



October 2011 Newsletter

Competitions:

Competition season is in full swing and we are pleased to report that our riders have been busy. Results for the competitions are as follows:

BR Dressage and Jumping Show on 8th & 9th October 2011

Dressage Preliminary Class 8th October

1st Leigh Spencer on Macaroon

Dressage Preliminary Class 9th October

1st Cheyenne Held on Deroks Debra

70cm Jumping Class 9th October

1st Alex Leeds on Topper

3rd Emma Leeds on Topper

BR Dressage and Jumping Show 29th & 30th October 2011

Sarah Wickham on Silent Partner and Katie Leven on Sebastien both went to this show on at Beas River Sat 29th Oct. Sarah took part in both the Novice and Preliminary classes and Katie rode the FEI Preliminary Test (Adult) and the FEI Elementary Test (Adult). Though not in the rosettes this time, both horses and riders had an invaluable learning experience.

Once again, well done to all our riders!

Tim Downes FBHS & Andrew Bennie BHSI:

We once again welcome Tim Downes, FBHS to run his autumn teaching. Tim is an immensely popular instructor and is able to teach riders of all levels to get the best out of their horses. Riders will receive a lesson that is tailored to the individual rider as well as the individual horse and not a one-size-fits-all solution. Tim has the gift of being able to explain concepts in a clear and easy-to-remember way and we encourage riders to have a lesson with him. There are still a few slots available: please check with the office if you would like more details on these.

We also welcome Andrew Bennie, BHSI. Andrew has ridden in two Olympic Games including being a member of the Bronze medal winning team in Seoul in the 1980s. He is an extremely experienced competitor and is a BE Accredited Coach. He is available to conduct dressage and jumping clinics: please ask in the office for details of available slots.

Leigh's Farewell Party:

Sadly, the day of Leigh's departure is nearly upon us. We plan to hold a farewell party for Leigh on Saturday 3rd December, starting from about 6:30pm. The Club will provide a BBQ and you are welcome to BYO food, wine or beer. Please come to hang out with Leigh and to wish her well in her future endeavours.

New Instructor:

We expect our new instructor, Ms Luci Friend, BHSAI, to start work in the first week of December. Luci is from the UK, she is currently teaching in a riding school in Ireland and has experience teaching a range of clients from lead rein to experienced riders. She has experience in most disciplines, including Showing, Dressage, Show jumping, Hunter trials, Hunting and Polo. She has ridden ponies most of her life, taking part in many pony club/riding club activities. Luci is very excited to come to Hong Kong and we look forward to giving her a warm welcome.

Boxing Day Bash Monday 26th December 2011:

We will run our traditional Boxing Day Hack in the morning and we will also be having Fancy Dress Competition (for horse and rider!) and unmounted Games. The kickoff time is tentatively 10:00am and further details will follow soon.

Reminder:

Lessons will run as normal on the public holiday, 27th December 2011.

Welcome to Boreas:

Boreas, a retired ex-racehorse joined us on 7th October 2011. He is currently being schooled and is starting his work in lessons gradually. He is very nice in the stable and always welcomes visitors with carrots!

Welcome to New Members:

We welcome our new members, Tiffany Tiu and Christopher John Kempis.

HKEF Annual Christmas Party 2011:

HKEF Annual Christmas Party will be held on Saturday 17th December 2011 from 6:30 pm onwards at Beas River Country Club. There will be a live band, lucky draw prizes and a buffet. This event is relaxed, good fun and is a nice occasion to hang out with your riding friends. Why not get together and organize a table? Tickets are priced at \$380 for adult and \$260 for child and available for sale in the office.

Is this true that the horse's teeth take up more room than it's brain does?
Yes, this is true.