

From the Horse's Mouth

July 2011

A Newsletter for
The Supporting Riders of the Light Cavalry HAC



Stable Notes

Hello again to all the Supporting Riders!

It has been a busy few months, with two guards at Smith's Lawn, the General's Inspection, the HAC Saddle Club John Palmer Cup and Pyramid Trophy, the Eton Tattoo, the Pegasus Course, and a display at Horse World.

This year it has been great to welcome some new volunteers to help us get the horse ready. Charles Gillow has asked me to extend the thanks of all the Light Cavalry HAC riders to our volunteers because as he says "Without your help, it just doesn't happen."

Yet to come this year, is our most important Polo Guard at Smiths Lawn for the Cartier International Day on July 24th and the Light Cavalry Annual Dinner to be held at Armoury House (application form on page 7 of this issue.

The conditions in the Park have been trying over the last 6 weeks or so—with very hard ground. However, the recent rain should change that. I found the photo below on the Daily Telegraph website and wanted to share it with you. It is such a privilege to be able to ride out in the Park and I encourage you all to get out there and enjoy the summer weather while you can.



Dates for your Diary : 2011

July 3rd	Military Tournament : Skill at Arms Competition : Haileybury
July 21st	Light Cavalry Annual Dinner at Armoury House
July 24th	Cartier International Day, Light Cavalry Polo Guard
September 10th	Henley Show
October 1 st	Uniformed Services Show
November 1 st	Fund raising dinner, Armoury House
November 12th	Lord Mayor's Show
December 10 th	Christmas Party, Armoury House

Voucher scheme to save you money!

Further to our notice in the last Horse's Mouth. We have now set up a pre paid riding scheme where supporting riders can pay monthly for their rides.

If you would like to purchase vouchers for your riding please ask one of the members of staff.

YOU MUST PURCHASE 4 WEEKS WORTH OF VOUCHERS WHICH WILL BE VALID FOR FOUR WEEKS.

RIDE TYPE PAY AS YOU GO PRICE VOUCHER PRICE

4X 1HR PRIVATE WEEK LESSON	£168	£126
4 X 1HR PRIVATE WEEKEND LESSON	£176	£132
4 X 1HR WEEK EVENING GROUP	£120	£90
4X 1HR WEEKEND SATURDAY GROUP	£128	£96
4 X 2HR PRIVATE WEEK HACK	£180	£135
4 X 2HR PRIVATE WEEKEND HACK	£200	£150

Pegasus Pass-Out : by Julie Percival

Well done to the five cadets from Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire Wing completed the Pegasus Course, which took place 31st May - 2nd June. Bombardier Whitehead was the equitation instructor, and the cadets learned a lot about military equitation. Two of the cadets are also junior supporting riders.



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The Annual Inspection : Sunday May 15th

Report by: Victoria Lee

The 150th Anniversary of the Light Cavalry was marked by the Annual Inspection of the Mounted and Dismounted Guard held on Sunday 15th May in the new location of the Deer Park. There were a lot of new Supporting Riders who were grooms for the day and Caroline's training paid off as all horses' coats shone in the brief bursts of sunshine which broke through the typically British light summer drizzle.

The Light Cavalry were inspected by Brigadier Matthew Lowe, MBE from the Parachute Regiment. All the horses performed impeccably, including a walk, trot and canter alongside the crowd. Following the inspection Leo, Bob, Dan and Sam took part in the Skills at Arms display which included tent-pegging. New recruit Dan was exceptionally enthusiastic demonstrating considerable speed throughout the display. The afternoon was rounded off by a highly successful Charles Gillow on Leo leading the team home in canter displaying the Union Jack. Sadly the lettuces, which were expected to be used in the display, were not needed, so the Supporting Riders were able to take them home as souvenirs!



Photos by : Julie Percival



John Palmer and Pyramid Trophy Results

The HAC Saddle Club held their annual competition at Flemish Farm in May . The event was well attended and it was good to see such good horsey camaraderie amongst the competitors. Everyone “had a go” and hopefully had a lot of fun along the way. Huge thanks must go to Jan Glen who organised us all and to Caroline and her staff for keeping everyone safe and sane.

