

# WORCESTER & DISTRICT RIDING CLUB



# News

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## COME AND SHARE THE CELEBRATIONS

2010 will go down in history as one of the most successful years in the club's 49-year history - so make sure you come to the AGM and awards evening on November 25th when we enter our golden jubilee year - to share the celebrations.

Our new trainers were well received, the one-day-event we organised was even better than last year's, we had successes at Mercian and area competitions, culminating in winning the Riding Clubs' Eventer Challenge at Blenheim International Horse Trials - the only team to finish on a zero score and the first time we've ever won - then two days later every single rider who went to the championships won at least one rosette, both our style jumping teams were placed - one of them won - and our dressage team was placed 5th - with many team members winning individual placings as well. This is the third time we have taken the BSJA Eagle Trophy in five years.

Our teams won both heights at the Mercian Hunter Trials, we won the Dressage to Music, came 2nd in the style jumping at both heights, had the individual winner at the dressage, plus other placings, won the combined training with team 4ths as well and individual 1st to 5th placings, won the showing with two individual 1sts, a 2nd and a 4th, achieved team 3rd at both heights in the two-phase, then our teams finished 1st and 3rd at the quiz.

We finished the Mercian League in second place, six points behind the winners, and 78 ahead of the club that came third.

Perhaps most importantly the spirit of camaraderie

has been amazing with people stepping in to help other members out of difficulties whether that be loaning a horse to ride or as a companion.

The branded club clothing and saddlecloths with our distinctive black pear have helped members link up at shows with fellow team members they haven't met before and we managed to get a banner in time to stake out our pitch at the national championships at Lincoln. If you haven't yet got a polo shirt or saddlecloth (or any of the other items available), see chairman Sarah Lovatt. They are all cost price thanks to sponsorship from Treehouse Sporting Colours.

Our open show in June was another success for the club, thanks to the generosity of the Heath Family who have, for years, allowed us to use their land at Hanbury. Many thanks to all the helpers who gave their time to set it up, run it and dismantle it.

And the same goes for our one day event at Hilltop. Most of us have horses, families and sundry other dependents to care for. Your committee knows how valuable your time is and really appreciates your help.

If we can build on this spirit into our golden jubilee we'll be unbeatable as we are investing the money we make into quality training for members at all levels.

Wherever the black pear banner appears other clubs will know they'll have a run for their money!

## MAKE A DATE November 25th

- Annual awards evening
- Three-course meal & coffee
- short AGM

AT: Ombersley Golf Club

7 for 7.30pm to dine (special deal, £17pp inc coffee)  
9pm awards and AGM only

***Book early to avoid disappointment!***

Contact Rebecca Vale,  
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• The BSJA Eagle Trophy returns to Worcester, won by (l-r) Leanne Bennett, Vicki Hancox, Rebecca Harris and Jodie Aston

# RESULTS...RESULTS...RESULTS...RESULTS.

## MERCIAN - SECOND OVERALL IN THE 2010 LEAGUE

\* Mercian Hunter Trials

2'3" Worcester Willows - 1st. Worcester Wizards -5th.

2'9" Worcester Wanderers 1st, Worcester Warriors - 6th.

• Arena Eventing.

2'3". 4th individual overall and dressage, Jodie Aston. 6th individual overall and dressage Heather Smith.

2'9" Worcester Wonders team 4th. 1st individual dressage Caroline Horsley. 4th= individual Caroline Archer. 3rd individual overall Caroline Archer. 6th individual overall Caroline Horsley.

• Dressage to Music and Style Jumping

Worcester Wagners team 1st. Caroline Archer 1st individual prelim D2M. Sarah Lovatt individual 4th prelim D2M. Becky Symonds individual 4th novice D2M.

Style Jumping 2'3": Worcester Wizards team 2nd. Nicki Mundy individual 2nd. Sarah Lovatt individual 3rd.

2'9" Worcester Wonders team 2nd. Worcester Warners team 3rd. Jodie Aston 3rd individual. Daisy Ingram 6th individual.

• Dressage: Team 6th. Lizzie Smith individual 1st (the highest score of the day). Vicki Hancox and Nicki Smith individual 4th. Nicki Mundy individual 5th. Vicki Hancox individual 6th.

• Combined Training: 2'3" 1 Worcester Wizards team 4th. Worcester Wonders team 5th. Kate Webberley individual 5th. 2'9" Worcester Wasps team 1st. Worcester Willows team 4th. Heidi Bradshaw individual 1st. Claire Watkins individual 2nd. Leanne Bennett individual 3rd. Vicki Hancox individual 4th.

• Showing: Team 1st. Nicki Mundy individual 1st (cob). Carol Pointon (and Jan Gilbert's horse, Zaco), 1st veteran. Liz Lindsay 2nd individual and Zoe Griffin 5th individual (working hunter).

• Two-Phase. 2'3" Worcester Wizards team 3rd. Lorna Walsh individual 3rd. Jodie Aston individual 6th=. 2'9" Worcester Warriors team 3rd.

• Quiz: Worcester Warriors 1st. Worcester Wizards 3rd.

## AREA - TEAM WINS IN FOH PAIRS, STYLE JUMPING, NOVICE DRESSAGE

• Festival of the Hunter, Senior Novice Worcester Warriors 3rd. Pairs: Beth Evans and Vicki Hancox 1st. Leanne Bennett and Vicki Hancox 3rd. Senior Open: Worcester team 4th. Vicki Hancox individual 5th.

• Show and Style Jumping:

Novice SJ Worcester Owls team 2nd. Becky Briggs individual 3rd. Vicki Hancox individual 4th.

Open: Worcester Tigers team 4th. Liz Davies individual 4th.

Style Jumping: Worcester Blues team 1st. Worcester Reds team 2nd. Worcester Greens team 3rd. Daisy Ingram individual 1st.

Claire Watkins individual 2nd. Caroline Archer individual 3rd.

• Dressage to Music: Novice with no points Becky Symonds 6th. Novice with points Liz Lindsay 5th. Elementary Carol Pointon 5th.

• Horse Trials: Intermediate: Team 5th. Rebecca Harris 3rd in section. Open: Vicki Hancox 5th in section.

• Novice dressage: Worcester Team 1, team 2nd. Claire Watkins individual 1st.

## NATIONALS - STYLE JUMPING & EVENTER CHALLENGE CHAMPIONS

• Dressage - team 5th, Vicki Hancox 3rd in arena, Caroline Archer 7th, Claire Watkins 10th.

• Style Jumping - Worcester Blues Team 1st (Vicki Hancox individual 8th), Rebecca Harris, Leanne Bennett and Jodie Aston.

Worcester Reds 9th - Becky Briggs, Claire Watkins, Caroline Archer and Joyce Brown.

Blenheim Eventer Challenge - Team 1st (out of 35): Tom Webb, Leanne Bennett, Vicki Hancox and Liz Davies.



• The successful Blenheim team (l-r) Liz Davies, Leanne Bennett, Vicki Hancox and Tom Webb

## MASSAGE THERAPY

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## MERCIAN TEAMS

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