

# Bishops Riding Club Horse Tails

Issue 5, August 2002



**FROM  
STRENGTH .....**

It has got to be said that this past twelve months has seen a great improvement in the competitive spirit and success and success of the club in all disciplines, largely down to the motivational and training skills of our very own Linda.

After the successes at the Summer Qualifiers we had members at the Horse trials Championships recently for which we have a very entertaining report from Linda inside.

**On 14th September we have 8 members** going down to the **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS** in Lincoln. These eight members will compete as:- A dressage team, a show jumping team, an

equitation team, two pairs in pairs dressage and an individual in the dressage.

**TO STRENGTH**



Each person is competing in at least two events but special mention must go to Julia Hather and her mount Horace who are competing in all four disciplines!  
Thanks Julia, I hope you and Horace have a great day, perhaps you will need to invest in a case of **Red Bull** to keep up the energy levels and **give you wings!**

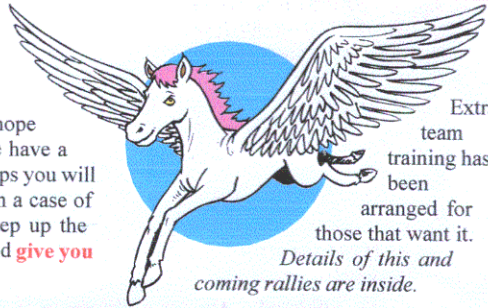
The horses and riders are traveling down the day before as the competitions start at 9.00a.m!

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It would be really good if as many club members as possible were able to go down on the day and support our teams. It's only about two and a half hours in the car to Lincoln Show Ground. If anyone needs more details or directions call Lynne or Linda. It will be a great social day out.

**SEE YOU THERE!**



Extra team training has been arranged for those that want it. Details of this and coming rallies are inside.

**GOOD LUCK TO EVERYONE,  
HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A HAPPY  
AND SUCCESSFUL DAY!**

## From the COMMITTEE..... ILPH DONATION

At the committee meeting at Lanchester on 14th August it was agreed that the donation to the ILPH would be £350. This was made up of some £160+ raised by our fundraising gymkhana which the club doubled and

was then rounded up to £350. Thanks again to Linda and her team for running the event and for those who participated.

## Authorised Signatory

Kevin Greener has now been removed from the bank mandate and his place as

authorised signatory has been taken by Linda.

**More news on events,  
rallies and reports  
included inside.**

Next Committee Meeting  
Wednesday 25th September  
The Colliery, Helmington Row  
8.00.p.m. - ALL welcome!

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*What's on and Whats  
Not.....*

## Treasure Hunt

Full time to enter the Car Treasure Hunt on Wednesday 28th August. Cars leave from the start at Low Fold any time from 6.30 p.m to 7.30.p.m The route takes about one and a half hours to complete. The finish is at a pub where excellent bar meals are served. You can have as many in the car as you wish. Entry is just £2 payable on the night.

***We would like to have an idea of numbers though so we can warn the pub of a pending onslaught of hungry hunters!***

## CROSS COUNTRY SCHOOLING

On 28th October the club will co-host a cross country schooling day at Low Fold Farm from 10 a.m to 2 p.m . This is an open session and will cost £10 per horse for the day. This will be clubs annual fundraiser in place of the usual hunter trial.

## RIDING CLUB TESTS

Margaret has said she will run a series of classes over the winter months for anyone

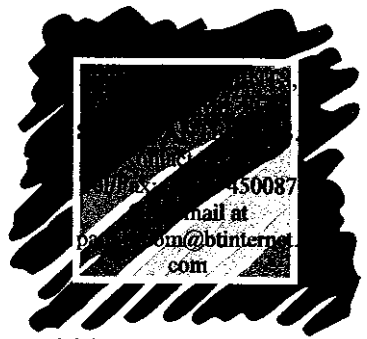
who is interested in taking these tests. They can be taken in riding (no jumping if preferred) And/or horse care. Any one interested in more info ease fill in form and return and Margaret will contact you nearer time.



## CHRISTMAS DINNER

*This year the venue is Knitsley Mill on Friday 6th December. The cost will be around £20 per head. We expect to have a menu mid September. We are guaranteed a good selection so if you are interested in coming along please fill in the enclosed form and return to Lynne as soon as possible, we can then send you a menu from which you can make your choices.*

With Linda will be at Peter Harles on **August 21st for DRESSAGE**. Sunday **8th September** at Low Fold for **JUMPING** and Wednesday **11th September** at **High Garth** for any last minute



crisis!

## RALLIES

Perhaps third time lucky will be appropriate when we finally get together at **Baxter Wood on Wednesday 4th September**.

**Wednesday 18th September** will see us rallying around at **Marjory Flatts**, Lanchester, courtesy of Fiona.

*(Please Note: these two rallies will be one session 6.30 - 8.00 pm with two instructors if necessary)*

**Wednesday 2nd October** will be at **Low Fold Farm**. By now the nights will be cutting in and we will have two one hour sessions in the out door arena. At 6.30 and 7.30 p.m

## FUTURE RALLIES

**At the next committee meeting (see front page) we will be discussing future venues for winter rallies and possible additional events/socials etc. Please come along or fax/phone/e-mail suggestions to any committee member. It's your club so let us know what you want PLEASE!**

## Horse Tails

### Bishops Riding Club

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## HORSE TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIPS

- A report from Linda Davis

Three members of the Bishops qualified to go to Warwickshire for the Horse Trials Championships, Natalie Lander, Sara Murray and myself. Who would have thought we would have had so much fun!

