

BRC NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The BRC National Championships to place at Lincoln over the weekend of 7th & 8th September.

Teams from Beccles & Bungay RC were representing Area 14 in show jumping and dressage and making up an Area team for the Style jumping as well as riding as individuals. It is several years since the club was so well represented at the Nationals.



Connor Sharpe, Lydia Sida-Page & Emma Taylor part of the Junior Novice Show Jumping Team RC won the team competition.

Lydia Sida-Page (Dynasty II), Connor Sharp (Milly Molly Mandy), Emma Taylor (Thunderbrook Black Magic) and Megan Maclean (Magical Mary) represented Area 14 in the Junior Novice show jumping.

Lydia and Emma both produced double clear rounds. Connor knocked a pole off and collected 12 time faults so finished the first round on 16 faults. Megan went clear in the first round so the pressure was on her as the fourth rider to go clear in the second round in order for the team to make the jump off. She rode brilliantly but our luck didn't quite hold out as she picked up 4 faults at the second from last jump.

The team finished on 4 faults and did not join the other 4 teams that finished the two rounds without faults in the jump off. They did secure 6th place. Mount Mascall

Laura Leggett (Horse Heaven Rambo) also rode as an individual. She rode a double clear and joined Lydia and Emma in the jump off. Once again Lydia and Laura produced faultless rounds and places were decided on times. Lydia took 8th place and Laura took 9th. Emma finished with 8 faults and in 27th place. There were over 90 competitors so this is a fantastic result.

Georgia Cattermole (Tullyreavy Legend) rode as an individual in the Junior Intermediate Show Jumping competition. In the first round they were clear but collected 8 faults in the second round and finished in 44th place. There were nearly 70 competitors in this competition.

In the Style Jumping Area 14 was represented by a composite team which included Lydia Sida-Page (Dynasty II) from Beccles and Bungay, Daisy Murray (Churchside Garnet) from Halesworth & District, Charlotte Saunderson (Lady Molly Rose Buds) and Mary Newlove (Newtimes Hot Gossip).



Laura Leggett & 'Horse Heaven Rambo'

Lydia, Daisy and Charlotte jumped clear but unfortunately Mary was eliminated. However the three scores from the others was good enough to secure them 3rd place. North Rydale RC were the winners.

Beccles & Bungay RC also represented Area 14 in the Junior Dressage. Unfortunately the team rode as a team of three due to a technical issue.

Georgia Cattermole on 'Tullyreavy Legend' rode the Prelim 4, Leanne Kelly riding 'Himself' did Prelim 7 and Remy Farrant riding 'Sporting Luck' rode Novice 28. They finished on a combined ranking score of 68. Forest of Arden won with a ranking score of 13. The standard was high and the girls did an excellent job.

Imogen Sida-Page (Inform) rode as an individual in the Junior Elementary. There were 10 competitors and the competition was very close with the average score being 65.5%. Imogen finished in 5th place with 62.2% with two other riders. Mollie Freeman (Titan II) from Rother Valley won with a score of 68%.

Helen Regan the junior team manager claims to have developed shin splints due to the excessive amount of walking she did between the arenas. She went on to say 'All the competitors rode really well. It was a great weekend. I apologise to Connor's parents for the early morning call'

Helen and the parents, grooms and friends did a fantastic job and the members who competed should be proud of their results.

Beccles & Bungay RC also sent senior teams to the Championships representing Area 14.



Alison Rushmer & 'Maggie May'

Novice Show Jumping team whenever they could between dressage tests.

Julie Frost (Horse Heaven Rambo), Alison Rushmer (Maggie May), Lee Wright (Polly Whispers) and Caroline Oakes (Darcy) took part in the Senior Prelim Dressage.

Twenty two teams took part and the standard again was high. Alison finished 5th in her arena, Lee 6th in hers, Caroline 12th and Julie 16th. This meant our team finished with a ranking score of 23 with the best three places counting and gave them joint seventh place with 3 other clubs. A great achievement for the team. The competition was won by Rural Flyde Young Riders Club on a final ranking score of 10.

Showing the true spirit of riding club competitions the dressage riders did their best to support the Senior

The show jumping team consisted of Lucy Frost (Polly Whispers), June Hall (Merrick Fergus), Megan Duffield (Lancgree Chico) and Davina Cattermole (Hugo Boss). Twenty five teams took part. This is a two round competition with the best three scores to count.

Both Lucy and June produced clear rounds in round 1. Davina finished this round with 4 faults and Megan finished with 15 faults.

Things did not go so well in the second round with Lucy picking up 7 faults and June picking up 4 faults. Davina added a further 8 faults to her score and poor Megan was eliminated. Their final score was 23 which secured them 20th place.

The first three places went to teams who finished without penalties and time was the deciding factor. Rother Valley took first place with Cropthorne second.

Megan said 'It was good fun and the biggest show I have ever been to. Last year we were going everywhere apart from over the jump so to qualify and take part at the Championship was big

achievement for us.' She later discovered that 'Chico' had a virus and this may have affected his performance.

The club is immensely proud of all the member's achievements in this year's qualifiers and Championship. They have all put lots of hard work into their performances. Being an affiliated club means that our members have the opportunity to try and qualify and take part in national competitions. This year many of the members attending the Championships did so for the very first time and they all seem to have thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

If you would like to represent the club in next year's qualifiers and have the chance of making it to the Championships please don't hesitate to contact the appropriate team manager. (Details on the Team page of the web site)

Full results are available on the BRC web site.



Caroline Oakes & 'Darcy'

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