



CORNWALL TREC GROUP – NEWS TIME



Hello everyone,

Apologies for the lull in Trec Group news and activities. Now we have some positive news I feel it is time to tell you what has been going on and where we have got to. Hopefully this will squash the gossip.

As you all know, last year as a committee we lost Amanda and Heather Lean who were two key members of the Trec group committee. Just before the Ladock Trec we also lost from our committee our Trec organisers Charlie and Rob. This was nothing to do with Trec Group this was just life doing what it does and this meant that Charlie and Rob could no longer commit their time to the Trec Group. This left the remaining five of us feeling at a bit of a loss as what we could do at such short notice. After many discussions we made the difficult decision to cancel the Ladock Trec. We felt it was better to cancel an event than to run it badly.

Hastily, we did approach another Club to discuss amalgamating but this wasn't to be. However, a few weeks down the line the remaining committee have had some breathing space and some thinking time and have decided that we can carry on doing what we do for the time being but it is very important we get some more bodies on board the committee. You may feel you have nothing to give but I can assure you there is always something for someone to do. For starters we need a Chairperson!!

All Clubs have had their ups and downs and we are currently having our down as far as lack of committee members is concerned. Everything else is wonderful. Our events over the past year have all made money so our bank balance is looking very healthy and we are looking to invest in some new equipment.

We have got two Trec events lined up so far.

One based at Lucy Booths home in Cardinham and another up at Lorraine Ball's Tresallyn Riding Stables at St Merryn near Padstow. These are both areas that we can get lots of help with organising the routes etc.

After these two events we should have enough experience, confidence and hopefully more committee members to go to somewhere completely different. We want to head down west to look after our more westerly members as we promised.

Our last two events that we ran with Porth Valley Riding Club during May went really well. The evening Show Jumping and Combined Training event were well attended and the weather was very kind to us.. We look forward to working alongside Porth Valley Riding Club in the future.



Website



For those who very kindly allow me to email the Schedules and Newsletters. I have come up with something new and hopefully more fool proof.

If you go on to the Trec Group Website, you will see there is a "Members Page". If you click on there you will see you need a password. This page will be where I will post the Newsletters in future. I will still email you all to let you know there is a new newsletter but if something strange happens to the email you know you can just go to the website and take a look.

The website is regularly updated so it is always worth keeping an eye for latest news and events.

The password for the member's page is "CANTER".

Diary Dates

Sunday 28th June TREC @ Cardynham, Bodmin, Cornwall.

JULY/AUGUST/SEPT TREC/S – DATES BEING ARRANGED

Team News

Ian Greaves kindly wrote us a report on the Cornwall Trec Junior Teams time at the Nationals.

Here is what he had to say...

Donna was first up, unfortunately I was dealing with Benson so only saw the last bit of cross country and no photo (Sorry Donna!). Donna had a good show jumping round with a quick time and got round the cross country with a fast time, unfortunately picking up penalties on the cross country section cost her a top placing but the bit I saw looked fantastic!

Harry was next and he and Benson had a good show jumping time (they were 3rd fastest in this section) out on the cross country they went at a great pace and all went well until the last fence which was a corner jump and Benson hates corners! So Harry had already decided to take the alternative which involved a turn back up the course but when they went to jump the uphill section Benson slipped (front left Harry tells me!) and they clattered into the fence and stopped, they quickly went over ok on the next attempt and ended up with an incredible 1 second off the optimum time which was the closest anybody came to the optimum. But the 20 points picked up pushed him down to 15th but still a great result and great to see Benson at 21 still competing at this level and loving it.

Sophie and Juno (not sure on the spelling) an absolutely fantastic pair! Really really fast show jumping round (Fastest time in this section) went round the cross country beautifully Juno did everything that was asked from him Sophie opted to take the direct route on the last fence which was not a problem for Juno, but on landing you had to hold on to left line down to the finish and unfortunately Sophie missed the line and went down the wrong channel and was eliminated (this kept happening to people all weekend it really was tricky to see the channel so Sophie was not alone!) To make matters worse we heard that Sophie and Juno would have been pretty damn close to optimum time which with the fastest show jumping time would have put them in first!

A really fun weekend thank you Trec for a great opportunity although the individuals came back empty handed I really do think they represented the club well.

Last Word

Thank you for your patience. We will be in touch very soon. Till then, keep an eye on the website and happy riding.

All the best

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