FFRC's Newsletter

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



Welcome back to the newsletter.

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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. Without further ado let's get on with the news!

BRC Area 9 Arena Eventing Qualifiers - Sunday 13th October 2024

The weather was very kind to us this year at the Arena Eventing qualifiers at West Wilts. This year we had a Senior 80 and a Senior 90 Team representing FFRC at this qualifier.

First was the Senior 80 team consisting of Anne Dickenson & Cloncilla, Maria Dickenson & Painswick Midge, Suze Tucker & Danika and Kelly Clack & Agherlow Gold. First up was Anne Dickenson who jumped an amazing round clear with just 1.2 time penalties taking them in to the lead at that time. Next to go was Maria Dickenson who again jumped a lovely clear inside the time to push her mum off the top spot and take the lead! Our third rider to go was Suze Tucker, this was her first team competition with FFRC and what a round! Another beautiful clear round inside the time to put her in to 2nd place behind Maria as Maria was just slightly closer to the optimum time. This put our team way ahead and the team were unbeatable with the last rider to go which was Kelly Clack. Kelly also jumped a lovely clear round but unfortunately was enjoying the occasion a little too much picking up 2.4 time faults for being 6 seconds too fast, leaving them as the dropped score for the team!

The FFRC Senior 80 Team finished with a team win and qualifying for the championships at the end of May 2025, with individual 1st for Maria Dickenson, individual 2nd for Suze Tucker, individual 6th for Anne Dickenson and individual 8th for Kelly Clack.

Next up was the Senior 90 team consisting of Tracey Teasdale & Corraghoe Son, Amanda James & Lad Pierce, Suze Tucker & Danika and Kelly Clack & Agherlow Gold. First up was Tracey Teasdale who was jumping a lovely round until the very long course got the better of her and she lost her way picking up 20.8 penalties, the course was incredibly long and did seem to go on forever! Next up was Amanda James who jumped a cracking round but just took the last fence the joker which put them in to individual 6th place. Next up was Suze Tucker who again was jumping a beautiful round until a blip towards the end of the course which put them off their stride picking up 60.8 penalties. The last to go for our team was Kelly Clack who despite being the dropped score in the 80 class, this time redeemed themselves with having a clear with just 0.8 time penalties giving them individual 4th place and the team 2nd!

Congratulations ladies, awesome results around a very long tricky course!



Above: FFRC Senior 80 Winning Team L-R Maria Dickenson, Anne Dickeson, Kelly Clack & Suze Tucker Below: FFRC Senior 90 Team 2nd L-R Tracey Teasdale, Amanda James, Kelly Clack & Suze Tucker



BRC Area 9 Dressage to Music Qualifiers – Sunday 20th October 2024

This year Susie Drake and Francesca Pearce braved the awful weather to head to Burrows Court for the Area 9 Dressage to Music Qualifiers and they did not disappoint!

First to go was Susie Drake with GF Roxanne in the Prelim Dressage to Music who completely smashed it with a win on 73.89% beating 2nd place by 6% and qualifying for the Dressage to Music Championships to be held at Arena UK on Friday 25th April 2025.

Next up was Fran Pearce and Waunoris Oliver Twist, they were the Novice with 0 points champions earlier this year and now competing in the Novice with points section. Fran rode a fabulous test scoring a whopping 74.72% but was just pipped in to 2nd place by literally 1.5 marks, hopefully she will get a wild card entry to the Championships.

Congratulations ladies, amazing results on such an awful wet and windy day!



FFRC League Tables

The FFRC leagues for the showing and jumping leagues have now ended for this year with Carol Soormally and Faside First Revolution being the 2024 FFRC Showing League Champions and Kelly Clack & Agherlow Gold being the 2024 FFRC Jumping league Champions! The flatwork league is still on going with 2 more competitions left this year to earn points towards this league. Currently Susan Vanderstegen-Drake and GF Roxanne is still steaming ahead, now being closely followed by Francesca Pearce and Waunoris Oliver Twist in 2nd place. The champions from each league will be awarded beautiful trophies at the FFRC AGM in January 2025.

All the rules and the current league standings are available at www.ffrc.co.uk/leagues

EVENTS COMING UP

BRC Area 9 Winter Senior Novice Dressage Qualifiers – Sunday 10th November 2024

This competition is being run by FFRC at CCR Equestrian Centre, we have also managed to put together 2 great teams to represent our club at this qualifier, the teams are as follows;

FFRC Piaffe

Intro 3 - Francesca Pearce & Bally Agnus

Prelim 1 – Erica Shipley & Florida Calling

Prelim 2 - Gail Pearce & Waunoris Oliver Twist

Novice 1 – Tracey Teasdale & Corraghoe Son

FFRC Passage

Intro 3 – Andrea Bristol & Nemo Sollenburg

Prelim 1 - Nicola Doubtfire & Otto

Prelim 2 - Rebecca Northover & Lady Killers Lord Sampras

Novice 1 – Amanda James & Creagh Bay Boy

Individuals

Intro 3 - Carol Soormally & Boat

Prelim 1 - Gail Pearce & Waunoris Oliver Twist

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

Area Introductory Dressage Qualifiers - Sunday 8th December 2024

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

Open to Juniors & Seniors, Teams & Individuals.

Classes include BD Intro 1 & 2 (2024), BRC Prelim D1 & D2 (2025)

Entry Fee: £31.50 (Team) £32.00 (Individual) ENTRIES CLOSE: FRIDAY 8th NOVEMBER 2024

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

Future dates for your diary!

Sunday 10th November – BRC Area 9 Winter Novice Dressage Qualifiers at CCR Equestrian Sunday 8th 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

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

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

We also desperately need a group of people to help set the arenas up the day before both competitions as CCR run showjumping on the Saturday, so we would not be able to start setting up until around 3:30pm on the Saturday – so many hands make light work!

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