

GOLDEN JUBILEE 1961 - 2011



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Welcome to the first newsletter of what should be an exciting year for Polnoon!!
(apologies for it being a little late.....)

Hopefully we can put the arctic conditions of late behind us and get back in to the swing of things and actually get to do stuff with our 4-legged friends ☺

The events calendar is filling up with dates for club nights, shows and get togethers. More on that to come.

POLNOON JUBILEE YEAR

Yup, Polnoon is celebrating it's big 5 OHHH this year – we don't look that old do we?? Anyway, hopefully lots of you will have taken advantage of the reduced rate membership fee of £19.61 by joining before the end of December.

There have been some changes to the annual shows this year, the dressage and showing shows have been combined into a one day spectacular and will be held at Rowallan on Saturday 4th June – get that in your events diary NOW!! (ssssh, don't tell anyone I told you b-u-t there are plans underway for a small partee that evening, also at Rowallan. Now remember Sssh you didn't hear it from me!)

Our American cousins at French Creek Dressage are also busy making plans and arranging fundraising to come over to visit this year and join in the celebrations. We will keep you posted on their progress.

NEWSLETTER

Going forward we will be relying more on the website/ email/ text and Facebook as our main forms of communication and as such will be reducing the number of actual newsletters that are sent out to 3 or 4 per year. This should mean that news will be much more up to date for everyone.

FACEBOOK

For all you social networkers out there Kirstie has been beavering away on Facebook and has created a group page for "Polnoon Castle Riders Association" – please visit and join the group, if you haven't already done so. It will give you another means of keeping up to date with events etc. It's

open to everyone not just members so tell your friends.

WEBSITE

The website is being refreshed. The site will hold events and the main, club reference material. Increasing use of Facebook and possible other social networks will add to the presence of the club and the ability of members to post news and chat and for the committee to give out information.

TROPHIES

All PCRA members that have paid their subscription by the end of December are eligible to win the host of fabulous trophies that the club has on offer. These can be won at club nights & the open shows from a whole spectrum of class types – games, showing dressage and show jumping – truly something for everyone. C'mon have a go x

TEAMS

Early warning notice for this years Area 1 Qualifiers. If you want to put your name forward or find out more information about eligibility, phone Sheona (01355 260497). Pre entries need to be with BRC 21 days before the date of the competition.
29 May – Novice Dressage & Riding Test, Stewarton Livery, Stewarton.
2 June – Open Dressage, Music & Pairs, Rozelle Park, Alloway
18 June (provisionally) – Style Jumping & Novice, Intermediate & Open Show Jumping.
Awaiting details regarding the Horse Trials.

Remember to take part in these your horse/ pony must have an up to date Flu-Vaccinations certificate – even for the qualifiers now. If you are in any doubt BRC did make up a Flu Vac checked which we have on our website, it is really easy to use.

CLUB NIGHTS

January: -

The January Club Night was the Bring and Buy sale at West Kype. 3rd time lucky for this one, no snow and ice so we got there as last. As ever it was a very social evening, catching up with folk you hadn't seen in ages. Some peeps even managed to sell items in between the non-stop chatting.....

Thanks to Linda for the use of West Kype and keeping everyone warm with supplies of tea and coffee.

February: -

Next up on 23 February it will be time to get the ole grey matter working – it's quiz time! Pat will be putting this together once more; some will be easy some will be hard! This is an open evening, the more the merrier, so get a team together and come along and give it a go.

Of course, it's not the taking part that counts it's the winning!

Oh wait, did I say that right.....

Venue – Buckshead, Strathaven 7.30pm

March: -

TBC – more details soon

April: -

The first of 2 nights for the month will be the Riders Test night on 13 April Hopefully putting off the first mounted evening until then will mean we will get better light for longer and more clement weather.

Details/Eligibility:

Class 1 – Intro – Riding Test 11 - for riders that have never been placed in any Dressage or Riding Test competitions (excepting PCRA Club Nights).

