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Welcome the June newsletter. Summer is finally here, it's even been sunny! From the out and abouts everyone is obviously making the most of it and our members are having some fantastic results- keep it up! If you're not into competing but have been having fun adventures with your pony- maybe you've been on a great hack or even taken him on holiday, let us know and we'll share the joy! Summer especially is all about enjoying our horsey friends, four and two legged, and having great fun together!

Beach Ride and BBQ

Despite the inevitable downpour (what can you expect when you plan a BBQ in Scotland?!) this was a terrific night. 30 or so horses and their very brave owners took to the sands and had a fantastic time. Santa tried to persuade Sheona his true calling was as a racehorse. She disagreed and was later seen looking rather green in the car park. Although she did brighten at the suggestion of a new club cup for a five furlong sprint...!

A big thanks to Jane and Angela for providing the BBQ, their partners for dashing off to Tesco (Kim will be approaching them for sponsorship!) and buying an emergency Gazebo and all the members for turning up and making it such a success. So much so we'll try and have another at the end of the summer. Watch this space- we might even publish the date.

Show Jumping Weekend

Here's one for the show jumpers! The weekend kicks off on the 20th June with our new pure Show Jumping Show at Maidenhill. Clear round jumping will commence at 9am and run until 11am, when the classes will start with Novice Novice and progress up to Open. Separate Junior and Senior sections and something for everyone so bring your friends. Of course the annual Polnoon trophies will be contended too so come along and have a go. If you like to keep your feet on the ground and have a spare hour or so PLEASE phone Clare or Kim and volunteer your services!

On the Sunday we are sending Intermediate and Style jumping teams, as well as 2 novice individuals, to Biggar to contest the Area 1 showjumping qualifiers. Good luck to everyone taking part.

Club Nights

Marksman/Idyll Art/Shand 3rd Round

The competition is heating up now and the 3rd round takes place again at Maidenhill on 24th June.

Details/Eligibility: riders must be paid up members of the club prior to the commencement of the class.

There are no restrictions on the Idyll Art (intermediate) and Shand (open) but to compete in the Marksman (novice) the horse and rider combination **must NEVER have won 3 firsts in any SJ competitions or have won £5**. You can compete in 2 classes, one of which must be the Idyll Art (excluding Clear Round).

Cost: £5

Booking: Pre-booking is not required but please note that CR will be for strictly half an hour from 7.00 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. so be there in plenty of time if you want to ride in the CR first. The Novice class will start promptly at 7.30 and those who have paid for a CR but not presented at the gate will have their fee refunded (£3).

If you're in the running for overall champion make sure you don't miss it. After this round of MIS our jumps have to be loaded up to go back to West Kype Farm (where they are available all summer for members to use- see schooling for details) so please hang around after the last class and help.

Polnoon Teams/ Annual Events

After the Show jumping it's the turn of the eventers. The **Area 1 Horse Trials** takes place at Greenfields on the 5th July. So far Sheona has a novice team and 2 Intermediate individuals. Last chance- if you want to take part in a team get in touch with her today! The team season closes in great style with the **Dressage and Riders Test** qualifiers, which by now you know Polnoon are hosting at Greenfields on the **18th and 19th July**. Quite a few of you have come forward and volunteered to be on a team but there are slots left, as always call Sheona if you want to play. Last year it was widely acknowledged that this show was a great success and credit to the club. We need YOU in order to make it even better this year. PLEASE PLEASE help out if you can, lots of work goes into the organisation and running of these things and it helps to spread the load. You don't have to be an expert (thank goodness, I'd never do anything if that were so!).

Same goes for the **Working Hunter/Showing Show** on the **2nd August**. If showing isn't your thing and you are not planning on bringing your horse give Pat or Angela a phone and offer a few hours. The more that come along the more social it is- and the more enjoyable!

SCHOOLING

Due to popular demand club schooling continues over the summer, as follows. Contact Kim if you want a space.

June

Wed 17 th	Andrew Wilson	West Kype farm (sj over club fences on grass) 7pm-8pm: 8pm-9pm: 9pm-10pm	£18
Tue 30 th	Pauline Mckee	Southburn Farm, Netherburn (x country practice fences/show jumping On grass in prep for horse trials)	TBC

July

Wed 8 th	Pauline Mckee	Southmuirhead 7pm-8pm: 8pm-9pm: 9pm-10pm	£18
Wed 15 th	Andrew Wilson	West Kype 7pm-8pm: 8pm-9pm: 9pm-10pm	£18

We are grateful to Linda Anderson at West Kype for allowing us access to one of her fields to set out the club jumps. As well as Andrew running his schooling over them from this venue during the summer months they are there for all club members to access and enjoy out side the arranged schooling. If club members want to make use of this contact Linda (07753845195) or Andrew (07989427401) to arrange/ let them know you are coming and make sure ground is suitable.

