



The Gate Riding Club
The Showground
Coton Road
Whitacre Heath
B46 2HL

Dear member

I would like to take the opportunity of welcoming you to the Gate Riding Club, and thank you for joining us.

We hold regular shows and dressage competitions throughout the season and offer classes for all ages and abilities. If you have a suggestion for a class, please do not hesitate to speak to one of the committee about it.

Committee members can usually be spotted wearing light blue polo shirts or body warmers in dark blue both with the Gate Riding Club on the back. The committee are Andrew Leedham: Chairman , Julie Warner: Secretary, Vicky Masters: Show Secretary, Barbara Marsland: Dressage Secretary , Sharon Bridger: Membership Secretary, Ann Masters: Treasurer, along with Annabel Hunt, Rachel Morton Hancox, Judith Mc Grath, Louise Francis, Kay Followell and Laura Bridger who can be found on the show ground on show days

There is a purpose-built café at the top end of the show ground (car entrance) offering freshly prepared hot and cold food alongside the usual drinks and snacks.

We are British Riding Club affiliated and will often send teams to compete at Area 5 events and even at Hickstead. If you are interested in joining in with the team events, please email me on gatesecretary@outlook.com. As a B.R.C. member you will receive newsletters and discounts at various equestrian companies, these are sent to your home address directly.

As well as the shows, we also hold regular clinics in flat work, showing and jumping to help you and your horse improve, these are generally based on ability and what improvements you hope to achieve. As a member, you are entitled to discounted fees at all the clinics. We also try to hold 'tack sales' for you to sell your old bits and bobs and acquire new. Please see the website www.gateridingclub.co.uk or our Facebook page The Gate Riding Club Group for further details; we love to see your pictures and updates on Facebook so please do join the group, alternately you can mail me gatesecretary@outlook.com. Our AGM is held annually and details will be posted on Facebook and the webpage all members are welcome to attend.

There is a regular photographer PMImaging in attendance and you can buy prints on the day, they also have a website www.pmimaging.co.uk to order when you've had chance to browse them all.

Additionally enclosed with this pack we have compiled a simple check list of some of the expectations in the showing and in hand classes that may be of help to you when trying to decide what to enter and what the judges will be expecting to see.

Every year we hold a presentation evening which gives us all the chance to put on our dancing shoes, fine clothes and celebrate the achievements of all our members of the previous showing season. It would be lovely to see you there; once again details will be as previous.

Finally, do check out the sponsors adverts, in the porta-cabin we really would struggle to put on a show without their help and they offer some great services, you will also find updates on events, clinics and BRC team updates here too.

I look forward to seeing you at the showground.

Julie Warner
Club Secretary