

From the Horse's Mouth



A Newsletter for the Supporting Riders of the Light Cavalry HAC

October 2009

Stable Notes

Hello again and welcome to our new Supporting Riders!

Rennie Simons, Officer Commanding, Light Cavalry HAC has asked me to extend his warmest thanks to all Supporting Riders who gave their time to make the Annual Inspection such a wonderful success. He says he is "in awe of the knowledge, dedication and can do attitude of the volunteer team". There are many photos which catalogue the day in all its glory. These are all ready to view on our website www.lchac.org.uk. I have included only a taster over two pages of the Horse's Mouth.

A Note From Caroline

I would just like to remind you all that we have a strict feeding regime with the horses at Flemish Farm. Please feel free to bring carrots, apples and polos for the horses but do not feed them extra hay or hard feed. The reasons for this is that each horse has to have a certain type of hay and feed depending on any digestive, breathing problems etc. For example, Bob, Fritz and others can only have wet hay as they cough badly on dry hay, Bleu and Denzil can only have horsehage as they have COPD which is similar to asthma. Feeding the wrong type of hay to these horses will make them ill. We do have a few horses with weight issues which we are dealing with via their hard feed, the correct hay and the vets advice. Therefore, my staff and I are the only people to feed the horses hay and feed so we know what they are receiving and we can make sure they get the correct feed for their needs. Please do feel free to talk to me or my staff if you have any concerns over a horse and we will be delighted to let you know how we are treating the issues.

One last thingIf you ride with us you **may not wear spurs**. You do not need them.

Caroline Qusted, September 30th, 2009

We have a busy month ahead with the Uniformed Services Show at St John's Wood Barracks and the Uniformed Services Show Dinner held at Armoury House—both to be held on 17th October. All Supporting Riders are invited to attend (and full details of how to do this are included later in the Horse's Mouth). We have heard that two riders will be competing from the President's Body Guard of India, with whom the Light Cavalry are proud to have close links. The PBG are very accomplished horsemen and their attendance means that the "ante has been upped" for this competition. Our very own Charles Gillow on Bob and Christopher Robinson on Amos will be competing—so do come along to cheer them on if you can. If you wish to offer 1/2hr of your time to help out on the refreshment stall in the forge at the King's Troop during the show would you let Fiona Charman know you are available (if you have not done so already!). It is thanks to Fiona that the new 2010 calendars will be ready for sale at the Uniformed Services Show. At only £10 each these make excellent Christmas presents so stock up now!

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Forthcoming Events: 2009

October

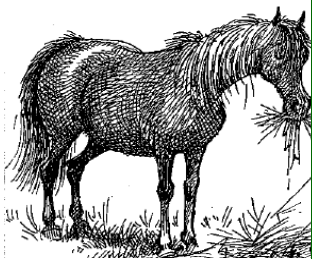
- 17th Uniformed Services Show : King's Troop RHA Barracks, St John's Wood
17th Uniformed Services Show Dinner : Armoury House, City of London
25th Cotswold Hunt Team Chase & Military Cup at Foxcote

November

- 14th Lord Mayor's Show, London

December

- 12th LC HAC Christmas Party, Bisley Hut
20th LC HAC Christmas Show, Flemish Farm



**Somewhere, somewhere in time's own space,
There must be some, sweet pastured place;
Of pastures green where fresh creeks flow,
Some paradise where horses go.
For by the love that guides my pen,
I know great horses live again.**

Author Unknown

The Uniformed Services Show : October 17th

The Uniformed Services Show is now in its 32nd year. Organised by the Honourable Artillery Company it is held at the **St John's Wood Barracks of The King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery**. The Show begins at 10am and comprises two competitions; the 4 person team competition for the Captain Richard Edmonstson-Low Challenge Cup and the Major Hugh Auger Fault and Out competition for individual riders. All competitors are members of the Armed Services, Cadet Forces or the Police Force and teams from the Netherlands, Belgium and France regularly attend.

There is a marvellous family feel to this event as many of the competitors, organisers and helpers have been attending for many years. I can personally recommend the curry lunch which will be served from 1pm onwards. May we remind you that we are guests of the King's Troop and you should note a few points of etiquette:

Please confine yourselves to the indoor school and forge area. Please do not wander around the rest of the barracks nor invite yourself on a tour of the stables (tempting as it is). On no account should you feed the horses. The loos are signposted but please ask if you are not sure where you can or cannot go. Smoking is not permitted in any building in the barracks (including the forge).

If you wish to attend the Show please advise the Show Secretary, Catherine Smith at csmith2007@talktalk.net to obtain security clearance. Advise her that you are a member of the Supporting Riders of the Light Cavalry. If you require parking at the barracks please also include vehicle make, colour and model, registration number and the names of any passengers. All attendees at the Show should take id and be prepared to show it at the gate.

You will NOT gain entry to the Barracks unless you have contacted Catherine. Please allow at least 3 days notice.

The Annual Inspection : Saturday 12th September 2009



With HUGE thanks to Maurizio Mottola who took the fabulous photographs on this and the next page.

Don't miss seeing the full set on the website : www.lchac.org.uk



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Light Cavalry HAC Calendars

Light Cavalry HAC Calendars 2010!



**Ideal Birthday or Christmas present!
ONLY £10 !!!**

The 'all improved', full colour
2010 Light Cavalry calendar will be available from 17th October!

You can purchase the calendars in a variety of ways.

1. At the Uniformed Services Show on 17th October
2. At Flemish Farm from the Light Cavalry office (please ask the Light Cavalry staff)
3. At the Light Cavalry Christmas Dinner at Bisley Hut on 12th December.
4. By post. Please make cheques payable to Fiona Charman and send it with the order form to the address below. Please add £0.75 for one calendar or £1.00 for two calendars to cover postage and packing. (Please allow 7-10 days for delivery)

All proceeds go to the Light Cavalry.

If you have any queries please contact Fiona Charman on 07970 176411

To: Fiona Charman, 4 Garrick Court, 31 Theatre Street, London, SW11 5ND

Please send me _____ calendar(s) at £10 each and add £0.75 for one calendar or £1.00 for two calendars to cover postage and packing (p&p). If you require **more than 2** please add a **further £0.50 per calendar**.

I enclose a cheque made payable to **Fiona Charman** for total £ _____

From (Name) _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

HAC Uniformed Services Show Dinner : 2009

The HAC Uniformed Services Show Committee requests the pleasure of your company at the Uniformed Services Show Dinner on **Saturday, 17th October 2009**. The dinner, with music provided by the HAC trio, will take place in the splendour of the Long Room at Armoury House, the headquarters of the HAC. The HAC Light Cavalry will provide the Carpet Guard. **Please note that, to keep costs down, no tickets will be sent out for this event.**

Time: 7:15pm for 7:45pm
 Dress: Mess Dress, Blue Patrols or Black Tie. Medals will be worn. (Evening dress for ladies)
 Carriages: 2359hrs
 Tickets: £50 per person

To: Lt Rennie Simon, Coleman's Cottage, West Langdon, Kent CT15 5HQ or renniesimon@btconnect.com
 Tel: 01304 826883

I (style/rank & full name)

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

wish to bookdinner ticket(s) at £50 each for the USS dinner and enclose a cheque, made payable to the Light Cavalry HAC, for £.....

I will be bringing guests: **Please print** names and ranks and, for ranks, please indicate if male or female, to aid seating planning. Continue on separate page if necessary!

Rank/ Title	M/F	First Name	Surname	Decorations

I would like to sit **near to**:.....

I have dietary requirements (please give details):.....