

NORTHWOOD RIDING CLUB

(Founded 1966)

Information Sheet



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AFFILIATION: Fully affiliated with the BHS

LOCATION:

Northwood Riding Club is currently undergoing changes in 2010, which have occurred as a result of our move from Snowball Farm Equestrian Centre in Burnham, Slough. A number of competitions have been organized at Littlebourne Equestrian Centre and Springwell Farm, both in Harefield, during the Spring and Summer of 2010. It is hoped too to arrange lessons at both venues with our instructor, Amanda Hughes. Both owner and non-owner riders are most welcome to participate.

For lessons/competitions held at Littlebourne Equestrian Centre, non-owner riders may hire school horses.

For details of the above, please email Jackie Barker at jackie@yogawithjackie.co.uk

CLUB WEBSITE: www.northwoodridingclub.co.uk

CLUB E-MAIL: jackie@yogawithjackie.co.uk

MEMBERSHIP FEES:

Riding Members £25.00 p.a. Social Members £10.00 p.a. Junior Members are admitted from 13 – 17 years of age. There is a joining fee of £5.00, payable for the first year only.

TIMES OF RIDES:

A schedule of competitions/training/lessons is available on the [NRC website](#).

RIDING STANDARD:

A reasonable standard of riding ability is required to become a member. Riders are graded on joining the club. Where competitions are split into competing groups, members will be put into the appropriate competing group, as advised by our Instructor. Improvement during the year can lead to up-grading and although we do encourage members to compete, it is by no means obligatory.

BHS EQUITATION & WELFARE TESTS:

The Club encourages its members to take BHS Equitation & Welfare Tests (previously called Grade Tests). These will be arranged according to demand. Extra tuition on stable management will be arranged prior to the test. Details of tests and Road Safety tests will be published on the website, Hoofprint magazine or by telephoning the Grade Test Officer.

AWARDS:

Improvement Awards are presented within each competing Group annually, the winners having been assessed over the year by the Northwood Riding Club Instructor. There are also awards for contributions towards Club activities, sportsmanship etc., and nominations for these are requested each year prior to our AGM. The awards are presented at the Club's Annual Dinner, which is normally held in February.

COMPETITIONS:

Competitions are held regularly throughout the year. A brief description of NRC's internal competitions appears below:

Meyerding Trophy: A combined training competition, i.e. comprising dressage & show-jumping

Buchanan Trophy: This is a show-jumping competition, run under Table A5 rules

Wanderer Trophy: This is a Riding Test competition, where each competitor rides two horses of different abilities in two arenas

Status (GB) Trophy: This is a one-day-event type competition comprising dressage, show-jumping and cross country.

Phillippa King Dressage Cup: This is a dressage competition and is held in memory of Phillippa King, a NRC member who died after a long illness in July 1989. This competition also includes the ***Cook Cup***, which is awarded to the highest placed novice member taking part.

Margaret Forster Trophy & Fun Evening: This is basically a handy rider competition, incorporating a large element of fun. It is held at Christmas time. It is held in memory of Margaret Forster, an NRC member who was totally blind, and who sadly died after a long illness in 1984.

Northwood Challenge: This is a dressage competition. NRC issues a challenge to another riding club. Each Club usually submits 4 novice riders, and four advanced riders, who compete against each other, in pairs.

Coachman Trophy: This competition was originally organized as a staff versus students event in the early days at Park Farm. The trophy was donated by Geoff Dargavel, one of the original members of NRC. Currently the format of the competition is pairs show jumping against the clock.

Pele Trophy: This is an Equitation Jumping competition. Competitors are expected to ride a course of show jumps in good rhythm and correct jumping position, using sufficient impulsion and maintaining balance and a rhythmical pace. This trophy is held in memory of Sally Giddings, a previous Chairman of NRC. Pele was the name of her horse.

Linda Smith Memorial Trophy: This is a freestyle dressage competition. Competitors will be given set movements, which are to be included in a dressage test, which they will produce themselves. This trophy is held in memory of Linda Smith an NRC Member who sadly died in 2005 after a long illness. It was donated by Linda's family.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES ON INTERNAL CLUB COMPETITIONS, THE COMPETITION LIAISON OFFICER WILL BE PLEASED TO HELP YOU.

BHS & External Competitions: As a BHS affiliated Riding Club, we are eligible to compete in all BHS Competitions' and Qualifiers and the London & South East Championships. NRC is also a member of the London Riding Clubs Liaison Committee

(LRCLC) which entitles us to compete for the Lucy Oldfield Trophy (Riding Test), London Trophy, and Pinnerwood Quiz.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE COMPETITIONS, PLEASE SEE [THE WEBSITE](#).

SOCIAL EVENTS:

Annual events are the Club's Annual Dinner Dance and Awards Ceremony at Moor Park Golf Club in February, a Race Night and Summer BBQ. Other social events will include special rides and outings. Information is displayed in Hoofprint magazine and on the website. The programme may be subject to change, so please check regularly. If you have any queries, our Social Secretary will be pleased to help.

INFORMATION:

The Club's magazine "Hoofprint" is sent free of charge to all Club members quarterly and reports on news, competitions and details of forthcoming events. All members are welcome to contribute and our Editor will be pleased to hear from you.

COMMITTEE:

The make-up of the Committee appears in the Club Rules and Constitution and the names of your Committee Members, together with their specific responsibilities are printed in Hoofprint and on the web site. Any suggestions, queries, or grievances can be put to any of them, and the matter will be brought up at the monthly Committee Meeting. All Club members are eligible to stand for the Committee at the AGM, provided they have been proposed and seconded by two other members.