



LAMBERTS CASTLE RIDING CLUB

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Spring, Summer & Early Autumn 2021

Dear Members

I usually begin with "Happy New Year" in my first newsletter, well its rather late in the year for that, so I will begin by wishing you all well for the coming year, and to welcome our new club members, the committee have been very busy, we have embraced Zoom to have our monthly meetings, and hopefully have organised something for everyone to enjoy!

Following a successful AGM on Zoom, when it was great to have club members attending, other than just the committee, this certainly brightened up January! At the meeting Pam Ewell, Brenda Lunt, Leah Steele and Nicola Cunningham stood down from the committee, Jane passed on huge thanks for the years of hard work they have given to the club, they will be missed... we welcomed Jan Osborne, Nicky Rogers and Davina Hardiman onto the committee, Jan returning to the committee, how many of you were club members when Jan was last on the committee 1985 – 1995? Jane and I definitely were, nice to have you back Jan! From memory Davina did a couple of years on the committee as well in the late 90's. Nicky bravely agreed to join us all, which is great to have her knowledge and experience on the committee.

Looking forward, as there is light at the end of the very long tunnel, spring is around the corner and the days are getting longer for us all to enjoy our horses. As before, we are following the BRC COVID guidelines, this may mean smaller groups on the rides, limited social gatherings until we are given the thumbs up for the next stages, which will hopefully be in the summer. Then we can move on cautiously and enjoy club demos and maybe a BBQ. Fingers firmly crossed....

Look forward to seeing many of you at the various club events we have planned.

Fiona

Wednesday 16th June: Ride from Little Yardbury, Colyton. EX24 6SL

Ride will be at a moderate pace, with some opportunity for a steady canter.

Ride will be on quiet lanes, forestry and bridleways, some are stoney in places and if the weather allows will include 2 river crossings.

If the silage is cut and ground appropriate, then there will be some open fields.

£5 each Payment by Bacs or correct cash to put in the collection Jar.

Please be mounted and ready to ride at 10.30am

Names to Fran by Monday 14th June - fran.summers60@gmail.com

Thursday 17th June: 11am Polework clinic with Melissa Northwood at Chard Equestrian.

Melissa is well known for her Polework clinics and by request we have arranged two sessions with her, 3/4 max in a group, the cost will be £20 each this is subsidised by the club.

Names to Wendy Kiy by Monday 10th May 07939 049047 wendykiy@gmail.com

Wednesday 23rd June: Dressage training with Pam Ewell: Pendragon, Lodge Lane

Dressage training with Pam Ewell at Pendragon, Lodge Lane, Axminster. EX13 5RT. All levels catered for, 15 for half an hour private or 1 hour shared, £25 for an individual lesson. Start times from 11am. Names to Sarah Wharton: sarah.wharton64@gmail.com or 07792 248115

Friday 25th June: 6pm Dressage Demo with Nejc at Swallowfields, Axminster.

Nejc spent 10 years training horses at Lipica stud in Slovenia under the direction of the Spanish Riding school of Vienna training horses in the classical way.

No charge for members, please join after with a shared supper and bring a plate of food to share Friends and Family welcome £5 for non-members

Names to Jane Rogers: 07773 298430 or jane.rogers95@gmail.com by Monday 21st June

July Date TBC: Quantocks ride

We hope to have a re-run of last years successful Saturday afternoon trip to the Quantocks, two members of Quantock RC, took us on a super ride with stunning views. The ride will be approx. 2 hours long and the route will depend on the weather. Riders must be confident to ride at a reasonable pace in the open terrain of the Quantocks, and have previously attended club rides.

Please let Fran know if you are interested to join the ride fran.summers60@gmail.com

Thursday 8th July 5.00pm: Club dressage and plate supper – Pendragon, Lodge Lane, Axminster

Class 1: Intro A (2008) Class 2: Prelim 2 (2016)

Class 3: Prelim 12 (2005) Class 4: Novice 24 (2010)

£8 per test or 2 for £12, please bring a plate of food to share after the dressage finishes.

Names to Sarah Wharton: sarah.wharton64@gmail.com by Monday 5th July

Wednesday 14th July 10.30am: White Lodge, Dalwood. Lunch ride.

