



# Hailsham Equestrian Club

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2010

Welcome to another year's involvement with Hailsham Equestrian Club. Your membership is now due for renewal unless you have joined/rejoined in the last few months of 2009.

The membership fee for 2010 is £25 senior or junior member and £55 for a family of three or more members. Please send you cheque made payable to HEC to club secretary, Loretta Irving, 55 Croxden Way, Willingdon Trees, Eastbourne, BN22 0UG.

**For Junior membership you have to be under 18 on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010**

It is important that Loretta has your renewal as soon as possible if you wish to represent the club in team events, This is because each rider's name and address has to be on the database at British Riding Clubs at the time of the club preliminary entry to Area competitions.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE CLUB

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## CLUB AGM 25TH NOVEMBER 2009

The Club AGM was attended by 21 members at The Roebuck, Laughton, the meeting being followed by a hot meal and a chance for a good chat!

A review of the club's activities during 2009 were read out including our regular training days, social events and club shows. Thanks were given to all our sponsors who have continued to support the club during a difficult financial year and to all the friends and supporters without whom many events could not be held.

The Performance Awards go from strength to strength and many members, both junior and senior, went home with armfuls of rosettes! Full details of the Performance Awards 2009 are on the club website [www.hailshamec.co.uk](http://www.hailshamec.co.uk) with the overall winner and recipient of the Performance Trophy being Micki Corner for the second year running!

Other trophies presented were -

- Committee Trophy – Sarah Brabrook
- President's Trophy - Maria Elliott
- Points Trophy - Micki Corner
- Rita Dingwall Most Versatile Horse/Pony – Jane Taggart's Llanwen Deio
- Anne Burbridge Memorial Trophy – Loretta Irving

## CLUB WEBSITE

During 2010 we will try to get more immediate information to members via the club website [www.hailshamec.co.uk](http://www.hailshamec.co.uk) We are finding more and more that information is coming to us via the internet and it is often difficult to get this to the membership in paper format in good time. In addition, doubling up with envelopes and stamps makes posting out to all members an expensive exercise!

At present club newsletters, etc will be sent out both by post and put on the website but we would like to move more towards the 'electronic age' if possible. If you would still like to receive your newsletter by post please advise Steve, Club Chairman, on 01323 485580 or put a note in with your membership renewal to Loretta.

We will not bring in this new idea overnight and will still post out to members but the better feedback we get means less envelopes and stamps. Thanks to Skybluepink we have a very good club website and this can be developed if we become less paper dependent.

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## COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2010

At the AGM both Ann Pemberton and Pauline Walton were relected for a further term.

**Contact details** for the 2010 Committee are as follows -

Club Chairman – Stephen Townsend 01323 485580

Club Secretary – Loretta Irving 01323 500800

Club Treasurer – Malcolm Lawson 01323 485580

Club Training Officer – Ann Pemberton 01323 811 661

Club Welfare Officer - Sophie Saunders – 07595827734

Jackie Collins - 01323 849073

Maria Elliott - 07786965624

Christine Patrick – 01323 844376

Pauline Walton - 01323 486734

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR THE DIARY FOR 2010

### CLUB SHOW DATES

Open Dressage Show - 13<sup>th</sup> March at Golden Cross E. C.

Open Horse Show - 30<sup>th</sup> May at Golden Cross E. C.

Open Dressage Show - 9<sup>th</sup> October at Golden Cross E. C.

If you know of someone who would like to sponsor at the Open Show in May or Open Dressage in October please contact Steve, Club Chairman, on 01323 485580.

### INTER CLUB & AREA QUALIFIER DATES

If you would like to represent the club during 2010 at the forthcoming events please contact the relevant team manager in plenty of time to ensure you are fully conversant with the rules, venue, etc. For the Area Qualifiers you must have a fully up to date flu certificate for your horse or pony, this needs to be photocopied and sent to the team organiser as it is sent with the team entries to the organising club. **In addition you must take the original flu certificate with you on the day of the competition.**

You do **not** need a flu certificate to compete at the Inter Club Competition on 20<sup>th</sup> February.

The 2010 Rule Book to cover the Area Qualifiers will be available effective 1<sup>st</sup> April and in print from that date. Each team manager will have a copy by then but if you would like to buy your own copy – the rules are many and in some detail! - why not go online or ring the BHS bookshop [www.britishhorse.com](http://www.britishhorse.com) or 08701 201918.

**Area 10 Inter Club Team Jumping with Royal Windsor Qualifier** – 21st February at Eaglesfield Equestrian Centre, near Brands Hatch. This is open to teams of junior and senior riders and as we go to press the schedule is not available. Fence heights are usually 2' 6" novice and 3' seniors. For more information please contact Jackie on 01323 849073.

**Area Show Jumping & Style Jumping** – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June at Felbridge – Team Manager Jackie on 01323 849073

**Area Horse Trials** – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June at Borde Hill – Team Manager Chris on 01323 844376

**Area Dressage** – Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July at Speedgate near Maidstone – Team Managers Ann on 01323 811661 or Loretta 01323 500800

## FIXTURES UPDATE WINTER 2010

### TRAINING

#### **JUMPING**

The training clinics with Judi Piper Dadswell will continue during the winter in the outdoor arena at Judi's yard, Blackberry Farm, Chalvington.

**The training will be 'to improve your position, rhythm and canter through gridwork and then put this into practice around a small course'.**

Dates are Saturday's 30<sup>th</sup> January, 27<sup>th</sup> February and 3<sup>rd</sup> April in groups of 3 riders, £15 per rider at 10am and 11am. This training is very popular so be sure to book early with Jackie on 01323 849073. Jackie will discuss with you your ability to ensure you are in the correct group to get the maximum from the training session.

#### **FLATWORK**

We are continuing the progress made with interest in both general flatwork and riding to music with regular sessions with Sarah Brabrook over the forthcoming months.

The first session on 9<sup>th</sup> January is already full but the next provisional date is 23<sup>rd</sup> January then fortnightly thereafter. The venue is Woodside Stables, Arlington and we are lucky enough to have use of the indoor arena so unless it freezes we can go ahead in all weathers!

Sessions are subsidised from club funds for HEC members at £15 per rider for a group of 4.

To book your place please ring Ann on 01323 811661 or Chris on 01323 844376 at the earliest opportunity. PLEASE ADVISE WHEN RINGING IF YOU PREFER SATURDAY OR SUNDAY.

**Also note that the club March Dressage Show will run both the 2009 Preliminary Music Freestyle in a 20x40 arena as well as the 2004 Novice Freestyle!!**

#### **SOCIAL**

**Nag n' Natter and Teams Evening** – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March at Eight Bells, Jevington at 7.30pm. The pub will lay on sandwiches so to give an idea of numbers please ring Pauline on 01323 486734 at least five days in advance.

This is a chance to meet up for a general chat, meet other members and also find out about team events, flu certificate requirements, etc for the coming season. As many committee members as possible will be there for you to meet. **Future members are also very welcome!!**

**Annual Dinner & Dance** – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February at Wellshurst Golf Club, near Horam. Tickets are £30 each and always go fast so contact Malcolm on 01323 485580 or any committee member to get your place booked! Why not make up a table of friends - tables seat 8 or 10 – and come and enjoy a great night out with dancing to Alexander James Roadshow!

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