

BRENT KNOLL RIDING CLUB

NEWSLETTER JUNE 2010

Hello Everyone.

Hope you are all well.

Our recent dentistry talk by Toby Lee was a very interesting and informative evening. Toby talked us through how horses – and their mouths – have evolved to how they are now. He also explained the use of some of his equipment and with the aid of a plastic horse's skull, pointed out different problems that as a horse owner, you could come across. I definitely left the evening with a greater understanding of the horse's jaw, but still wouldn't want to try putting my hand in my horse's mouth!

Unfortunately we had to cancel the physiotherapy talk with Gemma Green due to personal reasons. We hope to re-arrange the evening at some point, but probably after she has had her baby!

Our next event is the Open Spring Show at Stretcholt Stud on Saturday 5th June. Don't forget members get a discount on all entry fees and there will be rosettes awarded to the highest placed BKRC member in each class. Several classes are qualifiers for the SWPA Championships to be held at the David Broome Centre in September. See our website – www.bkrc.co.uk – for a list of eligible classes. There will also be a trophy awarded to the winner of each class, so get your show gear out and polish your pony (or horse!). For anyone not competing, if you have some free time on Saturday, the committee would appreciate some help. Contact Tara if you can pop along, even if only for an hour.

Monday 14th June we have a saddle fitting and biting talk at Shipham village hall. I always think saddle fitting is a nightmare, so it will be interesting to hear from an expert. Please contact Bryony if you and your friends would like to come along.

If you need to raise some money for your Summer holiday, we have a tack sale arranged for Saturday 20th June. We're all guilty of keeping hold of horsey stuff – just in case it comes in handy, which it never does! So have a clear out and book your table with Lyn W

This is your last chance to get a free natural horsemanship session with Bronwen Packham for our demo on Wednesday 14th July. Does your horse bite/rear/buck/barge past you when being led? If so, these and many other problems can be alleviated using Monty Roberts' methods. If you have a horse or pony with any sort of "issue" which would benefit from a session please contact Lynn P ASAP. Have a look at Bronwen's website for further information on the work that she does – www.equineharmony.org.uk

How do you fancy something a bit different? We thought we'd try to do something that is totally non-horsey, just to prove to our long-suffering partners and families that life doesn't totally revolve around horses! So how do you fancy having a go at canoeing or kayaking? To be held at Clevedon, in an enclosed boating lake so we won't all disappear out to sea, followed by a barbeque. Open to all, but numbers will be limited. Keep the evening of Thursday 22nd July free, more details next month, but if you want to be sure of a space, contact Tara to book in.

See you all soon.

CLUB CLOTHING

A list of current stock is below, but we can have anything embroidered for a small charge. Please contact Sally if you wish to purchase anything.

SADDLE CLOTHS £29.99

Pony, Cob & Full

POLOSHIRTS £15.99

Small, Med, Large, Ex.Large

SWEATSHIRTS £19.99

Small, Med, Large, Ex.Large

JACKETS £34.99

Small, Med, Large, Ex.Large

CAPS £ 7.50

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JUNE

Saturday 5th Open Spring Show at Stretcholt Equestrian Centre. Showing and Dressage classes for everyone. Schedule available to download from website or send SAE to Sally O'Connor, Churchill Farm, North Newton, Bridgwater, TA7 0BN

Tuesday 8th Flatwork/showing clinic with Matthew Laurence at Badgworth Arena. 5.30-6.30pm. Group of 4. £20 per person. Contact Lindsey to book in.

Monday 14th Bitting and Saddle Fitting talk at Shipham Village Hall. 7.30pm. £2.50 members/£3.50 non-members. Contact Bryony if you are coming.

Wed 16th Flatwork Clinic with Virginia Peters at Stretcholt Equestrian Centre. 6-7pm. Groups of 4. £20 per person. Contact Lindsey to book in.

Sun 20th Tack Sale at Hutton Village Hall. £5 per table. Contact Lyn W to book a table

JULY

Wed 14th Natural Horsemanship demo at Chilton Polden. 7pm. Contact Lynn P if you are coming.

Thurs 15th Rider confidence/jumping clinic with Anna Gallie at Stretcholt Equestrian Centre. 6-7pm. Group of 4. £12.50 per person. Contact Lindsey to book your place.

Thurs 22nd Have a go canoe/kayak evening at Clevedon. 6.45pm. £5 members/£6 non-members to include food. Contact Tara to book your place.

Wed 28th Flatwork clinic with Virginia Peters at Stretcholt Equestrian Centre. 6-7pm. Groups of 4. £20 per person. Contact Lindsey to book in.

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