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FOR SALE

Very striking, jet black 5 year old welsh cob/TB cross. 15.2 hh. Friendly and easy to handle in the stable, good in traffic, good to shoe and load. Super ride. Can jump. Registered. £3,800 ono, or would possibly consider loan to approved home.
Contact Sheila Oliver 07791 438366.

FORTHCOMING RIDES

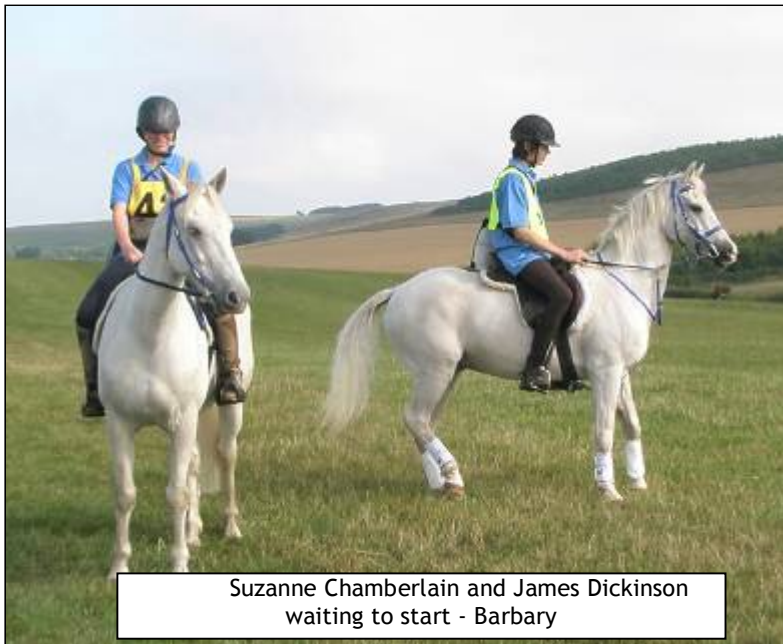
Date	Name	Length	Group	Contact	Telephone
OCTOBER					
16/17	Royalties	160km ER	Lincolnshire	Tracy Dutton	01205 480160
24	ShIPLEY		BHS	Carol Curtis	
NOVEMBER					
21	Congleton SR	26/20km	Cheshire EGB	Pat Guerin	01477 534194

NATIONAL BRANCH MEETING 3 NOVEMBER 2010

This is your chance to have a say in the way your group is run. Suggestions for changes or improvements are very welcome. Derbyshire is one of the most pro-active and go-ahead groups in the country and we can only continue to operate at this level if we have positive and helpful input from our members.

If you would like to take an active part in the group, without being officially on the committee or having to attend meetings, please come along and discuss possibilities. We could do with at least couple of volunteers to relieve the pressure on the committee as there are times when we seem to be stretched rather thin as regards manpower.

Look forward to seeing you at the Queens Arms, Taddington at 8.00pm, Wednesday 3 November.



Suzanne Chamberlain and James Dickinson
waiting to start - Barbary



Anna Collins with Diamond Destiny -
Barbary

Mileage points of 32km can be claimed for helping at ONE ride run by another group, but this is IN ADDITION TO, NOT INSTEAD OF the help which you are required to give at a Derbyshire Group ride. This will be retrospective to the beginning of 2010.

Once back at the North West crewing area there were again lots of people to help crew the horses and Harvey's heart rate quickly came down to about 46. After 20 minutes I decided to take him in to the vet as I was worried about him stiffening up especially after what had happened at the beginning of the ride. His HR was 42 and speed 12.4 kph (his fastest to date) and I was delighted to get a grade one.

We all gathered back at the secretary's marquee later for the results of the inter-regional championships and we genuinely did not know how we had done compared to the other regions. They announced the results in reverse order and it was fantastic to hear that the North West team had won. We were all presented with rosettes and medals and had our photo taken. It was brilliant to be part of the winning team.

The blue army - Uncle Tom Cobley & all. Crews, kids & dog... oh, and riders!



