

Horsham & District Riding Club

Riding Club Team Showjumping

LOCATION:

RIHS at Hickstead

DATE:

29th July 2007

Results Report

We had 4 teams entered this year, giving as many members as possible the chance to ride at this prestigious event. The competition consists of 3 riders per team, one jumping at 2'9", one at 3' and one at 3'3". Each rider jumps just one round but if there is equality of faults at the end, the decision is based on the combined team's time so it is against the clock from the off.

For anyone who went to Hickstead for the June or July meeting, will know how wet it was everywhere. All lorries and trailers had to be towed in and out of the lorry park, often waiting 2 to 4 hours to get the help of a tractor! The weather also meant that the competition was moved from one of the outside grass rings into the brand new all weather surface - complete with banners around the ring, flowers everywhere and an imposing but beautifully presented course. This gave the whole day a more professional feel about it as well as ensuring a larger audience !

The course was taking its toll with faults spread around the course and clear rounds hard to come by. Of our 12 riders, 5 did jump clear – Helen Greenwood, Hayley Dumbrell, Lynn Currie, Natasha Morris, and Simon Leadbetter. However we did not manage to get them all in the same team or we would have won it ! However the Hogwarts did finish on a team score of just 4 faults to finish a very creditable 7th out of the 80 teams taking part. Only 3 teams finished on a zero score with Newlands Corner taking the honours.

Horsham Hogwarts – 4 faults and 7th Place

Helen Greenwood
Vicky Allen
Simon Leadbetter

Horsham Hippies – 12 faults

Elaine Ticehurst
Lynn Currie
Laura Durkin

Horsham Horrors – 24 faults

Hayley Dumbrell
Kathryn Brown
Sarah Bowe

Horsham Happies – 24 faults

Nicki Roberts
Natasha Morris
Ros Head

Report by Max Gayler, Chef D'Equipe