

Area 15. Liaison Group Annual General Meeting
22/10/2018 the The Kings Head Usk 8.00pm

MINUTES

Ms Marion Hughes	Area 15. Chairman	Golden Valley RC.	
Mrs Mair Jones	Area 15. Secretary	Southerndown RC	
Mrs Pam Davidson	Area 15. Rep.	Wye Valley RC	
Miss Michelle Atkins	Area 15. Treasurer	Southerndown RC	
Ms Beth Eckley	Hereford & District	Miss Jennifer Thomas	Southerndown RC
Mrs Amanda Eckley	Hereford & District	Mrs Ann Wilson	Wye Valley RC
Mrs Kate Dillon	Hereford & District	Mrs Jan George	Cardiff & Vale
Mrs Anna Miller	Riders 2000	Ms Rebecca Hunt	Cardiff & Vale
Mrs Claire Williams	Riders 2000	Mr Colin Davies	Vale of Usk RC
Ms Ros H?	Riders 2000	Ms Judith Powell	Vale of Usk RC
Mr Garry Moore	Riders 2000	Mrs Maggie Aikman	Cricklands EC
Ms Amy Daye	Mynydd	Mrs Anne Lamerton	Rudry Village
Mrs Jennifer Cockitt	Y Fenni & District	Mrs Camilla Linton	Vale of Arrow
Mrs Tracey Hook	Y Fenni & District		

11. Clubs in all represented.

- **Apologies:** Marilyn Kirton (WV) Charlotte Drake (GV) Bethan Powell (YF) Gemma Webster (H&D)
- **Minutes of the meeting:**
The minutes were proposed a true record by Anna Miller (R2) Claire Williams (R2)

- **Matters Arising:** None

Chairman's Report:

The Chairman, Marion Hughes opened the meeting by welcoming all present and thanked all for coming out on such a dark night. MH stated that 2018 had been a successful year for Area 15 clubs, with qualifiers being well attended, with no hiccups. MH thanked all those who attended the recent show jumping qualifier in spite of the inclement weather it was a successful day MH also extended thanks to VOARC for all the help given.

- **Election of Officials;**
It was noted that the Chairman & Secretary were due to come up for election. Marion Hughes Chairman and Mair Jones secretary were willing to continue. Mr Maggie Aikman proposed a show of hands for this was seconded by Jennifer Thomas as there were no objections the motion was agreed unanimously.
- **Treasurers Report:** Michelle Atkins stated we have just under £16,834 in the area accounts
The polo shirts to date this year had been a large outlay, they had cost £2,517.40
Jennifer Thomas (SRC) proposed this account be accepted as an accurate record and this was seconded by Amy Daye (Mynydd)
- **Area Reps Report:**
Our Area 15 rep Pam Davidson (WV) echoed the chairman's thanks for a successful year and also of the area clubs successes while representing the Area 15. at the National Championships.
PD stated the championships had also been very successful with a good atmosphere.
Also the Regionals had gone very well and PD thanked all those clubs who had helped out on the day.
The Regionals will be held on the same week, same day next year as there is no room for manoeuvre on the dates.

PD had attended the first Area Reps meeting held for 3 years, it had been a very positive meeting during which area reps had been allowed to speak.

Style jumping & Riding test entries are falling both at prelims level for qualifiers and championships. But there were good entries for regionals at Hartpury.

There is a small group who want to keep it and a request for area training I both tests. There was test criticism? It was suggested to use BD tests.

- **NEXT YEARS HORSE TRIALS:-** vote to remain the same – unanimous!
RULE CHANGES:- in next year’s rule book
Champion reserves up to 60 minutes of start declarations 30 minutes
- **FOTH CHALLENGE QUALIFIERS** can run from 1st September, but must not clash with the National Championships.
This year we joined Area 18, it was short notice, but a super event and all our helpers got a gold star.
- **FALL RULES:-** One fall and out the same as BE, BD & BS. This will be easier for fence judges and legally safer-
Some dressage rule changes to come!
The numbers in arenas will be 32 for qualifiers and 40 at Champs
All from 1st January 2019
- **USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA** – There had been a number of rude comments reported and it had been asked for some to be removed!. AD said Mynydd had experience one within the club (instructor eating Mc Donald’s). Complaints should be put in writing to the club and not on social media. C&V stated respect to other members/riders is in rule book page 4 & 5. Re instructor abuse. All posts should be approved!
- **WINTER QUALIFIERS:-** These are all booked
 1. Combined Training – 24th November at Broomes Event Centre – Hosts, Cricklands EC
 2. Winter Novice Dressage – 27th January at Pencoed College – Hosts, Southerndown RC
 3. Arena Eventing Qualifier – 10th February – Broomes Event centre,- Hosts, Cricklands EC.
 4. **Arena Eventing Championships there is no stabling on site but a list of local availability is available from BRC office. There are probably other options?**
 5. Intermediate Dressage qualifier – 23rd March – Usk College – Hosts Vale of Usk RC.
- **SUMMER QUALIFIERS:-**
Area Horse Trials – 2nd June at Sapey – Hosts Area 15 Liaison
Pam Davidson proposed we ask Miranda Collett to head scoring and Times again.
There has to be a serious help commitment from participating clubs.

Summer Show jumping – Riders 2000 to organise probable date 21st July tbc Venue tbc
Summer Dressage – possibly VOARC tbc.

• **TRAINING:-**

It is over 3 years since we held a CSO (Club Safety Officer) training. It is compulsory for all clubs to have a CSO registered at BRC Office. It was agreed the secretary MJ to organise this consulting with Jan Roche during the winter months.

Pam Davidson asked if the area would like her to run another course for club officials, especially Chef d Equips role. It was agreed by all this to be set up this winter.

Meeting closed; 9.45pm – Next meeting Monday 25th February – The Kings Head, Usk. 7.30pm

Signed: date;

Proposed: Seconded;