



NEWSLETTER

THIS MONTH:

**** Area Horse Trials ** Mercian Show Jumping ** THE BIG WEEKEND **
PLUS ALL YOUR LEAGUE UPDATES AND DIARY DATES**



**A TEAM MANAGER'S JOB IS NEVER DONE!
*The aftermath of Area Horse Trials!***

EDITOR'S BIT

And breathe!

I love the Big Weekend - the meeting of members and friends, watching everyone enjoy themselves or challenge themselves, the sense of pulling together to make something happen. But oh so glad when it's finally over for another year. It's a huge effort by the whole club - very worthwhile, but very tiring. Sa apologies if myself and the rest of the committee have been a bit on the quiet side lately - it's time for a little break!

But we're back now and things should begin ramping up for the second half of the year. Unbelievably, June sees the end of the Summer Area qualifiers, but the Mercian competitions are still going strong and it would be lovely to see some new names coming out to have a go. Our own Eventer Challenge is rapidly approaching too, and before you know it the National Championships will be here! After a short break, training will begin again soon and remember, if you have a particular area or idea for clinics, please don't hesitate to give us a shout. Keep an eye on future communications to see what the club will be up to over the next few months,

until next time, Caroline



AREA HORSE TRIALS



1st - Lottie and Miracle

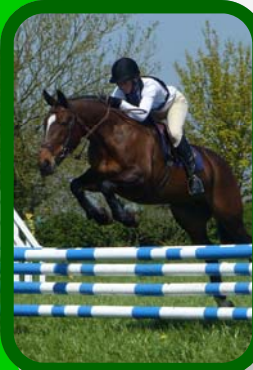
It was a beautiful weekend for MHRC to head over to Oxfordshire for the Horse Trials qualifier, this year a joint event run by the Area 18 Liason Group, West Oxon, Wyvern, Cheltenham, Worcester, Evenlode and us! There were

a few teething problems, but on the whole the day ran well and everyone seemed to have a fantastic time.

We certainly did, with all three of our senior teams being placed. Our senior 80 team were 5th, with our Blue 90's coming 4th and our Red 90's coming 2nd, just being pipped to a qualification place by Worcester RC. There were lots of individual places too, with Victoria Gregg 2nd and Julie Jeffes 5th in the 80, while Alex Riches was 2nd, Sue Peckham 4th and Katie Baker 6th in the 90. Our only individual rider, Anna Millington, was also 5th in the 100+.

Sadly, our Junior team weren't placed, but it was a great result for new member, Lottie Gilderson, who won the class, with Esme Ruff in 3rd. Speaking to the Area rep after the event, the exciting news is that these two juniors will be invited to make up an Area Team with the two

West Oxon Juniors that were in 2nd and 4th, and will get to go off to the champs in August.



6th - Katie and Jayne

RUNNERS AND RIDERS

Senior 80 Team

Julie Jeffes	Hedefield Ash
Lydia Burrows	Hayestown Sam
Victoria Gregg	Langson Governor
Clare Gabriel	Icy Blue

Junior 80 Team

Sacha Willis	Narrow Blaze
Amber Knott	Average at Best
Esme Ruff	Blue Suede Shoes
Lottie Gilderson	Western Miracle

Senior 90 Blue Team

Katie Baker	RTS Jayne
Leanne Bennett	Curra Pokey Joe
Victoria Gregg	Sleady Castle Euro
Megan Hay	Hope Valley Collen

Senior 90 Red Team

Sue Peckham	Mr Gangster
Jodie Powell	Bleangloos Black Diamon
Alex Riches	Mr Darcy
Sarah Bowness	Our Bawn Lodger

100+ Individual

Anna Millington	Sonas Oliver
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Alex thought it was a "lovely day out competing with the club. Darcy was very tense in the dressage because of the road behind the hedge at the judges end. Afterwards, I walked over to watch the 100cm show jumping and could see the course was causing problems with jumping and time faults so I knew if I could get a double clear we could finish on a respectable score for the team. Darcy was happy to be back jumping on grass and we flew around to get a double clear inside the time. I was thrilled and shocked when we finished 2nd!

Very well organised event and lots of lovely volunteers, the only thing missing from the day was the ice cream van!"

Jodie agreed it was "Beautiful day, gorgeous weather and as usual great support from MHRC members, beautiful views too Would like to say a massive Thank You again to everyone who gave their day up to help so that the event was possible to run."

"It was Sam and my first area HT competi-
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5th - Anna and Oliver



2nd - Victoria and Governor



5th - Julie and Ash



2nd - Alex and Darcy



MERCIAN SHOW JUMPING

A huge congratulations to our Senior SJ team of Jo Jeynes on Emily Jane, Jodie Powell on Callimore Diamond, Chris Esling on Just Jake and Jess Breakwell on George. They were are only representatives at the Mercian Show Jumping on 20th May and won 😊. Jess was 3rd individually, with Jodie 4th and Chris 6th.