The journey home flew by (probably aided by the cans of gin and tonic I consumed)! Harvey again travelled well and didn't seem at all phased to be turned back out with his friends at 10pm at night. None of this would

have been possible without our North West team managers Flick and Pat. Both of them were brilliant at offering advice and help without being too pushy! They spent a lot of time and effort putting the team together. Huge thanks must also go to the team members who stayed to help on the Sunday and to all the rest of the "blue army" as the vet's stewards christened us! It was a true team effort all round.

MILEAGE CARDS

MILEAGE CARDS ARE DUE IN AT THE END OF NOVEMBER. THE LAST RIDE FOR 2010 WILL BE SHIPLEY PARK ON 24 OCTOBER SO PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CARD IS RETURNED TO BRENDA HALLWORTH SO YOU CAN QUALIFY FOR YOUR AWARDS AND MILEAGE ROSETTES.

HELPERS - mileage points from other group's rides

Several of our neighbouring groups have been putting out SOS messages for helpers, and I know that quite a few of our members have responded, so we discussed what to do about mileage points at the last committee meeting. We have stated in the past that help given at another group's ride does not qualify for mileage points, but that has now been amended, and the situation is as follows:

INTER-REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AT BARBURY CASTLE - 7TH AND 8TH AUGUST 2010

I was thrilled to bits to be chosen for the North West team for the Inter-regional championships held at Barbury Castle along with 12 other riders from Derbyshire, Cheshire and Lancashire.

We travelled down to the venue on the Saturday. It took nearly 5 hours but Harvey travelled very well. The venue was amazing - stunning scenery surrounded by the grass gallops used by local racehorse trainers. Coralling areas were already marked out which was useful



Rachel and Nasem

and we were able to leave the trailer next to Harvey which worked really well. He settled well despite it being his first time away from home alone.

By the time we arrived most of Saturday's riders had finished and all of them had done well so there was some pressure on the rest of us for the Sunday.

Sunday morning was bright with a slight breeze - perfect riding weather. The North West team had their own crewing spot near to the vetting area and there always seemed to be people around in the

distinctive blue team t-shirts to help out. Pat and Flick thought that Harvey would go well with Sharna McClelland's horse so we met up at the crewing area, vetted and set out on the 40km route.

The start of the ride was along the grass gallops. We started at a brisk trot but quite quickly Harvey seemed to trip and he went very lame in front. We came back to walk and after a few strides he was fine - phew! But then he did it again on the other leg. I really thought that was the end of the ride and I was gutted. I sent Sharna on alone and rang Mike (husband) to let him know I was going to retire. He said he would meet me at the road so I continued and I don't know how but somehow Harvey improved to the point of being completely sound within 5 minutes. I can only think that he wasn't warmed up enough before we started - lesson learnt!



Crew taking a well-earned rest?

After a few minutes I caught up with Sharna again and we continued together. The first 18k was very fast going, mostly mown grass and tracks so we got to the first checkpoint at a good speed. Mike was there to crew us and then we set off up the steep Barbury Hill with amazing views. From there we went along Smeathers Ridge which was another long grassy stretch before turning to the next checkpoint. Ann and Gordon Harrison were there to crew all the North West team which was great.

We carried on still at a good pace along mostly tracks and grass towards the village of Ogbourne St Andrew. Here we had the only stretch of tarmac and it wasn't much. We were met and crewed here by Ann and Gordon again. The route then followed field edges and a steep bank back down to the mown grass gallops and back to the venue.

