

## **AREA 36 NEWSLETTER- JUNE 09**

A huge congratulation goes to our young rider Carian Scudamore on Angel who has been selected to represent Great Britain at this years European Under 18's Championships to be held at Hoofddorp, Netherlands on 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> of July. This is a fantastic achievement for a rider from Area 36 and I would like to wish Carian the very best of luck.

The outdoor season has already started and we have had satisfactory entries at the shows held by the Teifi Valley, Tivyside Pony Club and the Cothi Bridge Agricultural Show. However, the entries in the 1.30m section remain poor. All of you senior riders that wanted this class are not supporting them!! Please don't moan if these classes are not run as they cost a lot of money for the show organisers to put on.

I understand from the competitors that the field at the Cothi Bridge showground was not very jumpable. It has been discussed with Brian Davies, show secretary, who works extremely hard to keep the show jumping going at the show. Helen Evans will be attending their next committee meeting to help them with the problem.

**Competitors from the area have had a great success and congratulations must go to:**

- Ceinwen Lewis and Sligo Lucky who have qualified to compete at the Royal International at Hickstead in July in the 128cms. Competition.
- Gwenllian Lewis and Becky Thomas who represented Area 18 at the Dengie Pony Club National Championships. Both of them were 3<sup>rd</sup> in their classes.
- Elin Jenkins and Millstreet Sir who was selected to jump on the Pony Club Welsh team at this year British Open, held at the N.E.C. Wales won the event, Scotland 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ireland 3<sup>rd</sup> and England in 4<sup>th</sup> position.
- Felix McCartney who won the leading amateur rider in the Atlantic Tour in Portugal and for qualifying for Horse of the Year show with Athena.
- Carian Scudamore for winning leading lady rider at Barbizon in France and for coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Grand Prix; 1<sup>st</sup> in the European Under 18's Trials at Wales and the West, representing Great Britain on the Nations Cup at Grobbendonk where she was 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Under 18's Grand Prix. Carian was also selected to travel to Hagen in Germany where she gained 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 1.45m class and 4<sup>th</sup> in the Grand Prix.
- Heledd Thomas who was leading under 18 riders in Barbizon, France. Heledd was presented with the Young Riders Sportsmanship Award for 2008 by Corrine Bracken, on behalf of the B.S.J.A. This was presented to Heledd at the recent European Trials held at Wales and the West.

Well done to all of our members who have been flying the flag for Area 36 at Bicton, Hand and at Wales and the West.

### **AREA TEAM COMPETITION**

Thank you to all of our members who were willing to jump on the Area Team Competition held at Wales and the West Show in June. We struggled to put two teams in to compete but managed to have four on one team and three on the other. 8 teams competed from different Areas.

**Team 1** consisted of Gayle Evans, Charles Morgan and Mary Fitzgerald

**Team 2** consisted of Carian Scudamore, Eurig Eynon, Philip Griffiths and Elin Jenkins.

At the end of the two rounds Area 36 Team 2 was equal on 0 points with Area 35 and Area 41. Carian had to jump off against the clock and came back with the fastest clear round putting the team into first place. They will now jump in the final at the Scope Festival in August. Area 35 was second and Area 41 third. Team 1 finished in a fantastic 4<sup>th</sup> position and also won the best turned out team, winning a bottle of champagne each. Well done to them as they could not drop a score.

### **JUNIOR ACCADEMY**

The juniors had a very interesting visit to Cotts Farm Veterinary Hospital where they were shown around the different sections. A big thank you goes to John Edwards and his team for giving up their time.

The training in January, February, April and May were a great success with places full as usual. Thank you to Diane Evans for her continuous hard work in sorting out the training and to both her, and Nigel and Delyth Scudamore for the use of their school. Congratulations to Oliver Kent and Rhiannon Coleman on gaining their Pony Proficiency Award with commendation, Rhianna Evans, Anna Morgan, and Immogen Thomas who also gained their Proficiency Award at the last training.

Congratulations to Bethan Evans who has achieved her Level 1 Star Award of the B.S.J.A 5 Star Training Award.

### **CAMP**

**The final details for camp have finally been completed and are as follows;**

Training by both Mia Korenika and Mathew Broome

Presentation by David Broome or Liz Edgar

Health and Supplement demo by Natural Animal Feeds

First Aid by Heather

Fitness demo and instruction by Chris "the guns" Venn (ex Leicester Tigers Pro Rugby Player)

Team Nations Cup competition and presentation on final day (if you are still standing!!)

**COST:** £100 (See form enclosed)

Only 24 places on a first come basis. Contact Diane on 01437 767086 for further details or Elin on 01239 615325

### **TRAINING**

I have been asked to look at having different people to train by some of our senior riders.

Diane Evans is in the process of negotiating costs and dates of training over the winter months with Corrine Bracken, Steven Smith and Geoff Lucket so keep an eye out for dates and costs.

### **SHEDULES**

Due to the high costs of printing and posting around 120 schedules for every show all Area 36 show schedules will be on the website: **bsjaarea36.co.uk**. For those who do not have access to the website please ring me for a schedule.

Next Area 36 shows will be on the 25<sup>TH</sup> AND 26<sup>TH</sup> of July at the Cothi Bridge Showground. (You will not be jumping on the section of the field where the Cothi Bridge show held their jumping.)

### **FUNDING**

Byron has been out and about and has once again managed to find the much needed funding for the Area. Chevron Oil Refinery has once again given us £1,000. Through this funding, the Area has bought rope posts for the use at the shows. Tesco stores and

various tack shops have also been kind enough to give generous donations. Thanks Byron.

### **WEBSITE**

Thank you to Jane Norris for keeping the website up to date. Keep sending in your information to jane@bsjaarea36.co.uk. Jane, with the help of Mr Coleman is in the process of looking at using computers at Area shows. This would be used by both the secretaries and our judges. This is still in early stages.

### **AREA POINTS**

**The points will be run the same as last year and the categories are:**

12 years and under

13yrs-14yrs

15yrs-16yrs

Best Junior Newcomers

Senior Novice/Discovery

1m/1.05m

1.10/1.15m

1.20m and above

Young riders

Veterans

I would like to welcome Lyn Herridge onto the judges' panel for Area 36, and would like to thank all of our judges, volunteers, show secretaries Debbie and Tessa, to Ann at the Angel pub in Llandisilio for our meetings and endless food, to everyone who have helped to sponsor classes and finally to my hard working Area committee and Junior Academy committee.

### **JUST A THOUGHT!**

**Please remember that hours of unpaid work go into organising any show and after you have gone home, there are still a number of volunteers still working to put away the jumps, clearing the field etc, so a thank you at the end of a jumping day goes a long way!!**

Have a great summer

**Heather**