



Dear All,

Firstly the Training department would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year! Thank you for your continued support and we hope that you have a fantastic pony club 2017 season. We hope that you find the information on this bulletin useful. All of the blue links in the text will take you directly to the relevant webpage by clicking on them. We love to hear from you so please get in touch with any feedback or anything you wish to be included in the next one. Please e-mail us at Jackie@pcuk.org or trainingassistant@pcuk.org.

LATEST NEWS

Training department update

So in the last bulletin Jenny was about to leave on maternity and she has now had a little girl called Chloe. We are looking forward to her return to the office in March 2017. The department has continued to run despite on the odd bump along the way! If you should need to contact Jackie her e-mail Jackie@pcuk.org or alternatively, Katie at trainingassistant@pcuk.org for all your training enquiries.

Training pages on the Website

The training and coaching area is continually being updated so keep an eye open for upcoming events for all members, coaches, and assessors.

Be sure to take a look at our new member training page for listings of all shared training open to all members across different areas. Please take a look at following link to see if there is anything you may like to attend!

www.pcuk.org/index.php/training/tests/member_training/

Rider Development Pathway new facelift and sponsor!

The Pony Club Talent Pathway is the successor to the Rider Development Pathway (RDP). Sponsored by Aberystwyth University, the scheme aids the development of Pony Club Members who show ability to progress in their chosen discipline of Show Jumping, Dressage or Eventing.



The minimum entry criteria previously used for the Rider Development Pathway has been altered to open the application process to a wider audience; enabling more Pony Club Members to take part and benefit from the coaching on offer. Remember you can attend as many training and assessment days as you wish to do so and can also travel to other areas if you should wish to do so. This year have a fantastic group of Coaches for these days so please take advantage of this scheme. For more details have a look on the Pony Club Talent Pathway page on the website.

Good luck to all you planning on attending any of the days.

www.pcuk.org/index.php/training/member_opportunities/riderdevelopmentpathway/



Tests And Achievements

We have had a super year for pass rates of tests and achievement badges. We are now starting the training for tests next year. There are 6 training days for B+/A test training so please take a look at the following link for further information on dates etc:

www.pcuk.org/index.php/training/training_test_training_for_members/

Congratulations to the following on passing their A Test this year:

Esther Mills – Glossop and District
Emily Kendall – Portman Hunt
Jess Folwell – East Sussex
Lucinda Elliott – Zetland Hunt
Oliver Coombe-Tennant – Lord Leconfield
Oliver Martin – West Kent Meopham
Rebecca Williams – Cottesmore
Eleanor Smale – Old Surrey and Burstow
Beatle Payne – Atherstone Hunt

All relevant nomination forms and other details about the test are all on this link:

www.pcuk.org/index.php/dcs_information/dc_guides_handbooks/dcs_training/

We now also have new updated sample question to help you prepare for all levels of tests so please take a look so you can be as ready as possible to take your test!

www.pcuk.org/index.php/training/coaching/coaching_resources/

Unity Update

Thank you to all Branches who have uploaded **ALL** of their current Coaches details onto the Unity database. Please make sure that although you have out your Coaches details on, that they are also **FULLY UP TO DATE** with all relevant certificates. The following should all have valid current expiry dates.

- A current CPD which the coach has attended within the last 2 years.
- First Aid certificate
- Disclosure check/PVG check/Access NI
- Safeguarding course or online course attended.
- Have access to a Coaches folder

Centres

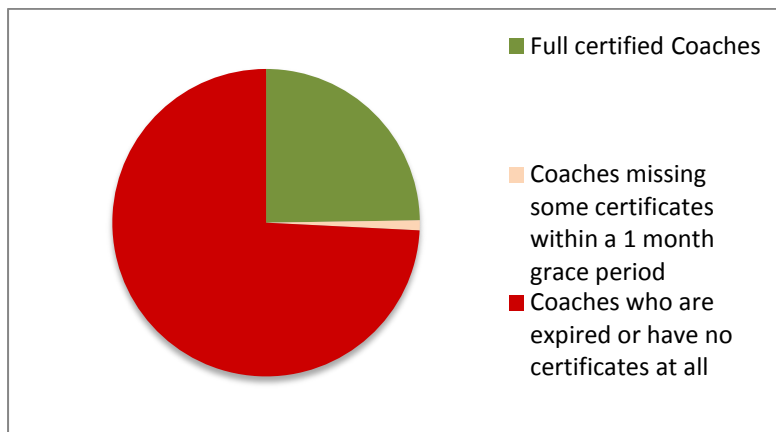
The new Unity Database will be launched to Centres early in 2017. All coaches from 2016 Centre visits have been recorded by the Centre Team and will be added to Unity in the New Year. If you have any Coach requirement updates to make before Unity is launched to Centres, these can be provided directly to rebecca@pcuk.org



Please take a look at our Unity Pie Chart to see exactly how many Coaches are missing certificates. We are having a real push in the training department to get everyone up to date. Remember we can update your details if necessary in the office but there should be a designated point of contact within your branch who can update your Coaches file accordingly. If you should require any assistant regarding any safeguarding courses please contact Stef Brazier at Stefanie@pcuk.org and a list of courses for next year can be found here:

www.pcuk.org/index.php/safeguarding/safeguarding_and_protecting_children_workshops/safeguarding_workshops/

Unity Coaches Certification Pie Chart.



UKCC

We have had a really good year with lots of passes throughout levels 1 and 2. Level 3 will be taking their assessment in March 2017. Please take a look if you think you may be interested in getting on a course as we have already starting listing next years due to popular demand!

UKCC is a fantastic way to get into coaching and through the duration of the course you will learn the fundamental skills to improve how you deliver a coaching session. In turn this will maximise your pupils learning potential.

The courses are open to all and you don't have to be associated with Pony Club to go on one. Please take a look at the website page for further details.

www.pcuk.org/index.php/training/coaching/training_ukcc/

ABRS Jeffress Scholarship Trust Bursaries

Thank you to those who have applied for this year's ABRS scholarship funding. We will be reviewing all of the applicants over the festive season and the 3 successful Coaches we will be putting forward will be announced in January. We are really lucky to be able to offer this bursary again as it will provide Coaches with an extra support towards those additional costs incurred through further training courses.

Have a look at the couple of videos for some ideas for winter pole work ideas.

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/horsephysio.ch/videos/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uZzsRvxTbP8>