

BREAKSPEAR RIDING CLUB

JANUARY 2007 NEWSLETTER

Dear Member

Membership Renewal

The beginning of the calendar year is the time for membership renewal. So I thought it was sensible to raise this first before its purpose gets lost in the body of the Newsletter. Enclosed is a Membership Renewal Form 2007. Please complete and return the Form to Julie Gordon together with your remittance as soon as possible. Do remember to include your **EMAIL ADDRESS** details. This will enable the Club to email communications to those with email addresses which is obviously much quicker, cheaper and efficient than by regular mail. Those members without email addresses will continue to receive communications by mail in the usual way.

The Club's 50th Celebrations

Breakspear Riding Club's 50TH Birthday Party was held on Saturday 11 November 2006 and what a successful birthday party we had! Representatives of the club membership right from its very beginning and through to the present day, came to our birthday party in Whelpley Hill Village Hall. If you bear in mind that we do not have current addresses for most of these people and were reliant on the grapevine to pass the word around, you will realise just how many lifetime friendships have been made from the activities of Breakspear.

The food was fantastic and the wine must have been good – I can't remember!

Birthday cakes depicted the two main activities of the club – dressage and show jumping. The show jumping cake was a green arena complete with a set of show jumps, horse and rider, trophies and judges box! The dressage cake was a more modern all weather arena with a warm blood dressage horse and rider – the horse must have been a little overweight or the surface a little deep as the horse appeared to be up to his hocks in sand!!! No detail was omitted as we even had a judge's car at one end!!!

John Gosheron, our club President welcomed all the guests and members in his speech and recalled all the many events that had taken place during the club's long history.

It was good to have the chance to chat to some old friends and also to meet present members without the four legged friends to distract us.

Many thanks to Mercedes and Ian Cottrell for all their hard work with the catering arrangements and for her skills decorating the cakes! And to Angela Hammond who welcomed every one with a glass of bubbly.

Judy Ross
November 2006

2006 Achievements

Congratulations to:

Sondra and Meyer. As Breakspear's dressage representative at the Riding Club Championships, Sondra Darnbrough had a lot to celebrate claiming a second in the Open Senior Novice 26 with 66.8% and a 7th in the Riding Test. Sondra competed on Meyer a 10yo bay gelding owned by Claire Hodson, the judge was very complementary about Sondra's riding, commenting on her ability to keep the horse channelled through to the contact. Meyer was "a bit on his toes" to say the least and a few marks were lost through tension but he has such balanced and correct paces he came through to take a very well earned 2nd place in arena five.

Sondra Darnbrough for winning the BD Regional Finals NFU Mutual Prelim on Michel Assouline's Demi Jour.

Jonathan Chapman, riding his home bred and produced Oscar, for achieving 28th place at Blenheim Horse Trials.

The hunter trial team for achieving overall 2nd place at Shire Lane OBH Hunter Trials on 2 September. Team comprised: Ellen Kilchmann & Amara; Claire Rossiter & Rodney; Chris Parrott & Alfie; and Hilary Samson-Barry & April. The same team entered the London & South East ODE qualifier on 27 August and achieved team 8th and Chris Parrott 7th individually.

Full details and photographs of some of the above competitions are on the website www.breakspear-riding.co.uk

CONGRATULATIONS also to Rebecca Patmore and Gareth Hughes who tied the knot in Thailand on 28 December. The wedding was held on the beach in Cape Panwa, Phuket with, apparently, a baby elephant participating in the ceremony!

On-going Training

With Jonathan Chapman

Jonathan Chapman is qualified at BHSI standard and has trained with Yogi Breisner for 7 years. He has evented to Advanced One Day level and 2* Three Day level. Also, Jonathan regularly competes in affiliated dressage and show jumping.

Flat work lessons at Greinan Farm. Hourly sessions held on 11 and 25 January, 1 and 22 February, 15 and 29 March and 12 and 26 April. Cost of lessons is based on 4 riders sharing a lesson @ £20 per rider. Booking forms are enclosed with this Newsletter. Chris Parrott is organising this and will confirm lesson times. You can contact Chris on 01923 265866.

Show Jumping lessons will be held at Green End Farm, Sarratt on 20 January and 17 February. Contact Chris Parrott for details.

Cross County training. Jonathan also regularly holds XC training sessions. Please contact Jonathan directly if you would like to join in. Mobile: 07771 740980.

With Roland Tong

Please contact Julia Hornig at Classic Dressage directly for details of future training sessions. Telephone: 01442 834536 or email Julia@classicdressage.com.

FUTURE EVENTS

11 February and 18 March 2007 Equestrian Monthly dressage qualifiers. Entry forms are enclosed.

The Committee is trying to arrange a talk by Chris Blackmore MRCVS in February. Confirmation and details to follow.

