Well, who would have thunk it? When we were digging our way to the stables through 12 foot snow drifts, running out of hay and bemoaning the frozen state of ménages, tracks and roads, little did we know that 6 months later we’d be sweltering under a prolonged heatwave (or as Chris Evan’s like to say - Summer!). So now we’re wading to the yard through thick, humid air, running out of grass and bemoaning how hard and hot those same menages, tracks and roads are! I’m probably not the only member who has taken to riding in the late evening (or ‘night’ - even better!) just to get some exercise into the yobby cobby. A fact he seems to quite like - that or the cooling air is just far too exciting to keep all four feet on the floor!

Well done to everyone who managed to compete or support for the club this past month - it hasn’t been easy and not many show venues can cater for the hot weather. Of course, a lot of it is down to us. Lets not discuss how long the supporters at the Area DTM sat squinting in the sun before we thought to undo the parasol that had been there all along.

Keep cool and see you all soon,

until next time, Caroline
It was a busy day on 3rd June, as the whole area travelled to Emswood Equestrian, Oxfordshire, for the Summer Dressage and Riding Test Qualifier. It was a very, very hot day, on a field that looked pretty with poppies and long grass, but which offered little shade for the competitors, stewards and cheer squad!

But it was a fantastic day for the club, with rosettes galore and every single team in the places. And the even better news that one of our Senior Open Teams and our Senior Riding Test Team won, so they will be off to the National Championships in Lincoln, and both our Senior Prelim Teams have qualified for the South West Regional Championships at Hartpury. We await news from BRC to see if any individuals have snuck a place too, as we had lots of members in the top places.

RUNNERS & RIDERS & RESULTS

**Senior Prelim Dressage**  

**Senior Open Dressage**  
*Malvern Hills Yellow 1st* = Holly Chivers & Dripshill Dreammaker 1st N27 / Tina Price & Buzz-B 5th N30 / Laura Bennett & Lematon Sunshine Sadie 1st N23 / Steph Woolley & Freckleton Matador 1st E44  
*Malvern Hills Pink 4th* = Camilla Esling & Just Jake 3rd N27 / Tina Price & Tom Thumb / Megan Harper & Strawberry Hill 5th N23 / Megan

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It was off to Summerhouse Equestrian Centre in Gloucester on 10th June, for the Area Dressage to Music qualifier. This is never the hugest of events, but it was great to see so many riders from across the area coming out to give it a go. We had 7 representatives competing, and it was great to see such varied routines. And, of course, the music - some great choices guys - from classical airs to fast polkas, from Ed Sheeran to the theme from Buck Rogers - a lovely varied mix that kept us entertained all day 😊

At the end of the day, MHRC were in a fantastic position, with two class winners and two qualifications to the DTM Championships at Bury Farm— well done to Steph and Julie.

**RUNNERS & RIDERS & RESULTS**

**Junior Prelim**
Amber Knott & Average at Best 2nd

**Senior Novice**
Julie Jeffes & Hedefield Ash 1st
Tina Price & Big Ted 3rd
Megan Hay & Watermill 8th

**Junior Novice**
Ethan Knott & Pennal Zedan 3rd

**Senior Elementary**
Steph Woolley & Freckleton Matador 1st
Megan Hay & Watermill 3rd
Samantha Amos & Gustl 4th

You can see all the routines on our YouTube Channel - links can be found on the website.
It was off to Dodderhill Equestrian Centre at Droitwich for the latest Mercian event, this time the Dressage and the Style Jumping, which although an odd mix to run together, worked well in the big field. Another boiling hot day though saw the invasion of plenty of flies and all the horses coped admirably in the trying conditions. We sent three teams for the Dressage competition, where each member of the team had to ride a different test. And it was our Daffodil team that came out top with some amazing results from our riders.

