

# FFRC's Newsletter

Monthly newsletter jam packed with fun facts, games, information and news!

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## Welcome back to the newsletter.

By Acacia Ross

Welcome back to the Monthly FFRC Newsletter.

I really hope you all enjoy reading. If you have any ideas on what you want to read in the newsletter, please email at [rossacacia2@gmail.com](mailto:rossacacia2@gmail.com). Without further ado let's get on with the news!

### BRC National Championships, Lincoln – 31 Aug to 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 2024

This year we had Susan Vanderstegen-Drake and GF Roxanne representing FFRC in the Intro Dressage Championships as an individual and Kelly Clack & Agherlow Gold representing FFRC the 90cm Showjumping Championships.

Sadly, Susan Vanderstegen-Drake had to withdraw GF Roxanne from the dressage the day before due to lameness, although she still made the long trip to Lincoln to support Kelly Clack which was greatly appreciated.

The courses were incredibly spooky for a horse like Agherlow Gold which blew his mind in the first round and although he was very honest, he was very strong and jumped round like he just wanted to get it over and done with taking 3 poles down. In the second round Kelly managed to contain him better by getting him back to trot on the corners which made a much better round with just one pole down but with 2 time faults, leaving them on an overall score of 18 penalties.



## Blenheim International Horse Trials Riding Club Challenge – Thursday 19 September 2024

We were lucky enough to get a 90cm team entered for this year's Blenheim International Horse Trials Riding Club Challenge, this competition gets full very quickly so entries have to be in as soon as the event is released or the club risks being placed on the waiting list!

This year 180 riders in 44 teams competed in the 90 class! The FFRC Team consisted of Charlotte James & Toorboy April Eile, Amanda James & Lad Pierce, Tracey Kendall & Corraghoe Son and Cerys Roberts & Stracomer Dun It.

The team were absolutely amazing! Storming round the course, Cerys being one of the very few riders to jump inside the optimum time but just clipping the final joker fence which cost them a top 10 placing, Charlotte and Tracey both going clear but just outside the optimum time and Amanda also just clipping the final joker fence, leaving the team on a total score of 9.2 penalties and team 9<sup>th</sup>!!!!

There is always stiff competition at Blenheim so this is an amazing result, well done ladies!!!



Left to right: Tracey Kendall & Corraghoe Son, Amanda James & Lad Pierce, Charlotte James & Toorboy April Eile, Cerys Roberts & Stracomer Dun It





Cerys Roberts & Stracomer Dun It

### FFRC Open Dressage & Showing Show – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September - **\*\*CANCELLED\*\***

Unfortunately, due to lack of volunteers coming forward to help at this event, we have taken the decision to cancel. We really need more volunteers to put their names forward to help at these events in order to be able to run and continue as a club, each event we always have the same small group of helpers which makes it very hard work for them.

Please when you see we are running an event, please put your name forward to help set up, take down or on the day as soon as you can so we can make informative decisions as to the viability of the event.

Our next event is the Area 9 Novice Winter Dressage Qualifiers at CCR Equestrian on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2024, please if you are not competing and are available, please let us know you can come along and help.

### FFRC League Tables

The FFRC league tables have been updated, we have no change for the flatwork and showing leagues with Susan Vanderstegen-Drake still steaming ahead in the flatwork league and Carol Soormally steaming head in the showing league.....although it's all change in the jumping league after Blenheim with Charlotte James taking the lead and pushing Kelly Clack and Kayleigh Scrivens in to joint 2<sup>nd</sup>!!

All the rules and the current league standings are available at [www.ffrc.co.uk/leagues](http://www.ffrc.co.uk/leagues)

## EVENTS COMING UP

### Area Arena Eventing Qualifiers – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October

To be held at West Wilts EC on a surface. Entries have now been sent and the teams are as follows;

#### Senior 80 Team

Anne Dickenson & Cloncilla

Maria Dickenson & Painswick Midge

Suze Tucker & Danika

Kelly Clack & Agherlow Gold

#### Senior 90 Team

Charlotte James & Toorboy April Eile

Amanda James & Lad Pierce

Tracey Kendall & Corraghoe Son

Suze Tucker & Danika

Emails have been sent to all team riders and payment is now due as soon as possible if not already done so.

### Area Dressage to Music Qualifiers – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2024

To be held at Burrows Court. Entries have now been sent and are as follows;

Prelim Dressage to Music

Susan Vanderstegen-Drake & GF Roxanne

Novice (with points) Dressage to Music)

Francesca Pearce & Waunoris Oliver Twist

Emails have been sent to riders and payment is now due as soon as possible if not already done so.

### Area Novice Dressage Qualifiers – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2024

To be held at CCR Equestrian, Brookthorpe GL4 0XA.

Open to Juniors & Seniors, Teams & Individuals.

Classes include BD Intro 3, BD Prelim 1, BD Prelim 2 and BD Novice 1.

Entry Fee: £31.50 (Team) £32.00 (Individual)

**ENTRIES CLOSE: FRIDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2024**

More information is available at [www.ffrc.co.uk/area-qualifiers-championships](http://www.ffrc.co.uk/area-qualifiers-championships). If you would like to compete in this qualifier, please contact Kelly on 07792 922490 or email [ffrc teams@yahoo.com](mailto:ffrc teams@yahoo.com) stating which tests you would like to ride before the close of entries.

## **Future dates for your diary!**

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> October – BRC NAF Five Star Combined Training Championships at Aston le Walls  
Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October – BRC Area 9 Arena Eventing Qualifier at West Wilts EC  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October – BRC Area 9 Dressage to Music Qualifiers at Burrows Court  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November – BRC Area 9 Winter Novice Dressage Qualifiers at CCR Equestrian  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December – BRC Area 9 Introductory Dressage Qualifiers at CCR Equestrian

More information on all of the above events can be found on our website [www.ffrc.co.uk](http://www.ffrc.co.uk)

## **\*\*\*Volunteers Required\*\*\***

We are now actively looking for volunteers for the remaining competitions we are running this year. If you are available to help at any of these events, please let us know as soon as possible so we don't have to cancel!

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November – FFRC Open Dressage incorporating BRC Area 9 Winter Novice Dressage Qualifiers at CCR Equestrian, Brookthorpe GL4 0XA

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December – FFRC Open Dressage incorporating BRC Area 9 Introductory Dressage Qualifiers at CCR Equestrian, Brookthorpe GL4 0XA

If you are able to offer any help we would be greatly appreciative! Can you please email all offers of help as soon as possible to Chick at [FFRCvolunteers@yahoo.com](mailto:FFRCvolunteers@yahoo.com)