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# South Wiltshire Riding Club

Affiliated to the British Horse Society

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Welcome to the New Year everyone and I hope you all had a Merry Christmas. That all seems such a long time ago now and many, many, many drops of rain have fallen since then!

Hopefully you are not enrolling your horses in the synchronised swimming lessons instead of dressage and are managing to get out and about and avoiding the dreaded mud fever. This is the time of year that you really have to hold on to the thought you do love your horse and the ground will dry out and the sun will shine. Ever the optimist!

The committee have held their first meeting and are very excited about what is going to be on offer this year, which is why I am sending out an early newsletter to let you all know about the clubs plans so you can get the dates in your diaries.

So, please read on to hear about lessons, team training, social events and competitions. We are very excited to be organising a talk from Anton Phillips from the Hampshire Fire Service Animal Rescue Team. This is due to place on Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup> at The Rainbow on The Lake. More details later.

Remember, all lessons, competitions and helping at events gains you points towards our awards at the end of the year. We haven't started our competitions yet but already a lot of people have started collecting points from attending lessons.

## Welcome to New Members

This welcome may be a bit belated for some of you but a heartfelt welcome to the club none the less!

**Julie Pearson**, Ansty. **Sophie Sacco**, Gt Wishford. **Kate Greenall**, Salisbury (Jnr) **Fiona Scott**, Durrington. **Zoe Browne**, Hindon. **KarenLee Barrett**, West Knoyle. **Sophie McCarter**, Hindon. **Fiona Gregory**, Durrington. **Samantha Langford**, Salisbury. **Sarah Andrews**, Cucklington. **Jane Dunham**, Compton Chamberlayne. **Tom Dyer**, Bowerchalke (Jnr). **Hazel Fitton**, Coombe Bissett. **Charlotte Merry**, Warminster. **Emma Louise Hewlett**, Salisbury. **Tegan Campbell**, Shipton Bellinger (Jnr) **Jessica Gibbons**, Mere.

## Membership and renewal

We are putting together a 'welcome pack' to send to new members. If you can think of anything that you think would have been useful to you as a new member please let us know.

Also ideas from existing members would be great.

The membership fees are to remain at the same for another year and the new system for renewal appears to be working well.

Members will receive a reminder one month before their renewal is due and a further reminder when it is due. If no renewal has been received 4 weeks from that date, then their name will be removed from the database.

## Club Clothing

We have a wide range of club clothing for sale, please check out the website on how to order or contact any of the committee members for advice. Club clothing gives a real sense of team spirit and helps make you stand out when taking part in team events. Always useful when you are looking at the photo's afterwards!

## Numnahs

New for this year are numnahs. We are very excited this year to be adding numnahs to club clothing so not only will we look smart but also our horses! These are just at the logo design stage but will be available to purchase very soon, so keep checking the website and Facebook page for more details. We hope to purchase a few for the club that we will be able to lend out to team members but I am sure if you are a regular team member you will want to buy your own.



Above is a photo of the X Country team colours modelled by Alice, Charlie, Sarah and Sophie at Bovington.

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### **Instruction, Team Training and Clinics.**

Sarah and Di are continuing their regular instruction at Teffont indoor school and these are always well subscribed especially when the weather is so unpredictable and we can't always ride during the day. There are also junior lessons at Squalls farm and a new venue in Fonthill which Sarah is using for jumping lessons.

Lots of new and enthusiastic adult and junior members means that Sarah and Di have their work cut out training and choosing teams, which is great news!



XC training at Downlands with Di



Teffont indoor school all set up for the Christmas show.

### **Flatwork, Gridwork and Show Jumping with Diana Burgess at Manor Farm, Teffont, Salisbury SP3 5QY**

**Monday 11th January at 6.30pm**

**Thursday 28th January at 6.30pm**

**Monday 8th February at 6.30pm**

**Thursday 25th February at 6.30pm**

**Monday 7th March at 6.30pm**

**Thursday 24th March at 6.30pm**

All sessions are in the indoor school and last 1hr 15 to 1hr 30  
Max group size : 6 riders      SWRC members : **£20**   Non members **£25**

To book a place please contact Judy Nathan on 01963 31742/ 07739 801621  
or [jhnathan321@gmail.com](mailto:jhnathan321@gmail.com). These sessions are very popular so book early.

**Clear Round Show Jumping**  
Downlands Equestrian, Church Farm,  
Tytherington, Warminster BA12 7AB

**Saturday 2nd April 10am - 2 pm**

Jumps start at 2'  
£6 per round or 3 rounds for £1  
Entries on the day

**XC Training**  
**with Sarah Michell Sheppard**  
Downlands Equestrian, Church Farm, Ty-  
therington, Warminster BA12 7AB

**Wednesday 6th April**

Senior 10 - 11.30am Juniors 11.30am -  
1.00pm

**£30** per session

For more information and to book your place  
please contact Alice Stone 01747 871986/  
07803 000057

**Polework, Flatwork and Gridwork**  
**with Sarah Mitchell-Sheppard**  
**at Manor Farm, Teffont, Salisbury SP3 5QY**

**Thursday 11th February at 1.30pm PW GW**

**Thursday 18th February at 1.30pm FW**

**Thursday 25th February at 1.30pm PW GW**

**Thursday 10th March at 1.30pm FW**

FW - Flatwork PW - Polework GW - Gridwork

**NEW!**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 1.30pm FW**

Flatwork with Sarah Mitchell-Sheppard  
at Fonthill Bishop

**Directions :** Coming from B3089 Chilmark/Teffont. Turn left in Fonthill Bishop through the archway, XC on the right and lake on your left, second turning right along a track which says guarded by dogs and you will see outdoor school straight ahead. Lots of parking.

