

Old Berkeley Riding Club

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Newsletter

March 2024

Winter Online Dressage Series

This is the third winter competition

* February – March*.

Dressage tests: intro A, prelim 1, prelim 18, novice 30, PYO: elementary 44 & medium 63.

Online dressage competitions are only open to OBRC members and is part of the online series of three competitions.

Always a good opportunity to practice riding different tests and receiving valuable feedback from BD dressage judges to understand how to improve marks.

We offer special entry fees for these competitions.

Those members who have won OBRC vouchers can use these for the online dressage entries.

Entries close on Wednesday 20th March with all videos sent back by Monday evening 25th March please to Diane Hunt.

See the competition page of our website for current schedule.

Area 6 Winter Show Jumping at BCA - March

What a fantastic outing members had at the winter Area 6 show Jumping competition on Sunday 3rd March at Berkshire College.

70cm class finished in 8th position.

Elizabeth Etchells, Ellie Rose, Louise Pusey, Alison Moody.

80cm team members finished in 1st place and have qualified for the BRC winter national novice championships at Arena UK on 6th April.



80 cm Team: Anka Taylor, Anna Smallwood, Elizabeth Etchells (ind 5th), Leah Upton (ind 6th place).

90cm team finished in 4th place: Steph Brookfield, Leah Upton, Anna Smallwood, Anka Taylor who also finished in 5th place individually and has been invited to compete at the BRC intermediate SJ championships in late April.

BRC Introductory & Dressage to Music Championships

We had five members competing at the championship at Bury Farm in Slapton over the weekend of 8th -10th March.

Friday 8th March - Open mixed pairs DTM championships

Anna Smallwood and Anka Taylor both rode a nice pairs test and finishing in 14th position against strong competition from other pairs.

Saturday 9th - Introductory dressage team championships.

We had a team of only three members competing against 31 other senior RC teams from all around the UK.

Ellie Rose, Julia Coney, Julie Fleming and they all finished in the top 10 placings in their own test arenas with between 29 – 31 entries in test! Ellie and Prea came 9th - intro A.

Julia & Puzzle came 5th - intro B

Julie & Clover finished in 2nd place in prelim 2.

The final team results were decided only after Julie & Clover had competed in the late afternoon prelim 2 test.

Our team finished in 2nd place which was fantastic news for everyone as they all rode brilliantly.

The team 2nd place awards included rosettes, sashes and goody bags.

Sunday 10th Novice – no BD points DTM championships.

Another large class entry with riders competing from as far away as Durham in north and Dorset in the south. Anna and Anka both rode good tests with the scores close in the top 10 places.

Anna Smallwood & Melody finished in 7th place and Anka Taylor & Archie finished in 8th place.

Congratulations to all our members who competed over the weekend and represented the riding club.



Summer Open Evening Dressage Series 2024

Deborah Sanders is kindly allowing us to hold our summer monthly evening dressage competitions again this year at Fullers Hill Farm, Amersham, HP6 5RQ

Thursday Dates: 2nd May, 6th June, 4th July, 1st August.

The competitions will be open to OBRC members and non members, but with reduced entry fees club members.

The tests are ridden in a fenced arena and a separate warm up arena – both on surfaces. Schedules will be available at the end of March.



Photos of Intro Dressage Team



Online dressage competition Feb – March.
Entries close 20 March.

6th April – Novice dressage & SJ championships at Arena UK.

13th April – Combined Challenge qualifiers at Rosehill.

2nd May – evening dressage at Amersham.

26th May Summer show jumping qualifiers

6th June- evening dressage at Amersham.

8th June – Combined training qualifiers at Cherwell.

15th Sun 16th June horse trials qualifiers

Full details see Area 6 planner on competition page of website.

Schedules will be emailed as available.