AGM round-up

STATISTICS- 92 Members attended between 1-11 rallies, 58 attended the members shows, 38 went to camp and 34 people competed for the club. 129 members did something. 101 people helped out at least once throughout the year, which is just over half.

TEAMS- special mention to the sj team that won the area qualifier and went to Lincoln. Area dressage is coming up as well as the show jumping teams

EVENTS SECRETARY- Kathryn, Eliza and Hollie Dyer were introduced as the members who deal with show entries, rally venue bookings and rally form entries.

TREASURERS REPORT- another good year financially. Overall income was £33,083 and outgoings £31,178 which is a profit of £1904.00. Taking pending payments into consideration we will start the new year owing £193.20.

RETIRING COMMITTEE- Standing down are Sue Hocking and Julia Cole. **REELECTED COMMITTEE ARE**- Chairman-Shelagh, Membership-Lindsay, Treasurer- Emma Committee members- Eliza, Gemma, Hollie, Kathryn, Jess, Yvette. Newly elected- Vikki Swindell.

HELPERS- 4 hours help are required from each member during the year, those who do more will be given vouchers and if the hours are not fulfilled then membership will not be allowed to be renewed. – It was confirmed that one member can help on behalf of another. MOTION PASSED

Full minutes can be found on the website www.severnvalerc.org.uk.



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Welcome

Welcome to a new club year!

New and renewal members alike, there's plenty planned for the coming year. The first programme of rallies can be found on page two.

This is the first newsletter of the new year and includes an overview of everything you need to know about how the club runs. If you haven't already renewed, make sure you do, or this will

be the last newsletter you receive. Remember, you must also be a member to take part in any rallies or closed shows.

We've still got a lot of trophies outstanding. Please hunt through your cupboards and get them back to us.

If you've got any feedback about the things we do, or ideas for improvements, let SVRC Chair, Shelagh Fishlock know.

Making payments

Last year, we opened a Paypal account to allow you to make online payments. We're still ironing out a few administration issues, but generally, it's been a positive move and one that's made things easier for both members and the committee.

You can pay for rallies using this method by visiting the rally page on our website. The buy it now option next to the rally entry will take you to Paypal to make your payment. But before you pay, check with Hollie that you definitely have a space on the rally you're paying for.

If you don't have Paypal, we still accept cheques. The address to send your payments to are on the rally booking form, which you should include with your payment.



Diary dates

Hollie Dyer manages rally bookings, her contact details can be found on the booking form with details on levels and times.

Date	Event	Instructor /venue
Sun 20 Oct	Flatwork	Ellen B-N @ Home Farm
Sat 26 Oct	Course Jumping	Jo Dyer @ Rockhampton
Sun 27 Oct	Flatwork	Tom Buckland @ Billow Farm
Sun 2 Nov	Grid work	Kate Scott @ Leyland Court
Sat 9 Nov	Course jumping	Jen Hyland @ Rockhampton
Sun 17 Nov	Flatwork	Hayley Hodge@ S&J toys
Sat 23 Nov	Show jumping	Simon Jobbins @ Smith's Farm
Sat 30 Nov	Flatwork	Amanda Ganley @ Home Farm
Sat 7 Dec	Flatwork	Ellen B-N @ Billow Farm
Sun 8	Grid work	Simon Jobbins @ Smith's Farm
Sun 15 Dec	Xmas show	@ Leyland Court
Sat 11 Jan	Show jumping	Kate Scott @ Smith's Farm
Sat 18 Jan	Grid work	Tom Buckland @ Leyland Court
Sun 19 Jan	Flatwork	Matt Jenkins @ The Meadows
Sun 27 Jan	Flatwork	Jo Dyer @ Home Farm

Helpers hours

All members are required to do at least four hours helper's hours each year. This is the only way we can continue to run shows.

You don't have to do all four hours at once, you can spread them across the year.

There are loads of jobs you can get involved with from taking entries, writing for judges, and setting up or clearing away.

Yvette Dixon does a fantastic job making sure we have enough help for each event, help make her life easier by letting her know what you'd like to get involved with and when your available.

You can contact her by emailing yvettedixon@hotmail.co.uk.

Be a part of the team

There are opportunities at all levels to compete for the club. You can either compete as an individual, or as part of a team made up of members. You'll compete against other riding clubs in the Area 9 area.

If you or your team qualifies, you get the opportunity to complete at national championships against clubs from across the country. There are competitions in dressage, show jumping, eventing, dressage to music, riding tests and style jumping.

There is information on our website about what you'll be expected to do for each discipline, so you can see if there's anything at you and your horse's level. There are some eligibility criteria, so if your horse has points, be sure to check they are eligible to compete.

Your horse must have a completely up-to-date, and jockey clubs rules compliant, vaccination record to compete.

Visit our website

Our website is a source of everything you need to know as a member of the club. As well as online rally booking, you can also see the shows that are coming up, see what benefits you're entitled to as a member, and find out everything you need to know about attending events.

There is a dedicated teams page, where we publish all the dates for upcoming competitions. We've also updated the venues page. It includes addresses for all the venues we use; each one has a link to Google maps. If you're unsure of where you're going, be sure to visit this page.

Your committee

The committee is the team of people who ensure everything runs smoothly for the club. There's around a dozen members who rally around to organise events, co-ordinate teams, book rallies, manage the finances and produce your newsletter.

They give up their time for free to make sure there are lots going on for club members all year round. The committee meets the second Wednesday of every month to discuss all areas of club business.

We're delighted to welcome new member Vikki Swindell to the committee this year. All the committee's contact details can be found on the website, with their area of responsibility.

Facebook

If you're not already a member of our Facebook group, be sure to join. This is the interactive area for our members. We regularly post updates on here about last minute rally spaces and requests for helpers.

You can also talk to other members and post photos of your four-legged friends.