Here are the league tables after the SJ - we have a bit of work to do to catch up ...

Next month we have the Mercian Junior Event and the Mercian Dressage and Style Jumping. If you fancy having a go, contact Jodie Powell—all schedules can be found on our website.

COMBINED LEAGUE		
	CLUB	PTS
1st	SOUTH SHROPSHIRE RC	18
2nd	MALVERN HILLS RC	14
3rd	BEWDLEY BRIDLE CLUB	10
	CHELTENHAM RC	10
5th	BROMYARD RC	7
	WORCESTER RC	7
7th	FRAMPTON RC	6
8th	ALVECHURCH RC	3
9th	VALE OF ARROW RC	2
10th	CROPTHORNE & EVESHAM RC	1
	WYVERN RC	1
12th	BROMSGROVE RC	0

JUMPING LEAGUE		
	CLUB	PTS
1st	CROPTHORNE & EVESHAM RC	12
	SOUTH SHROPSHIRE RC	12
3rd	FRAMPTON RC	11
4th	MALVERN HILLS RC	8
	WORCESTER RC	8
6th	ALVECHURCH RC	4
7th	BROMYARD RC	1
	WYVERN RC	1
9th	BEWDLEY BRIDLE CLUB	0
	BROMSGROVE RC	0
	CHELTENHAM RC	0
	VALE OF ARROW RC	0

OVERALL LEAGUE		
PLACE	CLUB	PTS
1st	SOUTH SHROPSHIRE RC	30
2nd	MALVERN HILLS RC	22
3rd	FRAMPTON RC	18
4th	WORCESTER RC	15
5th	CROPTHORNE & EVESHAM RC	13
6th	CHELTENHAM RC	10
7th	BEWDLEY BRIDLE CLUB	8
	BROMYARD RC	8
9th	ALVECHURCH RC	7
10th	VALE OF ARROW RC	2
11th	WYVERN RC	1
12th	BROMSGROVE RC	0

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tion," said Lydia, "It was a mixture of highs and lows. I was rather nervous before hand... I forgot a dressage movement, but we picked up where we left off (I just thought carry on!). SJ was proving to catch quite a few out. Again not our best round and we had a stop and a couple of poles but kicked on. Then XC, which was our first 80 and we flew round going clear! You could probably hear us coming as I was praising Sam and shouting woo hoo! It was the best feeling and made me want to do it all over again! Lots of areas to improve but so proud we did it! And couldn't have done it without then MHRC crew cheering us on and helping to organise it!"



Esme and Elvis

A huge thank you must go to our fantastic fence judges - Chris and Camilla Esling, Cindie Bunce, Shelley Harris, Jenny Barnes and friend, Ethan and Kirsty Knott, Tina Price and Linda Kemp, Anne Price, Sara Stephenson, Alison and Ellie Burton: To our Commentator, Karon Withers and her assistant, Anna Robson: To our two wonderful young men on bikes who score collected all day: To Ann Bates for the wonderful picnic.



Sue and Gangster



THE BIG WEEKEND



next the horse boxes are starting to arrive on the field! With such a wet lead-up to our event, it was hit and miss whether we'd be able to continue, but the great ground at the field meant we didn't have to disappoint anyone, as it held up to the rigours of jumpers, show ponies, dogs, people and the odd runaway, particularly well.

Saturday set-up was lovely this year, mainly to the huge number of you who turned out to help. This is much appreciated by the committee and means that everyone got to see their horses at least once that weekend.

Then Sunday morning came round and the Area Show and Style Jumping qualifier kicked off. The weather was largely kind to us, apart from one heavy downpour in the early afternoon, with accompanying thunder, lightening and general lowering of spirits. But the sun soon came back out and baked everyone dry. It was an absolutely amazing day for the club, with our Senior 70, Junior 70, Junior 80 and a Senior 90 team all qualifying for the champs., along with individuals Lottie and Hollie who were the highest placed individuals not in a winning team.

