

SEPTEMBER FUN DAY

The final Fun Day of the season took place at the club field on Sunday 1st September.

It was a well attended show with lots entering the dressage.

Although no trophy points are awarded for places in the training class rosettes are presented. Places are decided on the percentage scored as the tests were either Intro B or Prelim 7.

The top three places went to prelim riders with Hannah Cordell and 'Glenaraneen Boy' winning with 68.5%. Leanne Kelly riding Megan Hill's 'Himself' took second place with 64.5%.



Jo Maclean & 'Goodie Two Shoes'

The Restricted Prelim 14 was a closely fought contest with Jo Maclean and her new horse 'Goodie Two Shoes' coming out on top with an impressive 68.33%. Second place was shared by Hannah Morris riding 'Attila' and Barbara Fairhead riding 'Colour Me Pretty' both scoring 62.92%.

The second percentage class was well supported with 12 entries. The class was won by Alison Rushmer riding Wendy Lowe's coloured mare 'Maggie May' with the best score of the day, a very impressive 72.5% riding the Prelim 18.

Second place went to Susannah Close riding her coloured gelding 'Prince Albert'. They scored 69.58% for the Novice 28 test. Susannah and 'Albie' as he is known at home are progressing nicely with their dressage.

The Junior Utility class a head to head affair between Leanne Kelly (Bruno VI) and new member Cheyanne Bloomfield (Have a Hope). Leanne edged ahead with Bruno's manners and secured the victory with their individual show. But Cheyanne gave a very creditable performance.

Six seniors contested the Senior Utility. Sue Stock (Pandora) gave a solid performance across all the elements and finished with a score of 87 to take first place. Susannah Close (Prince Albert) finished on a score of 77 beating Amy-Jo Rowley (Bugsy Malone) by just one point giving them second and third respectively.

The early classes in the show jumping attracted only a small number of entries. However this did give the pair in charge of the show jumping chance to find their feet. With the usual show jumping 'boss', Jane Stone, away on holiday Helen Regan was left in charge with Linda Reed to assist. It went pretty well throughout the day once the competitors reminded them that the jump off courses needed to be announced so that the competitors knew the route to take. Apologies and thank you Susannah and Sue for putting them right!



Sue Stock and 'Pandora'

The Open 45cm was won by Jo Maclean and 'Goodie Two Shoes' with a very tidy first round and then another clear round in the jump off. Joining them in the jump off with the only other clear round was Rachel Platten and 'Brackary Robin'. However although their time was quicker in the jump off they picked up 4 faults and had to settle for second place.

The Restricted 60cm was won by Barbara Fairhead on 'Colour Me Pretty'. They were the only clear round. Second place went to Imogen Sheldrake and 'Fairy Hill Oscar' who finished on 4 faults and the only other competitor was eliminated.

Two went head to head in the Open 60cm Against the Clock. It was won by Claire Drewery and 'George' with a time of 1min 22 seconds. Sally Brown riding 'Digby' made a good attempt to beat this time but having cut inside going to the double 'Digby' decided it was time to slow down and they finished on a time of 1 minute 30 seconds.

The Open 70cm saw three of the four competitors making it to the jump off. Once they were told what the course was all three produced another clear round and it was decided on time. Sue Stock and 'Pandora' won in 50.89 seconds with Susannah Close and 'Prince Albert' coming second in 52.65. Helen Yallop and 'Zakanaka' took third with 54.73. Imogen Sheldrake and 'Baskin Don Sparkle' were fourth with 4 faults in the first round.



Lydia Sida-Page & 'Annie'

The Restricted 75cm produced 4 clear rounds to go forward to the jump off. Lydia Sida-Page won producing another clear round on her lovely coloured mare 'Annie'. Susannah Close and 'Prince Albert' took second when they again produced a clear round just 2.5 seconds slower. Georgia Cattermole and 'Rory' also had a double clear to take third. Leanne Kelly riding 'Himself' had the second best time in the jump off but picked up 4 faults to put them down to fourth place.

Laura Leggett and 'Horse Heaven Rambo' were triumphant in the Open 75cm Against the Clock having a clear round in 56.27 seconds. Second place went to Amy Oliver-Squire riding her mother's horse 'Shamus' when they went clear in 57.75seconds. Third place went to Georgia Cattermole and 'Rory' who went round in 58.76.

The Open 85cm class attracted one of the biggest entries of the day. Lucy Frost and 'Polly Whispers' produced a double clear to win in an impressive time of 44.54 seconds. Lydia Sida-Page and 'Harebell' also had a double clear but were somewhat slower finishing in 49.79 seconds. Lydia also took third on her other horse 'Annie'.

The final class of the day the Open 95cm was a head to head between Flynn Regan riding 'Knock on the Head' and Jade Urry riding 'Minty'.

Jade went first and produced a clear round putting the pressure on Flynn. Unfortunately Flynn rolled a pole off at fence 3 and had to settle for second place.

Sue Stock and 'Pandora' capped the day by going head to head with Sally Brown and 'Digby' in the senior gymkhana. Sue won 3 of the four games having to settle for second in the Canter, Walk, Trot race.

No juniors presented for gymkhana.

As usual we are indebted to those that helped run the day. These include Joan Gunton (Utility judge), Jackie Patchett (dressage judge), Ann McVicar, Debbie Shields, Georgie Underdown, David Harris and the lady whose name escapes me that was taking entries. Not forgetting Trish Harris who organised the day and made it all happen. If I have forgotten anyone my humble apologies but thank you too!