Saturday

Roamer (25k unmarked NCR)

1st Charlie Chadwick on Grassmere Cream Icon & Jess Strong on Sorhez Amir
Jenny Doxey on Cwrtycadno Moon Princess & Jackie Rose on Baxter
Jean Collins on Ansbacher & Carol Curtis on Marshfields Imagination

42k Novice CR

Kay Counter on HS Drift - Grade 1
Clair Calvert on Silton Rose - Completion

5k NCR

Tom Dennett on Bobby, Rachel Dennett on Nasem

Sunday

Pilgrim (13km NCR, dressage and handy pony)

1st - Jess Strong on Sorhez Amir
Charlie Chadwick on Grassmere Cream Icon

64km Performance Formula

3rd Brett Corcoran on Aristotle Bay,
4th James Dickinson on Duke II

44k Open CR

Molly Corcoran on Pilheath Royal Paddy - Completion
20k NCR

Jenny Doxey on Cwrtycadno Moon Princess
Kay Counter on HS Drift
Jean Collins on Ansbacher
Carol Curtis on Marshfields Imagination

13k NCR

Rachel Dennett on Nasem, Clair Calvert on Silton Rose

Other awards: -Multi Day Awards

(successful completions on 4 or 5 days)

1st Ruth Chadwick on Viche
5th Jess Strong on Sorhez Amir
Rachel Dennett on Nasem
Carol Curtis on Marshfields Imagination
Jean Collins on Ansbacher
Charlie Chadwick on Grassmere Cream Icon
Clair Calvert on Silton Rose

Jenny Doxey on Cwrtycadno Moon Princess

Pony Riders Assation(Highpoint pony ridden by an adult)

Highpoint on Thursday - Jess Strong on Sorhez Amir

Highpoint Young Rider

James Dickinson on Duke II

Highpoint Junior

Brett Corcoran on Aristotle Bay

Dog Show (in aid of the WEG fund)

Best six legs

2nd - Paul Clare and Holly

Most appealing eyes

4th Lottie Dennett and Panda Moo

Waggiest Tail

4th Lottie Dennett and Panda Moo



Tricia Hurst at Barbary

Bob Fowler joined us in time to crew the last pair around the course, his wit and charm keeping the crew very entertained. Another very fast lap of the course kept James from crossing the finish line by 4 mins (did 17.8km so told me that he hadn't done 18kph. The Derbyshire Team had finish line in first place with just the final vetting to go. A very tense moment of which I passed the baton to Flick to take James and Duke for the vetting ; I was so relieved to hear cheers and so very proud indeed of the whole team their wonderful horses and my very special crew members for all their hard work . Also I must just add to our great result that three out of four horse in our team were veterans; the youngest was 14 and the others were in order 23, 18 and 20 so anyone thinking that their horses are getting to old just keep this in mind .

Many thanks again to a wonderful team from a very proud Team leader Paula

Derbyshire did exceptionally well at Lindum, so here is a roundup of their achievements:

Wednesday

Lindum Leg Stretch (13km NCR)

Completed by:

James Dickenson on Duke II

Jenny Doxey on Cwrtycadno Moon Princess

Charlie Chadwick on Grassmere Cream Icon

Ruth Chadwick on Viche

Jess Strong on Sorhez Amir

Ride and Run (13km NCR ride and 5km run)

3rd - Jean Collins - Ansbacher

5th Carol Curtis - Marshfields Imagination

12th Sarah Whiteley - Phineus

5km NCR

Tom Dennett on Bobby, Rachel Dennett on Nasem



Jess Strong on Sorhez Amir

Thursday

Team Spirit (4 x 40km)

1st - Derbyshire Team - Jess Strong on Sorhez Amir, Gaynor Jones on Squire, Sarah Whiteley on Phineus and James Dickinson on Duke II

Pleasure Pairs (20km NCR)

Completed by:-

Charlie Chadwick on Grassmere Cream Icon & Jess Strong on Sorhez Amir

Jean Collins on Ansbacher & Carol Curtis on Marshfields Imagination

Rachel Dennett on Nasem & Jane Stewart on Bonnie

Friday

Digger (21km NCR and treasure hunt)

2nd - Jean Collins on Ansbacher and Carol Curtis on Marshfields Imagination

5th - Jackie Rose on Baxter and Jenny Doxey on Cwrtycadno Moon Princess

6th Clair Calvert on Silton Rose

9th Jess Strong on Sorhez Amir and Charlie Chadwick on Grassmere Cream Icon

40km Novice CR

Rachel Dennett on Nasem - Grade 1

Equilibrium Spirit (170k ER over 3 days)

Equal 3rd Ruth Chadwick on Viche, Ann Harrison on Deju Vu

NEWSLETTER EDITOR URGENTLY REQUIRED

Unfortunately Bethan has had to give up her job as newsletter editor. I would like to thank her for all her hard work over the last couple of years and wish her lots of luck for the future.

