



WINDSOR PARK EQUESTRIAN CLUB NEWSLETTER January 2022

WELCOME

In 2021 we celebrated our 50th anniversary and very sadly mourned the loss of our founder and former President, the late Duke of Edinburgh.

We managed to host the majority of planned events alongside covid restrictions and I think its fair to say we all enjoyed having a bit of 'normality' in the summer months, getting out in the fresh air and enjoying our four legged friends.

We hope you enjoy our newsletter and finding out what we have planned for a big year ahead. As always, we look forward to seeing you all soon.

AGM

We have decided, for everyone's safety, to hold our AGM virtually on Zoom. All members will be sent a link to this meeting

The date will be 27th February 2022 at 11:30am.

Please contact wpecsecretary@outlook.com for log on details.



WELCOME HRH

We are thrilled to announce that HRH The Countess of Wessex has agreed to be our new President. She has already been helping us to maintain and enhance relations with the Royal Park and has helped us to secure some fantastic new obstacle sites.

We know you will all join us in thanking her for supporting the club and in welcoming her to the WPEC family.

DRIVING DATES 2022

- 9th April Training Day
- 10th April 1 Day Meet
- 23-24th April 2 Day Meet
- 21-22nd May 2 Day Meet
- 18-19th June 2 Day Meet
- 9-10th July REGIONAL
- 30-31st July 2 Day Meet
- 3-4th Sept 2 Day Meet

All entries can be taken online.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

We celebrated our 50th anniversary in memory of the late Duke of Edinburgh. We were very fortunate that the Royal Mews allowed us a close look at the Duke's Carriage Collection. Head Coachman, Matthew Powers and his team treated us to a gala evening and a chance to talk to the coachmen about the carriages and see them in action. We are certain it brought a lump to everyone's throats seeing the carriages come down the long mile from the castle through the mist.

A memory to last a lifetime.





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MEMBERSHIP & ENTRIES

A gentle reminder to re join with Windsor Park Equestrian Club for the season ahead.

This can be done quickly and easily on our website.

www.wpec.org.uk

We have sent this newsletter to all of last year's members and current members.

If you have any questions please contact Helen Pritchard on wpecsecretary@outlook.com

Or 01428 288301

Another gentle reminder that **entries close 2 weeks prior to the competition.** This is to ensure we have enough time to make certain that times and all paperwork is correct. Please do help us to help you by entering early.

DRESSAGE DATES 2022

- 10th April
- 24th April
- 22nd May
- 19th June
- 31st July
- 4th Sept

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NEW OBSTACLES

Julian Burleton, Dick Lane, Jeff Bannister, alongside many other volunteers have been busy building us some fabulous new obstacles for the season ahead. We are so grateful for all their hard work to get to this point and cannot wait to see them in action in the summer. We are also looking forward to reinstating the old water obstacle at The Prince of Wales Pond, of which we know many will have fond memories .



WELCOME VICTORIA

Last year Jodie Shaw decided to step down as Dressage Organiser due to family commitments. We know you will join us in welcoming Victoria Landeryou to the team as the Ridden Dressage Organiser. We are all very excited to have her with us, and we thank Jodie for her dedication and hard work to the club during her tenure.

Victoria is introducing new team competitions for

this year and is contactable on

wpecdressage@outlook.com



VOLUNTEERS

WE NEED YOU!

We are always in need of volunteers to help us at our events.

It is a great way to learn or find your way into the sport. You could be doing a variety of activities from dressage writing (ridden or driven) to stewarding on an obstacle.

If you can help on any event days please contact Mandy Bannister at:

prinsk10@gmail.com

