



MHRC NEWSLETTER

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BRC Novice Winter Champs
Interdressage
Selfie Competition



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EDITOR'S BIT

Well, a month into Lockdown ... I think for a lot of us, probably the weirdest few weeks ever. But I hope that you are all keeping well, keeping safe and maybe enjoying the slightly slower pace of life.

I have to admit that I've struggled a bit without competitions, riding club activities and horsey ventures to plan and prepare for. But it's definitely important to look on the bright side of everything - we've had some amazing hacks on these eerily quiet roads, even finding a new route that involved coming back along the main Worcester to Hereford A road - not something we'd usually even entertain for a second. But when all you see is a couple of delivery vans and a few cars, who can resist exploring further afield?

I've really enjoyed keeping an eye on you all via Facebook and e-mails, so please do keep in touch. We're still trying to plan some activities later on this month, so keep an eye out. And if you have any ideas for something the club could do, please don't hesitate to contact me.

So enjoy the newsletter and keep on keeping on - we'll be out of this eventually and then we'll have the biggest MHRC party ever!

Until next time, Caroline



BRC NOVICE WINTER CHAMPS * A Celebration *

The weekend of 28th/29th March should have involved a trip to Arena UK in Lincolnshire, for the BRC Novice Winter Championships. Back in October, one of our amazing Dressage teams qualified after coming 3rd in a tough competition, which involved 30 different teams from across the Area. We thought it was only right to celebrate their achievement, even if we didn't quite get to compete in a National stage. So well done to the four of you – we know you would have been awesome 😊

RUNNERS & RIDERS

Prelim 7: Ashleigh Earle and Gleanmhor Pavanne (left)
 Prelim 12: Sara Stephenson and Lliedi Susan (far right)
 Novice 30: Luan Crawford and Merkur Fra Ellevud (right)
 Novice 28: Tina Price and Big Ted (far left)

NAME	SARA STEPHENSON	ASHLEIGH EARLE
How long have you been a member of MHRC?	About 11 years	Since October 2019
What's your day job?	Grass Cutting	Mental Health Hospital Social Worker
Who was your first pony?	He was a Welsh Mountain pony called Goldie.	I've never owned a pony or horse (yet!) My first riding school pony was called Neddy and I adored him. And I borrowed my aunties pony Freddie growing up. My first share pony was called Ebony at age 21.
What is your ultimate Horsey Ambition?	Just to get as much enjoyment as I can from Suzy	I would love to one day try out team chasing and try eventing (BE80)
Who would play you in a film of your life?		Anna Kendrick -she's good at being clumsy!
Tell us about your horse	Lliedi Susan aka Suzy - 22 year old, 15hh, Welsh Section D Mare	Gleanmhor Pavanne - 16 year old, 16,2hh, Welsh D x TB Gelding
How long have you owned your horse?	11 years - the best ever 11 years	I have been riding Pavanne since the end of October 2019 but I've been sharing/loaning his fieldmate Ben for two years.
What is your horse's favourite activity?	Jumping	Rolling in mud/dirt
And their biggest dislike?	Getting wet	Being anywhere near a hosepipe
If your horse was human, who would they be?		Van Morrison (grumpy with a huge ego, a bit of a prima donna, not very affectionate and knows his potential!)
How did you feel when you found out you'd qualified for the Champs?	I could not believe it! So excited to be going to a dressage Championship	Absolute shocked! I'd been riding Pavanne for about 2 weeks after Ben went lame. He certainly enjoys his dressage.
And what did you do on that weekend instead? 😊	What was to be a fun weekend became a 'tidying up the garden' weekend. Very disappointing!	Not alot! Went for a hack, housework, scrabble and a walk by the river.

MHRC SELFIE COMPETITION

Thank you to everyone who took part in the MHRC selfie competition—it brought some much needed smiles. Congratulations to the four winners - I hope you enjoy your box of goodies.