If anyone would like to volunteer to take over the newsletter, or would even like to talk about what is involved, please ring me for a chat.

PLEASE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

New Associate members Chris Goodman and Gill Denbeigh, Maeve Jepson, Retta Mallanaphy, Hilary Stephens, Julie Turner, Fiona Gratrix, Sue Exton, Ingrid Marsh

CONGRATULATIONS

Beccy Broughton has been selected for the Endurance Team to go to Kentucky in September and successfully completed the course.

Annette Masterson and El Sabio successfully completed their first 160km ride at Euston Park on Saturday 26 June, coming in sixth at a speed of 17.75kph

COMMISERATIONS

To Janice Clare who was kicked by another horse while taking part in a ride, and who suffered a broken leg. Thankfully the news is that it was a clean break and she is now riding again. A suitable gift (wine) was given on behalf of the group.

LINDUM SPIRIT 2010

After the Derbyshire group enjoyed yet another wonderful year with fantastic results I feel very proud to be reporting all the great news. As always the Lindum week starts with the 13km leg stretch a lovely way to relax your horse after the journey down.

Thursday also has the pleasure rides but also the very competitive Team Spirit Relay. This year we had a wonderful team made up of Jess Strong on Sorhez Amir; Gaynor Jones on Squire; Sarah Whiteley on Phineus and James Dickinson on Duke 11. As always Jess gave us a fast first leg and had to wait to come over the finishing line at 17.8km. After passing the vetting we then sent Gaynor and Squire out on course.

Yet another great round keeping us in touch with the rest of the other teams at 15.1km {must add her lovely husband crewed her giving Flick, Jenny and myself time for a quick cuppa}. Sarah then left the venue and the Derbyshire crew team were out to meet her at the crew points; Phineus did us proud as always keeping us in the top three places doing 16.4km. Our final pair was I am proud to say was my son James Dickinson on Duke. I must inform you that he was told by me that if he did 18km on the pony that I would not let him ride him again (over protective mother).



Gaynor Jones on Squire

Derbyshire Group of Endurance Great Britain

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE
USUALLY HELD ON THE FIRST
WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
AT THE QUEENS ARMS PUB AT
TADDINGTON.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE THE
ANNUAL BRANCH MEETING ON
3 NOVEMBER

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

FROM THE CHAIR

I am sure that the 2010 season has been its usual mixture of success for some and disappointment for others.

One Derbyshire member who has certainly had a good year is Beccy Broughton who completed the WEG 160km Endurance Ride in Kentucky in 40th place, helping the British team to a very creditable 6th place. This must be especially pleasing following her last minute elimination in Italy in 2009.

The Derbyshire Group donated over £1,000 altogether towards the Kentucky Fund, so I think we can all be proud to have contributed towards the overall Team GB success.

Another great fundraising event was the Okeover Park Charity Ride which took place on Sunday 26 September. We had a fantastic 180 riders who thoroughly enjoyed the beautiful 10 mile route around Ilam and Dovedale. Several riders joined as associate members and many of them are now considering entering Bakewell and Carsington, following their first taste of Endurance Riding. Thanks must go to Jenny Doxey who took over the running of this ride - a job which includes finding all those gate stewards for which you were all so grateful, and to Rachel Dennett who undertook the mammoth task of taking the entries. Brenda also helped to man the secretary's tent on the Sunday suitably fortified with a horse rug, hot water bottle and steak sandwich.

The National AGM is again being held in our neck of the woods, so I hope that as many of you as possible will make the effort to attend. It is a good chance to try to recognise people without riding hats on, and it is much easier to talk to people when you don't have a horse attached.

Regards

Flick