



AGM and ALM
Monday 7th November 2011. Castle Carey rugby club.

Present; Arthur Stevens- area12 national rep, Andrea Jones – area 12 chairman, Shelagh Fishlock – area 12 treasurer, Helen Pavey –area 12 training officer, Charlotte Warman- area 12 secretary

Blackdown hills, Blackdown Mendip, Exeter, Lamberts castle, Mid Somerset, Quantock, Shipton, Sid and Otter, SWDG, Taunton and district, West Somerset and Witheridge.

No Apologies sent.

AGM 2011.

Minutes from the last AGM were approved and signed off by Arthur Stevens. Proposed by Mid Somerset, seconded by Quantock.

The New 2011/12 committee were elected.

Chairman – Andrea Jones, proposed by S&O seconded by Taunton.

Treasurer – Helen Pavey, proposed by Quantock seconded by Witheridge

Secretary – Charlotte Warman, proposed by Taunton seconded by Witheridge

Training officers – Lucy Councill, Tilly Latimer and Helen Goff, proposed by Quantock seconded by Blackdown hills.

Treasurer's report

There was not much to report on the accounts. More clubs have run events themselves this year. There is a small discrepancy between the front and back sheets of the accounts because of cheques outstanding and payments too be made.

Taunton horse show made a small profit. A big thank you to Marian Draper and Margaret Peverly of Mid Somerset RC for the sponsorship they managed to get for THS.

The FOTH combined challenge at Urchinwood made a £120 profit, this was joint event with Area 9 and they were given a share.

Affiliation fees, BMRC owes £5, BHRC - tbc, Brent knoll – not present, SWDG- owes £26.

The profit share to the club this year totals £600 this is the combined effort of the THS and FOTH at Urchinwood, totals were done in ½ day totalling in 69 days.

The accounts were signed off, Proposed by BMRC seconded by Witheridge.

We would like to thank Shelagh for all her hard work as treasurer, her endless help running events for Area 12 and setting up an Area 12 flu vac data base. We wish Shelagh all the best in Area 9.

Area 12 constitution.

To update the area constitution, the following change will be made. There will be one (1) chairman.

Andrea addressed the issue of help from clubs; please can clubs persuade people to come forward. Andrea invited clubs to send a club rep to the area meetings so they can be involved in the planning and running of area events. General interest from clubs was good. Charlotte will e mail clubs in advance of meetings.

There are currently 16 clubs in the Area and 4 riding centres.

Area 12 ALM

The minutes of the ALM were passed and signed off by Andrea Jones, proposed by Taunton and seconded by Lamberts castle.

Chairman' report

Area 12 has had a great year, lots of teams entered into competitions and a fantastic level of riding shown.

Thank you to Mid Somerset for providing the refreshments.

Well done to everyone who went to National championships. We have had riders in the top 3 in most disciplines, Results of these achievements can be found on the BRC website.

As part of the success was the quadrille teams, Witheridge are off to Olympia, the costumes are fantastic and Andrea felt a big thank you needs to go to the team of people who spend hours of work producing them.

Please go back to your club members and thank them for their efforts and success.

Website.

Please remember to send in your club dates for the website calendar. There have been a few teething problems with the new website, some email links need checking and some are experiencing problems from the download page. The Main BRC site is very out of date and items such as the new Area boundary have not been updated.

Due to the new Area size and shape Taunton is now the most central point for all clubs. From now both meetings will take place around this area. Quantock RC proposed Ruishton village hall, the room was in agreement.

Training. His years training was all held in the spring so nothing much to report. It's lovely to have Lucy Council, Tilly Tillbrook and Helen Goff's input to further the training. High end trainers appear to be popular at venues such as Bicton, Stretcholt, Stockland Lovell and Stretcholt. Witheridge RC put forward the case for grass root training and said it would be interesting to see what % of RC members would prefer to do what.

Now we are a smaller area a situation may arise where an area team is fielded for group training.

Arthur's Report

BRC insurance – A guide will be provided which explains what is and isn't included. BHS Gold membership is a cost effective way of having comprehensive 3rd party insurance and covers most things. Lucy Council stated that many people have BE and BD insurance however are unaware that the excess levels are £1000 BD and £1500 BE so be aware.

The area is being provided with Hi viz waistcoats with carry the BRC logo and the Area number also we are to be given jump flags.

Membership Cards; you do not have to change membership renewal dates however cards will not arrive until January. Cards will be sent out directly from a central system,

Questions asked – Witheridge; what does this mean for the membership secretary?

Quantock and BMRC; what is the turn around in weeks for new cards?

We will try to find out more information from BRC

Most importantly to be covered by the BRC insurance your name must be on the data base at BRC.

Competitions;

Horse trails championships to continue at ALW

Dressage and show jumping – Lincoln

DTM – Aintree, the junior pick a test will be included.

RWHS 1 round at area level then straight to Windsor. The show jumping at Windsor will be run as top score.

Regional HT was not successful up North. This year it will be open to all competitors who enter directly.

Hat Tagging; All Area events will now have hat tagging in place. Blue tags will be used.

Dressage Test – now upgraded to BD 2012.

Flu Vac feedback – there will be no change to flu vac checking; however dope checking may come in the future to championships.

There will be some rule book changes, please check your rule books and the websites.

Affiliation fees – these will be announced after many clubs have had their AGM, allow for an extra 4 1/2% bottom line fee.

BRC are thinking of hosting a national quiz- would anyone be interested in an area round?

There are new RT score sheets.

The stewards training weekend will be on 18 & 19 Feb at Crown farm Ascot.

The BRC road show will be at Hartpury on November 20th.

Questions

S&OVRC – Why can't the upper end of the junior membership ride the open tracks at horse trails?

Arthur will enquire.

BMRC – Could there be allocated parking at area events?

Depends on club organizing, no reason why not.

MSRC – pre warning that Mid Som will not continue doing the schedule and sponsorship for THS.

They were thanked for all their hard work over the last few years.

WRC – Are clubs considered to be charities?

No tax returns or profits need to be returned.

Area dates

DTM – earlier than normal, Thank you to Marian for re arranging.

Horse trails provisionally booked.

THS - Chard is expensive and on a slope, Pontispool wasn't a pleasing SJ or dressage arena. Please have a long hard think about venues. It needs to be held before the end of July.

Eventers challenge (combined SJ and XC) S&O? a possibility or Treborough, WSRC? S&OVRC will seriously look at this and find out dates with Bicton.

The meeting was closed 10pm.