

GRANSHA RIDING CLUB

NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2009

Welcome to all our new members who have joined since the last newsletter. Our league competitions continue with classes to suit everyone both juniors and seniors of all abilities with points awarded to all entries and trophies and rosettes up to 6th place presented at our Prize Giving night and we hope members will come out and have fun at our competitions.

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SIDE SADDLE DEMO

Some members of the side saddle association are hoping to get their group up and running again and are coming to Gransha to give a Demo and allow us to try riding side saddle for ourselves, on Saturday 7th February @ 2.30pm. There will be some saddles that may be used on your own horses (no young ones please) so if you would like to have a try and have not put your name on the list on the notice board ring Sharon so we have an idea of numbers

0785 7478383, or just come along to watch. There will be a small charge of £3 which includes refreshments.

Calling all Junior Pre Novice Riders

We have decided to have a Junior afternoon on Saturday 28th February @ 2.30pm which will be your round of the leagues. We will hold the 3rd round of the working hunter and show jumping and 2nd round of the dressage leagues all on the 1 afternoon which will mean you will not have to compete at Club nights throughout February/March and no late nights! Entries will be on the day for all competitions with the working hunter first, followed by the show jumping then the arena will be cleared and the dressage arena set up for the Pony Club walk/trot test.

This afternoon is open **ONLY** to junior members who competed in the Junior pre Novice Working Hunter, Junior Pre Novice Show jumping or the Junior Pre Novice Walk /Trot Dressage and all junior members competing at this level are welcome

For further details ring Anne. 0787 1186550

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FUTURE PROGRAMME

Competition Dates: All on Wednesday nights @ 7.30pm(unless otherwise stated)	
7 th	February --- Side Saddle Demo 2.30pm start
11 th	" --- Senior Show Jumping 1 st class Pre Novice
18 th	" --- Junior Dressage Tests Novices 12 / Opens 25
25 th	" --- Senior Dressage " " " "
28 th	Saturday -- Pre Novice Juniors Afternoon (see 1 st page)
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4 th	<b>March</b> --- 3 rd Round Working Hunter (Juniors Nov & Open only)
6 th	<b>Friday</b> --- Pub Quiz Ards Rangers Club 8pm open to all
11 th	" --- 3 rd Round Working Hunter (Seniors)
18 th	" --- 3 rd Round Show Jumping (Juniors Nov & Open only)
21 st	Saturday -- Gransha's Round of Inter Club Jumping @ 3pm
25 th	" --- 3 rd Round Show Jumping (Seniors)
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1 st and 8 th	April Final rounds of Junior /Senior Dressage
15 th and 22 nd	" " " Junior/Senior Working Hunter
29 th April & 6 th May	Final rounds of Junior / Senior Show Jumping

As you will see from above there are plenty of events for all and help will be needed. Thank you to those who returned their Help Forms and if you are needed someone will ring you and there are still plenty of jobs for those who did not return their forms. Sandwiches are needed for the Side Saddle Demo on Sat 7th Feb and we will also need some for the Pub Quiz and the Inter Club Jumping any volunteers?

NEXT ROUNDS OF DRESSAGE LEAGUE

Tests for next rounds will be on the notice board at Gransha along with the entry forms. Remember these are pre-entry only and all money must be paid at time of entry and no late entries will be accepted and no refunds. Novice classes will ride test 12 and open classes will ride test 25. Any other enquiries to Jacky(no. on 1st page)

Pub Quiz

We are running a Pub Quiz in the Ards Rangers Football Club on Friday 6th March starting at 8pm with teams max 6 persons and £3 per head. Bring along your non horsey friends as there will be a variety of questions and we are running a ballot so if anyone wishes to donate any prizes bring them along to any of the Club nights.

Safety Notice

With so many members and Gransha Liveries riding in the sand school please be very careful when warming up especially when jumping or lungeing(in top corner of school away from practice jumps) and when waiting to enter the school, and don't forget all dropping must be lifted.

As some of you may have noticed the gate at Gransha is closed so please remember to keep it closed at all times and if you are last to leave on Club nights make sure all the lights are turned off in and around the indoor school. Thank you

JUMPING LESSONS FOR JUNIORS & RIDING CLUB TESTS.

Training will be starting again for the Riding Club Tests both for Juniors and Seniors of which we have had an excellent pass rate. These are a variety of riding and stable management test right from the basics. Also if any of the Juniors are interested in Jumping lessons let me know hopefully we will have lessons for novices and the more advanced. Some of our Seniors have thoroughly enjoyed a course of flat work lessons with Becky Cullen at the start of the year.

