



Dear All,

We delayed our August update this month to bring you a fantastic round up of a Pony Club summer of fun and friendship. I am in awe of each and every Member, Volunteer and our Office Team, who have given everything to activities across the country.

There has been such fun had at Pony Club Camps, where memories will last forever and relationships between horse and rider have thrived. We have had our Area and Regional Championships, with still more to come, as summer comes to a close. Not to mention the National JCB Championships at Offchurch Bury where we celebrated the highs and the lows and shared fond memories of a true Pony Club stalwart and friend, Edward Slinger. Edward was a top judge, cricketer and just the best buggy driver. There will be a service of Thanksgiving on Friday, 29th September 11:30am at St Leonard the Less church, Salmesbury, Preston PR5 0UE for those who would like to attend.

At the JCB Championships we had over 2,200 competitors, 300+ volunteers and our office team on hand 24/7, it was great to be part of such an amazing organisation. To the thousands of volunteers who have given their time and boundless energy across the country – thank you. To our Members congratulations on all your achievements so far this year. Whether you have just learnt rising trot, jumped a cross pole, or rode at a Championship event, I hope you are proud of your achievements and that your horses and ponies enjoy a rest as you return to school or work this September.

For those eventers amongst you I look forward to watching our PC110 competitors tackle the 2* course at Wellington International Horse Trials and Country Fair this weekend. Whilst also supporting the Blair Challenge at the Defender Blair Castle International Horse Trials, I wish everyone the best of luck and I will be cheering you on.

Enjoy this month's update which captures just some of the highlights from our summer of fun!

Marcus Capel (CEO)

Farrier Registration Council

Cutting costs – be aware of false economies

With rising costs owners are faced with the challenge of finding ways to cut costs while maintaining high standards of care for their horses. It is important decisions are not based purely on finance and that a regime change does not negatively impact a horse's welfare or health. Hoof care is one area where owners might be considering how they could reduce spending, in particular whether to go shod or unshod or whether to extend time between trimming or shoeing. Whatever approach is considered it is essential to seek advice from a Registered Farrier.

Registered Farriers in Great Britain are qualified and experienced professionals, regulated in law by the Farriers (Registration) Act 1975. They must comply with a Code of Professional Conduct and have detailed knowledge of both the theory and practice of the profession.

Horse owners may be unaware of the risk by using an unregistered individual to provide hoof care. A horse could be injured or suffer long term damage and in the event of injury caused by an unregistered farrier an insurance policy could be invalidated.

By using a Registered Farrier horse owners may be reassured of the best possible hoof care.



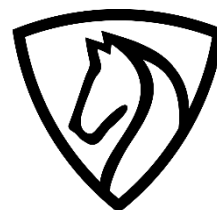
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The JCB Pony Club Championships - The Highlights!

The EQUIDRY Chairman's Cup

2023 saw the first year of The EQUIDRY Chairman's Cup and what a great success it was! With a huge number of entries, it meant a rescheduling of the timetable to enable all those entered to run.

The thought and effort that went into the turnout of both horse and rider for the Trot Up was fantastic and we thoroughly enjoyed seeing the bar of horsemanship and skill raised at Offchurch Bury this year with the new format of the event.



EQUIDRY

A huge congratulations must go to the first ever winners of The Chairman's Cup:

Individual Winner - Rosie Ringer from The West Norfolk riding The Classic Composer

Branch Team Winners - Warwickshire Hunt made of: Mia Jerrett, Izzie Frank-Steier, Chloe Stevens and Charlotte Frank-Steier

Best Dressed - Myles Mentipty-Johnson from Vale of Aylesbury Hunt

Best Turned Out - Haselmere Quin ridden by Eden Mcculloch

Horsemanship Award - 1st Charlotte Frank-Steier

ALL Eventing Results

Hear from Rosie Ringer, the winner of The EQUIDRY
Chairman's Cup and our Chairman, Tim Vesty
below:



If you don't laugh, you might cry!

