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AUTUMN 2004 NEWSLETTER

VAULTING SUCCESS



The Cruckton Vaulting Team won the Vaulting Trophy at the RDA National Championships at Hartpury College in July. Well done to Scott Boardman, Charlie Brittain Tom Higginson, Anthony Munk and Dan Thwaites! And a big thank you to Danielle and to Stacey who came along with us to make up the numbers!

Wee done to the team for their 2nd place at the British Vaulting Championships in Aberystwyth in August.

Volunteer Changes

We are sad to lose Dawn Broster who has been helping on a Monday for a long time now. However Alexia Ross has stepped in to replace her and we wish Alexia a warm welcome. Best wishes to Denny Johnson for a

speedy recovery and a return to the Group

. We have also said goodbye to Nicola Waldendorf who has moved house and can no longer help our group and we are pleased to welcome back Nick Ffoulkes Jones who

will be helping with our Friday driving group. If anybody has an acquaintance they think might like to come along and help, please bring them to see what we do. Who knows, we may be able to convince them to stay!!

RDA CHAMPS!

More success for the Perry Group at the National Championships. Riders Scott Boardman, Anthony Munk and Dan Thwaites received trophies for their Ride in the Country test and Anne Browning riding Berry received a 4th place in the Grade IV Dressage Competition

Very well done to Murphy and Berry who behaved impeccably all day.

FUND RAISING FUN!!



*Cathy and Margaret at Runcorn
on the First Day*

Newly weds Duncan and Angela Lewis blazed the trail across the Pennines by leaving two days ahead of Cathy Buckland, Margaret Green and Jane. Sadly Lizzie Lawrence was unable to cycle owing to an pony inflicted accident to her knee the previous week. However Lizzie and Joe provided stalwart back up in the pickup and were there to help with punctures and luggage lifting when necessary. Margaret was only able to be with us for the first day and from then on it was just Cathy and Jane experiencing the tranquillity of canal towpaths and cycle tracks along disused railway lines, an abundance of wild flowers and wild life and just one raincloud on top of the Pennines. We had a thoroughly enjoyable time and the good news is that we will have raised over £2,000 . Keep your eyes out for next year's route!! It will be worth joining us!

MID AUGUST ON THE LONG MYND

We had good weather for the Sponsored Ride, our ponies Murphy, Berry, Dillon and Archie were joined by Pam Evans' mare Connie and everyone behaved very well. Riders were Lily Barnwell, Rachel Evans, Michelle Deacon, Jill Harrison, Tom and Beth Higginson, Kyle Mahy, Anthony Munk, Dan Ricks, Emily and Maddie Swatman, Alison Smit and Dan Thwaites.

The exact total has not yet been calculated but we hope to have raised in the region of £750



Pam on Connie, Beth on Murphy with Tom, Anthony on foot with Dan on Dillon and Alison on Berry with Jill.

MORE FUND RAISING

For those who attended the James Bond 007 Ball at the end of August a good night was certainly had by all! We were greeted by very brave girls in bikinis who handed out (quite strong) vodka martinis or champagne, canapes were served and we then sat down to an excellent three course meal with cheese and biscuits and coffee to follow. There was live music and a Casino where the idea was to exchange real money for Casino paper money, the one with the most winnings earning a bottle of champagne at the end . the night, or lose the lot—like

Hilley Farm Fun Ride is the last fund raising event we have planned for this year.

If anyone has any ideas of a good way in which we can raise money, and enjoy ourselves at the same time, please contact any of our Committee Members and let us know.

* *Christmas Lunch* *

*THURSDAY
16TH DECEMBER*

*GOOD LUCK
TO
Joyce in her
house move!*