Results:-Show Jumping Junior Pre Novice Double Clears 10/12/08

Steven Harrison/Candy, James Thompson/Alice, Niamh Martin/Gingerbread Man, Jack Thompson/Alice, Emily Magowan/Timor, Holly Boal/General Maximus, Ethan Martin/Gingerbread man, Ashleigh Thompson/Alice, Robert Harrison/Candy.

Junior Novice Double Clears

Kathryn Sheridan.Jacko, Leah Jackson/Scout, Zara Mulholland/Star, Emma Thompson/Star, Christine McVeigh/Crimson Rose, Clare Bankhead/Sprite.

Junior Open 1st Rebecca Hooks/ Connie, 2nd Nicholas Jenkins/Massey, Jessica Matear/Kirstons Diamond, 4th Emma Mooney/Holly 5th Gemma Drinkell/Campbell, 6th Laura Wilson/Sky

Senior Pre Novice No Entries

Senior Novice 1st Nicola McMaster/Winston, 2nd Gillian Martin/Celtic Charm.

Senior Intermediate Double Clears,

Claire Hooks/Tia Maria, Pauline Planck/Roxy, Christine Hooks./Shane,

Senior Open 1st Pamela Lee/My Buddy, 2nd Emma Martin/Kizzy

Dressage 2nd round 7/1/09

Junior Pre Novice

1st Eliana Miskelly /Tufty 2nd Steven Harrison/Candy, 3rd Caitlin Miskelly/Teddy
4th Katie McKee/Boo, 4th Stella Black/Sophie.

Junior Novice 1st Emily Magowan/Timor, 2nd Gemma Drinkell/Campbell, 3rd Jordyn Martin/Pretty Polly, 4th Amy Black/Skye, 5th Emma Thompson/Star, 6th Leah Jackson/Scout.

Junior Open 1st Emma Mooney/Ebony Knight, 2nd Michael Harrison/Thomas. 3rd Rebecca Hooks/Shane.

Senior Novice 1st Jacky Reid/Cream Cracker, 2nd Lara Harrison/Thomas, 3rd Christine Hooks, Shane, 4th = Pauline Foster/Maddison Diamond & Steven Yetman/Bambi. 6th Leanne Beattie/April

Senior Open 1st Diane McCully/Irish Echo, 2nd Elaine McKee/Bijou, 3rd Norma Crooks/Meabh's Touch 4th Sheila Robinson/Mastercraft.

WORKING HUNTER 2nd round

Junior Pre Novice 1st Holly Boal /Max, 2nd = Leah Campbell/Rosie & Eliana Miskelly/Tufty, 4th Caitlin Miskelly/Teddy, 5th Amanda Williams/Midnight Tonto, 6th William Planck,

Junior Novice 1st Emily Magowan/Timor, 2nd Emma Thompson/Star, 3rd Adele Huddleson /On Your Toes,

Junior Open 1st Gemma Drinkell/Campbell, 2nd Rebecca Hooks/Shane, 3rd Emma Mooney/Holly, Leah Jackson/Scout, 5th Nicholas Jenkins/Massey.

Senior Novice 1st Anya Nixon/Oscar 2nd Pauline Foster/Maddison Diamond. 3rd Jessica Whitney/Gambit, 4th = Nicola McMaster/Winston, & Angela Fynn/Lily.

Senior Open. 1st Emma Jackson/Homegrown Lexi, 2nd Kim Dunn/Strawberry, 3rd Lyn Ireland/Quantum Rebel, 4th Julie Coffey/Maverick, 5th Rhonda Hall/Duracell Bunny, 6th Doreen Wallace/ Tri Again.

Congratulations to the Gransha Gazelles
(Rebecca,Courtney,Alanna & Nicole) who have won again
at the recent round of the Inter Club Jumping on Saturday
past and to the Gransha X Factor who finished 3rd and
well done to our other teams . Good luck in the next
round at Mossvale on Sunday 22nd February and of course
our round on 21st March at Gransha. Anyone interested in
joining any of the teams ring Pamela 077 17438587

Club sweatshirts/ hoodies / and jackets may be ordered , and if
you would like anything included in our Club newsletters let Anne
know.

Ladies spring /summer is approaching. To get you Make Up etc
from our Club's Avon Rep. Diane call her on 077 16085502

Organise your Trip to Badminton Horse Trials 8th-10th May
for £219 2 people sharing, B&B.
Contact Shane Barr. at sbarr@cassidytravel.ie.

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