

AREA 7 LIAISON COMMITTEE

Monday 1st February 2021

MINUTES

1. Apologies for Absence:

- Cambridge and District RC
- Rockingham Forest RC
- Aspley Guise RC

2. Present:

- Houghton and Huntingdon RC
- Keysoe RC
- Shillington RC
- North Mymms RC
- Wittering RC
- Bozeat RC
- Milton Keynes RC
- Stevenage RC

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

- Invoices for membership have now been sent out to all clubs
- David Clarke - has spoken to head office about the training grant, head office was not especially amenable and the area needs to justify how the previous training grant was spent.
- Lesley and Mark arranged a thank you gift for Celia for all of her hard work chairing the Area for many years.

4. Matters Arising:

- None to report

5. Treasurers Report:

- It was resolved that:
- The Authorised Signatories in the current mandate, for the accounts detailed in section 1.3, be changed in accordance with section Authorised Signatories. And the current mandate will continue as amended.
- Payment to Wiks website (3 years renew).
- Celia's flowers.
- £40 from clubs for area membership.
- Independent accounts audited for the years 18/19 and 19/20. Amended as recommended. Signed off and copy sent round.
- Treasurer paperwork will be sent as soon as possible to Katy.

- £30 for flowers from last year (for Celia's husband), paid back in October.

6. Past Events: n/a

7. Future Events:

- 16th April was the only date offered by Keysoe for the horse trials qualifier. It is not hopeful that it will be able to run on this date, therefore need to see if there are any issues with cancelling or whether they are still expecting it to run. **Catherine Hoare** to communicate with the new owners these questions and the possibility of a new date. 3-4th of July would be last date for it to be able to be held.
- A plan B for the horse trials may have to look to combine areas to run at a different venue, ie either area 5. Alternatively, to see if there is another venue within the area it can be held at. There may be an issue with numbers if the areas are combined.
- Venues within the area that it could be held at include Horseheath (**Jo Meningen** to e-mail to enquire). Alternatively, to run with the Fitzwilliam PC ODE on 13th June at Alconbury (**Rebecca Robinson** to enquire). **Rebecca Rayner** will also ask her local PC about joining their ODE.
- Organising the horse trials as an area does help to increase funds that can be used towards area training and cancellation fees.
- Can't ballot for horse trials, worst case scenario would be no qualifier.
- **Action point on all areas to commit to help run the horse trials.**
- Midnight on 7/2/21 is the entry deadline for the virtual winter dressage qualifier. It might be easier to e-mail all video links as a club, clearly labelled with correct test etc. The championships will also be online (including the rescheduled 2020 championships).
- Show Jumping qualifier (summer) booked for 11th July 2021 at Glebe Farm. No judges booked yet.
- Summer Dressage qualifier, current plan is to run with the Fitzwilliam PC show on Sunday 8th May at Milton Park. If that can't go ahead then Plan B will be to hold it in July at Alconbury.
- Keysoe RC had booked the dressage to music qualifier for Sunday 15th August with Simon, need to see whether this is still applicable.
- Arena eventing 2021/22 qualifier, need to ask Cambridge RC if can run as early as possible, from September 2021, to have more daylight. Possible date of 12th Sept? **Rachael Stevenson** to contact CDRC.
- HHRC has been chasing Keysoe for dates for indoor SJ. Waiting to hear back.

8. Area Rep Report:

- The head office advisory committee met, and discussed changes to the championship event calendar.
- The arena eventing championships have been moved to the combined training date of 22-23rd of May 2021.
- The 2021 intermediate and novice championships and the rescheduled 2020 dressage championships will be run virtually.
- There was no solution to be able to run the show jumping championships so they have been cancelled.
- The combined training championships was cancelled as only two areas had run a qualifier, while most areas had run arena eventing qualifier.
- Further forwards there still shouldn't be too many/ large gatherings so the horse trials will be run as an ODE. Therefore only one night needed to stay or competitors can come and go in one day.
- Lincoln and the DTM are being monitored and hope that they may run.
- No rule updates.

- Clarification about running dressage virtually, won't need numbers for championships just name and date.
- Did everyone see notification about reduction in membership fees- all yes.

9. Training:

- **David Clarke** to set up a junior committee meeting (via Zoom) about discussing training and other issues.
- **David Clarke** will send out a zoom link for juniors within a month.
- Hopefully have at least 1 junior from each club present and will discuss perhaps hosting a junior camp.
- Ask for a parent to be present for each participant and the area child safe guarding officer.
- The training grant needs to be spent this year (before November 2021) and needs to show how the area have spent the funds to apply for next years grant.

10. AOB:

- Flu vacs for the online dressage need to be sent to **Helen. Kelly** will also send team manager details to Helen for chasing up vacs.
- **Katy** to send Keysoe RC bank details to **Leslie** as area owes Keysoe RC £22.50.
- Kit Hoare asked whether the area could have an open view of the flu vac database/ documents for ease of use.
- Using google drive was proposed, if the documents were kept to read only and limited access available then this should comply with GDPR. **Katy Evans** to take forward.
- Rebecca Robinson asked whether there was a winter dressage qualifier date yet? It was discussed about looking for possible alternatives, as Keysoe is not committing to any dates yet. **Rachael Stevens** to contact about dates.
- No formal area constitution has been logged with head office, therefore need to set up a small working party to get the wording right and then agreed at AGM. **David Clarke** to send a sample constitution.

11. Date and Venue of Next Meeting:

- 29/03/21, 7/06/21, 2/08/21, 4/10/21, AGM- 6/12/21