Linda is also organizing show jumping training with Andrew Hamilton at Southmuirhead on the first Wednesday of the month and has opened this up to club members. Please contact Linda on 07753 845195 if you are interested.

Club Night Results Style Jumping

Due to it being a fairly quiet night, members were allowed to jump more than 1 class, with the points being awarded in the 1st class jumped by each member, as follows. Well done to everyone.

Class		Points
Class 1 - Intro		
1st	Alison Smith & William	6
2nd	Susan Gray & McCoist	5
3rd	Jennifer Osbourne & Darkest Dream	4
4th	Nicky Suckle & Phoenix	3
5th	Roxanna McNeill & DRB Busyboy	2
6th	Lynn McDonald & Puddledub Terronimo	1
Class 2 - Novice		
1st	Linda Smith & Corrie	6
2nd	Nicky Suckle & Phoenix	
3rd	Nicky Suckle & Mr Rochester	5
4th	Roxanna McNeill & DRB Busyboy	
5th	Jennifer Osborne & Darkest Dream	
Class 3 - Open		
1st	John McIntyre & Calamanco	6
2nd	Linda Smith & Corrie	
3rd	Gillian Beattie & Tornado	5
4th	Nicky Suckle & Mr Rochester	
5th	Thelma Black & Hovis	4

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Diary Dates 2009

June	20 th	PCRA Open Show Jumping show @ Maidenhill
	21st	Area 1 Outdoor Show Jumping @ Biggar Show Ground
	24 th	Marksman Shand 3 rd round v@ Maidenhill
July	5 th	Area 1 Horse Trials @ Greenfields of Avondale
	18th &19th	Area 1 Dressage @ Greenfield's
Aug	2 nd	PCRA Working Hunter/ Showing Show @ Greenfields of Avondale

Member Ads

Paul Barker Clinic at Provanston, Fintry, G63 0LP.
On 22nd and 23rd June 09.
All levels catered for on both horses and ponies.
If interested please call John Cameron 07955 425948

V.I.Pets Millbrae House, Redwood Drive, East Kilbride 01355232275 or 07732696826, www.vi-pets.co.uk, for all your pet, Horse & rider needs. New supplies coming in! Summer items in! Robinsons Rugwash Point, Gift Vouchers, Mail Order, Private Parking. Donald MacLellan next door form all your saddle fittings, tack repairs, rug repairs, also onsite saddle fittings with outdoor school.

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Tel Susan: 07831 173 723 susan@horseconnections.co.uk www.horseconnections.co.uk

Livery for 2 horses / ponies available on small private yard near Strathaven.
Large outdoor school, all year turnout, own tack room, separate paddocks.
DIY, Part or Full as required.
Contact Susan - 07831 173 723 / 01357 440071

Young horse (5yrs) available for share/loan to experienced rider or someone willing to take regular lessons, as education not yet complete. Approx 15hh, perfect gentleman and bomb proof. Must stay at present yard near Strathaven. Contact Susan - 07831 173 723 / 01357 440071

Horseware Rhino heavyweight rug with fixed neck cover. Light use for 1 year. 5'9". £50
Horseware Rhino medium weight Wug (chestnut tartan). Worn once. Sold as 6' but fits pony that usually wears 5'9". £45
In hand filly slip for showing young horse. No bit. Quality brown English leather with brass fittings. Raised leather on noseband and browband. As new. £28.
Phone Mary on 07801 131469 or e-mail mary@eastoverhill.co.uk

Cross Country Practice Course for hire @ Southburn Livery yard, Netherburn. A range of fences from 2" and up, step/ drops/ corner etc set on well maintained parkland. £15/hour/horse. Show jumps to warm up on. Call Andrew on 07973192653

Lorry for sale.

OUT & ABOUT

If you have any results you would like added to 'Out & About', please let Sheona or Clare have details of them. Sheona does try to take a note of any club members' successes (hats off to her for writing them all down) which she sees but even she cannot be at every event.