RUNNERS & RIDERS & RESULTS  

Malvern Daffodils 1st 3rd Intro A Megan Hay & Tottie 4th Intro C Chris Esling & Just Jake 6th Prelim 1 Jessica Breakwell & Gogo 3rd Prelim 14 Jodie Powell & Callimore Diamond  
Malvern Tulips 3rd 10th Intro A Kelly Hudson & Fronwen Gwen 3rd Intro C Katie Hawkesworth & Billy Miller 2nd Prelim 1 Suzanne Lidbetter & Tilesford Rosina 18th Prelim 14 Jo Jeynes & Emily Jane  
Malvern Orchids 22nd 22nd Intro A Suzanne Lidbetter & Mai 23rd Intro C Sarah Homewood & Mildred 16th Prelim 1 Leanne Bennett & Magic  

6th Prelim 14 Sara Stephenson & Llidi Susan  

The Style Jumping was interesting to watch, with everyone first cantering a figure of eight in front of the judge before heading off to jump their course, which did cause a few problems during the day. However, not for our riders 😊. Our 60 team were 3rd, but our 70cm teams couldn’t be beaten and took the top two spots.  

Katie and Ben  

MHRC members also took individual firsts in both classes, with Megan Hay winning the 60cm on Tottie and Chris Esling winning the 70cm on Jake.

RUNNERS & RIDERS & RESULTS  
Malvern Poppies 3rd 1st 60cm Megan Hay & Tottie 6th 60cm Jenny Barnes & Linhay Lale 19th 60cm Kelly Hudson & Fronwen Gwen 21st 60cm Sarah Homewood & Mildred  
Malvern Roses 1st 1st 70cm Chris Esling & Just Jake 3rd 70cm Tina Price & Big Ted 8th 70cm Jodie Powell & Callimore Diamond 28th 70cm Jo Jeynes & Emily Jane  
Malvern Bluebells 2nd 2nd 70cm Tina Price & Tom Thumb 3rd 70cm Katie Hawkesworth & Billy Miller 10th 70cm Leanne Bennett & Magic 22nd 70cm Jessica Breakwell & Gogo

To see where that puts us overall in the Mercian Leagues, check out page 5.
# Mercian League Tables

**League Tables Correct As of 1st July 2018**

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WHAT’S COMING UP NEXT?

For schedules, times and future events, please go to www.malvernhillsridingclub.com

July 2018

8th - Mercian Two-Phase, Sapey XC, Bromyard **POSTPONED**

22nd - MHRC Eventer Challenge and Blenheim Selection Trial, club field, Malvern

August 2018

3rd - 5th - BRC Horse Trials Championships, Swalciffe, Oxfordshire

11th - Mercian Eventer Challenge, Longlands Livery, Tardebigge

18th - South West & Wales Regional Championship, Hartpury College, Gloucestershire

19th - MHRC Summer Social, Hillview Arena, Malvern

27th - Mercian One-Day-Event, Ace XC, Tewkesbury

September 2018

1st-2nd - BRC National Championships, Lincoln Showground, Lincolnshire

9th - Mercian Two-Phase, Sapey XC, Bromyard

16th - Mercian Dressage to Music, Kings Equestrian, Bromyard

23rd - Mercian Hunter Trials, Frampton Court Estate, Frampton

28th - 30th BRC Dressage to Music Championships, Bury Farm, Bedfordshire

SENIOR OVERALL
1st Jodie Powell and Callimore Diamond 410
2nd Suzanne Lidbetter and Rosie 385
3rd Chris Esling and Just Jake 330
4th Jodie Powell and Bleanglaos Black Diamond 325
5th Jo Jeynes and Emily Jane 320

JUNIOR OVERALL
1st Oliver Hooper and Pinto 220
2nd Esme Ruff and Blue Suede Shoes 215
3rd Amber Knott and Average at Best 210
4th Lottie Gilderson and Western Miracle 150
4th William Hooper and Peter Pan 115

SENIOR DRESSAGE
1st Suzanne Lidbetter and Rosie 295
2nd Jodie Powell and Bleanagloos Black Diamond 260
2nd Steph Woolley and Freckleton Matador 260
4th Jodie Powell and Callimore Diamond 225
5th Tina Price and Tom Thumb 195

JUNIOR DRESSAGE
1st Amber Knott and Average at Best 110
2nd Ethan Knott and Pennal Zedan 95
3rd Amber Knott and Mr Gangster 45
4th Amber Knott and Pennal Zedan 40
Mia Smith and Bruno 40

SENIOR JUMPING
1st Jodie Powell and Callimore Diamond 160
2nd Chris Esling and Just Jake 155
3rd Jo Jeynes and Emily Jane 120
4th Cindie Bunce and Dreambreaker 110
5th Jessica Breakwell and George 100

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 Pasquel 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

PEPPER POT 2018 LEAGUES

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

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