Led by Fiona Benger, this ride will be at a slow to moderate pace and ideal for first timers, to include a lunch stop at the Tuckers Pub in Dalwood.

£10 each to include lunch Payment by Bacs or correct cash to put in the collection Jar.

Please be mounted and ready to ride at 10.30am

Names to Fran by Friday 9th July - fran.summers60@gmail.com

Wednesday 21st July: Dressage training with Pam Ewell: Pendragon, Lodge Lane

Dressage training with Pam Ewell at Pendragon, Lodge Lane, Axminster. EX13 5RT. All levels catered for, £15 for half an hour private or 1 hour shared, £25 for an individual lesson. Start times from 11am. Names to Sarah Wharton: sarah.wharton64@gmail.com or 07792 248115

Tuesday 27th July: 6pm Biting Demo with Polly Schwerdt at White Lodge, Dalwood. EX13 7EY

Polly is a high-performance coach and a top-level international rider and also a Bomber bit consultant. Polly will work with two horses in her demonstration, showing us how different bits work for different horses, and the various actions. Bomber bits are entirely hand crafted in South Africa; they were born 30 years ago from one mans passion for everything equestrian. Bomber started making his bits in his garage as a hobby and is now a global company. This will be an interesting evening, come and find out more about the relatively unknown Bomber Bits.

Free to club members, family and friends welcome at £5 each followed by a plate supper.

Names to Fiona by Friday 24th July fiona@tonybenger.com

Polo Day: with Rup Duff

Rup has kindly offered to talk to us about Polo, we will then watch a game of Polo at Taunton / Vaux Date TBC, followed by a practice session. Rup is a very experienced Polo player

Please let Fran know if you are interested fran.summers60@gmail.com

Thursday 19th August: 8am - Breakfast ride, Pendragon, Lodge Lane. EX13 5RT

Led by Sarah Wharton around the many bridleways in Hawkchurch, chances to canter in open fields, the ride will be at a moderate pace. Please be mounted and ready to ride at 8am £5 each, and enjoy a breakfast roll after the ride for £2

Payment by Bacs or correct cash to put in the collection Jar.

Names to Fran by Monday 16th August - fran.summers60@gmail.com

Friday 17th September: 10.30am Club ride – Higher Pound / Lamberts Castle

This ride will be at a faster pace,

£5 each to include lunch Payment by Bacs or correct cash to put in the collection Jar.

Please be mounted and ready to ride at 10.30am

Names to Fran by Monday 13th September - fran.summers60@gmail.com

60 seconds and 10 questions with..... Jan Osborne

Jan was born in Winchester and moved to Whitford in 1977, then to Musbury in 1999.

Your First pony, name, size & breed: Merrylegs 13hh New Forest

Funniest horse / pony moment: Has to be Basil, a complete character always making me laugh and would put up with the outrageous fancy dress costumes every Christmas

Top Tip: Enjoy every moment you possibly can with your horse, you learn so much from them.

Rider Hero: Liz Edgar, she is such a sympathetic rider, always able to get the very best out of whatever she rode

Horse you might like to steal: In my youth it would have been Marion Mould's Stroller, a little pocket rocket, now it has to be Valegro, he is such a supple horse who wouldn't want to ride him!

Your proudest achievement: Winning the riding clubs ODE at Aldon on Ted

How much did you pay for the first set of shoes and in what year: This shows my age! 25 shillings / £1.25 in about 1960

How many years have you been a member of L.C.R.C. 1980 – about 2000 ish then lapsed a bit and re-joined 6 years ago

Main aim for 2021: To enjoy my retirement and having more leisure time with my horse, covid permitting.

And Finally:

Our range of **LCRC** clothing is available to order from an online shop.

Go to www.sewequestrian.com and click on the link that says clubs and teams you will find a tab for Lamberts Castle Riding Club.

The jackets and gilets are true to size, from size 8 to 18, but as they are embroidered returns are not accepted if they don't fit!

Cross country silks in the LCRC colours of black and green are also available from Sarah Wharton at a cost of £10 each.

If you have any queries concerning the clothing or placing an order please do not hesitate to contact Sarah who will be happy to help.