Sara arrived first with Jane Boyd acting as her 'groom'. They had to cope with the wrath of other Riding Clubs as they tenaciously 'bagged' extra wagon space for Natalie and myself. (no mean feat I might add!) Natalie arrived soon after and they all settled in. I didn't need to arrive until the next day as I was doing the novice class. By the time I arrived they knew where everything was (miles apart!), had got extra bedding and were just getting ready for their Dressage.

Fiona Brown (my 'groom') and I settled Seb in and watched the dressage, then anyone who thought doing one phase of a horse trial a day for three days would be very peaceful, discovered how wrong they were! Between 5 and 8pm, Sara and Natalie had to attend their official briefing, walk/ride the 8km of roads and tracks, walk the steeple chase course and sort out their stop watches etc for the roads and tracks. Add to this torrential rain and they in their wisdom decided to ride bikes (Yes you read that right BIKES) around the 8km of up and down grass roads and tracks!!

There appeared to be an attempted sabotage on route with Sara being crashed into at the bottom of a hill! But, giggling hysterically they did eventually arrive home! For those wondering what I did through all this, I rode them on my horse!! Got very wet, but wasn't nearly as stiff as them the next day!

Rain was our problem and although we had no more after Friday the river rose and rose and rose all weekend. First the open competitors had to jump the novice 2nd water, then the 2nd water was taken out all together, then both waters were taken out and the roads and tracks re-routed! A shame but oddly enough the ground was perfect.

To cut a long story short, we all had a great time. Natalie went double clear, but had time penalties. Sara took a gamble at the sunken road and had a stop, I took a gamble at three offset jumps and also had a

stop, but somehow, due to a good dressage and very fast horse still managed to come 8th.

Sara discovered just how nerve racking it is to do a 'trot up' on the 3rd day. However much you know your horse is ok, you have no control over the situation and emotions ran high.

All three riders would like to stress how much they appreciated the help of the back up crews, Fiona and Jane I have already mentioned but also Natalie's parents Hans and Anne and boyfriend John. Without them we would have all been stuck. Jane hadn't expected to feel so much pressure in the 10 min box, she felt she was responsible for Sara's horse if anything went wrong and hadn't realised how that would effect her but nothing did and she was great.

We all had a really good time, we ARE all going back!! Hopefully with a few more members next year. We all learnt a lot - things like how many people you can fit into the Landers mobile horsebox/nightclub! How long it takes to bike 1km and how deep a river is when you can't see the jumps! If we have nearly such a good time at the Summer Championships at Lincoln in September, we will be doing well.

*Linda*

## DIARY DATES

Wed. August 21st	Team Training	Peters
Wed. 28th August	Treasure Hunt	Low Fold
Wed. 4th September	Rally	Baxter Wood
Sun. 8th September	Team Training	Low Fold
Wed. 11th September	Team Training	High Garth
Wed 18th September	Rally	Marjory Flatts
Wed. 2nd October	Rally	Low Fold

Sunday 28th October Cross Country Schooling  
Low Fold Farm

Booking Forms Enclosed.  
Any Queries contact Lynne or Linda.  
Lynne 01388 748368

# BOOKING FORMS

RIDING CLUB RALLY  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September  
Baxter Wood

I would like to attend the above Rally.  
I enclose a cheque for £5.00 £10.00 made payable to 'Bishops Riding Club'

Name:.....Tel: .....

Time 6.30pm or 7.30pm

LIMITED PLACES TO BE OFFERED FIRST TO THOSE WHO SHOULD HAVE GOMNE TO  
PREVIOUS RALLIES AT THIS VENUE THAT WERE CANCELLED

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Riding Club Rally  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September  
Marjory Flatts, Lanchester

I would like to attend the above Rally.  
I enclose a cheque for £5.00 £10.00 made payable to 'Bishops Riding Club'

Name:.....Tel: .....

Time 6.30pm or 7.30pm

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RIDING CLUB RALLY  
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October  
Low Fold

I would like to attend the above Rally.  
I enclose a cheque for £5.00 £10.00 made payable to 'Bishops Riding Club'

Name:.....Tel: .....

Time 6.30pm or 7.30pm

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Cheques and Booking forms to be sent to:-

LYNNE BRADWELL. LOW FOLD FARM COTTAGE, SUNNYBROW, CROOK DL15 0RL  
QUERIES TELEPHONE 01388 748368 AFTER 5PM.

# BOOKING FORMS

CHRISTMAS DINNER  
FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER  
Knitsley Mill

I We would like to attend the above . (Partners/friends welcome) No attending\_\_\_\_\_

Name:.....Tel: .....

Deposit required nearer time. TBA

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Un-mounted Car Treasure Hunt  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August  
Low Fold Farm

I would like to take part in the above

Name: (s).....Tel: .....

No. in car if known.....

Time any time from 6.30 to 7.30pm (arrive and start)

£2 payable on the night! Please just return this form so we know who to expect!

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Riding Club Tests  
Winter Program

I am interested in more information about Riding Club Tests.

(Please tick)

Riding [  ]                      Horse Care [  ]                      Both [  ]

Name:.....

Phone No. ....

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