

## **BRC AREA 14 SHOW JUMPING & STYLE JUMPING QUALIFIERS**

The Area 14 Outdoor Show Jumping qualifiers were hosted by us at Geldeston on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June.

Things were a little chaotic in the background but this did not stop our teams from continuing the great success they are experiencing this year.

### **JUNIORS**

Helen Regan the Junior Team Manager was off on her holidays for this competition but the other Helen (Sida-Page) stepped forward to deputise and did a marvellous job. Thank you Helen.

Two junior teams were entered in the Novice class, the 'Clarets' and the 'Gold'. Both team had late reserves added.



**Connor Sharpe & 'Milly'**

Flynn's horse 'Knock on the Head' was still recovering from his bout of colic so Connor Sharpe and 'Milly' took their place in the 'Claret' team. He joined Megan Maclean (Magical Mary), Lydia Sida-Page (Harebell), and Emma Taylor (Jeannie Thunderbrook Black Magic)

Rebecca Brooks and Acorn stepped into the 'Gold' team when Shannon Harrison's pony went lame. They joined Laura Leggett (Horse Heaven Rambo), Georgia Wright (Pumpkin Pie) and Tessa Footitt (Smuggler).

The competition is a two round competition with a jump off if necessary.

For the 'Claret' team Connor and Megan were clear in the first round while Lydia and Emma picked up just 4 faults each. In the second round Megan produced another clear round and this time both Emma and Lydia were clear with Connor picking up just 4 faults. This left the team in a strong position.

The 'Gold' team also did well. Laura, Georgia and Tessa were all clear while Rebecca finished on 8 faults. In the second round Rebecca withdrew meaning all the remaining scores would count. They performed well with Laura producing another faultless round and this time Tessa went clear and Georgia dropped a pole collecting 4 faults.

Both teams made it into the jump off.

Lydia, Megan and Emma went clear for the



**Tessa Footitt & 'Smuggler'**

'Clarets' whilst Connor added just 4 more faults to the team tally. However this was good enough to secure the team **first place** and to qualify for the Championships at Lincoln in September.

The gold team picked up another 4 faults in the jump off when Tessa rolled a pole but both Laura and Georgia produced clear rounds.



This meant Laura, who had not collected any faults throughout the competition, was first individually and will be accompanying the 'Claret' team to the Championships.

There were no teams entered in the Junior Intermediate class but there were eight individuals. We were represented by Georgia Cattermole and 'Tullyreavy Legend'.

**Laura Leggett & 'Rambo' Individual Junior Novice winners**

The class was won by Isabella Stagg from Finn Valley who finished without incurring any faults over the two rounds. Georgia finished 5<sup>th</sup> with 16 faults. As there were no club teams entered it is hoped that an Area 14 team can be made up of the first four riders from this competition and that Georgia then qualifies as an individual and will also head to Lincoln for the Championships. All correct

Lydia Sida- Page and 'Harebell' competed in the Junior Style Jumping for the club. This competition is a show jumping competition where the way the horse and rider actually jumps is also marked. (A bit like dressage over jumps!) One of the biggest challenges is that the horse must be ridden in a plain snaffle bridle. Lydia did really well finishing in 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

As with the Junior Intermediate class there were no club teams entered in the Junior Style jumping. The Area steward plans to make an Area 14 Junior team. This means Lydia will represent the Area at the Championship. She will be joined by Daisy Murray (Churchside Garnet) from Haleswoth & District RC, Mary Newlove (Newtimes Hot Gossip) from Suffolk RC and Charlotte Saunderson (Lady Molly Rose Bud) from Carousel RC.

They were fantastic results and we are very proud of all our juniors. Many of them are new to team competitions and have performed really well. As some of our more experienced juniors become eligible for the senior teams next year it is great to see new junior members coming forward.

## SENIORS

The Senior teams refuse to be outshone by the juniors. We had one senior team entered in the Novice 80cm, the 'Bees'. These were Lucy Frost (Polly Whispers), June Hall (Merrick Fergus), Davina Cattermole (Hugo Boss) and Megan Duffield (Lancgree Chico).



**Davina Cattermole & 'Hugo Boss'**

They all performed really well but the star of the show was Davina Cattermole and Hugo Boss. They went into the jump off with no faults. She again went clear and the placings were decided by time. Davina had a fantastic time of 35.1 seconds the fastest of the day and won the class.

June Hall deserves a special mention as she had an eye infection which meant she could not wear her contact lenses. This meant she did not have clear sight of the fences (maybe this was an advantage June?! ) so she just pointed the honest and trustworthy 'Fergus' in the right direction and left him to it. They finished 5<sup>th</sup> individually.

Solid performances from the other two members secured the club team 1<sup>st</sup> place.

Halesworth and District RC came second. Another BBRC team off to the Championships! Lucy and 'Polly' are already qualified to go in the dressage so they will be busy.

We were represented in the Senior Intermediate 95 cm class by a team made up of Sam Palmer (Foreigner of the Lowlands), Steve Small (Marcel Midnight Ray), Billie Fobbester (Toby Bouncer) and Emma Julian (Little Irish Magic).

Sam and Steve both scored 4 faults in the first round while Emma picked up 8 faults. In the second round Sam and Steve again added a further 4 faults to their scores but Emma went clear. Billie had a few issues but as 'Toby' is a very novice horse they did well and will benefit from the experience.



**June Hall & 'Merrick Fergus'**

The team finished 4<sup>th</sup>, a repeat of last years result. Finn Valley RC won and Carousel finished 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Steve Small and 'Marcel Midnight Ray' were very brave and tackled the Senior Style Jumping. Whilst not in the top placings it was a worthy effort. It makes you realise that Style Jumping is a difficult discipline that requires practise and an understanding of what is required to do well. Well done Steve. We look forward to next year and you winning the red rosette.

Well done to all the seniors representing the club at this event and all their supporters. It has been an excellent year for both the Senior and Junior teams this year and we are very proud of your achievements and appreciate the hard work and dedication you and your families and friends and the team managers have put in.

*(NB: We are still awaiting confirmation from BRC HQ for the results but the results listed above are as given on the day of the competition)*



**Senior Novice winning team**

**Left to right: Davina Cattermole & 'Hugo Boss', Lucy Frost & 'Polly Whispers', Megan Duffield & 'Lancgree Chico', June Hall & 'Merrick Fergus'**