Area Show Jumping

Senior 70 Team 1st Jodie Powell & Callimore Diamond (ind 4th) / Lydia Burrows & Hayestown Sam (ind 5th) / Jo Jenyes & Emily Jayne / Sue Peckham & Tresais Leonardo

Junior 70 Team 1st William Hooper & Peter Pan (ind 1st) / Oliver Hooper & Pinto (ind 2nd) / Sophie Bowness & Bruno Mars (ind 4th)

Senior 80 Team 4th Sara Stephenson & Lliedi Susan (ind 3rd) / Julie Jeffes & Hedfield Ash / Esther Bowness &

Blackwater Grey Lady / Pam Render & Zena

Junior 80 Team 1st Esme Ruff & Blue Suede Shoes (ind 1st) / Lottie Gilderson & Westren Miracle (ind 2nd) / William Hooper & Penhalogen Gucci Guy (ind 3rd) / Amber Knott & Average at Best (ind 4th)

Senior 90 Malvern Hills Reds Team 4th Victoria Gregg & Steady Castle Euro / Sarah Bowness & Our Bawn Lodger / Jodie Powell & Bleanagloos Black Diamond / Sophie Stratton & McEvoy

Senior 90 Malvern Hills Blues Team 1st Sue Peckham & Mr Gangster / Megan Garfield & Hazlewood Rubi Juno / Victoria Gregg & Lagson Governer / Tina Price & Buzz-B

Mixed 100 Faye Weinand & Estoril Vant Schaaphof (ind 6th)

Mixed 110+ Team 2nd Holly Chivers & Dripshill Dreammaker (ind 2nd) / Cindie Bunce & Dreambreaker (ind 6th) / Alex Harris & LF Coeur de Orame / Natalie Meakin & Turante

Senior Style Tina Price & Buzz-B 85cm (ind 3rd) Sara Stephenson & Lliedi Susan 75cm (ind 5th)

Junior Style team unplaced Esme Ruff & Blue Suede Shoes 85cm (ind 2nd) / Amber Knott & Average at Best 85cm (ind 3rd) / Ethan Knott & Pennal Zedan / William Hooper & Penhalogen Gucci Guy Lottie Gilderson & Western Miracle 85cm (ind 1st)

Then it was a quick switch round to set the showground up for the next day, which kicked off bright and early with the Mercian Team Showing. We had 3 teams this year, which came 3rd, 6th and 7th, with lots of individual places too.



Malvern Red Team 3rd Clare Gabriel & Icy Blue (3rd Coloured) / Natalie Smith & Shadow (3rd Working Hunter) / Ali Park & Mr Gangster (6th Riding Club) / Katie Hawkesworth & Liquorice (12th Veteran)

Malvern Purple Team 6th Tina Price & Big Ted (1st Working Hunter) / Jessica Breakwell & George (6th Coloured) / Anna Robson & Santa Fe (9th Riding Club) / Suzanne Lidbetter & Tilesford Rosina (13th Veteran)

Malvern Pink Team 7th Jo Jenyes & Emily Jane (4th Coloured) / Sara Stephenson & Lliedi Susan (5th Working Hunter) / Megan Hay & Hope Valley Colleen (7th Veteran) / Allison Haynes & Jack (10th Riding Club)

The open classes went on for most of the day and MHRC members
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THE BIG WEEKEND

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seemed to be winning rosettes all over the place.

- Esme Ruff & Elvis won both the 80 and 90cm Show Jumping
- Ali Park & Mr Gangster were 3rd in 80cm Show Jumping
- Natalie Smith & Shadow were 4th in the 90cm Show Jumping
- Jo Jaynes & Emily Jane won the Ridden Coloured, Riding Club

Horse, In-hand Coloured and took the Reserve Ridden Champion

- Sara Stephenson & Liedi Susan were 3rd Riding Club
- Clare Gabriel & Streamline Dafydd won the In-hand Veteran
- Jo Jaynes & Fashion House were 3rd in Youngstock
- Anna Robson & Santa Fe won Ridden Hunter and was Reserve Hunter Champion
- William Hooper & Peter Pan won Working Hunter Pony and was Hunter Champion
- Sophie Stratton & McEvoy were 3rd Novice Working Hunter

There was also a strong MHRC contingent in the dog show, with Lisa Drinkwater, Jodie Powell, George and Sophie Bowness, and Ethan

Knott all taking home rosettes and prizes.

Another long weekend. Hard work, but

a boost to club funds ... I'm sure the Big Weekend 2019 is just around the corner.

THANK YOU'S

To our sponsors, **Lallemand Animal Nutrition.**

To **Coach House Saddlery** and **Ann Bates** for providing the prizes for the Show Jumping and Dog Show.