SWRC members **£16** Non members **£20**

For more information and to book your place  
please contact Alice Stone 01747 871986/ 07803 000057  
alice.stone6@icloud.com



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**Training Sessions for Juniors  
with Sarah Mitchell-Sheppard  
at Squalls Farm, Squalls Lane, Ansty SP3 6RX**

**Thursday 7th January at 6.00pm**

**Thursday 21st January at 6.00pm**

**Thursday 4th February at 6.00pm**

**Thursday 18th February at 6.00pm**

**Thursday 10th March at 6.00pm**

Max group size: 6      Juniors should be under 18 years

SWRC members **£20**    Non-members **£25**

**Friday 19th February at 11.30am**

Jumping at Fonthill Outdoor School

SWRC members **£16**      Non-members **£20**

Sarah takes a particular interest in the Juniors and is their main instructor, taking lessons at her own riding school SMS in Fovant, Teffont and now Fonthill

The junior training is extremely popular and we as a club are very lucky to have such talented, enthusiastic juniors who are going to be covered in rosettes this year! Watch this space.....



## **Horse and Animal Rescue Evening**

We are delighted to host a talk from the **Hampshire Fire Service Animal Rescue Team**, presented by Anton Phillips.

Anton is an Animal Rescue specialist and there is nothing he doesn't know about getting our horses and other animals out of the most 'sticky' situations! He is passionate about his job and a fantastic speaker so please come along and support this evening. He was actually 'nominated' to give this talk by one of our members Lottie Green who is herself a Firewoman.

We are not charging for this evening but donations to the Animal Rescue Team will be gratefully received as they are saving up for a new trailer to transport rescued animals.

The talk will take about 2 hrs and food and drink is available at the pub. If you order your meal when you arrive it will be ready for 8.30 when we have a short break. Or you could ring in advance and order your meal if you want.

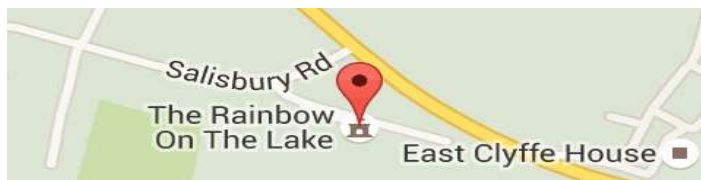
**Where:** The Rainbow on The Lake, Salisbury Road, Steeple Langford, Salisbury.SP3 4LZ

Tel: 01722 790251

**When:** Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 7pm for 7.30 start

**Directions:** The pub is signed 'The Rainbow' off the A36.



To reserve a place please contact:

Sheri Start: 07986604564, email [sheristart@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sheristart@hotmail.co.uk) or any other committee member.

We look forward to seeing you

**Dates for your diary**

**BRC Area 17 Qualifiers 2016**

**Winter Novice & Intermediate Indoor Show Jumping**

Crofton Manor EC  
Titchfield Rd, Fareham PO14 3EW  
Sunday 21st February 2016

**Winter Intermediate Dressage Qualifier**

Sparsholt EC  
Westley Lane, Sparsholt, Winchester, SO212NF  
Saturday 5th March 2016

**Combined Training Qualifier**

Crofton Manor EC  
Easter Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March

**Festival of the Horse Challenge Qualifier**

Tenantry Farm, Rockbourne, Fordingbridge  
Hampshire SP6 3PB  
Sunday 17th April 2016

**Horse Trials Qualifier**

Moreton Morrell College  
Sunday 19th June 2016

**Summer Dressage and Riding Test Qualifier**

Pinkmead, Botley Road, Botley, Southampton SO30 2HA  
Sunday 10th July 2016

**Dressage to Music Qualifier**

Crofton Manor EC  
Sunday 24th July 2016

**SWRC Competitions and Events**

April 2<sup>nd</sup> Clear round show jumping 10 – 2pm  
Downlands with Sarah

April 6<sup>th</sup> XC training Downlands Seniors 10-  
11.30 and Juniors 11.30

June 2<sup>nd</sup> Evening Dressage and Clear round  
jumping Warminster

June 30<sup>th</sup> Evening Dressage Warminster

August 14<sup>th</sup> Combined Training Warminster

August 20<sup>th</sup> Junior Show Teffont

September 4<sup>th</sup> Combined Training  
Warminster

November 25<sup>th</sup> AGM Bird & Carter

December 10<sup>th</sup> Christmas Show Teffont

Please also keep checking the website and  
Facebook for other training dates and lessons  
as new dates are being added all the time.

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