such a grand display.

Thank you to all of those people who helped behind the scenes, it was very much appreciated, and couldn't have run so smoothly without your help!

Donations went to a Charity which the Duchess supports, the Ebony Riding Club in London, which caters for underprivileged children. A very worthy charity. Donations also went towards the repairs of Badminton Church. So thank you all for attending and helping to support your club, and these charities.

We had a very interesting AGM in November, with all of the usual awards being presented to various members for their achievements, well done to you all.

Alex Miller, a committee member, invited Christina Dodwell, an explorer, to come along and show us slides and to talk about her adventures in Madagascar. This was a most interesting talk given by a remarkable woman. We also made a donation to the Dodwell Trust which helps the children of Madagascar.

Thank you to all of the committee members for their tremendous support throughout the year.

We had four committee members retiring so I would like to thank all of them for all of their hard work in the past. Welcome to our new committee members and I hope that you enjoy being part of our club.

The Christmas meal organized by Hayley Godwin, and held at the Fox and Hounds in Acton Turville, was a lovely evening. The food was fantastic and the company was great. A highly amusing evening! Thank you Hayley.

Look forward to seeing you all in the New Year at some of our many events.

***Daphne Smith***

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# Olympia Report 2016

We boarded the bus in Hullavington for our trip to Olympia, where we were quickly whisked to the big city. Arriving at Olympia we entered through the shopping village entrance, a quick bag check and we were in!

We took a moment to survey our surroundings and decided to head upstairs and work our way down around the various different shopping opportunities. First thing first though was finding a cup of tea. We were pleasantly surprised to find a nice food and drink area which was surprisingly quiet, so we sat and enjoyed our drinks. Funny old world though bumping into someone who's horses are less than half a mile from ours doing the same thing.

We then moved around the upstairs booths, seeing what bargains caught our attention. While on this floor the commentator announced the show was about to start but we opted to say shopping while all the crowds headed to the arena. This was an excellent decision as the shopping area then emptied of people and we had plenty of space to move around browsing (and buying). We made a few purchases such as 3 pairs of jods for £50, bargain! We then headed to the arena to find our seats and arrived in time to watch the end of Sante Serra's demonstration and his 2 beautiful horses and dogs. Followed by the Shetland Grand National. The ponies looked very smart all clipped and ready to go with a few certainly on their toes! Cheers went up for the winner.

Next was my favourite part of the evening and a demonstration by the Portuguese Lusitanos. Watching these beautiful horses move around was just awe-inspiring. We next had the interval and we headed out to buy the last few things on our shopping list.

While upstairs a certain pair caught our attention. It was none other than Wocket Woy and the Pwducer! They had left Nobby at home but they were happy to pose for a picture with us. A very friendly pair indeed and if you haven't heard of them, find them on Facebook. Their weekly videos are very funny.



Back to our seats for the show-jumping. And what a round! Big cheers roared through the crowd when the GB riders did their bit. Ben Mayer, Scott Brash and John Whitaker making the jump off. Several riders into the jump off and no one had gone clear, out comes Ben Mayer. You could feel the tension in the arena as he approached the 2<sup>nd</sup> from last, the crowd almost creating a distraction with the excitement and were shushed by the commentators. The roof almost came off the arena as he cleared the last! John Whitaker also went clear and the cheer for this legend was awesome. Then out comes Scott Brash. If the cheer for Ben wasn't impressive enough it certainly was for Scott as he took the lead. Presentation of the prizes were given out and the finale started. Unfortunately we had to get back to the bus so didn't see it all but we were there long enough to see Father Christmas pulled on his sleigh. A brilliant day out and well done and thank you to Jenny for getting us amazing seats.

*Emily Small*



## Junior Dressage Report

On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December the Area 9 Junior Novice and Intermediate Dressage qualifiers were held at Leyland Court. Unfortunately we were unable to send any teams due to injury and members being unable to attend but William Collett represented the club as an individual with both of his ponies.

William had a cracking day with Sheepcote Champion Star by winning both novice classes and qualifying for the final of the Intermediate Dressage Championship at Bury Farm at the end of April. Also he came 3<sup>rd</sup> with Billy Bong in the Prelim.

Congratulations to William and thank you for representing the club and good luck for the final!

**Jacky Collett**

Junior Dressage Team Manager

## CHRISTMAS MEAL 2016

Thank you to Hayley Godwin for once again organising our Christmas Meal at the Fox and Hounds, Acton Turville.

The food was absolutely amazing and so much of it, I am so pleased that I fasted all day to enable me to enjoy the lovely spread which we had! As always, the service was very efficient and friendly.

The company was great, enabling us all to catch up with everybody without having our horses in tow!

This year we had a secret Santa which was great fun, and caused some hilarity. Those of you who were there, will understand what I am talking about!

It was a dreadful night for traveling as we had thick fog that evening, so thank you to all of you who had to come a fair distance yet still made the effort.

Well that was a fun filled evening so thank you Hayley for your organising skills!

**Daphne Smith**

## Senior Dressage Report

Two dressage teams represented the club at the winter qualifier at Summerhouse in November.

