AREA 7 LIAISON COMMITTEE MINUTES

Mon Oct 4, 2021 7:55pm – 9:55pm via Zoom

1. Apologies for Absence:

Barbara

Leslie (Aspley Guise RC)

Helen McIntosh (Wittering RC)

Katy Evans (Keysoe RC)

Rockingham RC

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

* Katherine to chase up radios.
* Katy will soon be online for the bank account and will be able to sort the Horse Trials accounts.

3. Matters Arising: None

4. Treasurers Report:

* A resolution was passed to add both Rachel Stevenson (Chair) and Katherine Short (Secretary) as Authorised Signatories to the current mandate which will continue as amended.
* Celia has been removed as signatory.
* Online banking access is being processed. No change from last meeting as no transactions since 24th June. Current balance £10,194.79 with £73.92 owed to Bozeat RC, Katy to action.
* £759.97 for tents.

5. Area Rep Report:

* Not much to update, BRC are meeting in a couple weeks for an advisory meeting.
* Website changes; clubs need to send in their details submission forms for listing on the BRC website. If not sent in only basic details will be listed.
* Data sharing agreements; forms need to be returned to BRC.
* End of this year is end of David’s area rep tenure, he is going to stand down as is moving to Cornwall. If anyone is interested in taking over the area rep position they can contact David for nomination forms and more detail. Will be required to take official steward training if not already an official steward.

6. Past Events:

* Arena Eventing – Codham Park, entries lower than previous years (probably distance), venue excellent, courses challenging but fair and everyone had a good time. Entrance road a little tight. Online scoring worked well. Online scoring makes official stewarding easier as can send a download of results with the online declaration form.
* DTM champs went well. No area 7 team in quadrille. Notable results placed 4th and 6th (Keysoe), Junior 2nd from AGRC, Sarah Anderson (HHRC) 4th in Elementary and Medium. E-mailing music seemed to work really well with no playing issues. CDRC top ten in Elementary (Marriane Fletcher).
* 1st in Prelim 18 at Lincoln. Many placings at Lincoln. Better jumping across 2 rings rather than waiting all day for same ring. Ground mildly better. Surface warmup awful.

7. Upcoming Events:

* Winter Dressage – all under control, times sent to managers/ riders etc. Being held at Bury Farm using 3 arenas outside. Lower than normal numbers. Riders tired, money is tight. I hope that next year more normal.
* Combined Challenge, can run but will incur a loss of about £500. Or will need to look at new venue and April date. Voted on whether to go ahead or change date, 6 in favour to go ahead, will go ahead.

8. Winter 2021/2022 Qualifiers:

* Winter Show Jumping - Arena UK, 20th November 2021 will be £22 entry. Has to be double phase. Confirm the order of heights
* Combined Training – Venue, Date, Helen running at Wittering. Will get back with date.

9. Summer 2022 Qualifiers:

* Perhaps combine qualifiers for a whole weekend/ run with other areas? Have stabling. Ask for feedback from members, create a survey to see what members want qualifiers to be like in the future.
* Dressage & Style Riding – HHRC Milton.
* Horse Trials – Katherine Short ask around.
* Show jumping & Style Jumping – Bozeat, 17th or 24th July on grass
* Dressage to Music ?

10. Winter 2022/2023 Qualifiers

* Arena Eventing - CDRC
* Winter Dressage – MKRC
* Combined Challenge?
* Winter Show Jumping?
* Combined Training?

11. Training:

* Last meeting junior training was going to be attached to Aspley Guise camp, but only allowed about 10 juniors. Jo had said about setting up with something with Barry at Meadow Lane Equestrian. Working on a basis of running over 2 days but people attending only 1 day. One morning and one afternoon session each day, 45 min sessions with pairs on flat for an hour and a half then jumping in groups of 4 in the afternoon working on a range of techniques. Two trainers and lunches and takeaway merchandise. With £1000 grant is about £17.50 to £20 a head. Getting booked in for October half term. Feedback on dates. If couldn’t fill it could offer some sessions to seniors, but junior focussed. DC created a doodle poll for dates (25th?) DC will send link to doodle poll to send to clubs. NCA champs at keysoe 23-25 Oct. Possibly Fri and Sun. Or just set a date and let them book.
* Training grant for 2022 (application before the end of the year) possible training could include; grass roots day camp, pilates, mechanical horse, training in a discipline we have low entries in, driving, polo. Day camp was the most popular idea.

12. A.O.B.

* Mark is going to resign as Vice Chair with immediate effect. David says thank you for all the fun over the years. Mark has been an asset to the area over the years but will be moving to area 8 as of 1st April 2022.

13. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 6th December - AGM