Friday morning - winning best dressed
at The Chairman's Cup Trot Up --->

Saturday morning - taking a swim in the
Cross Country water jump!



Blue Cross Mini H&P Care Champions - On The Bounce!

The wonder team of Ted, Toby and Lottie took the Mini H&P Care Championship title for a second year in a row!

Ted and Toby are both Centre Plus members of Mill House and have become good friends and team mates with Lottie who is a Centre Member at Mill House as well. Can they do it for a third time?!



Horse & Pony Care Results

"It Has Taken Me 8 Years To Get On To The Podium!"

Hannah Davitt from Deanswood Equestrian Centre joined Area 8 team mates, Jack Page (Essex Farmers) and Xanthe Goodman (East Essex) to stand tall on top of the 1st place podium in the Open Senior Polocrosse Championships!

Hannah said:

"I have played at The PC Champs for 8 years and I have never managed to do better than fourth place and now we have WON!"



Perfect Plaits help Ella take Bronze in the Open Dressage!

Ella Glennon travelled to Warwickshire to represent the East Cornwall Hunt Branch on the back of competing at the Pony Dressage Europeans the week before! Ella took second place in her Open Dressage Section B and went on to place 3rd in the Ride-Off.

We spotted Ella's immaculate hair and thought it would be great to get top tips from her and her Mum for how other members can create neat, tidy and PRETTY hair for competition! Check out their interview ---->



Williams Brother and Sister Dominate Open Tetrathlon



Patrick Williams, who also joined us on the Youth Panel at The Pony Club Conference in Belfast last year, travelled over from Northern Ireland to represent the Seskinore Harriers.

Patrick came home with the Individual Open Boys Tetrathlon Title, winning by a total of 84 points!

Sophia Williams travelled over the water with her brother to contend the Open Girls Tetrathlon Championships and was not to be outdone by her brother!

Sophia goes home with the Individual Champion Title, winning by a margin of 8 points. There must be athleticism running in their family.

Congratulations to the Williams family!



From Educating In The Fan Zone To Show Jumping Champ!



Ella & Molly Cook (sisters) joined 'Flo Carter Eventing' and Piggy March in the Fan Zone to deliver a talk on how to use social media safely. They discussed the negatives of social media but also the positives and gave great insights and top tips on how to stay safe and share positive, educational and most importantly REAL messages.

Ella then turned her hand to the Show Jumping Championships and very well she did too!

Placing 1st in her PC90 Warm Up Class and followed up by coming 2nd in the PC90 Show Jumping Championship Class. What an excellent role model she is to our younger members.



TWO TEAMS OFF TO HOYS!



A nailing biting final of the Senior Mounted Games Championships saw Oakley Hunt West and Rockwood Harriers qualify to compete at the prestigious Horse of the Year Show in October 2023. Best of luck to all of the teams!

Your Horse Live Is Calling For Eva Bagnall and Texas!



Congratulations to Eva Bagnall and Just Texas who took part in the SEIB Pony Club Search 4 a Star class at The JCB Pony Club Championships and have qualified to compete at the Championships held at Your Horse Live.

Dee, Eva's Mum works at The Pony Club Office as Centre Operations Officer and juggled working at the Championships as well as being Mum extremely well.

Texas has recently been diagnosed with having deteriorating sight in one of his eyes which made this win that little bit more special. Best of Luck to Eva, Dee and Texas!

The Pony Club Fan Zone

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The Pony Club Fan Zone was another element of this years Champs that was in its infancy - we will let the photos tell you of its success!!



Accident Reporting

A gentle reminder of the accident reporting process. The downloadable form and the digital reporting forms for all injury accidents or near misses can be accessed on our website: [HERE](#)

All injury accidents and near misses are to be reported via the online system Risk Reduce and to be recorded Centrally. Parents, guardians and Branches alike can report through the system from the accident reporting page.



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