We had a few new team members which is exciting for future events.

One team can 12th which were Nicky Coombs, Janet Harrison, Brooke Gardner-Wollen and Abbey Read, they were a completely new team and did brilliantly especially Brooke who I threw in the deep end by getting her to ride a novice test on a 5 year old which had never even seen white dressage boards before but they manage to do a good test.

The other team were some of my old faithfuls Adrian Palmer, Sarah Palmer, Abbey Read and Corrie Hart, this team were 9th and all did exceptionally well.

We had two individual placing a Janet came 3rd in her arena and Sarah 6th so good results all round.

I would like to thank the Palmers for use of their cafe again, drinking their tea and eating cake.

Thank you to all the team members which took time out to represent their club and for being so jolly and helpful it makes my job a lot easier thank you and roll on the next competition in February.

***Hayley Godwin***

Senior Dressage Team Manager

## CHRISTMAS SHOW

It was a foggy and frosty start on the morning of the Christmas Show, but during the day the sun came out and it was a beautiful day.

The entries were down on last year as we unfortunately clashed with Pony Club show jumping at West Wilts.

However, not to be put off by this we went ahead and all of the competitors had an absolute whale of a time! It was the icing on the cake for the children and rounded their Christmas festivities off beautifully.



Ian's hog roast was, as always, absolutely mouth watering, so thank you Ian for your wonderful cooking.

I am very grateful to all of the helpers who came along to make this event run smoothly – Natalie Olive, Mandy Kingwill, Lottie Miller and Gill Penberth. Jean Edwards did a wonderful job of serving the pork rolls. Mark Maidment was our judge for the day and was fantastic with the children. Ian's staff of Iain, Hannah and Leslie all put their backs into helping also, literally, they were in charge of the jumps!

So many thanks to all.

Wishing you a happy and successful 2017.

***Daphne Smith***



## KLRC Fashion Show

On Friday the 28th October a Fashion Show was given by Kings Leaze Riding club at the Old Hall, Badminton by kind permission of the Duke & Duchess of Beaufort. A big thank you to Caroline Barton from Wadswick Country Store for supplying all the fashionable clothes, and some stunning accessories and also for supplying some of the models, extra models were from the Riding Club.

We must congratulate Daphne Smith for organising such a splendid evening without a hitch. The attendance was excellent including the Duchess of Beaufort, and everyone enjoyed the tasty canapés and the flowing wine. The evening was a great success and a big thank you to all the helpers who the show so much fun.

***Carrie Janaway***









This year, Kings Leaze joined in with the Retraining of Racehorses Riding Club Challenge. The Riding Club Challenge awards participation and performance of former racehorses at riding club competitions.

For each KLRC run event, typically the summer and winter dressage series at Wick Farm and Elmleaze Stud, the club will have RoR rosettes on offer to the highest point scoring RoR horse competing. A trophy is then awarded to the combination that score the most points during the year.

Following the summer dressage series, **Christina Ticehurst** is our Champion with her horse **Stormin Exit**, with Reserve Champion going to **Kirstie Robertson** with **Wickedly Fast**.

For 2017 I will be able to take into account the results of the winter dressage series as well, so make sure you enter using your horse' passport name and let me know its ROR registration number.

Please visit [www.ror.org.uk](http://www.ror.org.uk) to find out more about the work that the charity do and how your ex-racehorse can get involved.

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Retraining of Racehorses (ROR) is British Horseracing's official charity for the welfare of horses who have retired from racing.

# KLRC Wordsearch

J T N S M S B P S P A F S S H  
C U U S H R R O S T S T T N O  
D L Q O I O N U O G O T Z A R  
M Q I D G I W R G O O A S F S  
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BAY  
BRC  
BRIDLE  
BROWBAND  
BRUSHINGBOOTS  
CARROT  
CLEARROUND  
CLIPPERS  
DOUBLEBRIDLE  
DUN  
GAG  
GREY

HAY  
HORSETRIALS  
KINGSLEAZE  
MUCKINGOUT  
MUD  
PALOMINO  
PELHAM  
RUGS  
SADDLE  
SHOWJUMPING  
SNAFFLE  
TACK  
TREATS

# Mincemeat Shortbread (makes 8)

*This is an ideal way to use up any leftover mincemeat*

## **Ingredients**

4oz margarine or butter  
2oz caster sugar  
6oz plain flour, sifted  
4 tblspn mincemeat

## **Decoration**

Caster sugar

## **Baking**

8" round cake tin, lightly greased  
Preheated oven 170°C, 340°F or gas mark 3  
Middle shelf  
25-30 minutes or until golden brown

## **Method**

Cream the fat and sugar.  
Gradually work in flour and mincemeat.  
Knead until well blended.  
Roll out on a lightly floured surface and press evenly into the tin.  
Mark around the edge with a fork.  
Cut into 8 sections, prick all over with a fork and bake.  
Once baked, cut again, sprinkle with caster sugar and leave until cold.

**By Sue Bromyard**