PAST RESULTS

Unfortunately the Summer Gala Competition was cancelled because of insufficient entries despite trying to run these competitions jointly with another local club.

These are the results of the dressage competitions held at Greinan Farm on 5 November and 3 December.

5 November

Preliminary 4

	Antonia Thoday	Danesbrook Galileo	59.09%	R ** Q
1 st	Amanda Bettle	Ask Jeeves	70.91%	O Q
2 nd	Amanda Bettle	Mount Royal	70.00%	
3 rd	Nina De Luca	Simply Mislead	68.64%	
4 th =	Janice Lugsden	Magic Man	67.27%	
4 th =	Chris Parrot	What's it all about	67.27%	**
4 th =	Sarah Cawdron	Flush Harry	67.27%	**

Novice 21

1 st	Chris Jensen	Perfekt Mind	69.50%	O **Q
2 nd	Amanda Bettle	Bryntywod Rhodri	68.00%	
3 rd	Amanda Bettle	Mount Royal	67.50%	
4 th	Karen Martin	Zac	67.00%	
5 th =	Jo Stephens	Time Will Tell	65.00%	R Q
5 th =	Kylie Roddy	J's Super Saucy	65.00%	**
5 th =	Sarah Cawdron	Flush Harry	65.00%	**

Elementary 41

1st	Amanda Bettle	Bryntywod Rhodri	64.80%	Q
2nd	Jenny Grant	Longhalves Dawn Raider	64.40%	
3rd	Karen Martin	Zac	62.80%	

Medium 63

1 st	Jane Waring	Longdean Benediction	62.07%	Q
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3 December

Preliminary 7

1st	Kylie Roddy	J's Super Saucy	70%	**
2 nd	Sally Singer	Donner	69%	
3 rd	Jonathan Chapman	Adam	68%	**
4 th	Nina De Luca	Simply Mislead	68%	
5 th	Charlotte Osmond	Umbur	67.5%	**
=6 th	Katie Wells	Simply Red	67%	
	Debbie Donovan	Silver Dollar	67%	

Novice 24

1 st	Jayne Roach	J.R. Humphrey	69.63%	
2 nd	Jackie Barker	Mr Rafferty	67.41%	
3 rd	Michelle Girt	Perfect Contrast	66.67%	
4 th	Sally Singer	Donner	65.56%	
5 th	Kylie Roddy	J's Super Saucy	64.07%	**
6 th	Debbie Donovan	Silver Dollar	62.59%	

Elementary 41

1 st	Michelle Girt	Perfect Contrast	67.60%	
=2 nd	Jackie Barker	Mr Rafferty	65.60%	
	Nina De Luca	Corky	65.60%	
4 th	Jayne Roach	J.R. Humphrey	64.80%	
5 th	Sarah Williams	Impus	63.20%	
6 th	Vicky Spanwick	Denver Sky	62.40%	

Medium 63

1st	Diane MacBean	Dream Catcher	62.41%	**
2nd	Vicky Spanwick	Denver Sky	59.31%	
3 rd	Nina De Luca	Corky	57.59%	

** Member

A big **THANK YOU** to those non-members, Mo and Jenny and members, Linda Siburn, Antonia Thoday, Fiona Hedicker and Hilary Samson-Barry who helped at these competitions.

Members' points up to and including 3 December 2006.

S Cawdron	Flush Harry	18 pts
K Roddy	J's Super Saucy	13 pts
L Bardoo	Gala Beach	11 pts
S Darnbrough	Meyer	10 pts
S Sheridan	Rubin	10 pts.
S Sheridan	Fez	10 pts
S Stroh	Dingli Crackerjack	10 pts
C Parrott	What's It All About	9 pts
J Hornig	Classic Sensation	8 pts
A Hammond	Blue Blood	6 pts
C Jensen	Perfekt Mind	5 pts
J Chapman	Adam	5 pts
R Walker	Samson	4 pts
C Osmond	Umber	4 pts
E Kilchmann	Easy Tiger	3 pts
S Darnbrough	Rosgan Fine Echo	3 pts
D MacBean	Dream Catcher	3 pts
L Sibun	Little Boy Blue	2 pts
L Bardoo	Isadora	2 pts
A Thoday	Danesbrook Galileo	2 pts
K Roddy	Bonjour	1 pt

Enclosed with this newsletter you will find:-

- Membership Renewal Form 2007
- Booking Form for instruction by Jonathan Chapman
- Entry Forms for February and March 2007 Equestrian Monthly Dressage Qualifier competitions
- List of Committee Members and their contact details

Miscellaneous

- The Show Secretary can be contacted on 07980 520326 on each Show day.
- Breakspear RC website: www.breakspear-riding.co.uk
- **Never** leave unattended horses tied-up outside of lorries or trailers

Wishing you a very happy and successful 2007.

Sally Stroh
For Breakspear Riding Club