



Hailsham Equestrian Club



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Dear Member,

At last we are starting to see some real spring sunshine after what seemed to be a long and at times very white winter with more snow and frosty mornings than have been seen for many years, whatever happened to global warming?

We had a wonderful spring like day for the club **Open Dressage Show** on 21st March with some 60 plus tests being ridden. We were very pleased to see so many members taking part and are delighted to welcome **new members Jane James and Polly Lewis** who joined the club following the show.

A full breakdown of results is attached and you will see that members won three of the four classes and took home the new 'tote bags' from the club clothing range that we hope will become even more popular as the year goes along. If you access www.hailshamec.co.uk and follow the route you will see the committee sporting the new range!

Attached you will find details of club fixtures for training and the all important Area Qualifiers for the various team and individual competitions in show jumping, horse trials, dressage and of course the ever popular team jumping at Royal International Horse Show, Hickstead. We want every member to feel they can represent the club so please contact the Team Manager concerned to discuss rules, flu certificates, etc to be sure that you are fully up to date with all requirements. We are holding an informal **Nag 'N Natter on Wednesday 15th April at the Eight Bells, Jevington** to look at rules, etc as well as a general get together so why not come along and find out more not just about teams but also about the committee and the club in general?

The next big date on the calendar is the club **Open Horse Show on Sunday 31st May at Golden Cross.**

Helpers as ever are needed so if you can give up a half day please ring Steve on 01323 485580, and a good picnic lunch is always guaranteed! We have extended and revamped the schedule to include **Clear Round, Open Jumping and a new Coloured Class** to join the regular favourites and are delighted to announce the continued and much valued support of our class sponsors and P.J.Skips who will continue to support the medical cover as well as the overall Ridden Championship.

Finally, thank you for your continued support of the club which is even more appreciated in this year of the credit crunch and I look forward to seeing you at some of the events during this summer.

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