To our judges, **Jane Ogle, Don Collins, Danielle Lane, Steph Woolley, Kelly Tudge, Lydia Burrows, Kim Shortall, Elizabeth Willets, Sophie Hooper**

To our Arena Party **Linda Kemp, Sue Lidbetter, Linda Medcalf, Rhian Fallowfield, Diane Symonds, Ed, Katie Baker, Sian Willis, Sacha Willis, Lisa Drinkwater, Sarah Bowness, Amber Knott, Ethan Knott, Kirsty Knott, Morgan, Laura Bennett** and **Sue Peckham**

To our Writers, **Chris Esling, Clare Gabriel, Anne Price, Janet Philpotts** and **Julie Jeffes**

To our Stewards **Leanne Bennett, Nicky Esling, Anna Robson, Debbie Jones, Linda Kemp, Chris Esling, Katherine Jones** and **Alice Lowe**

To our Scorers **Alex Riches, Camilla Esling, Janet Philpotts, Ali Park** and **Jodie Powell**

To our Secretaries **Jenny Barnes, Ann Brennan, Julie Jeffes, Stef Fulford** and **Rita Woolley**

To our Official Stewards **Noel Ennett** and **Alison Harris**

To our Gate Operatives **Esther Bowness's parents, Iris Ellis** and **Tony Knott**

To our Tea Ladies **Ann Bates** and **Alison Burton**

To our Commentator **Karen Withers**

To our Trailer movers **Esther Bowness, Rob Bowness, Sarah Bowness, Alex Riches, Tony Knott, Sara Stephenson** and **Lydia Burrows**

To our Cake makers **Ann Bates** and **Suzanne Lidbetter**

And to everyone else who helped set-up, tidy away, move things around or generally stepped in to help between other roles.



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June 2018

- 3rd** - Area Dressage and Riding Test Qualifier, Elmwood Equestrian, Oxon
10th - Area Dressage to Music Qualifier, Summerhouse Equestrian, Glos.
16th - Mercian Junior Event, Longlands Livery, Tardebigge
23rd - BRC Grassroots Dressage Training, Abbey Dressage, nr Tewkesbury.
24th - Mercian Style Jumping and Dressage, Dodderhill Equestrian, Droitwich

July 2018

- 8th** - Mercian Two-Phase, Sapey XC, Bromyard
22nd - MHRC Eventer Challenge and Blenheim Selection Trial, club field, Malvern

August 2018

- 3rd - 5th** - BRC Horse Trials Championships, Swalcliffe, Oxfordshire
11th - Mercian Eventer Challenge, Longlands Livery, Tardebigge
18th - South West & Wales Regional Championship, Hartpury College, Gloucestershire
27th - Mercian One-Day-Event, Ace XC, Tewkesbury

PEPPER POT 2018 LEAGUES

Here are the top 5 riders in each of the 2018 leagues as of 1st June 2018

SENIOR OVERALL

1st	Suzanne Lidbetter and Rosie	320
2nd	Jo Jeynes and Emily Jane	240
3rd	Jodie Powell and Callimore Diamond	235
4th	Jodie Powell and Bleanagloos Black Diamond	205
5th	Chris Esling and Just Jake	195

JUNIOR OVERALL

1st	Oliver Hooper and Pinto	220
2nd	Esme Ruff and Blue Suede Shoes	215
3rd	Lottie Gilderson and Western Miracle	150
4th	Amber Knott and Average at Best	145
5th	William Hooper and Peter Pan	115

SENIOR DRESSAGE

1st	Suzanne Lidbetter and Rosie	235
2nd	Camilla Esling and Castlevew Murphy	150
3rd	Jodie Powell and Bleanagloos Black Diamond	140
4th	Caroline Bates and Smokey Joe	125
5th	Tina Price and Tom Thumb	120

JUNIOR DRESSAGE

1st	Amber Knott and Average at Best	45
2nd	Amber Knott and Mr Gangster	45
	Amber Knott and Pennal Zedan	40
4th	Ethan Knott and Pennal Zedan	35
5th	Sacha Willis and Narrow Blaze	20

SENIOR JUMPING

1st	Jodie Powell and Callimore Diamond	120
2nd	Cindie Bunce and Dreambreaker	110
3rd	Chris Esling and Just Jake	80
	Jo Jeynes and Emily Jane	80
5th	Sara Stephenson and Lliedi Susan	75

JUNIOR JUMPING

1st	Oliver Hooper and Pinto	190
2nd	Esme Ruff and Blue Suede Shoes	180
3rd	Lottie Gilderson and Western Miracle	110
4th	Amber Knott and Average at Best	95
5th	William Hooper and Peter Pan	75

SENIOR COMBINED EVENTS

1st	Megan Hay and Mockbeggar Pacquel	75
2nd	Alex Riches and Mr Darcy	65
3rd	Allison Haynes and Jack	60
4th	Sue Peckham and Mr Gangster	55
5th	Victoria Gregg and Langson Governor	50

JUNIOR COMBINED EVENTS

1st	Lottie Gilderson and Western Miracle	40
2nd	Esme Ruff and Blue Suede Shoes	30
3rd	Amber Knott and Average at Best	5
	Sacha Willis and Narrow Blaze	5

SEE THE COMPLETE UPDATED LEAGUE TABLES AT www.malvernhillsriddingclub.com

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