

From the Horse's Mouth



A Newsletter for
The Supporting Riders of the Light Cavalry HAC

Stable Notes

I apologise for the delay in getting this year's first Newsletter out to everyone, I had a small accident with a tree, which didn't bend (!) and have been incapacitated slightly since!

Enough of my looking for sympathy and onto the Yard News!

First of all the staff— Big thanks to one of our most loyal helpers, Kirsty, who works for us at a weekend and is learning Skill at Arms on her own dear horse, Pepsi. She supported Kerri, for a period last year, working at Flemish as well as looking after her own 5 horses. Lots of very early starts! THANK YOU Kirsty!

Louise, our new groom, (not so new now!) arrived on New Year's Day and has settled in quickly and has fallen in love with our horses already!

The horses are looking happy and healthy. Kerri and Louise are both fantastic assets to the yard.

We have had a lot of new members join us over the last few months, and we wish you all a very warm welcome.

Save Our Yard!

Many Supporting Riders are not aware that the HACLC is a Charity, which is heavily dependant on the income received at Flemish Farm to continue its good work. The money received for lessons & hacks go directly to looking after the horses which are stabled at Flemish and that are used for those wonderful ceremonial parades such as The Lord Mayor's parade.

It might be because the horses are so well cared for and the yard so well kept that you might think that all is well! This is because the horses at Flemish are the

On to the horses, we have had a couple of new ones— and some who have left us over the last few months.

Dawkins—17'3hh Bay Gelding
(soon to leave us)

An ex-police horse from Manchester, brought out of retirement from the Home of Rest.

Harriet— aka 'Hattie' 17'1hh Bay Mare
(New & very popular!)

Ex-hunter, retired from the hunting field. Kindly donated by Roy Sanders. She is already known by many as she has paraded with us and spent time at Flemish before.

Diplomat, otherwise known as Dippy, has been retired and is loving his new home where he spends time grazing and hacking, although "mum" Clare is missing him madly!

Skipper (owned by Christopher Robinson) sadly passed away earlier this year.

There is now a new "Garden" area at Flemish Farm by the school which has been dedicated to his memory. This is a place where all our horses will be remembered.

number one priority and their care will never be seen as something where money can be saved. We are at risk of losing the facilities at Flemish Farm, the fantastic ability to ride out in Windsor Great Park, compete in shows, learn and improve our riding skills.

We need YOU! We need you to ride, we need you to help us find new Supporting Riders to share the fun at Flemish Farm so that we can remain open! Please USE the facilities, book your hacks and lessons now— don't let this fantastic yard close.

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Competition!

20th May 2007—JP/PT Competition

This event is a great opportunity to compete on horses you know and in a place you know. For those of you who have never, or rarely complete this is a great confidence booster and time to put into practice all those techniques and skills you've been learning in your lessons.

There is a great friendly and fun atmosphere and it makes for a great occasion, meeting

other Supporting Riders and members of the Saddle Club encouraging and cheering each other on. Even if you don't participate in the event it's a great social event.

PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR CALENDAR AND MAKE SURE YOUR THERE!

Look inside for info on our last competition on the 15th April 2007 as a taster!

Skill at Arms Course

Every other Sunday there is a Skill at Arms course for Beginners. You will need to be able to walk, trot and canter confidently in order to attend. There are currently a few spaces available, if you are interested



please contact Caroline for more information.

Tentpegging

Weekly Diary—Flemish Farm

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
Evening Military lessons	Evening Lessons, Open to Anyone	Evening: Lessons with Laura	Evening: open to anyone	Lessons & Hacks available during the day	10am Novice Group Lesson 11am Intermediate Flat	Private Lessons & Hacks available during the day
Open to anyone 7.30 8.30	6.00pm 7.00pm 8.00pm Hack at 7pm	(if you're interested, please speak to Caroline)	Skill at Arms Troop Ride Cavalry Course		1pm Intermediate Jumping	

This is just a guidance to what goes on at Flemish during the week.

Laura Richardson—International Grand Prix Dressage Rider & Trainer

TOP CLASS TRAINING AT YOUR OWN STABLES

LAURA RICHARDSON
International Grand Prix rider & trainer
Senior British Team Member
Former student of Hubertus Schmidt & Johann Hinneman
is now available to teach lessons & clinics in this area.

Training principles based on improving the rider's position & effectiveness to give dramatic improvements in the horse's behaviour & way of going.