NO AIs- registered or unregistered

Class 2 – Novice – Riding Test 11 - restricted to horses with no more than 60 BD points and riders who do not hold AI or above. The same rider/horse

combination cannot compete in this if they have already won it twice.

Class 3 – Open – Riding Test 13 - no restrictions.

Club trophies are awarded to the winners of all classes provided they joined before the deadline, failing which the trophy will be awarded to the highest placed Club Member eligible.

Venue – Maidenhill Farm, Newton Mearns

April: -

The second ridden night of the month on 27 April will be the first one of the Marksman, Idyll Art, Shand show jumping series.

Venue – Maidenhill Farm Newton Mearns 7pm

Entry fee details will be confirmed in the next update but remember these are always pitched at a very reasonable rate for the club nights - great value indeed.

Schooling & Training

Now that the snow has gone (for good pretty please!) Kim is working on getting schooling sessions back in the calendar. To be confirmed soon will be dates with Andrew Wilson and Catherine Eardley. If you can't wait for the dates to appear here and online contact Kim for details (07525 195589)

OUT & ABOUT

If you have any results you would like added to 'Out & About', please let Sheona have details of them. Sheona does try to take a note of any club members' successes that she sees but even she cannot be at every event.

Gillian Beattie & Tornado: 6th un. Nov 27 @ Rowallan

Thelma Black & Dazed and Confused: 2nd 90cm am Q @ Rowallan

Susan Fairfield & McCallum of Millfield; 1st rest. Nov dr to music & 4th rest.nov 30 @ Rowallan (oct).

Leigh Harkins & Captain Sensible: 1st & 6th BN's @ Rowallan.

Karen Graham & Hollywood Nights: 1st rest P 19 & 2nd R.P15 @ Ingliston

Sheona McNeill & Santa's Ghost: 2nd 1st warm up Med 63, 1st rest Med 73 S.N.E champ @ Scottish and Northern equestrian champs, 3rd rest Med 63, 3rd Rest med 73, 2nd rest Med 69, 3rd Rest med 71 @ Rowallan (oct)

Suzie Reid & Dramatiste : 5th unaf El 44 @ Rowallan (Oct) 1st open Jumping, 1st open C.T, 2nd El 4 @ Ayr RC. 1st 90cm am Q @ Rowallan

Carol White & Wildegrande: 2nd Rest El 58 @ Rowallan

Members Ads

BRODLYNS TAKODA

Attractive 4 year Old Tobiano Gelding Approx 15.2HH

This lovely young horse is homebred and has the presence and substance to go on in any sphere. He has flowing paces and striking good looks combined with a lovely temperament.

Sired by TOM TOM (now in Australia going by the name of What's Colour) Sports Horse Stallion.

He has been backed and turned away for the winter and now ready to further his education. He was a delight to back and was out hacking and seeing the world before the winter and took everything in his stride.

He is excellent with the dentist, farrier and vet and loves going out in the trailer or lorry. All injections, passport, worming up to date. Very willing, well mannered and loves attention. Has a slight twist to foreleg and windsucks hence reflected in price.

Finding him a loving and experienced home to further his education is the main priority.

Genuine reason for sale therefore genuine enquiries only. Video available.

For further information please contact Eilidh on 07989352487 or email eilidh.cameron278@btinternet.com

£2000

Diary Dates

23 Feb	Quiz night @ Buckshead, Strathaven
March	TBC
13 Apr	Riders Test @ Maidenhill
27 Apr	1st Round MMS @ Maidenhill
2 May	Beach Ride and BBQ @ Irvine Beach
25 May	2nd Round MMS @ West Kype Farm
4 Jun	Golden Jubilee Show - WH/Showing/Dressage @ Rowallan
29 Jun	3rd Round MMS @ West Kype Farm
1 Jul	Car Treasure Hunt @ West Kype
27 Jul	4th Round MMS @ West Kype Farm
6 Aug	Show Jumping Show - Maidenhill
24 Aug	Club dressage Night @ TBC
11 Nov	AGM

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