

LWSC April Newsletter 2016

In-house Dressage

On the 1st April we held an In-house dressage competition which was open to all riders and was judged by the world class Dressage judge, Tim Downes. It was an extremely successful evening, with some riders using the competition to get some last minute tips in preparation for the Dressage HOYS held at BREC. There were also some riders who were competing for the very first time. It was also very useful for all riders to get such positive feedback from Tim, leaving everyone with goals for the future.

Below is a list of the results:

Preliminary 1.3

- 1st Gabby Thomas - Jigsaw
- 2nd Amelia Qvist - Roy
- 3rd Nicolas Yu - Bentley
- 4th Sofia Paymaster - Luminous
- 5th Elizabeth Leven - Sebastien
- 6th Sammie Lam - Toby



Novice 2.2

- 1st Carla Cousins - Anneka
- 2nd Elizabeth Leven - Sebastien
- 3rd Constance Hsiah - Anneka

Novice 2.3

- 1st Gabby Thomas - Jigsaw

Tim Downes Clinic

We would like to say a huge thank you to Tim Downes FBHS for the clinic that he ran here with us at LWSC. Everyone who had a lesson had a great time and have been left with lots of new ideas to work on over the next few months before his return. Tim will be back with us towards the end of the year in November. This time he will be accompanied by Andrew Bennie BHSI. We look forward to welcoming them both back.

BREC Dressage HOYS



Huge well done to all the riders from LWSC that competed in the Dressage HOYS competition held at BREC. It was an extremely successful weekend for all who took part. For some of our riders it was their first time competing in a dressage competition away from home so we were really pleased with how all horse and riders coped. There were well over 80 entries throughout the weekend and below are the results of the LWSC riders.

Prelim 1.2

Gabby Thomas - Jigsaw **1st**

Luci Friend – Trevor's Star (Star) **5th**

Katie Chan – Anneka **6th**

Prelim 1.3

Gabby Thomas – Jigsaw **2nd**

Luci Friend – Trevor's Star (Star) **4th**

Katie Chan – Anneka **5th**

Novice 2.2

Gabby Thomas – Jigsaw **1st**

Novice 2.3

Gabby Thomas – Jigsaw **4th**



HKEF Inter-School Final



On the 15th & 16th of April we hosted the final of the HKEF Inter-School competition. We have been holding all of the heats of the lower division competition over the last few months but held the final for both the Higher and the Lower divisions over this weekend. It was a very busy couple of days with both the excitement of the competition and also all of the great stalls. The LWSC horses behaved impeccably throughout the whole competition allowing all of the riders to have lots of fun and gain lots of confidence! We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who came and helped out with the event, all of your help was really appreciated and contributed to the smooth running of the weekend.

LWSC would like to say a huge well done to all the riders that competed over the weekend and also in the heats running up to the grand finale. Below are the results from the final:

Lower Division

- 1st – Renaissance College Hong Kong
- 2nd – King George V School
- 3rd – West Island School
- 4th – German Swiss International School

Higher Division

- 1st – King George V School
- 2nd – South Island School
- 3rd – German Swiss International School
- 4th – Hong Kong International School



HOYS Show Jumping Competition

A huge well done to all horses and riders from LWSC that competed in the Show Jumping HOYS at BREC on 30th April. Once again there were some new combinations of horses and riders, as well as some experienced partnerships competing too. Everyone performed really well and also a big well done to all who took part in the fancy dress competition, your costumes looked great!



Lost Property

We have found a substantial amount of clothing and equipment that doesn't seem to belong to anybody. If you have lost anything, please ask at the office whether it has been handed in. Any property that has not been claimed by the end of May 2016 will either be given to charity or thrown away.

Coming up next month...

In-House SJ Competition

As we come in to the summer months and the weather warms up, the competition season at BREC comes to a close. This means we will start to run more In-House evening competitions and what better way to start them off than with a Show Jumping competition! This competition will be held on Friday 27th May and will be open for everyone to enter. Classes will start at 50cm and go up to 90cm. The in-house competitions are a really good idea for anyone wanting to gain confidence competing but in a relaxed, familiar environment.

Stable Management Mornings

Once again, this month's Fun Stable Management sessions that we run on a Sunday morning have been a huge success! Therefore we will be continuing with these again. Remember we run 2 sessions, the first from 9-10 and the second from 10-11. You do not have to commit to a course, you can just sign up week by week as and when you please.

Summer Camps

We will be running 4 camps during the summer holidays. We will be running a Dressage specific camp, a Show Jumping specific camp and 2 general camps. Riders wanting to attend either the Show Jumping or Dressage camps need to be at least blue level. These camps are aimed at more experienced riders and are going to focus on competition riding. All riders will need to be assessed and approved by Deborah before signing up. The general camp is open to anyone who is off of the lead rein and confident at Walk & Trot.

The proposed dates for the camps are as follows: Please will anyone who is interested in attending let the office know as soon as possible to ensure the dates are going to be suitable for as many people as possible.

General Camp: 6th - 8th July & 10th – 12th August

Show Jumping specific camp: 11th – 13th July

Dressage specific camp: 25th – 27th July

Summer Livery

If you are interested in taking out a short term livery on a horse or pony over the summer, please ask the office about availability. Having livery on a horse will entitle you to ride that horse 4 times a week. Three times through the week and once over the weekend. The livery agreement can be flexible and of different lengths ranging from 1 week to 2 months.

IPRASM

We will be running a half day IPRASM training day. The day will start by working through the syllabus and developing everyone's skills to try and encourage them to get to the next level. The latter part of the session will be spent being assessed. Anyone who successfully completes each unit will have them signed off and anyone who completes a whole level will receive their certificate. We will confirm the date later.