Existing clients from Prelim to Grand Prix already improving scores by 5% & more in short space of time.

To book a lesson or clinic at your stables please call:

07774 138 213

or

email: ldressage@hotmail.com



Laura (Richardson) is fast becoming a regular at Flemish Farm, and returned on the 14th January for Phase II of the Dressage Training we began last year. With higher expectations of us after our first session she worked us even harder, and once again we felt the benefit of her expertise and got things out of our dear horses we never believed possible!

We haven't got a date yet for Phase III, but watch this space, and make sure you book yourself in for a 45 minute intense training session—you won't regret it!

The Combined Show—15th April 2007

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Dressage

Prelim 7 & Novice 24

Show Jumping

2ft 3 & 2ft 9

It was a beautiful day for the competition! Some arriving early to make their horses shine, some arriving with hangovers (they say you ride better with a hangover—I must say I have to agree!) and some arriving just in time! The atmosphere was one of great fun and admiration. It was lovely to meet some of the riders family members and great to hear the

small children that we hope one day will ride here themselves.

A huge “WELL DONE” to Annie—who cleared up taking 1st in Prelim, Novice and the Combined on Tiger Sox and Richard. Annie was an inspiration to us all—she rode neatly, relaxed and was a pleasure to watch.

If you wonder what you missed out on—or are just nose—drop Su Burrows a line and for the small fee of £5 you can get a copy of the DVD. (All proceeds directly to Flemish Farm and the horses)

Events 2007

Date	Event	
28/29 May 2007	Eton CCF Tattoo	
7th June 2007	Horse World Visit	
8th June 2007	War Widows Visit	
17th June 2007	Queens Cup Polo	Parade
24th June 2007	Royal Windsor Cup	Parade
21/22nd July 2007	Lambeth Show	Skill at Arms Display
29th July 2007	Cartier Polo Parade	Parade
6-12 August 2007	YARD CLOSED	
11/12 August 2007	Dorset—Lulworth Castle	Skill at Arms Display
18th August 2007	Wokingham	Skill at Arms Display
15th September 2007	General's Inspection (at Flemish Farm)	Inspection, Parade & Display
3rd November 2007	Inter-Services Show at St John's Wood	
10th November 2007	Lord Mayor's Parade	
23rd December 2007	Christmas Show	Show Jumping & Games

If you want any further information about any of the above events please contact Caroline at Flemish.

New Price List—Effective 1st February 2007

Lesson Type	Supporting Riders	Visiting Riders
Private Lesson—1/2 Hour	£28	£33
Private Lesson—1 hour	£40	£43
Private Lesson (own horse) - 1/2 hour	£20	£25
Private Lesson (own horse) - 1 hour	£27	£30
Semi Private Lesson—1/2 hour	£26	£30
Semi Private Lesson—1 hour	£34	£38
Semi Private Lesson (own horse) - 1/2 hour	£18	£20
Semi Private Lesson (own horse) - 1 hour	£25	£27
Group Lesson—1 hour	£28	£31
Group Lesson (own horse) - 1 hour	£20	£25
Hacking—1 hour	£28	£31
Hacking—1 1/2 hour	£34	£37
Hacking—2 hours	£38	£41
Lectures	£25	£30
Group Lecture	£20	£24
Military Group Lesson— 1 hour	£25	N/A
Show Hire	£65	£70
Pass Hire (To Hack in the Park)	N/A	£10

Please note that a Cancellation Fee WILL be charged unless 24hrs notice is given.
The Full Price will be charged.

Please remember that you are responsible for tacking up; un-tacking and sorting your horse out before and after lessons / hacks. If you need help please ask a Groom they will be only too happy to show you what you need to do.

CONCESSIONS

Week Day

Additional Group Lesson—1/2 price

Weekend

If you have a lesson at the Weekend, this will entitle you to an unescorted hack during the week before 4.30pm for 1/2 price.

You must be of a standard to hack alone

Photographs & DVDs

There are a DVD's and plenty of photographs of most of our events available courtesy of Su, Clare and Jonathan.

Royal Cornwall Show Journal—DVD & Photographs

Xmas Show 2006—DVD

Combined Show April 2007—DVD & Photographs

DVD's = £5 each

Photographs = £2.50 each

If you are interested in having a lesson / particular event video'd / photographs taken please contact Su Burrows / Caroline Quested.