The results were as follows:

Prelim Dressage

1. Annette Scott on Pocholo
2. Clare Bowyer on Leo
3. Juanita Coulson on Benson
- =4. Kate Robinson on Ebony
- =4. Natalie Brent on Sam
6. Philippa Turner on Moritz

Novice Dressage – Pyramid Trophy

1. Jan Glen on Dan – Pyramid Trophy
2. Joy Montgomery on Sam – OC's Trophy
3. Lyndsey Reid on Moritz
4. Vincent Savolainen on Benson
5. Susie Flook on Cara
6. Kate Robinson on Ebony

John Palmer Cup

1. Juanita Coulson – Bob – John Palmer Cup
2. Stephen Coulson on Bob
- =3. Susie Flook on Cara - The Shirley Trophy
- =3. Nigel Marshall on Leo
5. Joy Montgomery on Sam
6. Toby Weeden – on Dan



Photographic Competition

**NEW Competition! Competition! Competition! Dust off your cameras now!
Calling all Photographers to get snapping**

We are proposing a small change to the photo competition this year. Instead of a calendar, we want to produce a Light Cavalry limited edition Christmas card and some note cards to be sold in aid of the Light Cavalry.

Light Cavalry members, supporting riders and their friends and family are invited to submit up to 2 photographs per person. Photos can be of the Light Cavalry horses, people, events or even objects but should show what you consider to be the essence of the Light Cavalry but **MUST be the work of the entrant**. See the diary dates for photo opportunities or just snap around the yard! Photos may be landscape or portrait.

Judges from the Light Cavalry will choose one photograph for a Christmas card and one for a note card. Each winner will receive a free pack of the cards. The cards will be on sale from the end of September 2011.

How do I enter?

Please read the full terms and conditions below before entering.
Each photograph should include a title for the image, and send it either:

1. In **high quality** JPEG format via e-mail to charmanfma@aol.com. Please include your name, address and telephone number on the e-mail and a 'title' for your photo
or
2. Send individual photographs with your name on the back, to Fiona Charman, 4 Garrick Court, 31 Theatre Street, London, SW11 5ND with your name and contact details as above. (Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope if you would like your photo returned.)

When is the closing date? 1st August 2011

If you have any queries please contact Fiona Charman on 07970 176 411 or via the e-mail above.

Terms and conditions:

1. **Each entrant may submit a maximum of 2 entries for short-listing by the closing date of 1st August 2011.**
2. **Photographs from any year will be accepted and may be black and white or colour.**
3. **Cropping, lightening or darkening the image is acceptable but no major computer enhanced processes may be used.**
4. **Entry subject matter is limited to events related to the Light Cavalry only. Other images will not be considered.**
5. **Please provide a title for your entry**
6. **Each entry must be accompanied by the entrants name and address and telephone number.**
7. **No postal photographs will be returned unless an stamped addressed envelope accompanies your entry.**
8. **Your photographs will be copyright free for use by the Light Cavalry only.**
9. **The Light Cavalry will not pass the photographs onto any other party without consulting you for permission (which you can refuse.)**
10. **The Judges decision is final.**

Good luck!

Light Cavalry HAC: Horse of the Month:

Horse of the month: LEO

Leo is 11 yrs old and arrived at Flemish Farm in April 2010. Leo was cast from Kings Troop because he did not take to well to life in London and found it very stressful. Leo is defiantly a country boy.

He settled in very quickly with the Light Cavalry and their supporting riders and we discovered he is one of the kindest horses, who can be shy to start with but once he overcomes that, he loves to have a cuddle. He came to us with a hogged mane, which has now re-grown and we think he is a much more handsome boy.

Leo is forward going in the park and loves his jumping. He is also a strong member of the Skill at Arms team which has taken him to such places as the South of England show, Hartpury College and he has appeared on TV twice.

Since Leo has been in the first stable in the barn, his head bending round the corner towards the school, is a sight that would feel very strange not to see every day.



He just knows he looks gorgeous!

Light Cavalry HAC Annual Dinner – Thursday 21st July 2011

The Light Cavalry Annual Dinner will be held at Armoury House, the Regimental Headquarters of the Honourable Artillery Company, which is based in the City of London. This is a glittering occasion when Supporting Riders may invite family members and friends to join with the members of the Light Cavalry HAC for their annual dinner. Dress is formal (see below), ladies are advised to wear evening dress.

The address of Armoury House is : City Road, City of London, EC1Y2BQ. Parking is available. However, it is a military establishment and security is tight, so please contact John Tunesi and let him know you if would like parking and supply him with your name, car registration, make and model.

APPLICATION FORM

Name: _____

Tel No. _____

E-Mail: _____

I wish to attend the Annual Dinner in the Long Room on Thursday, 21st July and I would like to bring the following guests:

Rank or Title	Name	Dietary Requirements

Dress: Mess Kit preferred but alternatives acceptable to the OC are: Blue Patrols, Full Dress Tunic less cross belt, sword and sabretache slings or black tie.

I enclose my cheque made payable to the Light Cavalry HAC in the amount of £ at £45.00 per head.

NB – Your application must reach the Sutler by Monday, 11th July at the latest.

Post to:

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