

# **BSJA Newsletter**

March 2010

Welcome to the start of the 2010 season!

Unfortunately in what seems to be becoming something of a tradition, our first event has had to be cancelled due to a waterlogged Showground. Let's hope for better weather from now on so that we can start jumping on the weekend of March 13th/14<sup>th</sup>.

## **NEW CONSTITUTION**

For those of you that didn't attend the recent EGM, the new BSJA Jersey Constitution has now been passed.

A copy is available for downloading from this website.

## **HELP YOUR CLUB CLEAN UP!**

We are holding a working party from 10am to 2pm on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> March at the Showground to prepare for the season.

Our top priority is to clean the white railings so that they sparkle. Please come armed with a bucket, sponge, and if necessary your Marigolds, and even if you are only able to clean a small section, your help will be much appreciated.

We also need to clean out the old canteen of anything salvageable i.e. stainless steel panels, grill and fridges, which will be stored for possible future use. Anyone with carpentry skills and strength would be particularly welcome.

The old and beyond repair canteen is going to be scrapped to make way, we hope, for a GRANDSTAND, which is kindly being sponsored by Daren Malorey (Plumbing & Heating Engineer).

Finally, the Play Area needs tidying up to make it useable for this season so a special plea to parents of small children to come and help.

Coffee, tea and biscuits will be available to help keep you going.

## **CANTEEN**

Following the discussion at the EGM about canteen arrangements, we're very pleased to tell you that Beezkneez, who some of you will know from their concession at Les Platons, have agreed to provide us with a very comprehensive service for the season. We hope you will all support them and enjoy their food.

## **FIRST AID**

Emergency and Basic First Aid course is being held on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March 6pm – 9pm at St Martin's First Aid Hall.

This course is run for clubs and associations at a subsidised rate of £12.40 per person. The normal cost is £52 per individual. There are still places on this course so if you are interested please ring Angela Mitchell on 863679 or 07797 735447 to book your place.

We would like to encourage members to be able to deal with first aid situations quickly and efficiently.

## **MEMBERSHIPS AND REGISTRATIONS**

Memberships and Registrations are now due for the 2010 season.

Application forms are available for downloading from this website and must be sent to:

Mrs M Pichler, La Poste, Rue de Fliquet, St Martin JE3 6BP

to arrive no later than 3 working days before you wish to compete.

Please mark the envelope 'BSJA' and make cheques out to BSJA Jersey.

Any child competing in Pony classes must have a parent/guardian as a BSJA Jersey member.

Anyone wishing to register a horse or pony must be a BSJA Jersey member.

A horse or pony must be re-registered on change of ownership.

All ponies, either 128cm or 148cm, with more than 16 points (£50) must enclose a copy of their up to date JMB Height Certificate.

Finally, please remember to inform our Registration Secretary of any change of address, telephone number or email details.

## **LIBERATION DAY SHOW**

The schedule is in the final stages of preparation and will be on the website very soon.

We are hoping to have both Senior and Pony Teams from Guernsey and an Army team from the Royal Artillery in England.

Anyone who would like to be considered for the Senior or Pony Teams must enter the appropriate classes at the Rallies.

There will be a welcome drinks party at the Showground on Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> April from 7pm, and the Liberation Day Show Dinner will be on the evening of Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

Tickets for the dinner will be available from Jackie Hankin (07797 720672) who is organising the evening.

## **ENTRIES AT SHOWGROUND**

We are introducing something new for entries that are taken on the Showground in an attempt to streamline the system and reduce the congestion and the noise in the bus.

To this effect, the Clubhouse will be used for filling in Entry Forms which will then be handed in at the bus. Schedules and the Points list will be available in the Clubhouse along with the Entry Forms.

Cheques (made out to BSJA Jersey) are preferable to cash.

## **COLLECTING RING AND ORDER OF GOING**

We are introducing a new system that has been trialled and approved by BSJA UK and which was discussed at the recent Judge's Conference.

In A7 competitions only, the order of going for the jump off (if you have qualified) will be the reverse of the first round. Therefore, if you put your number on the board to go first and get into the jump off, you will be last to go.

A reminder here to be ready to compete when it is your turn, and to respect the instructions of the Collecting Ring Steward at all times.

## **PAUL CRAGO**

Paul Crago will be over in Jersey, hopefully next month, and dates will be available shortly on the Forum.

Please contact Ali Rogers at [aliandjohn@jerseymail.co.uk](mailto:aliandjohn@jerseymail.co.uk) if you are interested.

Paul Crago is a BSJA approved trainer and recently has been coming regularly to Jersey.

Let's keep our fingers crossed for good weather and good jumping in 2010!

