

## Results and Reminders August 2009

I wondered if the newsletter could take a holiday this month but there is so much to tell you I don't know whether it can.

We have just run our second Festival of Show Jumping. It was a great success, and although the weather forecast was not too bright as it was last year, we still had over 150 riders taking part, many riding in more than 1 class. I think the biggest success of the weekend was the Derby Cross, which was a mix of Show Jumping on grass, then going round the XC course over show jumps and then back to more show jumps on grass. We have had many emails saying how much it was enjoyed and we hope that we will be able to run it again, perhaps before next July.

Looking forward to August, our biggest event is our Equifest. We are hoping to raise enough money to build a new car park, which will in turn will enable our outside visitors to be able to park properly. We need to encourage more outside visitors - for one reason, currently all our club horses and ponies are getting quite old and we need to raise funds to be able to bring some new blood in. Please come along and support us, there will be live music, face painting, a hot roast, hair braiding, bucking bronco and lots lots more. If you want to stay overnight, you are quite welcome to bring your tent, caravan or trailer and there will be a breakfast bar available the next day. The price is £20 per adult, children under 12 are free, please ring Steph on 0777 952 1433 to obtain your tickets, they are running out fast, don't miss this opportunity to take part in what promises to be a great evening.

The weekend after Equifest is the second Adult Camp

of the year and is proving very popular, please send in your application form, which can be found online as soon as you can. Places are limited. The riding will start at 6.00 p.m. on the Friday night.

For our pony club members, we are holding a little show on Friday 28th August starting at 10.30. There are in hand showing classes for all our members and will be in house only for pony club members to encourage them to be able to groom and turn out ponies which will prepare them for greater things in the future! The first class will be a fancy dress class and parental help will be allowed, but in the subsequent classes, we are asking that the children prepare the ponies themselves. We are also having a Class for dogs as well so everyone can bring their pooches along and take part. Hopefully, if you are a pony club member there should be an application form attached. All classes will be £2.50 and horse hire will be the usual £5 per share.

Also, hopefully enclosed if I have got my act together is an application form for Olympia. The coach now is half full, so if you would like to come with us, please fill in the form and return it to the office as soon as you can. We need to pay for the tickets by mid September, so we do need to know who wants to go by then.

The regular show jumping competitions start again in September, the application forms are online along with the dressage, both these competitions are for all riders, non livery and pony club, you just need to hire a horse or pony if necessary. I knew I'd run out of space, see you soon, Liz.

### Events Coming up in the Next Couple of Months

Mon 3rd-Wed 5th August	Intermediate Camp
Mon 10th-Thurs 14th August	Senior Camp
Friday 14th August	Robert Pickles FBHS Clinic
Saturday 15th August	EquiFest - Music, Hog Roast and much much more
Monday 17th August	Intermediate Teaching Test
Fri 21st-Sun 23rd August	Adult Camp - the Rerun
Saturday 12th September	Show Jumping Clinic
Sunday 13th September	Show Jumping Competition
Wednesday 16th September	Robert Pickles FBHS Clinic
Saturday 19th September	Dressage Clinic/Dressage Competition
Friday 25th September	BHS PTT Examination