**Minutes from Area 12 committee meeting**

**Admirals table. 14.9.15**

**Present;** Arthur Stevens, Tilly latimer, Lucy Counsell, Helen Pavey and charlotte Warman

**Apologies;** AndreaJones

* We received an email from Andrea. With work and family commitments Andrea is struggling to fit in area meetings and feels if anyone would like to take on her role as chair she would be happy. However it was felt this would be an enormous loss. Arthur has had a long conversation prior to the meeting and Andrea will remain in post but will only attend the ALM’s and AGM and will be happy to help at select area competitions that fit in around work and family.
* Charlotte from Pontispool will look at dates after this weekend for next year and be in touch soon. The same goes for Bicton.
* The committee feel Keyso is too far to go for another championship. For those traveling from the South west all championships are now 4+ hours away. AS will pen a letter to BRC with our concerns.
* Carolyne lowes from Witheridge riding club has placed a complaint with BRC about running the FOTH in an arena format. AS has responded on behalf of area 12 and has invited Witheridge to run and host the competition in the full format and they find the venue to run x country on grass at that time of year, provide the army of fence judges and so on.
* The committee said the show jumping part of the FOTH needs formatting to that of the finals and the pair competition needs tweaking.
* **Dates for 2015/16**
* AGM/ALM -9th November
* 3oth January - winter dressage at Pontispool
* 14th February - FOTH at Pontispool
* 5th March – Novice and intermediate SJ at Kings Sedgemoor
* 12th April - ALM at Ruishton
* 30th May - DTM at KSM
* 12th June – horse Trials at Bicton
* 16th and 17th July - summer DR&SJ at Chard equestrian??
* 7th November - AGM/ALM at Ruishton.

DTM venue needs reviewing. Many are asking if there is a possibility of running this at Stretcholt EC. Helen to investigate.

* Combined training date to be confirmed at Pontispool.
* We have moved the winter dressage into the new year, due to much lower numbers attending in the October last year. Possibly too early??
* Charlotte to find out availability at chard equestrian on those dates.
* Charlotte to see if BD would do a short talk on the new gold, silver and bronze levels.

Meeting closed.