



TEAMS – CHAMPIONSHIPS NEWS

2017

BRC Horslyx Festival of the Horse Championships – Aston le Walls – 20 – 21 May 2017 (Challenge & Combined Training)

Rosettes galore for Elstead members at the final 'winter' championships of 2017. Senior challenge (combined SJ & XC) competitions took place on the Saturday along with the junior combined training (dressage & SJ), with Sunday being junior challenge and senior combined training. The first results to be announced were the junior combined training and Elstead's team of Hatty Werhle (riding D'Abernon Reggae), Annabelle Tavener (Bonnie), Grace Jackson (Sweet Opposition) and Miya Halsey (Andover The Money) was 6th (out of 24 teams). There were individual places as well: Hatty was 3rd, Grace 5th and Miya 10th in their respective arenas. In the challenge, all Elstead members went clear on the XC and so the time was very influential (the aim being to finish as near to the optimum time as possible). Seniors Emily Weeks (Shanbally Lady), Jenny Cheetham (Knockeevan Grange) and Holly Stuart (So Sue Me) were placed 7th in the team challenge 90. Isabel Bailey-Collins (Solero Spirit), Jenny Cheetham (Lumiere Gorm), Allison Kite (Quinlan) and Clara Jollands (Lily) were 3rd in the team challenge 80. Isabel finished nearest to the optimum time out of the 87 competitors in the Ch80 and was the individual champion. On the Sunday Elstead was represented in the senior combined training by Hannah Jackson (Brownbread Raven), Melanie Lusted (Keeshen Jazmine), Holly Stuart (So Sue Me) and Jenny Dutton (Liberty Flower). There were 36 teams in the senior CT competition and some very nice looking tests (although not so good jumping in some cases) from the huge number taking part in this competition. The Elstead team members all rode lovely dressage tests and jumped great rounds and finished the weekend as the 2017 Horslyx Combined Training Champions! Melanie was individual 2nd, Hannah 3rd and Holly 6th in their respective arenas.

Equi-Theme Intermediate Winter Championships – Bury Farm – 28 – 30 April 2017

For the first time this championship was held over three days and Elstead was represented on each day. On Friday Sara Malpass (riding Pitingo II) was 5th in the individual 'Pick A Medium or Advanced Medium Test', riding Medium 71. Saturday was senior team day and both Elstead's teams finished the day in the presentation arena. The dressage team of Holly Stuart (So Sue Me), Sara Malpass (Wootton Basil), Marion Spencer (Kilcrea Rock) and Heidi Reed (Ilar Vincent) was 2nd. Each team member rode a different test and Holly was individual 3rd in Prelim 7, Sara 9th in Novice 30 and Heidi 2nd in Elementary 49. Elstead's show jumping team of Jenni Crow (Cavaliers Sweet Dream), Suzi Stanner (Out Of Your League), Helen Klein (Limerick) and Emily Weeks (Monta Mystic Clover) was 6th. On the final day of the championships Grace Jackson (Sweet Opposition) was 8th in Novice 34.



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BRC KBIS Novice Winter Championships – Keysoe – 1 – 2 April 2017

Elstead members travelled to Keysoe College to take part in the first of the three winter championships. Saturday was senior day and Emma Kampa (riding Nyton Good Friday), Jenny Dutton (Liberty Flower), Emily Weeks (Monta Mystic Clover) and Lucy Collecott (IPW A Bit Of Banter) represented Elstead in the dressage. It was an electric atmosphere with flags and loudspeakers and the less experienced horses in our team were rather tense at moments. Although not in the top ten on this occasion, everyone enjoyed themselves and it was good experience. On the Sunday Grace Jackson (Sweet Opposition) represented Elstead as a junior individual in the Novice 27, and was placed 6th which was a great end to the weekend.