MOST LIKED: Oliver Hooper and Elvis



FUNNIEST PHOTO: Di Symonds and Jeeves



COMMITTEE FAVOURITE: Luan Crawford and Merkur



COMMITTEE FAVOURITE: Sara Stephenson and Susan

INTERDRESSAGE

Well done to everyone who took part in the April Interdressage competition. It was the last one in both the BRC and the ID Winter League, so we will soon see how the club has fared.

RIDER TEST: Walk & Trot
10th = Suzanne and Rosie

RIDER TEST: Walk, Trot & Canter
1st = Ashleigh Earle and Gleanmhor Pavanne

STARTER TEST 14
1st = Grace Jenkins and Goleen Tiger

CONDITION & TURN-OUT IN-HAND
11th = Ginny Scott and Ruby
12th = Suzanne Ldbetter and Midnight Express

PRACTICAL HORSEMANSHIP
6th = Sara Stephenson and Lliedi Susan
11th = Ashleigh Earle and Big Ben



Florence Bradbury, Luan Crawford, Jo Jaynes, Ashleigh Earle, Jemma Snow, Alison & Jenny Young

PEPPER POT LEAGUE TABLES 2020

Here are the top riders in each of the 2020 Leagues - for the full league tables, check out our website.

SENIOR OVERALL

1st	Sara Stephenson and Lliedi Susan	230
2nd	Ashleigh Earle and Gleanmhor Pavanne	190
3rd	Jennifer Young and Tresleas Blue	185
4th	Caroline Bates and Smokey Joe	160

JUNIOR OVERALL

1st	Lottie Gilderson and Western Miracle	180
2nd	Florence Bradbury and Blaze	150
3rd	Isabella Thomas and Paddy	135
4th	Felix Westgate-Wilton and Tronto	105

SENIOR DRESSAGE

1st	Ashleigh Earle and Gleanmhor Pavanne	190
2nd	Sara Stephenson and Lliedi Susan	125
3rd	Tracey Cameron and Flueradina	85
4th	Holly Chivers and Dripshill Dreammaker	80
	Jennifer Young and Tresleas Blue	80

JUNIOR DRESSAGE

1st	Florence Bradbury and Blaze	150
2nd	Isabella Thomas and Paddy	135
3rd	Lottie Gilderson and Western Miracle	110
4th	Grace Jenkins and Goleen Tiger	40

SENIOR JUMPING

1st	Jennifer Young and Tresleas Blue	105
2nd	Esther Bowness and Blackwater Grey Lady	80
	Sara Stephenson and Lliedi Susan	80
4th	Hannah Chisman and Clondaw Sam	75

JUNIOR JUMPING

1st	Felix Westgate-Wilton and Tronto	105
2nd	Sophie Bowness and Bruno Mars	90
3rd	Lottie Gilderson and Western Miracle	55
4th	Sophie Chichester and Poppy	45

SENIOR COMBINED EVENTS

1st	Chris Esling and HalfnHalf	50
2nd	Caroline Bates and Smokey Joe	40
3rd	Esme Ruff and Finians Rebel	15

JUNIOR COMBINED EVENTS

1st	Oliver Hooper and Blue Suede Shoes	60
2nd	William Hooper and Defiance	40
3rd	Lottie Gilderson and Western Miracle	15

WHAT'S COMING UP NEXT

For the latest schedules, times and future events, please go to www.malvernhillsriddingclub.com

May 2020

tbc

June 2020

tbc

All Events Below are subject to changes in policy governing the current situation - please keep an eye on e-mails/website/Facebook for regular updates

July 2020

12th Mercian Dressage & Style Jumping, Dodderhill Equestrian, Droitwich

August 2020

8th or 9th Mercian Combined Training, Gracelands, Droitwich

September 2020

5th-6th BRC National Championship, Lincolnshire Showground, Lincs.

19th Mercian Arena Eventing, Gracelands Equestrian, Droitwich

20th MIDARC Dressage Championships, Kingswood Equestrian Centre, Codsall

27th Mercian Hunter Trial, Frampton Estate

October 2020

2nd to 4th BRC Dressage to Music Championships, Bury Farm Equestrian, Slapton